



# FRIENDS

# OF THE PACIFIC GROVE LIBRARY

**MONTEREY COUNTY GIVES!**

Joining Together for Big Ideas

**NOV 11 – DEC 31**



**Friends' Big Idea for 2021-22 is a PG Pop-Up Library! See page 2 for details.**

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## President's Message

Nearing the end of 2021, and what a year it's been! The Pacific Grove Public Library is now open 5 days a week, and library services for people of all ages are finally being provided from the beautiful renewed Library. You helped make this possible! Thank you for being a member and donor and Pacific Grove Public Library supporter.

The last few months have been extremely busy for the Friends Board and volunteers. Our first Saturday book sales at St. Mary's Church returned in August, while Monday-Friday morning book sales for browsing without crowds continue each week. Our gently used book-swap cart at Meals on Wheels has proved popular, as have the monthly Zoom book club meetings.

Friends Board and community members hosted an opening reception for the "Renewal" juried art show, recognized National Friends of the Library Week, swung into action for the Community Library Rededication Celebration and assisted with the Joe Rock Children's Room Dedication. Read all about these great events in the newsletter.

Now we are in the midst of raising funds for our Monterey County Gives! Big Idea – a Pop-Up Library electric vehicle to bring the Library into the community. And we have begun planning for our Annual Meeting in late January 2022 – more news to come!

Now, more than ever, your membership, contributions and volunteer time make a tremendous difference for our community's eager readers, students, lifelong learners and library patrons of all ages. At this season of thanks, and giving, I would like to extend my deepest appreciation to all of you, our members, volunteers and donors, for helping the Friends support the Pacific Grove Public Library and our community in 2021. We have much to look forward to in 2022!

*With gratitude,  
Kim Bui*



## MC Gives! Donations Accepted Through December 31

There are two ways to make your tax-deductible donation:

Go to [www.montereycountygives.com](http://www.montereycountygives.com). Click on “Meet Our Nonprofits”, then look under the “Education & Youth” category for the “Friends of the Pacific Grove Library”. [Click and give!](#)

Send a check! Make it out to **Monterey County Gives!** and mail it to the Community Foundation at 2354 Garden Rd, Monterey, CA 93940 or to the Friends at PO Box EH, Pacific Grove, CA 93950. Be sure to note that your donation is for

the Friends of the PG Library.

**MC Gives!** accepts donations of appreciated securities like stock or mutual funds and IRA Qualified Charitable Distributions. Contact the Community Foundation’s philanthropic services team at 831.375.9712. They’ll make sure your donation is credited to the Friends.

## A PG Pop-Up Library!

### Donate to Monterey County Gives! and Help Purchase an Electric Mobile Library



Hooray! The Friends were selected again this year to take part in Monterey County Gives! -- the annual campaign sponsored by MC Weekly to support nonprofits that enrich the community with arts and music, youth and adult education, animal welfare, health care and many other critical services.

Our 2021 Big Idea is a PG Pop-Up Library, powered 100% by renewable energy, to bring books, materials and staff to schools, playgrounds, senior centers, beaches, parks, the Farmers’ Market, Good Old Days and everywhere! About the size of a golf cart, it will have display shelving, a billboard exterior to promote the Library, and onsite technology to issue library cards, check out books, and provide Wi-Fi access and reference help.

Library Director Diana Godwin wants to get the PG Pop-Up Library rolling. “Outreach is a vital part of public library service. It allows us to go directly to the patron. We reach people of all ages who can’t get to the library or don’t know what the library offers. Whether

The Grandview Heights, OH Pop-Up is a prototype of our Big Idea for a PG mobile library. Outreach vehicles are “pivotal and transformative” in expanding library services, says the Public Library Association.

old or young, their eyes light up and the world opens when the library comes to them,” says Godwin.

Today library staff transports boxes of books, chairs, tables and all other props in their personal vehicles. The PG Pop-Up Library will provide a recognizable, energy efficient, dedicated outreach vehicle.

