



## IN THE STACKS

A Newsletter from the Belvedere-Tiburon Library Foundation

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### Belvedere-Tiburon Library

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## Moving Forward with Expansion Plans Where We Stand Today

### The Architect

Over the summer, the Architect Selection Committee reviewed some very exciting building proposals. Ultimately, San Francisco based EHDD Architecture, Esherick Homsey Dodge & Davis, was selected as the firm to design the building expansion. Founded in 1946 by renowned Bay Area architect Joseph Esherick, EHDD today is a national leader in architecture, design and sustainability with particular expertise in libraries, educational facilities, and museums.

### Project Management

Conversion Management Associates Inc. (CMA), the project management firm for the Library's building project in 1997, will again manage the expansion planning and construction. Belvedere resident Glenn Isaacson, a founding principal with CMA, was personally very involved in the '97 project, and has already been tremendously helpful in working on contracts, time lines, cost analysis, etc.

### A Capital Campaign

Of course we will need to raise funds in order to pay for our expansion. We have therefore recently hired a Capital Campaign Manager, Anne-Marie Bonfilio (see Page 8). A Capital Campaign Steering Committee (CCSC), previously established by the Belvedere-Tiburon Library Foundation (BTLF), will work with Anne-Marie and Library Director Deborah Mazzolini on structuring the Campaign. At their October 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting, the BTLF voted its unanimous support for the fund raising drive.

### Town Support

The land behind the Library has been donated by the Town of Tiburon to the Belvedere-Tiburon Library Agency (BTLA) for the expansion, and the project is supported in the Town of Tiburon's General Plan. Additionally, the Town of Tiburon Planning Commission and Tiburon Town Council have voted to streamline the permit review process for the Library.

### Public Meetings

It is the Belvedere-Tiburon Library Agency's mandate and EHDD's goal to give the community the opportunity for input throughout every phase of the project. The first Public Meetings with EHDD Architecture presenting and discussing options on the conceptual design will be held:

Monday, Nov. 12, 7pm at Tiburon Town Hall

Tuesday, Nov. 13, 7pm at Belvedere  
Community Room

The Library will sponsor several other open public meetings as part of the process. Notices will be posted at The Ark Newspaper, on flyers, and on the Library's website. If you would like to be included in emailings regarding presentations, please contact [dmazzolini@bel-tib-lib.org](mailto:dmazzolini@bel-tib-lib.org). Note also that the Library's Needs Assessment, which includes an executive summary, and the full building program are available at <http://thelibrary.info/info/plan.htm> as well as in the Library. Please email or call Deborah Mazzolini with any questions or comments.

# Community News



**Blackie's Hay Day**

For the second year in a row, Blackie's Pasture was turned into the site of a wonderful old-fashioned country fair. Organized and run by the Bookmarks group of the Library, the fair delighted over 500 children, as well as their grownups, with pony rides, a petting zoo, family

games, jumpies, sack races and more. Illustrator Paige Peterson read from her book, co-written with Chris Cerf, *Blackie, The Horse Who Stood Still*, and Tim Cain, Gayle Schmitt and the Toodala Ramblers, provided other entertainment for a captivated young audience.

Don't forget to sign up for Bookmarks' 8<sup>th</sup> annual *Teddy Bear Tea* coming up on December 9<sup>th</sup> (see Page 5). Tickets cost \$25 each. To purchase, call 415-233-2009 or email [skaton@mindspring.com](mailto:skaton@mindspring.com).

*Bookmarks* is a volunteer organization of the Belvedere-Tiburon Library Foundation which raises funds for a variety of programs for children and teens at the Library. It is also targeting funds for future children and teen areas in the building expansion. To learn about becoming a Bookmarks member, please call Stacy Achuck at 233-2009.

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## Authors All Around

Come review some of the recent additions to our local authors collection by the talented writers in our community:

*Success Built to Last (2007)*, by successful life coaching company founder and Belvedere resident **Stewart Emery**, with Jerry Porras and top executive coach Mark Thompson. Interviews with 300 successful people, tagged "builders," uncovers the secrets of their winning life journeys.

