



# NEWSLETTER

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## CHECK OUT WHAT'S NEW

### Walk On In -- This May Be Your Lucky Day

Something new started in October at the Modesto Library – the Lucky Day collection. It is made up of highly anticipated and in-demand titles. If you find a book on the Lucky Day shelf, you can immediately check it out. No hold requests needed. The basics, says library director Chris Moreno:

- Lucky Day books can be checked out for the normal 21-day period
- Holds are not allowed on Lucky Day books
- Lost, damaged, and late fees for Lucky Day items are treated like regular circulating items
- There is a limit of one Lucky Day item out at a time.



Several public libraries have started similar collections in response to long wait times for popular books. This idea is piloting in Modesto and could roll out to other branches, Chris said. Modesto also may expand the Lucky choices.

### The Stories Behind the Stories – Hear Authors Directly

The Stanislaus County Library now offers virtual author talks in partnership with the Library Speakers Consortium. You can watch via Zoom in real time (registration required) or after the fact. For more info, go to the website: [www.stanislauslibrary.org](http://www.stanislauslibrary.org). November-December authors include:

- Lisa Napoli -- *Susan, Linda, Nina and Cokie: The Extraordinary Story of the Founding Mothers of NPR*
- Bonnie Garmus -- *Lessons in Chemistry*
- Geraldine Brooks -- *March* and *The Secret Chord*
- Kwame Christian -- *How to Have Difficult Conversations About Race: Practical Tools for Necessary Change in the Workplace*
- Nicole Eustace – *Covered With Night: A Story of Murder, Indigenous Justice in Early America*

### Turlock Friends Begin a New Chapter With Live Speakers

Friends of the Turlock Library is bringing well known authors to the valley. The Library Presents Author Talk series is made possible in part by a generous gift from a Turlock family.

The first event, in early October, featured best-selling author Jamie Ford (*Hotel at the Corner of Bitter and Sweet*) and his latest, *The Many Daughters of Afong Moy*. The new book has been optioned as a television series with Jenna Bush Hager and Ben Spector executive producing through Universal Studios.

To learn about future author appearances, check out Friends of the Turlock Library on Facebook.

Scholastic

## BOOK FAIR

Nov. 9 -14

Wed.-Thu. 10 am – 6 pm

Closed Veterans Day

Sat. 10 am – 4 pm

Mon. noon – 7 pm

MODESTO LIBRARY  
AUDITORIUM

1500 I St.



Online Shopping

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/modestopubliclibrary>

Nov. 9 – 22

Barnes & Noble Book Fair

Dec. 10 and 11

3501 McHenry Ave., Modesto.

A portion of each sale goes to Friends of the Modesto Library.

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## President's Message

It was all hands on deck at the very successful Friends' October Used Book Sale, the first of a number of events and activities for Fall, including National Friends of Libraries Week celebration, Scholastic Book Fair, Halloween Story Time Parade, Barnes & Noble Bookfair, and more. We need all our Friends to raise their hands for these events. Believe me, you'll get back more than you give.

Visit [modestolibraryfriends.org](http://modestolibraryfriends.org) to volunteer! -- Denise Nordell

## Used Book Sale Gives Boost

It may have been Pat Glattke's swan song as chair of the Used Book Sale (Pat is stepping back from leadership after five years) but it was a sweet song indeed! Together with her hardy and hearty volunteers, we raised nearly \$3,000 for the library. May's sale also was a record setter.

Of note, for the fall sale, customers were able to pay by credit card, PayPal and other digital means in addition to cash, which encouraged people to purchase even more books. Want to help plan next year's sale? Contact Denise Nordell at 209-765-6388.

### Correction

Our last issue identified the winner of the adult division of the bookmark contest but printed the wrong bookmark. Kevin R, age 57, created the bookmark shown here. His inspiration: "Showing that there isn't anywhere that you can't read a book!"



## Meet Some Friends

Jean Haven

### Why are you a member of the Friends of the Modesto Library?

I've been a member of Friends of the Modesto Library for over 20 years with some of that time as a board member. My husband and I think our library is an integral part of our community, and the financial support and volunteer hours



FOML members provide help make so many programs possible. Being a retired teacher, I am particularly impressed with the focus on getting books into the hands of young readers.

### What book would you recommend to others?

*The Daughters of Yalta: The Churchills, Roosevelts & Harrimans* by Catherine Grace Katz is a wonderful read. It is the story of three young women who accompanied their famous fathers to the Yalta Conference in February 1945. It is also called the Crimea Conference, where the heads of the U.S. and England met with Stalin to establish the boundaries and shape the future of liberated Europe. So many of their decisions impacted the current issues today.

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Join Us: Become A Friend

Our goal for 2022 is to have at least 200 individuals and organizations as members. We are getting close with 169 on the roster. Membership dues begin at \$25. You can find forms at the library, at the events we sponsor or on our website:

[modestolibraryfriends.org](http://modestolibraryfriends.org)

Jonaca Driscoll

### What is your favorite reading memory growing up?

I have been a reader my whole life. I was one of those kids who read



using a flashlight under the covers at night. One of my favorite memories is of a set of Junior Classic books -- each volume a different color. I loved reading the

one that had fairy tales from around the world and other fairy tales. By the end of elementary school, I had read all the fiction books in the school library!

### What is one of the most important things Friends of the Modesto Library does for the library and our community?

I have always been pleased with the focus of FOML making sure that books get into the hands of children in our community. The support of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library has grown and is helping children from birth to age 5 have books in their homes. Other programs like the books given away at First Fridays downtown, El Dia De Los Niños books in Spanish and English, the Juvenile Hall book club and library, and the requests by organizations for books that are fulfilled by the Scholastic book sale just add to the thousands of books children have in their homes. These are just some of the ways Friends supports the community.



Yarning with Friends has made hundreds of caterpillars in recent months as bookmarks for children. Yarning will be on hiatus during November and December and resume meeting in January.