

Friends of the Redwood City Public Library Newsletter



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Little Bookhouses



Snoopy-themed Little Bookhouse owned by Derek and Robin Wolfgram

Little Bookhouses are popping up all over our community. Is there one somewhere in your neighborhood? Have you peeked inside the box to see what titles are nestled inside?

As Jan Pedden, children's librarian, pointed out in an earlier Friends' Newsletter, owning books in the home is crucial for a child's learning and readiness to read when entering school. In order to reach out to families who do not visit the library, the Friends sells books at the Farmers Market and at downtown, children-oriented events. By going out into the community, the Friends attempts to make it easier for families to own books in the home.

In another method of outreach, the Friends is partnering with Hassett Hardware and Library Director Derek Wolfgram to provide Little Bookhouses in our community.

Hassett Hardware, with locations in Redwood City in Woodside Plaza, San Mateo and Half Moon Bay, provides their customers with children's books

purchased from Friends. See the picture of the very cute Hassett bookhouse on the back of this Newsletter.

Derek Wolfgram moved to Redwood City last year. His wife, Robin, is a big Snoopy fan, so Friends' volunteer Mike Turturici crafted the bookhouse pictured above for them. Derek fills it with a variety of books from the Friends' Bookstore.

Is there a bookhouse somewhere in your neighborhood? If yes, encourage your neighbor to stop by the Friends' Bookstore to fill it (children's books start at only 25¢). You can provide loads of books for children at that low price.

Consider buying a stack of books for a teacher to hand out to her students. Email us to set up an appointment to see our stock.

Do you have a business in Redwood City and would like to partner with the Friends on a bookhouse in order to get more books into more homes? If yes, email us; we'd love to chat with you.

Save the Dates

Comic Book Day, May 6

Do you love comics? If yes, join us at the library's celebration of Comic Book Day on Saturday, May 6, at the Downtown Library at 1044 Middlefield Road, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

There will be a variety of events, including art projects and free comics. The Friends will be holding a sale during this event, including comic-related books.

"Almost" Mother's Day Kids Concert, May 13

Redwood City Parks and Recreation will hold an "Almost" Mother's Day Kids Concert on Saturday, May 13, on the Courthouse Square, featuring Andy Z and the Andyland Band, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Friends will be on the Square hosting a kids' book sale at this event.

Redwood City 150 Festival and Flower Extravaganza, May 20

To join in Redwood City's big sesquicentennial celebration to be held downtown, the Friends will sell books in front of the Downtown Library at 1044 Middlefield Road on Saturday, May 20, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Did you know that our community's first lending outlet was a privately funded town reading room, located on Main Street? That library preceded the city's incorporation. Stop by our sale on May 20 to peruse the books and receive a special Friends' Redwood City 150 Festival bookmark.

Visit our Bookstore in the lobby
of the Downtown Library!

Many Thanks to Those Listed and All Our Members for Your Generous Support

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- Junior member, under 18 years old - \$10
- Friends - \$15
- Patrons - \$25
- Librarian's Circle - \$50
- Benefactors - \$100 or more

If you wish to make the gift in honor of a friend or loved one:

We will acknowledge 2017 Librarian's Circle and Benefactor levels in our spring 2018 Newsletter.

- Check this box if you wish for your donation to be listed as Anonymous.

Please make checks payable to Friends of the Redwood City Public Library, or **donate at our website:** www.friendsofrwclibrary.org

A Membership Card will be sent.

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Books and Ballet

The library is offering a new program for girls and boys, aged three to five, to learn ballet movement. The children will also enjoy readings about boy, girl and animal dancers and coloring ballet-themed pictures.

Each child receives a tutu or a vest to wear and take home at the end of the four-week session. The next sessions will be held in April and June.



**Hassett Hardware's
Little Bookhouse**

Members Invited

All active Friends members are invited to our **May 2017 Board meeting** on Monday, May 15, at 4:15 p.m. in the Downtown Library's Administration Meeting Room to vote on the slate of 2017 Board members. The proposed slate follows:

- Mary Scavarda, Chair
- Lee Blake, Vice-Chair
- Reina Barragan, Volunteer Coordinator
- Patty Holubar, Recording Secretary
- Rose Ann Hummel, Publicity Coordinator
- Heather Hardy, Treasurer
- Rebecca Stern, Corresponding Secretary

Fair Oaks Library Expansion Update

In the winter Newsletter, Derek Wolfgram outlined plans for the Fair Oaks Library expansion to start in December 2016. The timeline has been pushed back to accommodate some reworking of the plans. Stay tuned to learn the new start date.