

**Calling All Members!**

Our **Annual Membership Meeting** will be conducted at the end of our 50th Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, October 20, 2:30 to 4:00 pm at Hill Road Library. Current members should have received invitations to the event in the mail. If your invitation has gone astray, please call me at 805 223-1187 so that we can correct our error.

*Celebrate our 50th Anniversary with  
Entertainment from Rubicon Theatre The Broadway Juniors  
Hors d'oeuvres from Hill Street Cafe  
A look at memorabilia from the Friends' 50 years  
A tour of the County's new Mobile Library*

The brief business part of the meeting will consist of the Treasurer's annual report and election of the Board for 2020.

**Proposed Slate of Officers for 2020**

- PRESIDENT:** Mary Olson
- VICE PRESIDENT:**
- TREASURER:** Kathy Thomson
- RECORDING SECRETARY:** Ellen Klope
- CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:** Star Soto

Nominations will also be taken from the floor.

*On this occasion  
we would like to  
express our thanks to our  
Lifetime Members  
for their constant support!*

*and thanks to our  
Patron level members*

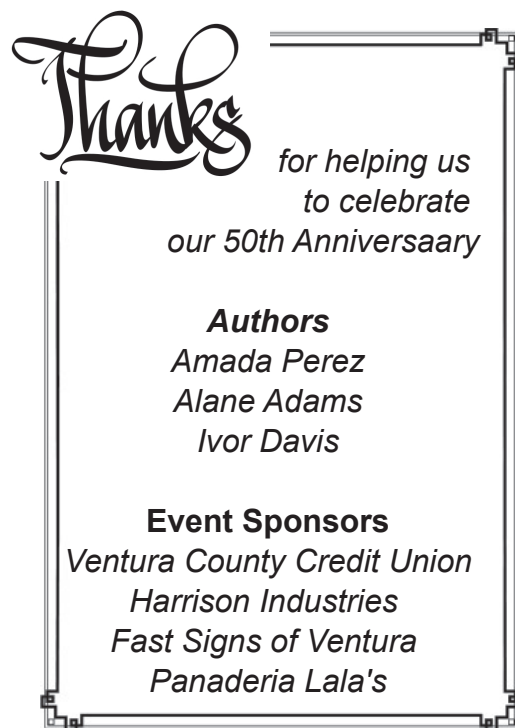
*Gale Albright  
Donald R. Belless  
Mary Jo Coe  
Joann Cunningham  
Jill Forman  
Barbara Meister  
Linda R. Peddie  
Martha Penhall  
Shelba Robison  
Sandra J. Sanders  
Annie Winch*

<i>Victoria Ammons</i>	<i>Kathleen Paulson</i>
<i>Lila Atkisson</i>	<i>Sheri Polisini</i>
<i>Margaret Booker</i>	<i>Dorothy Prairie</i>
<i>Connie Casavan</i>	<i>Dana Smith</i>
<i>Nan Drake</i>	<i>Allan &amp; Berta Steele</i>
<i>Peter Dibble</i>	<i>Merilyn Thompson</i>
<i>John Fish</i>	<i>Louis and</i>
<i>Terrence Foley</i>	<i>Rosemary Vigorita</i>
<i>Genevieve Hinkle</i>	<i>Marcia Wakelee</i>
<i>Susan Lacey</i>	<i>Sylvia Wikholm</i>
<i>Marietta O'Farrell</i>	<i>Carolyn Wood</i>

**FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK DISCUSSION**

meets in the Topping Room on the first Saturday of the month from 10 am to noon. This group reads a variety of fiction and non-fiction and is always open to new members!

On November 2, we'll discuss **The Library Book** by Susan Orlean  
For more information, contact Donna: reader1011@icloud.com



**Ventura County Library  
Friends and Foundation Meet-Up**

The first Ventura County Library Friends and Foundation Meet Up took place in September 15 at Hill Road Library. Nancy Schram, Ventura County Library Director, had initiated the meeting, suggesting that such meetings should occur on a regular basis. Ventura Friends of the Library hosted the meeting. Representatives from Ojai Valley Library Friends and Foundation, Friends of the Port Hueneme Library, Friends of the Fillmore Library and Ventura County Library Foundation attended. We discussed our mission as encompassing advocacy for libraries and fundraising and our challenges in both areas. Collaborations with other community organizations were discussed. Fillmore and Ojai both have good relationships with their school districts. The Ojai Friends have made a project of promoting little free libraries. They were awarded a grant from the Ojai Women's Fund to build and maintain Little Free Libraries and have installed 12 in the Ojai Valley. Strategies for soliciting grants were discussed. The challenge of bringing diversity to our boards was another topic, along with general difficulties with increasing membership. All agreed that further meetings would be useful and more collaboration among our groups could prove productive in the future.