*Valley Boy (2007)*, by Silicon Valley venture capitalist and Belvedere author **Tom Perkins**. An engaging memoir of a fabulous and zestful life lived on the frontiers of high tech America.

The sixth edition of *The Travel Writer's Handbook: How to Write, and Sell Your Own Travel Experiences (2007)* by Tiburon author **Jacqueline Harmon Butler** and co-author Louise Purwin Zobel.

*The Efficient Golfer (2007)*, by Tiburon resident and sports biomechanics expert **Robert Anthony Prichard**.

*101 Best Scenes Ever Written: A Romp Through Literature for Writers and Readers (2006)*, by well known author and short story writer **Barnaby Conrad** of Belvedere. A discussion about motion picture authorship.

*Marin Country Club: Achieving Member Ownership, Its History from 1960 to 1982 (2007)*, by Dr. **Hillary Don**, noted local historian and Belvedere resident.

*Up High in the Trees (2007)*, by Tiburon-raised **Kiara Brinkman**. A debut novel about a family in turmoil told in the startling voice of a nine-year-old, autistic boy.

*Linda Applewhite's Architectural Interiors: Transforming Your Home with Decorative Structural Elements (2007)*, by Designer and Belvedere author **Linda Applewhite**.

*The Seventh Daughter: My Culinary Journey from Beijing to San Francisco (2007)*, by Tiburon resident **Cecilia Chiang**, former proprietor of San Francisco's famed Mandarin restaurant.

If you are a Belvedere or Tiburon author and would like to donate a copy of your work to the Library's Local Author Collection please call Librarian Elaine Crepeau at ext. 229.

*Louise, Marie, Merv and more... Mark your calendars for our*

## PROGRAMS IN THE LIBRARY

### **The Sculpture of Louise Nevelson: Constructing a Legend**

*Tuesday, November 27*

Docent **Julia Geist** offers a power point presentation of the current exhibition at the de Young Museum, comprising Nevelson's pioneering abstractions of black or white assembled wood sculptures. Exhibition dates: October 27 to January 13.

### **Marie Antoinette and the Petit Trianon**

*Tuesday, December 4*

Museum docent **Rita Dunlay** returns to discuss the latest exhibit at the Legion of Honor. The Petit Trianon was Marie Antoinette's private retreat where she could indulge in her favorite pastimes: entertaining relatives and friends with theatricals, parties and strolls in the extraordinary French, English and Chinese gardens. Exhibition dates: November 17 to February 17.

### **Merv Field - A Look at the 2008 Elections**

*Thursday, December 6*

Back by popular demand, Merv will discuss how the presidential nomination races are shaping up before the early primaries: caucuses here and in other states; the images of the Democratic and Republican candidates; and the prospects for either a Democratic or Republican victory in November.

### **The Challenges of Good Nutrition**

*Tuesday, December 18*

**Jae Berman** is a nutritionist and the Center Director of The Gym in Tiburon. Jae will discuss the myths of fad diets, other urban myths, agribusinesses and societal influences on nutrition. She aims to motivate people to use nutrition to maximize strength...and to get through the Holidays without gaining a single pound!

### *Afternoon Tea at the Library*

*Third Wednesday of  
every month, 3 to 4 pm.*



The third Wednesday of every month is a special time at the Library. Patrons of all ages, toddlers to seniors, gather with Library staff and volunteers in the Founders Room to enjoy tea, cookies, snacks and conversation as they listen to Dr. Ira's joyful piano music. All are invited.

### **Coming Attractions**

Here is a preview of a very interesting and diversified group of programs planned for the coming season. Dates to be determined:

Opportunities, challenges and successes for U.S. companies Abroad: Dr. Catherine Houghton, recently retired from the U.S. Commercial Service, has served at diplomatic posts on five continents.

