



Friend-ly News

November 15, 2021

Bring Together The Friends of the Oceanside Public Library + Rotary Members + Camp Pendleton Marines And What Do You Have?

The Big Move!

It was 8 a.m. on a Saturday morning, and a stalwart crew of volunteers had come together to empty out the Friends' book sorting facility and move everything into the new location – boxes of books and other materials generously donated by the Oceanside community; bookshelves; tables; computers; and all the “stuff” you don't know you have until it's time to pack and move it.



One of the Marines brought his daughter along as a helper, and she was rewarded with some one-on-one time with volunteer Gail Wells, sorting facility manager and a former Kindergarten teacher.



Honorary Board Member Arne Pearson generously donated a refrigerator for the new sorting facility's break room, and a vacuum cleaner – both came in very handy on moving day!

Moving day was preceded by months of packing, cleaning, planning and organizing led by Friends Board Member Diane Stone, and moving day was directed by Board Member Joe McClusky. Volunteers' cars and a rental truck filled with boxes made multiple trips to the new location for unpacking and organizing materials onto newly installed bookshelves.

By mid-afternoon the big move was complete and, said Friends Vice President Mona Marra, “Everyone left tired but happy. Our Friend-ly volunteers were a great team, and the move was a great success!”

With very special thanks to Rotary member Ed Becerra for recruiting his hardworking fellow Rotarians and Camp Pendleton Marines.



Save the Date For Gifts Galore! Books and More! Meet and Greet with Bestselling Author Richard Lederer!

Where: Civic Center Library Community Rooms
When: Saturday, December 11, 2021
Time: Friends Members 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
General Public 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Lovely items at great prices – something for everyone on your list! And you'll be helping the Friends support Oceanside Public Library's programs, events, and purchase of books and other materials.

We Welcome Your Donations!

Now that the Friends have relocated to their new sorting facility, we are once again gratefully able to accept your donations of books, magazine, DVDs and CDs at the Civic Center and Mission Branch Libraries.

Your donations are sold on Amazon; at Oceanside's Thursday Farmers Market; and at the Friends' bookstores at the Civic Center and Mission Branch Libraries. These sales are a critical source of revenue and can reach \$100,000 per year!

Thank you!

Please check oplfriends.org for donation information.

The Library is important to our community and Friends are important to our Library.