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## Friends of the Pacific Grove Public Library Board of Directors

Kim Bui—President  
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[facebook.com/  
 FriendsOfPacificGroveLibrary/](https://facebook.com/FriendsOfPacificGroveLibrary/)

**NEW AND RENEWING MEMBERS—July 2021 through October 2021****Basic and Individual**

Douglas Baribeau  
 Jenifer Bovey  
 Karen Brown  
 John Calkins  
 Thomas Campbell  
 Paul Goldstein  
 Janet Isak Hawley  
 Jeff Helms  
 Lynda Horton  
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 Liz Kuhns  
 Ryan Levine  
 Jake Luce  
 Daniel B. Martin  
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 Talma Taormina  
 Kate Shannon  
 Mimi Sheridan  
 Linda Sinclair  
 Brittany Thompson  
 Karen Warren  
 Joe Wible  
 Denise Wollenberg

**Family**

Regina Angwin & Tom Riordan  
 Stephanie Beckwith  
 Ilsa, Elijah and Oona Colby  
 Nan Johnston & Mark Murphy  
 LeeAnn & Jim McClenahan  
 David & Elizabeth Messman  
 Ann Prego & Andy Gonzalez  
 Mary & Paul Weyant

**Business**

Canterbury Woods

**Benefactor**

Patricia Eastman & Bill Bruffey  
 Ben & Cheryl Gonzales  
 Karen Kadushin  
 Jorene Moratto

**Patron**

Nancy & Greg Enterline

**DONATIONS TO THE  
 FRIENDS  
 July 2021 — October 2021**

Debbie and Paul Baker  
 Gary Bales  
 Pam Cain  
 Stephanie Herrick  
 Jane Leatham  
 Barbara Moore  
 Lucy Moore  
 Pacific Grove Rotary from Auto  
 Rally  
 Jean Stumbo

**In Honor of Mrs. Elizabeth  
 Brown**

Lynn Farris

**In Memory of Joseph Rock**

Marie and Louis Balicki  
 Kevin Bell  
 Gina Bianchi  
 Lamonte Brown  
 Kim Bui and Steven Silveria  
 Nathalie Camus  
 Kevin Cartwright  
 Kevin Causey and Cydney  
 Payton  
 Shellin Chea  
 Lora Conroy  
 Mike Corr  
 Gloria and Bert D'Ambrosio  
 Courtney Dayno  
 Lisa DeFaria  
 Carmen DeVida  
 Janet and David Domeniconi  
 Kathryn Dominguez and Family  
 Romesh Fernando

Michael Forte  
 Tia Gindick and Ritch Lewis  
 Steven Goldt  
 Beverly Grova  
 JoAnn and David Gruener  
 Karen and Mike Gunby  
 Scott Hall and Claudia Sawyer  
 Chandra Rock Harpel  
 Kent Hibbard  
 Gail Higginbotham  
 Christine Hunsley  
 Belle James  
 Steve Jauch  
 Nan Johnston  
 Renee and Richard Kezirian  
 Sue and Kevin Knapp  
 Andrew Ko  
 Paul Korpi  
 Erin Landry-Wilson  
 Ludrick Family  
 Sandy Lukac  
 Marta and Patrick Lynch  
 Jane and John McCoy  
 Elisa Maddalena  
 Duane Manbeck  
 Susan Manchester and David  
 Allen Smith  
 Joe Manuel  
 Linda and David Mullally  
 Callie and David Muller  
 Lorraine and John Nardone  
 Julie and Dave Nelson-Gal  
 Laura and Don Newmark  
 Linda Pagnella  
 Ellen Gill Pastore  
 Brad Patterson  
 Chris Payne  
 Sheri Perlman and Andrew  
 McKenna  
 Victoria Phillips  
 Sandy Rader and Terry Wilson  
 Kathy Ray and Lykele Miedema  
 Tracy and Robert Rhoades  
 Rock Family  
 Helen and Hank Rock  
 Joe Rock and Robin Venuti  
 Family Fund of the Community  
 Foundation for Monterey County

Lois Rock  
Stefan Rock  
The Stewart Rock Family  
Salesforce Foundation  
Laurie Sandblom, Natalie and Kevin  
Susie Sarpkaya  
Peggy Schmidt  
Inga Silva  
Julie Siroonian-Mumma  
Shelley Siroonian  
Gary Smith and David Ligare  
Linda and Kevin Smith  
Arlinda and Larry Soares  
Kathleen Stallworth and Larry Dubia  
J.M. and D.C. Storkan  
Laurie and Andrew Sujan  
Stephanie Sult  
Ginnie Tallman  
Patricia and Michael Taylor