Duos for Violin and Cello from the 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries: Barbara Bogatin, cellist, San Francisco Symphony, will present a recital by the Marin Chamber Soloists, and will also discuss the music and the composers' creative processes.

Egil "Bud" Krogh is the author of *Integrity: Good People, Bad Choices and Life Lessons From the White House*. One of the "president's men" in the Watergate era, he recalls how he lost his way and destroyed his life under the pressure of politics and power. He provides lessons in what integrity—and success—really mean.

"Audubon Canyon Ranch, The Secret is Out" with docents Jeanette Carr and Nancy Young discussing the mission of the Audubon Canyon.

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# from the Teen Alcove!

## Middle and High School Students

### Students – Need a Tutor?

*You've got homework.*

*We've got help.*



The Library now offers help from real, live tutors right from home or at the Library via the Internet!

Live Homework Help is available for 4<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade and college introduction level students seven days a week, from 3:00 pm to 10:00 pm (Sunday through Thursday, 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm for Spanish tutors). This program connects students to a real live tutor from home or while visiting the Library using either PCs or Macs.

Children and young adults simply log on to the Library's Web Site at [thelibrary.info](http://thelibrary.info), click on the Live Homework Help link from the Reference Center tab, enter the grade level and the subject help is needed in, and within a few minutes or less you are connected to an expert tutor. Help is available in math, science, social studies and English.

If you'd like to learn more about the program, please call the Reference Desk at 789-2661, or look at the web site.

## Upcoming Teen Events

### Anime Night

Friday, November 16, from 6-8 pm

Our popular Anime group meets for a showing of what's hot in anime. Movies rated PG-13.

### YAC Meeting (Youth Advisory Council)

Thursday, December 13 from 4-5 pm

Help plan events, recommend books, music, DVDs and other materials for the teen collection, and earn community service credit. For students, grades 6-12.

### Finals Study Fest

Open until 11:00 pm December 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, until 10:00 pm December 19<sup>th</sup>. The Library will stay open late to accommodate high school students studying for finals.

### Teen Holiday Party

Tuesday, December 18 from 3:30 – 5:00 pm

Celebrate the holidays by coming to the Library for a fun and festive party. For students, grades 6-12.

Call Jacki, Teen Librarian, at 789-2665, ext. 238 if you have questions, or email her at [jschafer@bel-tib-lib.org](mailto:jschafer@bel-tib-lib.org)

## Resources for the College Bound

Fall is the time of year when college-bound high school students, especially juniors and seniors, get serious about visiting, selecting, and applying for entrance to a college or university. The Library offers a large number of excellent resources to help students and their parents make it through this demanding time. In addition to the list of books and print guides listed below, the Library's reference staff has compiled an online resource guide of web sites pointing to the best Internet sites on the topic of higher education. It is located on the Library's web site at: [thelibrary.info/reference/education.htm](http://thelibrary.info/reference/education.htm).

The College and Career Reference Areas in the Library are located near the Teen Librarian's desk. Along with comprehensive college materials are up-to-date exam study guides for tests required for college applications. A helpful brochure detailing many of these college resources, both in print and online, is available here and at the Reference Desk. Here are some of the materials we have on hand:

- **The College Board College Handbook**, College Board, 2008. Profiles over 3,600 colleges, both two-year and four-year institutions.
- **Peterson's Four-Year Colleges**, by Peterson's, 2008. Describes 2,100 undergraduate colleges based on information supplied by the schools.
- **Colleges That Change Lives: 40 Schools That Will Change the Way You Think About Colleges**, by Loren Pope, 2006. Highlights schools that emphasize collaborative learning and which select students with a wide range of abilities.
- **Barron's Best Buys in College Education: Profiles of More than 245 Colleges**, by Lucia Solórzano, 2006. Schools that Barron's editors feel provide an excellent education at a lower cost.
- **The Fiske Guide to Getting Into the Right College**, by Edward B. Fiske, 2007. An overview of the college admission process from selection criteria to financing.
- **The Insiders' Guide to the Colleges**, compiled and edited by the Yale Daily News, 2008. Presents a view of colleges from the perspective of students.
- **They Teach That in College? A Resource Guide to More Than 75 Interesting College Majors and Programs**, by College & Career Press, 2006. Provides information about interesting, cutting-edge college majors unknown to many counselors and parents.
- **Peterson's College Money Handbook**, by Petersons, 2008. Explores federal grants, work-study programs and other financial aid opportunities.

