



Shore Lines



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From SCFOTL President Mary Lou Wakefield:

ONE OF THE COOLEST PLACES

If you need a cool place to get away to, it may not be the beach! Try our San Clemente Friends of the Library Bookstore. We are nestled in between the San Clemente Library and the grass area next to the Community Center on Avenida Del Mar. Our bookstore is air-conditioned and always a great place to visit. You will find all kinds of summer reading from the classics, fiction, non-fiction, children's books to numerous other categories. You will find what we all refer to as treasures. Treasures that will take you places, treasures that will enlighten, treasures that are just plain fun! Our volunteers work hard to make sure all our books are in very good condition. Please come in and say hi to our many volunteers. They can help you find the perfect book or selection of books. Yes, we are the coolest place in town. Also, the Trolley has a stop just beyond our bookstore in case you are worried about summer parking spots.

CAREER ONLINE HIGH SCHOOL (COHS) UPDATE



A commencement ceremony for San Clemente's COHS graduates was held on June 13th in the Library's multi-purpose room and was hosted by Branch Manager Karen Wall. The supportive audience consisted of families of the graduates, members of Friends of the Library, staff from the Library, and staff members from Orange County Public Library (OCPL). The good news is that OCPL plans to expand the program, making more scholarships available. As a matter of fact, SCFOTL still has one Career Online High School scholarship available to someone who resides or works in San Clemente.



Pictured with Board President Mary Lou Wakefield are three of the four COHS graduates from San Clemente for 2018 – *left to right*, Joel De Santiago, Gilbert Avila, and William Lhommedieu. Their fellow graduate Michael Leach was not able to attend the ceremony.



Mary Lou presents a diploma to class valedictorian Gilbert Avila. During his commencement speech, he stated, “My entire life I can remember my mother say, ‘It’s never too late.’ It took me 36 years to get here, but the important thing is I made it.”

From San Clemente Library Branch Manager Karen Wall:

Another long, hot summer has come and (almost) gone. Summer Reading programs were a great success. Our completion rates were higher than they have ever been, and we saw a very big jump in adults participating. No doubt, our success is due in large part to the amazing raffle prizes provided by the best Friends of the Library in the county! Of course, it may also be that everyone knows what a wonderful place the library is for fun, learning, and community.

We are proud to serve everyone in our community, and have been working to expand adult programming in particular. Make sure to check online or stop in and discover all we have to offer. Tuesday’s Needlework Circle is a fun way to meet people who share your passion for creativity and charitable service. The budding writer in you may want to connect in our monthly Poetry Group. Perhaps you just want to watch a recent-release free film on the big screen. If all the choices make your head spin, then the Memory Club is just what you need each month.

For those whose schedules are already full, single-event happenings may offer a better fit. Grow your business, find your next great read, or expand your world in a short class on one of the library’s databases. Crafts for Book Lovers (Saturday, August 25 @ 3:00 pm) offers an opportunity to make artistic creations from recycled books. Hungry Ghosts (Saturday, October 27 @ 3:00 pm) brings Storyteller Barbara Wong to share decidedly spooky tales for grownups. Additional upcoming events are sure to include music, gardening and other topics related to the arts.

If there is one thing the summer months always do, it’s reinforce my belief that community spirit and community service are alive and well in San Clemente. See you soon at the library!

BRANCH MANAGER'S ADDENDUM:

Did you know...? In the last 6 months, the Friends of the Library has given to the library:

- \$17,724 worth of books
- \$3,783 worth of DVDs and books on CD
- ALL programs were funded by Friends of the Library
- \$7,465 worth of programs
- 272 programs/classes, attended by 8,960 people.

Thank you for all your hard work!

From Publicity Director Carol Luetz:



Friends Of The Library Has A Kiosk At Café Calypso

In an effort to bring more books to readers in our community, The Friends of the Library has partnered with **Café Calypso** at [114 Avenida Del Mar](#) (hours are [6:00 AM – 4:00 PM](#)) and established a self-pay kiosk stocked with a variety of popular books, all for only \$2.00 each. Help us spread the word! Tell your friends and bring your visiting family members to check it out. The kiosk is stocked regularly and now you can get your next great read while you stop in for a cup of morning coffee or lunch snack. A special thanks goes to Cass Jones and Fred Bruhn for getting this project off the ground.

{Fred has informed me that he and Cass will soon be rolling another self-pay kiosk out to the launchpad : it will land in **Caterina's** (gelato & more) at [614 Avenida Victoria](#), near the San Clemente Pier. JW}

From Membership Director Sharon Hein:

A big WELCOME to this quarter's new members: Georgia Belardi, Sarah Besseling, Patrice Cosier, and Lynn & Kent Fujisawa. Also welcome BACK: Gail Hidalgo, Bette Langford, Marsha Medina and Petrikas Family. San Clemente Friends of the Library appreciate your support. Just a reminder...invite your friends and neighbors to become members. Your support goes to a good cause, the San Clemente Library.

From Vice-President Pete Wilkens:

Ralphs Community Contribution Program

All SCFOTL members and supporters can help the organization meet its financial goals by linking their Ralphs Reward card with San Clemente Friends of the Library. Ralphs generously donates a percentage of eligible purchases made using the Rewards card to the organization linked to the card. Here are instructions for linking your Rewards card:

- 1) Log in to www.ralphs.com. If you have already registered your Rewards card online, skip to Step 6; if you have not registered your card, proceed to Step 2.
- 2) Where you see 'Don't have an account?', select 'Create an Account'.
- 3) Follow the easy steps to create an online account.
- 4) You will be instructed to go to your email inbox to confirm your account.
- 5) After you confirm your online account by clicking on the link in your email, return to www.ralphs.com.
- 6) In the upper right-hand corner of the window, next to the shopping cart, you'll see 'Welcome, Sign In'; scroll down and select 'Sign In'.
- 7) Enter your email address and password.
- 8) Clicking on 'Hi (your first name)' shows a drop-down menu for managing your account information. Scroll down and select 'My Account'. A new window opens and on the left-side is a menu under 'My Account'. The menu options are 'Account Summary', 'Communications', 'My Purchases', 'My Wallet', 'Points Summary', and 'Community Rewards'.
- 9) Here's how to link your card with the San Clemente Friends of the Library:
 - a) Select 'Community Rewards', then 'Enroll';
 - b) type in the Non-Profit Organization (NPO) number (93958) or name (San Clemente Friends of the Library);
 - c) remember to click on the circle to the left of the SCFOTL name;
 - d) click on 'Enroll' to finish your enrollment process.

At present the program year for Community Rewards begins on September 1st and ends on August 31st of the next year. So, on September 1st a new program year will begin and all of us will need to go online, follow the steps outlined above, and re-link our Ralphs Rewards card to San Clemente Friends of the Library. We hope you will too!

Thank you so much for your continued support!