



Belvedere-Tiburon Library

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IN THE STACKS

A Newsletter from the Belvedere-Tiburon Library Foundation

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A Terrific Ride At Blackie's Hay Day

Many thanks again this year from everyone at the Library to the **Bookmarks** for their splendid Blackie's Hay Day celebration this past September. Designed for kids of all ages, there was just a wonderful array of things to do and games to play.

The Bookmarks goal this year was to give back to the community that has so generously supported the Library's special events and programs. Free admission was given to every child who donated new or gently used books, and sponsors made it possible for families in need to attend the event with access to all the activities, including VIP meals.

Money raised by the Bookmarks goes to fund all of the children's and teens' programs at the Library, including storytelling, live performances, study sessions, book clubs and movie nights throughout the year. The

Bookmarks also purchase books and contribute money for the children's and teens' areas planned for the upcoming expansion of the Library. This year the fair raised approximately \$45,000 for the Library.



Event Committee Colleen Fried, Jennifer Bank, Stacy Achuck (chair), Capucine Hoybach, and their children



photographs by Diane Smith

In Memorium

We remember and honor four great friends of the Library who passed away this year:
Bryan Chapman, Barbara Gness, Betty McKegney, and Joan Rosenthal touched our lives with grace.



Art Exhibits

January through March, 2010

Anna Petranich, Pastel Portraits, Nov. 3 – Dec. 3, 2009
Reception November 3, 6-8pm

Bookmarks Wreath Show - Dec. 4, 2009 – Jan. 2, 2010

Al Davidson, Hand Colored Etching, Jan. 5 - Feb. 6, 2010
Reception January 5, 6-8pm

Suzanne Bean, Digital Inkjet Prints on Paper
Feb. 9 – Mar. 6, 2010
Reception February 9, 6-8pm

Laura Culver, Hand Painted Photographs
March 23 – April 10, 2010
Reception March 23, 6-8pm

Gently Used Art Auction

March 8-14, 2010

Mark your calendars for one of the Library's most delightful events, where hundreds of paintings, photographs, etchings and art books are available for purchase.

Contributors to this issue:

Staff: Alicia Bell, Abbot Chambers, Elaine Crepeau, Jason Duran, John Erdmann, Joan Garrett, Deborah Mazzolini, Jacki Schafer, Mary Vella

Community: Joan Don, Mary Falk, Anne Feinberg, Carol Kurland, Duff Kurland, Lois Epstein, Diane Smith

Arts and Lectures

Note! All programs take place in the Founders Room and are free and open to the public. Programs begin at 7:30pm unless otherwise indicated. Please check for further information and additions in the Library News column in THE ARK or on the web at thelibrary.info.

Thursday, November 12, 2009

Digital Painting Fundamentals with Corel Painter 11

Digital artist **Rhoda Draws** will demonstrate digital painting basics and show samples of her electronic artwork.

Tuesday, November 17, 2009

Wildlife Photography

Suzi Ezsterhas, a professional wildlife photographer, will discuss her various projects including marine mammals in California, African wildlife in Kenya's Masai Mara, polar bears on sea ice, and wildlife in Antarctica.

Thursday, November 19, 2009

Engage As You Age

Benjamin Lewis will discuss "Nana" technology, with an overview of the gizmos and gadgets families can use to stay connected. He will focus on senior friendly options.

Tuesday, December 8, 2009

Holidays: Christmas, Channukah, And Other Festive Occasions

Fine Arts Museum docent **Kay Payne** will do a Power-Point presentation on art which depicts giving, receiving, feasting and enjoying festive occasions.

Tuesday, January 19, 2010

Cartier In America

Fine Arts Museum Docent **Ellen Harden** will do a Power-Point presentation on this exciting exhibition coming to the deYoung Museum.

Thursday, February 11, 2010

Trekking In The Himalayas

Cathy Ann Taylor, founder of a Sausalito based adventure company, has trekked all over the world. She'll share her experiences and photos of the Himalayas and its indigenous cultures.

Tuesday, February 16, 2010

Wild Cats

Zara McDonald, founder and executive director of the Felidae Conservation Fund, will share more ongoing

results of her projects to save snow leopards, mountain lions, and cheetahs around the world. Her work now includes projects in Northern California.