# ***In the Children's Room***

**Please note!** Many of the programs take place in the Founders Room.  
**Unless otherwise indicated, ALL programs require pre-registration.** Call  
Alicia Bell at 789-2662 to register.

## **ONGOING PROGRAMS**

### **Baby Bounce** for ages 2 & under

Mondays at 10:30am & 11am,  
Jan. 21st through April 28<sup>th</sup>  
Frolic with your baby to songs and finger plays!

### **Preschool Storytime** for ages 3-5

Tuesdays at 4pm  
January 15<sup>th</sup> through April 29<sup>th</sup>  
Join us for stories, songs and finger plays. Older children  
are welcome!

### **Toddler Story time** for 2's

Wednesdays at 11am  
January 16<sup>th</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup>  
Stories, songs, finger plays and other surprises.

### **Cocoa Hour Read Along** for ages 7 & up

Wednesdays at 4pm  
January 16<sup>th</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup>  
Featuring a free copy of a chapter book, hot cocoa, and  
freshly baked cookies.

## **SPECIAL EVENTS**

### **Fall Craft Workshop** for ages 5 & up

*Thursday November 15<sup>th</sup> at 4pm*  
Join us for an afternoon of nature stories and crafts  
that you can take home.

### **Teddy Bear Craft Day** for ages 5 & up

*Thursday December 6<sup>th</sup> at 4pm*  
Celebrate the season on this special day of Teddy  
Bear Crafts. We'll provide the makings for a fun filled  
creative afternoon.

### **Annual Teddy Bear Tea** for ages 2 & up

*Sunday December 9<sup>th</sup>*  
You and your favorite bear are invited to our Teddy  
Bear Tea! Wear your holiday finest, enjoy music,  
refreshments, stories and crafts. Information on  
seating & invitations is available in the Children's  
Room. This sells out quickly every year.

### **"Nutcracker Puppet Show" by The Puppet Company** for all ages

*Thursday December 13<sup>th</sup> at 4pm*  
Don't miss this great puppet performance featuring  
the music of Tchaikovsky and beautiful handmade  
puppets.

### **The Puppet Company presents "Tall Tales"** for all ages

*Thursday January 17<sup>th</sup> at 4pm*  
Witness "Old Stormalong" wrestle creatures from the  
deep; see "Johnny Appleseed" climb rainbows;  
"Pecos Bill" ride a tornado and more!

### **Special Preschool Storytime with Sharon Heron** for Ages 3-5

*Tuesday January 29<sup>th</sup> at 4pm*  
Nature Guest TBA

### **Valentine Crafts** for ages 5 & up

*Thursday February 7<sup>th</sup> at 4pm*  
Sign up early for this popular craft program.

### **Red Panda Acrobats** for all ages

*Thursday February 28<sup>th</sup> at 4pm.*  
This fantastic group will dazzle you with juggling,  
handstands, flips and more.

### **Traveling Lantern Theatre: The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe** for ages 5 and up

*Thursday March 20 at 4pm*  
Leap into the Land of Narnia. Inside a mysterious old  
house, children find a magical wardrobe containing a  
secret entrance that leads them to a fantastic world.

### **Young writers workshop with Local Author Elizabeth Singer Hunt** for ages 7-10

*Thursday March 27 at 4pm*  
Write Your Own Secret Agent/Spy Story!

# from the Reference Desk

## Mavis Beacon Teaches Typing

The Library has installed *Mavis Beacon Teaches Typing* software on all the laptops and public PCs. Patrons who wish to practice their typing skills can come in and log on to one of our PCs or sign out one of our laptops for use inside the Library. *Mavis Beacon* offers self-paced lessons and arcade-style games and is considered one of the top typing instruction programs available. Whether you are completely new to keyboarding or want to increase your speed and typing skills, join us at our new drop-in labs or ask to borrow a laptop at the Reference Desk.

