

2019, Issue 1. The quarterly newsletter of the San Clemente Friends of the Library (SCFOTL) Friends of the Library Bookstore. 242 Avenida Del Mar. 949-276-6342. www.sanclementefotl.org



From Board President Mary Lou Wakefield:

Joyce Mortimer Retires

Joyce Mortimer has retired after 10 years of faithful service to the San Clemente Friends of the Library. She has been the Board Treasurer, completing monthly reports, taking care of the banking needs, processing check requests, filing taxes, and completing numerous other tasks required of a Treasurer.

She has earned her retirement, even though we never gave her vacations or all the other perks of a committed worker. She has been a very devoted VOLUNTEER and she will be missed. We hope to see you in the bookstore soon. Thank you from all the Board members.

1. Joyce Mortimer, at left, with Board President Mary Lou Wakefield.

From Vice-President Pete Wilkens:

Amazon Smile Enrollment

With the recent change in tax status from a supporting organization to a stand-alone public charity, the San Clemente Friends of the Library is eligible to participate in the Amazon Smile program. Amazon Smile donates 0.5% of eligible purchases to the charitable organizations selected by their customers. Enrollment is easy; please follow the steps below:

- 1. Log onto smile.amazon.com, using the same username and password you use for amazon.com. If you don't have an account, you can set one up from this site.
- 2. If this is the first time you've logged into smile.amazon.com, you'll be asked to select a charitable organization to start shopping. You'll be asked to choose one of the Amazon spotlight charities, or further down the page to pick your own charitable organization.
- 3. To support our organization, enter "San Clemente Friends of the Library", and click on the "Search" button to the right of the search box.
- 4. San Clemente Friends of the Library will be displayed; click on the "Select" box.
- 5. You'll then see this message: "Yes, I understand that I must always start at smile.amazon.com to support San Clemente Friends of the Library". Acknowledge this by checking the box to the left of the message, and then click the "Start Shopping" box below.
- 6. On subsequent visits to smile.amazon.com, you'll see just below the search box that you're supporting the San Clemente Friends of the Library. (If you are currently supporting another charity, please consider changing your designated charity by hovering over the name and selecting "Change").

Thank you for your continued support of the San Clemente Friends of the Library!

From Vice-President Pete Wilkens:

Thank you, Walmart!

The SCFOTL wishes to thank the Walmart Community Grants Team and our local store for the generous grant in the amount of \$500. The grant notification reads: "By receiving this grant, you are part of a long history of Walmart's commitment to giving back to the communities where we operate. In fact, Mrs. Helen Walton used to say 'It's not what you gather, but what you scatter that tells what kind of life you have lived.' "

Our local Walmart store is located at 951 Avenida Pico; please support the merchants who generously support the SCFOTL.

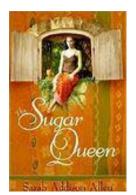
From Bookstore Manager Cass Jones:

The new year has definitely started off to be a wet one! I am happy to report we have a dedicated group of volunteers ... they are like the mail carriers ... neither rain nor wind will keep them from volunteering. Thank you for your dedication.

It seems the weather has kept people inside and they are doing spring cleaning early ... we have received several donations and have a lot of new books on our shelves. A beautiful collection of 16 volumes on the Civil War, quite a few classics, and some Unique Finds along with numerous children's books.

This year our Members Half-Price sales will be in April and October. Let's hope for good weather.

For those of you looking for a book recommendation, try *The Sugar Queen* by Sarah Addison Allen. It's the story of a young woman whose family secrets – and secret passions – are about to change her life forever. Even my husband thought it was charming. Let me know what you think.



Stay dry and come see us in the bookstore.

From San Clemente Library Branch Manager Karen Wall:

Spring has sprung at the Library, and programs and services continue to grow! Please join us for some of our upcoming special events, graciously funded by the Friends!