Tuesday, February 23, 2010

Amish Quilts

Kay Payne and local residents, Faith and Stephen Brown, will do a Power-Point presentation about the exhibition of Amish quilts from the Brown collection at the deYoung Museum November 2009 - June 2010.

Ongoing...

Third Wednesday of every month

Afternoon Tea at the Library

3:00 - 4:00pm

Patrons of all ages, toddlers to seniors, are invited to gather in the Founders Room to enjoy the piano music of Dr. Ira and savor tea, treats and conversation with fellow members of our community.

Last Wednesday of the Month (except in December)

Trivia Night

7:30pm

You're invited to a lively and stimulating evening of trivia. Come alone or bring your own team and join the fun.

First Friday of every month:

Drop-in Computer Lounge *Senior Friendly*

10:30 am - noon.

Weekly Fluent Language Discussion Groups:

French, Tuesdays at Noon

Spanish, Thursdays at Noon

Italian, Thursdays at 1pm

Weekly Wednesday Technology Workshops

Various times and various topics. Check the Library's website at thelibrary.info.

Film Series @ the Library

Generally on the last Friday of the month, the Film Committee presents an evening of films selected from a wide variety of genres and providing a diversity of views. Post-film discussions are often held with the filmmaker. Doors open at 6:15pm and the film begins at 7:00pm. To reserve tickets in advance, call the Library's Reference Desk at 789-2661. For program information, please visit the Library's website at thelibrary.info and link to our information page.

from the Teen Alcove!

Upcoming Events for Middle and High School Students

Teen Lounge

Middle school and high school students are invited to the Library's Founders Room every Tuesday (except for school holidays) from 3-5 pm for after-school socializing, homework, and games. Snacks are provided.

Teen Book Club

Saturday, November 14 from 4:30 - 5:30 pm.
The book club is reading *Gone*, by Michael Grant for this meeting. If you love to read and would like to join the Club, contact the Teen Librarian at jschafer@bel-tib-lib.org, or call 415-789-2665, ext. 238.

Holiday Party

Tuesday, December 15 from 3-5 pm.
Celebrate the holidays with a party! Holiday snacks, drinks, games and fun.

Finals Study Fest

The Library will be open until 10:00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, December 14 through December 16 to accommodate high school students who need a place to study for finals. On those evenings, students may bring food and drinks, talk in groups, and use cell phones.

Contact Jacki for more information on any of these events: 789-2665, ext. 238, jschafer@bel-tib-lib.org.
Watch the Teen Zone web site at teenlibrary.info for future events.

Teen Book Club Recommendations

The Teen Book Club is going strong! Here are some of their recommendations for great reading:

Feeling Sorry for Celia (2000), by Jaclyn Moriarty
This is a humorous novel written as a collection of letters to and from Elizabeth Clarry. Her correspondents include her mother, her best friend Celia, the Association of Teenagers, the Society of People who are Definitely Going to Fail High School (and Most Probably Life as Well), the Society of Amateur Detectives and the Young Romance Society.

Graceling (2008), by Kristen Cashore
In a world where some people are born with extreme and often-feared skills called Graces, Katsa struggles for redemption from her own horrifying Grace, the Grace of killing, and teams up with another young fighter to save their land from a corrupt king.

A Great and Terrible Beauty (2004), by Libba Bray
After the suspicious death of her mother in 1895, sixteen-year-old Gemma returns to England after many years in India, to attend a finishing school where she becomes aware of her magical powers and ability to see into the spirit world.

Kiki Strike: Inside the Shadow City (2006), by Kirsten Miller
Life becomes more interesting for Ananka Fishbein when, at the age of twelve, she discovers an underground room in the park across from her New York City apartment and meets a mysterious girl called Kiki Strike who claims that she, too, wants to explore the subterranean world.

To Kill a Mockingbird (1960), by Harper Lee
The explosion of racial hate in an Alabama town is viewed by a little girl whose father defends a black man accused of rape.

Montmorency: Thief, Liar, Gentleman? (2004), by Eleanor Updale
In Victorian London, after his life is saved by a young physician, a thief utilizes the knowledge he gains in prison and from the scientific lectures he attends as the physician's case study exhibit to create a new, highly successful, double life for himself.