Call the Reference Desk at 789-2661 for more information about *Mavis Beacon*, our laptop policy, or our new typing and mouse practice drop-in labs for beginning students.

## The Notary is “IN”

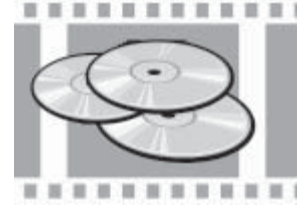
The year-end is suddenly looming. . . .and it’s time to get your financial house in order. During this process you may find the need for a Notary Public. Mary Vella is the Library’s Administrative Assistant, but she is also one of the few notaries in town. The next time you need a document notarized, stop by and browse the collection in addition to taking care of business. Mary works part time so it’s a good idea to make an appointment with her by calling 789-2665 ext. 228, or after hours dialing 902-1064. There’s a bonus . . . . 10% of her fee goes to the Library, so everyone wins.

## Add Color to Your Holiday Newsletter

As the holidays approach you may enjoy sharing some of the year’s magic moments with a Technicolor newsletter. Don’t forget that the library has a color printer in the public computer area and printouts are \$1.00 per page. Black and whites are still only \$.10 per page.

We also have a color copier for those holiday photo collages and lots more. Its 600 dpi quality will produce excellent results that you will be happy to share for \$1.00 per copy. The black and white copiers can make multiple copies, saving you time and frustration. We have two machines so you should never have to wait to make a copy of anything.

## Hot Flicks



At the end of October, the Library launched a new collection of DVDs called Hot Flicks. Hot Flicks are recent high-demand feature film DVDs that circulate for 3 days, with no holds or renewals. New titles will be added every week. You can find the collection in the new book area in the central section of the Library. Hot Flicks may be returned at any Marin library. Examples of Hot Flicks titles include:

Reign Over Me	The Wind That Shakes the Barley
Offside	The Hoax
Evan Almighty	Stephanie Daley

Along with the launch of Hot Flicks, we will be making the entire non-fiction and feature-film DVD collection available for *hold* requests through the Request feature of the library catalog. This means that if you don’t feel like waiting around for a Hot Flicks title to return to the shelf, you’ll be able to request it from our regular collection (or from another library in MARINet). The request charge will continue to be fifty cents.

## Top Ten Most Requested Books as of October 2007

1. *Run*, by Ann Patchett
2. *The Almost Moon: A Novel*, by Alice Sebold
3. *The Nine: Inside the Secret World of the Supreme Court*, by Jeffrey Toobin
4. *Legacy of Ashes: The History of the CIA*, by Tim Weiner
5. *The Age of Turbulence: Adventures in a New World*, by Alan Greenspan
6. *A Thousand Splendid Suns*, by Khaled Hosseini
7. *Bridge of Sighs*, by Richard Russo
8. *Away: A Novel*, by Amy Bloom
9. *Playing for Pizza*, by John Grisham
10. *The Zookeeper’s Wife: A War Story*, by Diane Ackerman

# Many Ways You Can Support Your Library

## Support Our Book Sales

The Library has begun holding a monthly sale of used books donated by generous members of the community. Keep an eye on our calendar for the next one! Our first sales were held in August and September and collectively raised over \$500 for our new materials budget. We hope to do even better in coming months, although our lack of storage space (donated books are currently stacked in the cubicle of Reference Librarian Abbot Chambers) limits the number of items we can have ready for sale.

If you can't wait for the next monthly sale, we also have two carts and a spinning rack of sale items in the entry area near the Circulation Desk. Hardbacks are \$2, large paperbacks \$1.50 and small paperbacks \$0.50. Frequently we will also have DVDs, videos, CDs, and audio books for sale (see article below).

