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Newsletter of the Ventura Friends of the Library P.O. Box 403, Ventura CA 93002
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Kathy Thomson

Welcome to 2017.

The Friends held the annual membership meeting in October where we were treated to a demonstration of current library technology by City Librarian Deya Terrafranca and Makerspace Librarian Antonio Apodaca. If you missed this event come by Foster Library to see the Makerspace and learn about how your library is reaching and teaching children and adults with 21st century technology.

The Board also voted to change the individual member dues to \$25 and family dues to \$35. These new levels are comparable with other Friends groups in cities which do not have a library tax. For about \$2 per month you can be assured that the County Library will use your contribution to purchase new collection items plus help the Friends fund the Summer Reading Program. What a bargain! Read the enclosed article which highlights the purchases made with the 2015 gift to the libraries. For 2016 the Friends were able to gift the libraries with \$26,972.25. These funds were generated by purchases at the bookstore in Foster Library, periodic book sales and membership dues. Bookstore volunteer hours total over 3000 for 2016 and warehouse volunteer hours total over 1000.

The Friends are hosting a special member event at the Rubicon Theater on March 11. See the enclosed article for more information.

In November we were sad to bid adieu to City Librarian Deya Terrafranca as she has resigned from her position to pursue other professional endeavors.

Please contact me if you have any comments or questions at friends@venturafriendsofthelibrary.org or 658-2248.



Join the Friends of the Library for a bawdy, bluesy, rollicking afternoon at the Rubicon Theatre.

We have reserved a block of premium seats at the Saturday, March 11 matinee and are hosting a reception in the Patron's Room after the performance.

See page 3 for details and ticket information.

Next Book Sales

WINTER CHILDREN'S BOOK SALE

Saturday, February 18
11 am to 2 pm

E.P. Foster Library -
Rear Children's Entrance



Storybooks, Board Books, Bi-lingual
Early Readers, Skill Builders, Chapter Books
Classics, Non-fiction & Young Adult

Next All-Genre Book Sale
March 18

Details to come on website and email.