From Mary Lou Wakefield, Board President:

Happy Thanksgiving

As we approach the busy Holiday season, it is time to give thanks for all that we enjoy and love. We are fortunate to be here in San Clemente with the amazing weather and our beaches. We just held a Thank You Recognition Luncheon for our Volunteers at the Talega Golf Club. Our volunteers work and staff our store and cover a dozen shifts per week and pitch in for the First Sunday of the Month Sale. They have a variety of jobs from greeting and helping our patrons with shopping, to cleaning, sorting, and pricing books. Yes, we even do some light housekeeping in the store (Never can escape that work). We continually receive compliments from our patrons about our bookstore.

A special thanks to our Board for their consistent support to make it all happen. We appreciate our Volunteer Director Fred Bruhn for keeping us on track with the scheduling. Our Board Secretary Mary Chase handmade colorful lanyards for our volunteers to use with their ID Badges as gifts. Our Bookstore Manager Cass Jones made custom Thank You Cards for each of us. We also received gifts of Starbucks Cards and a Bookstore Gift Card for shopping in the store. Thank you to all of our volunteers for making our San Clemente Bookstore one of the best, if not the best, in the Orange County Library System.

1) If you frequent the Friends Bookstore, you may recognize one or more of the volunteers pictured here. But then again, you may not since they are adopting a pose rarely on display in the Bookstore - being seated and relaxed during the Thank You Recognition Luncheon.

2) Bookstore Manager Cass Jones (standing, at left) and Board President Mary Lou Wakefield hosted the Luncheon.
From Mary Lou Wakefield, Board President:

Unique Finds in the San Clemente Bookstore

While working in the Bookstore I noticed our Unique Finds cabinet (pictured below) near the front door. On it were twenty-three very different books for you to take a look at and of course BUY! They were so diverse in subject and content that I am sure one of them would be a treat for any of us to read. So here goes, these are the titles:

*The Wild Wyoming Range, Sierra Club: 100 Years Protecting Nature, My Stylish French Girlfriend,*

*Campana Brothers: Complete Works (so far), Pentoros Espanoles, Eyewitness To the 20th Century,*

*The World Series; Jackie, Janet & Lee; Caves Exploring Hidden Realms, The Relic Master,*

*Witness To History, Canoeing-Boy Scouts, Running Tough (memoir), Sowing Dreams In The O.C.,*

*The Middle Man, Voyage Of The Union Yacht, Pollock Painting, Destination Casablanca,*

*The Necessary Evil, Cold Hand In Mine, Treasured Poems Of America, Murder Games, 17 Carnations.*

It is always a delight to come in and shop the store, surprises everywhere and over 11,000 books to choose from.

![Unique Finds cabinet](image)

**BRANCH MANAGER’S ADDENDUM by Karen Wall:**

Did you know...? In September, October, and the beginning of November, the Friends of the Library has given to the library:

- $5,117 worth of books,
- $3,047 worth of DVDs and books on CD,
- ALL programs funded by Friends of the Library,
- $1814 worth of programs,
- 108 programs/classes, attended by 3,737 people.

Thank you for all your hard work!
From San Clemente Library Branch Manager Karen Wall:

As the days grow shorter, the library continues to shine bright through the long dark winter. We have much to be thankful for in the library. We make new friends every day, our programs grow and thrive, and we feel we make a positive impact on our community.

Our community expresses appreciation for the library (and Friends of the Library) on a regular basis. Patrons often share how grateful they are to have such a wonderful location to learn and connect with others. We feel the same!

Library programs (funded by Friends of the Library) are well-attended, and staff continues to bring new offerings to the table. For adults, there are a few spaces remaining in our Succulent Pumpkin decorating class on Saturday, November 17 at 10:30 am. Attendees will finish with a beautiful creation to brighten their holiday tables. Those curious about our 3-D printer (also funded by Friends of the Library) can learn and create a 3-D printed keychain on Wednesday, November 28 at 1:00 pm. Call the library at 949-492-3493 to register for classes.

Children and teens connect with the 3-D printer as well. Kids’ classes in November focus on 3-D keychains, and meet on either Monday, November 19 or Wednesday, November 28, both at 4:00 pm. December classes feature Glow Penguins, combining 3-D printing and simple circuits. Classes are Wednesday, December 5, Thursday, December 6, or Monday, December 10, all at 4:00 pm.

The library’s holiday season winds up with the annual Winter Open House, scheduled for Wednesday, December 12th from 4-6 pm. Please join us for music, crafts and refreshments.

Your continued hard work on the library’s behalf is greatly appreciated, and we want you to know we are extremely thankful every day for your support.

From Bookstore Manager Cass Jones:

As another year soon ends, I want to thank our tireless volunteers for their continued support and dedication in making our bookstore the best it can be.

Over the last year we have taken in hundreds of donations from you, our Friends. Each new donation brings treasures for our customers to look through and shop from. Thank you for your continued support.

After the first of the year the Friends will add another way for you to support us through the Amazon Smile Program. Each time you make a purchase from AmazonSmile online you will be able to choose “San Clemente Friends of the Library” as your charity and the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products back to us.

Finally, I’d like to remind you of our new book kiosk at Caterina’s Gelato across from the San Clemente Pier. And if you are uptown, visit our kiosk at Café Calypso. Each gives you another way to support the Friends.

Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!
From Vice-President Pete Wilkens:

UPDATE: Ralphs Community Contribution Program

If you’re one of the many who has linked your Ralphs Rewards card with the San Clemente Friends of the Library, please accept our thanks. It’s simple to confirm your enrollment in the program: check the bottom of your Ralphs receipts for San Clemente Friends of the Library. Ralphs generously donates a percentage of eligible purchases made using the Rewards card to SCFOTL and for your part, you’re promoting the growth of literacy in our community. If you haven’t linked your Ralphs Rewards card, here are instructions:

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.
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.

Ralphs Markets sends us quarterly reports of the lump-sum contributions for our membership. As this information becomes available, we will keep you informed of the totals in the Shore Lines newsletter.

Thank you so much for your continued support!
From Publicity Director Carol Luetz:

Save The Date!

The San Clemente Friends of the Library
Announces the

MEET THE AUTHORS LUNCHEON
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2019

Chris Erskine, nationally known humor columnist 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, Laguna Heat, was published to rave reviews and made into an HBO moving starring Harry Hamlin, Jason Robards, and Rip Torn.

Reservations available beginning January 2, 2019 at the Friends of the Library website: www.sanclementefotl.org