Rosemary Wells and Tony Vastola  
Carol Venuti  
Virginia Weathers  
Judy and Tom Wills  
Chloe Wilson  
Debbie and Larry Winderman  
Leah and Art Winter  
Jennifer Wood  
Mary and Jeff Zischke

**DONATIONS TO THE FOUNDATION**  
**July 2021 — October 2021**

Amazon Smile  
Anonymous  
For Landscaping  
Gary and Judy Bales  
Earl and Christine Cory  
Kim Fraser  
For Books

Rabbi Jeff and Mindy Glickman  
IBM International Corporation  
Initiator Kathy Kirtley  
Kathy and John Kirtley  
Jill Knapp  
Jeanne Mills  
Lucy Moore  
For Garden Bench  
Noreen and Don Nance  
Dave and Patty Parker  
For Garden Bench  
Marybeth Rinehart  
For Garden Bench  
Leigh Toldi  
Tom and Judy Wills  
For Garden Bench

**In Honor of Kathy Kirtley**

Dorothy Kino

## Business Spotlight

To close out 2021, the Friends Board wants to spotlight ALL our Business and Dine Out members.

Our community benefits when we shop, dine and spend locally. We appreciate their generous support, especially during this time of disruption and business loss. As our City's economy rebounds, Library staff and services have been increased to better serve our community.

This winter, as you take care of your business needs or enjoy take-out or socially distanced dining, remember to thank and support our 2021 Business and Dine Out Friends:



## 2021 Business and Corporate Members

Back Porch Fabrics (Gail Abeloe)  
Canterbury Woods (Elvyra Abare)  
Foxglove Gardens and Design  
(Michele Barat)  
J. Gary Grant M.D.  
Grove Market (Charlie Higuera)  
Ted Hollister, D.V.M.  
Peggy Jones / The Jones Group  
Monterey Bay Notary Pro  
(Jennifer Schmidt)  
Pacific Grove Books  
(Patricia Hamilton)

## 2021 Dine Out Members

Beach House at Lovers Point  
(Kevin Phillips)  
Il Vecchio (Carl Alasko)  
La Mia Cucina  
(Michael & Paula Scanlon)  
Max's Grill (Max & Yuko Muramatsu)  
Mezzaluna Pasteria  
(Soerke Peters & Amy Stouffer)  
Pacific Thai Cuisine, Inc  
(Lex Juntaradarapun)  
Peppers Mexicali Cafe (Lisa Weiman)  
Petra Restaurant (George Nimri)  
Taste Bistro (Sue & Bill Karaki)  
The Red House Cafe  
(Chris & Laura D'Amelio)  
Victorian Corner Restaurant  
(Mary Aliotti)  
Wild Fish Restaurant  
(Liz & Kelvin Jacobs)

***We Look Forward to the  
Return of Dine Out in 2022!***

## Dedication of The Joe Rock Children's Room

On November 7, the Children's Room at the Pacific Grove Public Library was dedicated in memory of Joe Rock, a longtime community volunteer and frequent Library patron. Immediate family and friends gathered to pay tribute and share memories of Joe. A true bibliophile, Joe shared his lifelong love of the Library with all those he knew, and never left the Library without at least one book in hand.



Lois Rock, Joe's mother, visits with former Pacific Grove librarian Linda Pagnella.

Joe believed that a library represents one of the most cherished gifts we can pass on to future generations. His family shared that in his last days, he made sure that they knew the importance of the Pacific Grove Public Library to his life and legacy. In his memory, a substantial donation has been entrusted to the Friends, ensuring years of support for children's programs, books and materials through The Joe Rock Children's Room.

We are honored and grateful to be stewards of the many kind gifts in memory of Joe Rock, whose contributors are listed further in the newsletter. They will benefit our community's children, their families and educators, for many years to come.



The inscription etched on the door to The Joe Rock Children's Room: "This room is for the curious, the seekers of knowledge, and the architects of their own adventures. Like Joe, may your young spirit be forever inquisitive."

## National Friends of the Library Week — Ask a Friend to Be a Friend

To celebrate National Friends of the Library Week in October, members were invited to *Ask a Friend to Be a Friend!* There's still time—new members will enjoy benefits until 2023. Forward this newsletter and tell your friends to click below to learn about the 10 Great Reasons to be a member!