Schooled (2007), by Gordon Korman
Homeschooled by his hippie grandmother, Capricorn (Cap) Anderson has never watched television, tasted a pizza, or even heard of a wedgie. But when his grandmother lands in the hospital, Cap is forced to attend the local middle school. While Cap knows a lot about tie-dyeing and Zen Buddhism, no education could prepare him for the politics of public school.

Someone Like you (1998), by Sarah Dessen
Halley's junior year of high school includes the death of her best friend Scarlett's boyfriend, the discovery that Scarlett is pregnant, and Halley's own first serious relationship.

Book Club discussions to date:

The Hunger Games (2008), by Suzanne Collins
Elsewhere (2005), by Gabrielle Zevin
City of Bones (2007), by Cassandra Clare
Catching Fire (2009), by Suzanne Collins

In the Children's Room

Please note! 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
December 7 through April 26
Frolic with your baby to songs and finger plays!

Preschool Story time for ages 3-5
Tuesdays at 4pm,
December 8 through April 27
Join us for stories, songs and finger plays. Older children are welcome!

Toddler Story time for 2's
Tuesdays at 11am,
December 8 through April 27
Stories, songs, finger plays and other surprises.

Cocoa Hour Read Along for ages 7 & up
Wednesdays at 4pm
December 9 through April 28
Featuring a free copy of a chapter book, delicious hot cocoa and freshly baked cookies.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Fall Harvest Craft Workshop for ages 5 & up
Thursday November 12, at 4pm
We'll provide the makings of a fun filled creative afternoon. Remember, crafts make great gifts!

Sing Along with Bonnie Lockhart
for ages 2 and up
Saturdays, November 21 & January 23 at 11am.
Join Bonnie for a rollicking morning of singing and dancing.

Share a Book: Read to a Dog
Wednesdays, December 2 & 9
Improve literacy skills while reading — to dogs!
Share A Book dogs come in all shapes and sizes, from Trevor the King Charles Spaniel to Gretl the Bernese Mountain Dog. All dogs are kid- and dog-friendly, excel in basic obedience and have passed a vet health check. It's not just entertainment — canine companions really can help children improve reading skills.

You're Invited!

Annual Teddy Bear Tea

Sunday Dec. 13
(ages 2 & up)



You and your favorite bear are invited to our Teddy Bear Tea! Wear your holiday finest, and enjoy refreshments, music, stories and crafts. Information on seating and invitations is available in the Children's Room.

Note! This sells out quickly every year.

Nutcracker Puppet Show by "The Puppet Company"

Thursday December 17 at 4pm
Don't miss this great puppet performance featuring the music of Tchaikovsky and beautiful handmade puppets.

Puppet Show with Randall McGee and Groark the Dragon for ages 5 & up

Thursday January 7 at 4pm
The hilarious antics and high energy of Groark the Dragon will leave you in stitches. Groark may stumble and have mishaps but Randall is always close by to point him in the right direction.

Valentine Crafts for ages 5 & up
Thursday February 11 at 4pm
Sign up early for this popular craft program.

Activated Storytellers Present:
Creepy Crawly Critter Tales for ages 5 & up
Thursday April 29 at 4pm
Featuring-- *Dragon of Krakow*: A shoemaker's apprentice becomes king after defeating a dragon that no one else could conquer.

Smart Girls, Successful Investing, and *Talented Writers*

Recent Additions to Our Local Authors Collection:

Pharmacokinetic basis for drug treatment (1984), edited by internationally recognized pharmacologist and drug development expert Dr. **Leslie Z. Benet** of Belvedere.

Sam Shepard on the German Stage: Critics, Politics, Myths (1993) by Belvedere author **Carol Benet**. Considered to be the definitive stage history of Shepard's plays as performed in Germany.

The Secret Magdalene (2005) by **Ki Longfellow** of Tiburon. A novel about Mary Magdalene.

The Smart Girl's Guide to the Boys' Club: How to Win at the Game of Business (2006,) by businesswoman **Gayle Bulls Dixon** of Belvedere. An informative book on succeeding in the male-dominated world of big business.

WaterGym. Weight Loss & Strengthening (v. 1: 2007), by Tiburon resident **Susanne Paynovich**, owner of Waterborne Enterprises and creator of WaterGym. A deep-water aerobic instructional DVD.

Tales of an Unorthodox Veterinarian, Part Two (2007) by Tiburon writer Dr. **Gideon Sorokin**. More madcap adventures of the irrepressible immigrant veterinarian's memories of growing up in Palestine and Israel.

