



## Friends of the Atascadero-Martin Polin Library

August/September 2010

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### *NEWSLETTER*

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#### **PRESIDENT 'S MESSAGE**

We have moved forward in our efforts to clear the title to the current library property. In late June, Susan Polin, widow of Martin Polin and the Grantee of the original gift of the property to the city, communicated with Stanford University about her thinking regarding the property. You will remember that the gift was made with the provision that if it were used for anything but a library, it would become the property of Stanford University. Mrs. Polin advised Stanford that the Polin family supports allowing the sale of the property to purchase a larger property that would accommodate the needs of our growing library. We appreciate Mrs. Polin's gracious letter and her understanding of the need for the library to expand its size and services. We are hopeful that Stanford will comply with Mrs. Polin's request soon, and that we are able to make the decisions needed by our expansion campaign.

We also appreciate the work the county is doing to make an expanded library a reality. The county has led the discussions with the Polin family and initiated communication with Stanford. It is also actively exploring site selection and is committed to the concept that Atascadero needs a larger, updated library. And several members of the city council have made it a point to stay in touch with us and to offer support and guidance.

Working together as a community, we can make our library dream a reality

**How does the Library help you?** We know that the library has helped many patrons- with job searches, school assignments, hobby information, genealogy searches, to name a few- and we are interested in the story of how the library has helped you.

If you can share your story, put it in writing and ask the library staff to give it to me.

In the future we may share your story in the newsletter or in other FOL communications. You may sign your story or not, as you wish. We hope to hear from you and also see you at the BBQ in the Park on August 24.

Grenda Ernst, President

#### **Expansion Fundraising Campaign Read-Seek-Grow**

The fundraising committee greatly appreciates the recent gift of a \$5000 donation from the estate of **Thelma Vetter**. Thelma has given a wonderful legacy to the Atascadero community!

On **Tuesday, August 24**, the BBQ in the Lake Park will benefit Friends of the Library. Tickets are now on sale at the library for a delicious dinner and an evening of music: \$12 for adults; \$10 for seniors, \$6 for children. We hope to see all our FOL members there.

A beautiful quilt, donated by the Material Girls group of the Almond Country Quilters, is now on display in the library. Because of its black, white and red design, the quilters titled it "Black and White and Read All Over." The Material Girls group includes **Sandy Garcia, Pat Gordon, Lydia McCowin, Karen Petersen, Pat Otten, Janet Rogers, Nancy Leith, Elaine Wolfe, Mary Fellini, Pam Morrison., Sandy Tuttle** and **Linda Marley**. We appreciate their creativity and generosity. Raffle tickets for the quilt are now on sale at the library: \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

The quilt will be raffled off at the **September 23 benefit performance of the play "Quilters" at the Brickyard Theatre**, but the winner does not have to be present. Theatre tickets are selling briskly; some may still be available at the library for \$35 each.

Eileen O'Grady, Vice President

## Reference Notes

by  
Brian Coburn

The San Luis Obispo County Library system has a new proprietary database called the Job and Career Accelerator. You can access the database on our website: [www.slolibrary.org](http://www.slolibrary.org). To get started, register by creating a username and a password. Once registered, you can explore occupations and their growth potential. The user can then search for jobs in selected careers, and create resumes and cover letters to submit to interested "help-wanted" web sites. In addition, there are numerous practice employment, self-assessment and educational tests such as postal worker and the GED. The Job and Career Accelerator can be accessed in the library or by remote access. For more information, call the library's information desk at 461-6162.

## BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS FOR ADULTS

### Dates for 2010:

September 7<sup>th</sup> - October 5<sup>th</sup> -  
November 2<sup>nd</sup> - December 7<sup>th</sup>

Time: 11:00 am

Location: Atascadero Library

### Martin Polin Community Room

The Tuesday Book Discussion Group meets the first Tuesday of each month at 11:00 am, in the Martin Polin Community Room of the Atascadero-Martin Polin Library. All adult patrons are invited to participate. A different book is discussed each month, old or new, fiction or non-fiction, by authors from all over the world. The only qualifications for the books chosen are that they are well written, interesting and available in the library system. For further information on this free program, call Deborah at 461-6161.

## ADULT EVENING BOOK CLUB

**Wednesdays:** Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, October 6<sup>th</sup>,  
November 3<sup>rd</sup>, December 1<sup>st</sup>.

Time: Varies--call for time

Location: Atascadero Library

Martin Polin Community Room

Contact: For meeting time call the library at 461-6162. For details call Chuck at 712-4039

New! New! New! If you have wanted to join a book club but have to work during the day, this is for you. We meet on the first Wednesday of the month.

## Colony Days Parade Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup>

"Get Your Funny On" and join the Atascadero Friends of the Library and the Atascadero MOMS Club members as we march alongside vintage cars in the parade. If you are lucky, maybe you can ride on our first float! Watch for information about costume ideas at the Atascadero Library.

For more information about these activities and more, please visit our website at:

[www.atascaderofriendsofthelibrary.org](http://www.atascaderofriendsofthelibrary.org).