**Join the Friends today at [www.pglibraryfriends.org](http://www.pglibraryfriends.org)**

## Thank You, Patricia Hamilton!

For saying Yes! to the Friends' "Help Wanted" email and volunteering to be our newsletter layout editor. As the founder and owner of Park Place Publications, Patricia has published more than 300 books, many by locals of the Monterey Bay area. She specializes in coaching and assisting writers in all genres who want to self-publish, offering services in book development, editing, proofreading, illustration, photography, design and layout.

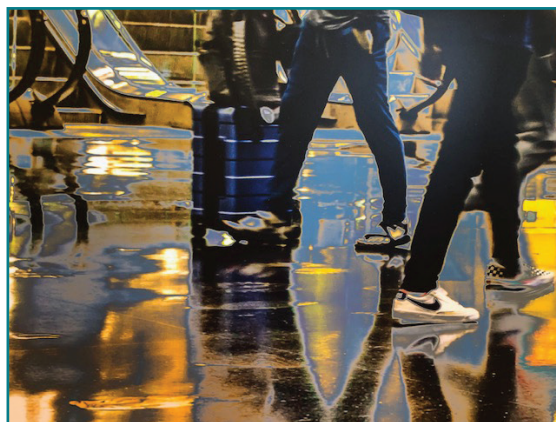
Among her best-known publications are two volumes of *Life in Pacific Grove*, a project she conceived and produced that brings together stories, memoirs and essays written by residents and visitors, and spanning the decades from WWII to 2018. The complete series of 10 Pacific Grove Books, with an annual donation made to the Friends of the Pacific Grove Library for every book sold, will be launched in 2022.

*Thank you for generously offering your time and talent to the Friends!*



## Visit The “Renewal” Exhibit Through January 7

A fun and festive celebration attended by 200 lovers of art, community and our Library launched the October 8 opening of “Renewal”, a juried exhibit that can be viewed in the Steve and Nancy Hauk Gallery. Twenty-three original works in media including painting, drawing, printmaking, sculpture and textile were selected from 112 submissions. Visitors enjoyed the exhibit and then strolled through Carnegie Commons and the other rooms, pausing to appreciate the Library’s full art collection that is now on display thanks to curator Christine Crozier. The Friends hosted a welcome reception in the arcade, and visitors lingered on the balmy fall evening to simply take pleasure in gathering at the Library again for an in-person event! Watch for an announcement about the closing reception on January 7.



Left: “Renewal” curator Christine Crozier greeted guests at the opening reception. Center: “Floating,” submitted by photographer Nicole Asselborn, captures the “dissonance” of experiencing a busy airport after months of silence and isolation during Covid. Right: Christi Sutphen learned to quilt via Zoom during shelter-in-place. These “memory art” fabric panels were created from shirts and blouses that once belonged to her parents.

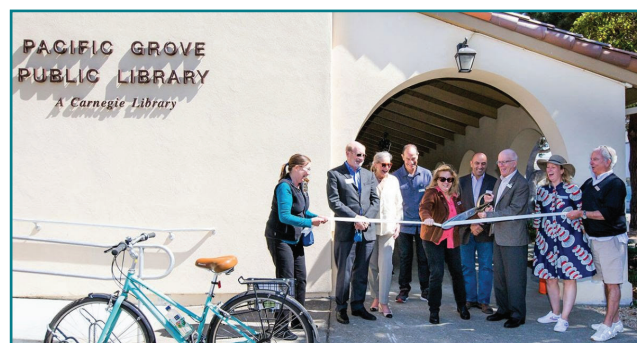
## Library Re-Dedication Event

The long awaited Pacific Grove Public Library Community Rededication Event, following the successful Library Renewal Project, took place on sunny September 18th at Jewell Park and the Library. After months of anticipation, what a wonderful afternoon of excitement, energy and celebration of the Library!

Community members enjoyed live music from the PG Pops Orchestra, pianist Michael Martinez and vocalist Adam Angel, while talented volunteers helped with face painting, sidewalk chalk activities and bubbles. Delicious refreshments were provided by the Pacific Cookie Company, Grove Market and the Health and Water Store.

Hundreds of attendees gathered to hear congratulatory remarks from Library Board Chair Heather Lazare, Mayor Bill Peake, Supervisor Mary Adams, State Senator John Laird and Congressman Jimmy Panetta. After a festive ribbon-cutting sponsored by the Chamber, self-guided tours of the Library were available with knowledgeable docents sharing fascinating facts and stories.