The Moneytrack Method: a Step-by-Step Guide to Investing Like the Pros (2008,) by **Pam Krueger** of Tiburon, co-host of the national public television *MoneyTrack* series. Reflections on the principles, techniques, and approaches that allow real people of all incomes to become successful investors.

Belvedere author **Carolyn Hansen** and co-author **Cathleen Peck** of Novato have added *London* (2009) to their PowerHiking series. Their work takes sightseeing to a new level by "powerhiking" distinct neighborhoods, museums, parks, shops and cultural sites with a purpose.

Hit the Ground Running: A Manual for New Leaders (2009) by Tiburon resident **Jason Jennings**. A discussion of value-centered leadership which places the needs of customers, employees, and shareholders before the needs or ego of the new CEO.

Amphibious Operations in the South Pacific in World War II (2000-2009), edited by **William L. McGee** and **Sandra McGee** of Tiburon. A meticulously researched trilogy of amphibious operations history and military logistics for the veteran and lay reader.

The Genius Machine: The 11 Steps That Turn Raw Ideas into Brilliance (2009), by Tiburon resident **Gerald Sindell**. How to help your thinking succeed.

Contact Librarian Elaine Crepeau at ext.229 if you are a Belvedere or Tiburon author, and would like to donate a copy of your work to our Local Author Collection.

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Live Tutoring and Resume Writing Assistance for Students and Job Seekers

The Belvedere-Tiburon Library has expanded our popular online tutoring program, Live Homework Help® to include more services for every member of our community. The Student Center, College Center and Career Center from Tutor.com include live, one-to-one tutoring, a real-time writing center and 24/7 access to thousands of resources including study guides, worksheets, videos and more. The live, online tutoring and resume writing service is available from 1pm to 10pm.

Students and job seekers of all ages can find the help they need on Tutor.com. Each center below includes real-time writing assistance from English tutors or career specialists. Students and job seekers get immediate feedback, writing tips and strategies as well as proofreading.

- **Student Center:** Assistance with homework, test preparation, skills and concepts taught in class as well as standardized test preparation and college entrance exams. Subjects include math, science, social studies and English.
- **College Center:** Besides subject-specific help, students can prepare for the GED and get resume help or prepare for graduate school entrance exams.
- **Career Center:** Adults going back to school can get subject-specific help, prepare for the GED, get resume help or prepare for the citizenship exam.

The service is completely free for our community. To access the service please visit the library's website at thelibrary.info.

The Reference Desk Invites You To Listen Up!

Download Audio Books to Your iPod

The Library now has two collections of downloadable audio books that can be played on an iPod, the most popular portable listening device. One collection, MyiLibrary from Ingram Media, is compatible with iPods formatted for both PC and Mac computers. The other collection, the Northern California Digital Library from Overdrive, will only work with iPods connected to Windows PCs.

Both collections can be accessed via the Library's home page at thelibrary.info. To get started, click on the link on the right side of the page, under Virtual Library, that says "eBooks and Audio Books." MyiLibrary and the Northern California Digital Library are the first two links on the eBooks page.

The **MyiLibrary** collection features 600 fiction and nonfiction titles, including classics and recent bestsellers. Before you download a title you will need to log in with your library card number, connect your iPod to your Mac or PC, and download and install the Ingram Media Manager (IMM) software. IMM manages the download and transfer of audio book files. If the title you want from MyiLibrary is checked out, you may place a hold and ask to be notified when it is returned.

The **Northern California Digital Library (NCDL)** collection includes both audio books and print books in digital form. The audio book collection consists of over 2500 titles in a broad array of subjects, including language instruction and business and investment books. To download a title you will need to sign in with your library card number and PIN. Select "MARINet" as your library. The download and transfer process is similar to MyiLibrary, though with the NCDL you will need to download and launch the Overdrive Media Console. Note that for the time being the audio books in the NCDL will only play on PC computers and PC-formatted iPods. Holds may be placed on titles that are currently checked out.

Both MyiLibrary and NCDL have tutorials and help pages for new users. Nevertheless, even experienced computer users may have trouble with all of the steps and components required for downloading, transferring, and playing an audio book from either collection. If you have any trouble, or have any questions about downloadable audio books, please call us at the Reference Desk at 789-2661 — or come to the Library for a demonstration!