## Donate Used Books and DVDs

If you have books to donate to the Library, we are able to accept up to 3 bags or boxes of materials, provided they are in good condition, are not musty or dusty, and are not out of date (e.g. magazines, old computer manuals or text books.) We can provide you with a receipt for a tax deduction for your donation. If you are interested in volunteering for the Library book sale to help with sorting books or working the cash box, please contact Abbot, 789-2665, extension 233. We can also help if you have a larger collection of books in need of a home!

If you own DVDs that you no longer watch, why not donate them to the Library so others get a chance to enjoy them? Hollywood, independent, documentary, TV show, and children's DVDs, in good condition with their cases intact, all make welcome donations. If we're unable to add a donation to the collection, we will sell it on our sale cart to raise money for the Library. Donations are tax deductible; just ask for a gift receipt.

## Donate Your Used Vehicle

Are you thinking about buying a new car to gain greater fuel efficiency? If so, please consider donating your used car to the Belvedere-Tiburon Library Foundation. Donors can claim tax credit equivalent to the amount the Library receives from the sale of your vehicle. Sincerest thanks go to George Bo-Linn, our most recent donor. Thanks also go to Tom Price, President, and Artour Drozd, Sales Manager of the Infiniti dealership that handles the donated vehicles. Call 789-2656 for more information.

## Coordinate An Afternoon Tea at the Library



Vivian Hadley at the Afternoon Tea in September, which she coordinated.

We are seeking more volunteers. This is a very pleasant way to serve the Library community (see page 3), and can be done on a one-time basis. If you would like to help, please call Tea Chair Sher Honchariw at 435-8302.

## Join the Library Society

The 2008 annual campaign to support the Belvedere-Tiburon Library is now underway. Did you know that over 40% of the funds which the Library spends on new materials acquisitions come from donations? If you haven't renewed your annual membership, or are new to the community, please join us.

Residents of the Tiburon Peninsula will shortly receive a request in the mail for a donation to the Belvedere-Tiburon Library Foundation. All donors automatically become members of the Library Society and will receive an invitation to a special event later in the year. Donations are fully tax deductible.

Four easy ways to join the Library Society:



- Pay by check
- Charge to VISA or MASTERCARD
- Charge by phone: Call Mary Vella at 789-2665, Ext. 228
- Join online: Go to [www.thelibrary.info](http://www.thelibrary.info)

## Charitable IRA Rollovers Tax-Saving Opportunity Still Available

There is still time between now and December 31, 2007, for those of you 70 1/2 or older, to make a gift contribution to a qualified charitable organization like the Belvedere-Tiburon Library using funds directly transferred from your individual retirement account - without paying taxes on your distributions as per the Pension Protection Act of 2006. Your tax professional can advise you about taking advantage of this tax-saving and gift-giving opportunity. The Charitable IRA Rollovers *opportunity ends December 31, 2007.*

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### Welcome Anne-Marie

We are very fortunate to have recently hired Anne-Marie Bonfilio, as our Capital Campaign Manager. Anne-Marie previously worked at the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco as the Associate Director of Development. During her



twelve years there, she helped run the \$190 million capital campaign for the new de Young Museum in Golden Gate Park. She was involved in every aspect of fundraising for the museum and enjoyed working to raise funds for such a worthy cause.

Anne-Marie resides in Novato with her husband, Haden Blackman, and their one-year-old daughter, Paige. We are glad to hear her tell us she is "eager to start work on the new challenges the Library campaign will bring."

### In Memory of Anne Stoughton Brown



Anne Brown was the heart of the Belvedere-Tiburon Library for many years, working at the small Beach Road Branch and for more than two years in the current Library. She was much loved by the community, especially by those who frequented the Library and were the recipients of her friendly and caring service. Anne passed away on October 5 at her home in Sonoma with her family at her side. The Library has a memory book for community residents to tell their stories and record their memories of Anne. Please come by the Reference Desk to sign the book, which is a gift for her family. The Library is also taking contributions for the purchase of books that she would have loved.

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