- Book Camp-Let's Read Together: 4:00 pm, Thursdays, March 21 through April 25 (6-week session)
- Stuffed Animal Sleepover: 6:00 pm, Monday, March 4
- Fairy and Dino Terrariums: 4:00 pm, Tuesday, April 2
- Recycled CD Suncatchers: 4:00 pm, Monday, April 22
- Wolf Haven Intl. Lecture: 6:00 pm, Wednesday, April 10

The Memory Club continues to meet the second Friday of every month at 10:30 am and offers adults the chance to meet with Dr. Jane Mahakian, a licensed gerontologist. Dr. Jane helps us learn basic information about how memory changes over the lifespan, lifestyle strategies that are key to maintaining memory fitness, up-to-date research and information about memory, aging, and dementia, and memory-enhancing strategies and skill building exercises. Dr. Jane's program has proven so popular that she's expanded to the Dana Point Library as well!

Needlework Circle meets every Tuesday from 12:30-2:30 pm. We supply needles, yarn, patterns and company (or you can bring your own). Drop in when you can, or make new friends every week. Join us to knit, crochet, craft and give completed projects back to the community at large.

Free homework help for K-8 students is available every Saturday from 10:00 am to noon. *Inspire To Be* (San Clemente High School) teen tutors are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Students should come prepared with homework, materials, and supplies. Parents must remain in the library while their child is being helped.

These programs form part of an already busy schedule of weekly Toddlertimes, Preschool Storytimes, After School Club, and Bilingual Storytimes for children. Adult offerings include two monthly book clubs at 10:00 am; *Wicked Wednesdays* on the second Wednesday and our long-standing *Adult Book Group* on the last Wednesday.

For more information on any of the events or a complete listings of all library programs, please stop by the library for our calendars, or check online at <u>www.ocpl.org</u>.

BRANCH MANAGER'S ADDENDUM

Did you know...? In 2018, SCFOTL gave to the library:

\$ 47,567.73...

\$ 29,927.87 worth of books,

\$ 7,736.14 worth of DVDs and books on CD,

\$ 9,870.02 worth of programs -

527 programs/classes, attended by 17,322 people.

Thank you for all your hard work!

2019 Board of Directors

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1 : Board members in the middle of their two-year term.

2 : Board members elected to a two-year term at the Annual Meeting held on January 19, 2019.

WAYR : What Are You Reading?

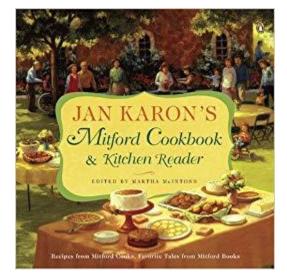
Another Cookbook

From Mary Lou Wakefield

As I started my Bookstore shift last week, a book caught my eye on the bookshelf by the long row of windows in the store. Oh no, not another cookbook, but this one was very different. Jan Karon's Mitford Cookbook and Kitchen Reader. The cover was a beautiful painted scene of an afternoon picnic (*as illustrated below*). I thought to myself, you are supposed to be reducing your cookbook collection and using Pinterest online for recipes. But, nothing is like having a book in your hand and then being able to go back to it for reference.

The book was beautifully illustrated with pictures of food, art work on several pages and some very interesting Southern recipes. It also had excerpts from Jan Karon's books. I found friends in the book Dooley and Puny who are part of the stories shown in the cookbook.

Now I like to think I know fair amount about cooking but have you ever heard of a lemon pie recipe using a can of frozen lemonade as one of its ingredients? Wow, I am going to make it and if it is a hit, I will share the recipe with you. Next, what is White Lily Flour, self rising, all purpose and other flours under the same name? I went on line and most of Southern California stores do not carry it as it is a Southern States product. It is supposed to be one of the best flours for making biscuits (One of my major weaknesses). I have had such fun reading this book at a bargain price of \$5.00, the printed price was \$29.95, look at the money I saved. More money to spend in the Bookstore. Love it so.



From Publicity Director Carol Luetz :

Thank you to all who bought tickets for this event. After just two weeks of ticket sales, WE ARE SOLD OUT.

MEET THE AUTHORS LUNCHEON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2019

at the Talega Golf Club, starting at 11:30.

Reminder : Tickets are held at the door on an on-call basis.



Chris Erskine, nationally known humor columnist and and editor for the Los Angeles Times, is best known for his weekly humor pieces on life in suburban Los Angeles and his latest book "Daditude".



Powerhouse mystery writer, **T. Jefferson Parker's** first novel, <u>Laguna Heat</u>, was published to rave reviews and made into an HBO moving starring Harry Hamlin, Jason Robards, and Rip Torn.