Tune In With iTunes

Are you familiar with iTunes yet? Apple's free software program turns your PC or Macintosh computer into a digital media station. With iTunes on your computer, you can do the following:

1. Import and listen to audiobooks and music CDs. iTunes works especially well with the Library's growing selection of MP3-CD audio books.
2. Search and subscribe to podcasts. These free audio and video broadcasts include news programming, university lectures, walking tours, and much more.
3. Create or "burn" your own music CDs.
4. Listen to Internet radio. There are thousands of streaming radio stations to choose from, located all over the world.
5. Synchronize with your iPod. iTunes manages the content that you put on to your iPod or iPhone. Why not take your music, audiobooks, and podcasts with you wherever you go?

Librarian John Erdmann leads an ongoing series of workshops that guide participants on the use of iTunes. The introductory class demonstrates how to get iTunes up and running. Attendees will learn how to download the software, navigate the window pane, import music CDs, visit the iTunes store, and download podcasts. The intermediate class provides a review of iTunes basics and then moves on to explore more advanced functionality. Follow along and learn how to import an audiobook, create playlists, burn your own music CDs, and sync your iPod. An advanced iTunes class will be offered in the near future.

A schedule for these classes and all upcoming workshops may be found at our website or posted at the Reference Desk. Space is limited, so be sure to sign up early.

The Music Alcove & New Listening Station

Have you ever wanted to sample a music CD or audiobook here in the library before you check it out? If so, then we have good news for you. Over the summer the library moved the music collection into its own alcove and added a dedicated computer terminal as a music listening station. This computer has iTunes installed, so in addition to playing CDs and Audiobooks, the listening station also provides access to thousands of podcasts and college lectures from around the country and the world. Librarian John Erdmann would be happy to answer any questions and help get you started on iTunes.

New Database Access

Concerned about a Medical Question?

We've got online access to two new reference sets: *Magill's Medical Guide* and *Salem Health: Cancer*. Both provide up-to-date and easy-to-use medical information for students, patients, caregivers and anyone looking for an authoritative online resource.

Going Somewhere?

Take a look at **Maps - AtoZMapsOnline.com**. This is the world's largest subscription-based database of proprietary, royalty-free world, continent, country, and state maps. Included in the 4,000+ maps are: political maps, physical maps, outline maps, population maps, precipitation maps, climate maps, and other thematic maps. New maps are added to the collection every month. Maps may be used by students, administrators, library patrons, and businesses for: school reports, business reports, posters, multi-media presentations, and just about any other non-commercial use imaginable.

Your Old DVDs are Tax Deductible if You Donate Them to the Library!

With over 3,000 DVDs in our collection, the Belvedere-Tiburon Library has one of the largest DVD libraries in the county. Every week we buy new titles for the collection, but its impressive size is also due to the generosity of the community: almost 20% of our DVDs were donated by local residents. If you have old and unwatched DVDs, please consider giving them new life by donating them to the Library. We have a DVD polisher, so worn or scratched DVDs can be restored to like-new condition. All donations are tax deductible; just ask for a receipt at the time of your donation.

As of September, 2009

Top Ten

Most Requested Library Books

1. *The Lost Symbol : A Novel* by Dan Brown
2. *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett
3. *True Compass : A Memoir* by Edward M. Kennedy
4. *South of Broad : A Novel* by Pat Conroy
5. *The Girl Who Played With Fire* by Stieg Larsson
6. *The Elegance of the Hedgehog* by Muriel Barbery
7. *That Old Cape Magic* by Richard Russo
8. *Olive Kitteridge* by Elizabeth Strout
9. *Nurtureshock : New Thinking About Children* by Po Bronson & Ashley Merryman
10. *Nine Dragons : A Novel* by Michael Connelly

Wheels Deals

Many thanks to **Reese and Margaret Jones** for donating their 1994 BMW to our Library, thereby enhancing our endowment. We are greatly indebted to Tom Price and Virginia Aced of Marin Luxury Cars for enabling our Vehicle Donation Program and Tom King, sales manager of the Volvo Dealership in Corte Madera, for facilitating the intake and sale of the vehicles. If you would like to be our 40th donor and get a tax deduction for your donation, please call 789-2656 for more information.

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