Event set-up and clean-up were ably provided by The Bridge Ministry helpers and Public Works staff, while Recreation staff and the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History were wonderful community partners. Library staff, Library Board, Friends Board and Foundation Board members worked hard for many months to make this celebratory day possible. Congratulations to all!



Mayor Bill Peake wields the mega-scissors! Left to right: Friends President Kim Bui, State Senator John Laird, Supervisor Mary Adams, PG Councilmember Joe Amelio, Library Director Diana Godwin, Congressman Jimmy Panetta, Mayor Peake, Library Advisory Board President Heather Lazare, PG Library Foundation President Dave Parker.



## Come to the Garden!

Friends volunteers meet most Fridays at 10 am to tend the garden. Would you like to join the fun? Send an email to [friendspglib@gmail.com](mailto:friendspglib@gmail.com). **Thank you!** Garden volunteers (l to r) Lucy Moore, Judy Wills, Mishka Chudilowski and Glen Walder.



## Happy 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Pacific Grove Public Library Foundation!

In 2011 the Friends received a significant bequest from the estate of Erna Morris. The Friends Board voted to form a foundation, to invest and grow these funds for long-term support of the Pacific Grove Public Library. The Friends President is a permanent, voting Director of the Foundation and meets regularly with the Foundation President, the Library Board Chair and Library Director to discuss ways of meeting Library needs.

Ten years later the Pacific Grove Public Library Foundation holds nearly \$1 million, distributes annually around 5% of its funds to the Library (as required by nonprofit law) and invests in major capital and

special projects such as the Library Renewal. To date, more than half a million dollars has been distributed to the Library from the Foundation.

The Foundation Board is renewing its focus on legacy giving, through estate planning and major gifts, using a wide variety of asset acceptance, working with the Community Foundation for Monterey County as its funds manager. For more information, please contact the PGPL Foundation at [foundation4PGPL@gmail.com](mailto:foundation4PGPL@gmail.com). If you have included the PGPL Foundation in your estate plans, please let the Foundation know so that your generosity can be recognized.

The Friends congratulate the Foundation Board (past and present) on ten years of partnership supporting the Pacific Grove Public Library! We look forward to many more.

## NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

Our membership continues to have questions! President Kim Bui has updates to share about the current state of the Library, as of mid-November.

### When is the Library open?

The Library is open **five** days a week – **Tuesday and Thursday 10 am-6 pm, Wednesday and Friday 10 am-5 pm, and Saturday 10 am-1 pm.** Although the Library remains closed on Mondays, outside holds pickups are available from 3- 6 pm.

### Are masks still required at the Library?

Yes, masks are still required for in-person Library use in order to protect unvaccinated children under 5, youth, teens and adults, and those with underlying health conditions.

### Can PG Library books be put on hold for check out? Where can I pick them up?

Holds can be placed through the PG Library website [https://www.pacificgrovelibrary.org/community\\_services/borrowing\\_holds\\_collections.php](https://www.pacificgrovelibrary.org/community_services/borrowing_holds_collections.php)

and picked up at PG Library during their Library-to-Go hours: Monday 3-6 pm. **Need help placing holds? Please call 831-648-5760.**

### Can I donate books to the Library? Or the Friends?

The Friends ARE accepting used book donations (one bag per person) M-F from 10-noon, at St. Mary's Church, 146 12<sup>th</sup> St., Pacific Grove. The Library is not accepting donations at this time.

### Can I volunteer to help the Library?

All volunteer positions are currently filled—thank you volunteers!

### How can I find out more, or find out when things change?

Visit the Library website: [www.pacificgrovelibrary.org](http://www.pacificgrovelibrary.org)

Sign up to receive the Library newsletter: [www.pacificgrovelibrary.org/enotify/index.php](http://www.pacificgrovelibrary.org/enotify/index.php)

Sign up to receive the City's weekly newsletter: [www.cityofpacificgrove.org/our\\_city/newsletters\\_notifications/city\\_reports.php](http://www.cityofpacificgrove.org/our_city/newsletters_notifications/city_reports.php)

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**12<sup>th</sup> & Central, Pacific Grove**



Shopper Charlie Watson shows off his \$1 purchase—an almost-new 1000-piece Toy Story puzzle. All puzzles are priced at \$1.