## YOUTH SERVICES--PROGRAMS

### PRE-SCHOOL STORYTIME

Wednesdays

10:30 am - Ages 3-6

Location: Atascadero Library-

Martin Polin Community Room

Join us for this half-hour session of stories, songs, finger plays and a monthly craft. Signups are not required. **Storytime begins September 15<sup>th</sup>**. There will be no storytime on Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>, December 22<sup>nd</sup> and December 29<sup>th</sup>.

### TODDLER TALES

Thursdays, 10:30 am

Ages 18 months- 3 years old

Limit: 15 toddlers (Pre-registration required)

Location: Atascadero Library-

Martin Polin Community Room

### Fall Session 2010

September 16-December 2nd

**Registration begins August 28, 2010**

Toddlers and their caregivers will enjoy this lively 20-minute session. Each child and his or her caregiver will interact in a variety of positive ways. This includes participating in stories, songs, movement, nursery rhymes and finger plays.

A variety of other special events is held each month at the library. Check the children’s event board, teen area, local newspapers and radio/TV stations and [www.slolibrary.org](http://www.slolibrary.org) website for updates. All programs are held in the Martin Polin Community Room at no charge to the public, unless otherwise noted. They are sponsored by the Atascadero Friends of the Library. For more information, call Joan at 461-6163.

**YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAMS**

**San Luis Obispo Symphony Music Van**

Thursday, September 30th

Time: 3:30-4:30 pm

Ages 5+

Atascadero Library

Martin-Polin Community Room

*Space is limited. Signups are not required.*

A San Luis Obispo Symphony musician will make a 45 minute presentation of the instruments of the orchestra—their roles, similarities and differences. Children will then be given a chance to try them.

**Stranded! How Would You Survive?**

Wednesday, October 20<sup>th</sup>

Time: 3:30-5:30 pm

Ages 10+

Atascadero Library,

Martin Polin Community Room

*Space is limited. Signups are required and begin Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>.*

Dave Wilson, Instructor and Director of Coyote Road School, will present an outdoor education program. The Apache Indians of the southwest had a philosophy of survival and an order to survival. Maybe you’ve heard about *Survivor Man* or *Man Against Nature* and wondered how you would do...now is your opportunity to give a few survival skills a shot. Besides learning the sacred order of survival needs, you’ll get a chance to experience fire by friction, learn about shelters and making string from a plant.

Joan Bloomfield, Children's Librarian

**Financial Statement – RABO Bank Account  
May 1 – June 30, 2010**

<b>Income</b>	<b>\$</b>
Machine, Lobby Sales	1,141
Book Sales	1,008
Membership	1,415
Misc. income	209
Undesignated donations	40
Advertisement	40
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,853</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Children’s programs	3,330
Adult Programs	216
Postage	200
PG&E	9
Printing	211
Fund raising expense	27
Adm. Management	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,004</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>(151)</b>

**Darlene Brainard, Treasurer**

**New Members**

We welcome the following new members:  
 Agnieszka Stawska, Nancy Rerinstein, Hilary Holt,  
 Kate & Gary Fisher, Cathi Powers, Toni Torrey,  
 Jane Strom, Stephanie Lowe, Barbara Jewell,  
 Clarice Handshy, Lois Bunker, Vicki Blankenship,  
 Kristen Bachman, Constance Teague, Linda Wargo,  
 Shirley Slabach, Genie Seagrave-Smith,  
 Kayda Magruder, Donna Lacey, Richard Lacey,  
 Johnsrud Family, Figg Family, Tony Faretta,  
 Ethan and Patricia, Connie Snyder

**Donations**

We thank the following people for their generous gifts:  
 Constance Teague,  
 Jean Platt,  
 Donald & Harriet Hughes

## The Kiosk



We have "slightly used" books and magazines for sale at the kiosk in the lobby, also some CDs and DVDs. We are open whenever the library is. Just pick up the item you want and take it to the circulation desk around the corner.

*All Proceeds will benefit the Library*

## Quilt Raffle

Black and White and Read All Over

**\$ 5 per ticket or 5 for \$ 20**

Cash or checks payable to  
Atascadero Friends of the Library



Tickets can be purchased at the Library or at the Brickyard Theater on the evening of September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The drawing will be held after the performance  
The winner need not be present to win.

The proceeds will benefit our  
Library Expansion Campaign

Quilt graciously constructed and donated by the  
Material Girls:

Mary Fellini & Sandy Garcia, Patricia Gordon & Nancy Leith,  
Linda Marley & Lydia McCowin, Pam Morrison & Pat Otten,  
Karen Petersen & Janet Rogers, Sandy Tuttle & Elaine Wolfe

# Book Sale!



Friday, August 13, 2010  
From 6 to 8 PM

➔ *For members only* ➔

Saturday, August 14, 2010  
From 9 AM to 2 PM  
At the Book House  
6907 Atascadero Ave  
(behind the Library)

Great Selection of Novels  
Romance, Mystery, Science Fiction,  
Biographies and Adventures.  
Many non-fiction books available  
Children's Books  
Video and Audio Cassettes  
Books-on-Tape or on CD  
CDs and DVDs  
Hundreds of Soft-cover Books

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