

## Ex Libris



Newsletter of the Ventura Friends of the Library P.O. Box 403, Ventura CA 93002 Fall 2016

## President's Message by Kathy Thomson

'The Bookstore is Closed'.

Don't be alarmed, this is not a permanent condition but you may see this notice from time to time in the coming months. We are desperately short handed in our processing and managing areas and when these volunteers have vacation or an emergency there is no one to back them up to run the store operations. We have our wonderful cashiers, however they from time to time have an absence that needs to be covered. We have advertised for a bookstore assistant manager or co-manager but no applicants have applied to date. The bookstore provides a vital service to Ventura, not only as a place for folks to donate their used books but also as a resource to find unusual and hard to find titles so I hope a solution can be found soon. Please plan accordingly or call the library to see if the 'closed for today' sign is up on the door.

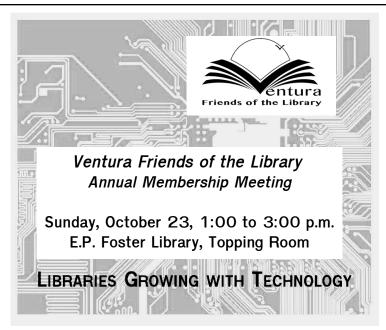
We owe a huge debt of gratitude to the Downtown Lions. Their volunteers have donated their time, strength and vehicles to help us move tons of books this year to our various sales sites at the Topping Room and at Vons for our Buck a Bag sales.



We truly could not have had the same level of success this year without their participation. So if you enjoy coming to our periodic sales, go hug a Lion!

And finally, a membership to the Friends of the Library makes a great gift! We have various membership levels to satisfy every gift giver this coming holiday season. I hope to see you at the annual membership meeting on Sunday, October 23 in the Topping Room.

More details regarding the annual meeting can be found inside the newsletter.



If you haven't explored the library (or library website) recently, you don't know libraries. Come to the Friends' Annual Meeting and discover all that the library has to offer you. Antonio Apodaca, Makerspace Librarian, and Deya Terrafranca, City Librarian, will reveal the new dimensions of the library.

Bring a curious friend!

Admission free.

Next Book Sale Really Big Book Sale

Saturday, October 22

10 am to 3 pm

11251 Riverbank Drive



This sale will be held on the grounds of the location of the warehouse where the Friends process book donations, allowing us to offer shoppers a very large selection of affordable quality used books, audiobooks, music and movies.