



# THE BINDING

## The President's Message



Donna Stapleton

Hello! I am Donna Stapleton and I was elected to be your new President of The Friends of the Costa Mesa Libraries on April 8th. Our two past-

presidents, Mary Ellen Goddard and Bob Ooten are very "tough acts to follow" and I hope to build on their legacies.

Tracey Daschbach was elected as our new Vice President of Memberships. She has numerous great ideas for increasing our membership and streamlining the process. I look forward to working with her.

Also on April 8th, we held our first board meeting following the elections and Mary Ellen Goddard was appointed Volunteer Coordinator while Katie Crawford (former Vice President of Programs) was appointed Parliamentarian.

Currently, we need to fill two other Board positions. One is a Vice President of Programs, and the other is as Outreach Committee Chairperson. If you are interested in participating on the Board, please let us know. Additionally, Bob Ooten needs help sorting the donated books. If you have a couple of hours each month to help Bob, he will be glad to hear from you.

The new Dungan Library is moving

ahead as planned with the opening scheduled for early next year. It is going to be amazing.

In the Spring issue of The Binding, Bob wrote about the possibility of having outdoor musical instruments that are perfectly tuned sound sculptures at the new library. The City wants to complete the work on the new library before it adds anything else. Presently, we are looking at the possibility of installing a few of these sound sculptures at the Mesa Verde Library. Seven board members met with the distributor of the Freenotes Harmony Park Instruments on April 26th. We saw and played one of the instruments and watched a video featuring others. We are enthusiastic about adding more instruments to the outdoor spaces at both Mesa Verde and Dungan. If you would like to see what we are considering, please take a look at their website at [www.freenotesharmony.com](http://www.freenotesharmony.com)



After meeting with the distributor for Freenotes Harmony Park instruments, FOL Board members (l-r) Barbara Steck, Cheryl Ooten, Mary Leshure, Donna Stapleton, and Bob Ooten look on as Tracey Daschbach (center) has fun playing the xylophone.

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## Today's Quote

*The **SPEED**  
of the  
**PACK**  
is the  
**PACE**  
of the  
**LEADER***

# Check for New Dungan

By Donna Stapleton

Because of the amazing support from The Friends of the Libraries, we were able to present a giant check to the Costa Mesa City Council at a meeting on May 15th. Donna Stapleton presented the check for \$75,000 to be used for the Media Wall at the entrance to the new Donald Dungan Library. Thanks FOL! We could not have done it without you!



(left to right): Darrell Neft\*, Kristina Jones (Dungan Library Manager), Judith Lamb\* (FOL Secretary), Katie Crawford (FOL Parliamentarian), Mayor Pro Tem Allan Mansoor, Council Members John Stephens and Jim Rigeimer\*, Mayor Sandy Genis, Art Goddard\*, Donna Stapleton\* (FOL President), Council Member Katrina Foley, Andy Lamb\*, Bob Ooten\* (FOL Past President), Sherrie Neft\*, Mary Ellen Goddard\* (FOL Past President and current Volunteer Coordinator), FOL Foundation committee members Charlene Ashendorf and Barbara Steck. (\* = Life Members of The FOL)

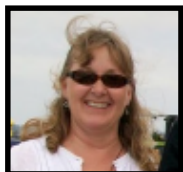


**YOUR  
MEMBERSHIP  
MATTERS**

*"But why's she got to go to the library?"  
"Because that's what Hermione does," said Ron  
shrugging. "When in doubt, go to the library."*

*J.K. Rowling, Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets*

By Tracey Daschbach



Hello Friends of the Library! My name is Tracey and I have volunteered to be the new Membership Chair. A big part in making this decision was based on how important I believe free open access to public libraries are to the health of a society—and I want to be a part of that!

The sustainability of our libraries includes the strong support exhibited by The FOL (Friends of the Library). Their support includes collecting books, fund raising campaigns, and lobbying the legislature for financial support. Historically, that is chiefly what women's clubs did for societies during the Civil War. Times have changed, of course, and today we count many men as members of The Friends. Today, we need to provide even more assistance than the women's clubs of yesteryear.

The OCPL, supplemented by contributions from The Friends, provides a myriad of resources for our Costa Mesa libraries to make them stronger. Your membership is crucial to supporting our libraries so they can offer a variety of services and programs. That includes more books, digital devices, informational lunch programs, outside awnings for our buildings, library shelving, and even trash bins. Membership participation can be manifested in an assortment of ways that include simply sending a check, shopping at one of our used bookstores, becoming a volunteer, or making an extra donation in the form of goods and/or services.

Unfortunately, we cannot offer fancy gifts for your donations, but we do offer recognition, our newsletter, custom designed totes, frameable plaques, and most of all our sincere appreciation. Your participation is so vital to us that we are overjoyed with each and every new and renewed membership.

I truly believe that each member adds to the great wonders of our libraries. Please join us and perhaps you can convince one other person to become a member as well to make our libraries that much stronger, that much more wondrous!



# NEW! Board Members

The FOL Board Meetings are open to the public so that you can hear first-hand about all the activities at our libraries. We would love to see you there!

**WHEN:** 1st Thursday of every month

**TIME:** 7:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Mesa Verde Library  
2969 Mesa Verde Drive East  
Costa Mesa, CA 92626  
(714) 438-0517



(left to right) Mary Ellen Goddard (Volunteer Coordinator and Past President), Judith Lamb (secretary), Donna Stapleton (President), Branka Hubbard (Treasurer), Katie Crawford (Parliamentarian), and Bob Ooten (Past President). Officers not pictured are Tracey Daschbach (Vice President of Memberships), Michele Jett (Mesa Verde Bookstore Manager) and Mary Leshure (Dungan Bookstore Manager). Also not pictured are Committee chairpersons Charlene Ashendorf and Barbara Steck (Library Foundation).

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# Volunteer in the Spotlight

By Mary Ellen Goddard



Photo of Barbara Voelkel with the island of Catalina in the background.

We are proud to introduce you to our newest “Volunteer in the Spotlight,” Barbara Voelkel, a volunteer at the Mesa Verde Library bookstore. She has volunteered for two years processing donations, stocking shelves, purging, and “anything else that needs doing.” She says she has always loved to read, so she “enjoys volunteering at a place that is all about reading and being able to share a love of books with others, especially kids.” She continues that “when I see a child excited about reading, that makes me really happy.”

Barbara was raised in Anaheim and worked for the County of Orange for twenty-five years. She moved to Costa Mesa (South Coast Metro area) in 1993 because of the central location and because of the theatre district. Though she just bought a condo in Huntington Beach, she plans to continue volunteering at the Mesa Verde Library because she loves her Thursday group of friends.

Having majored in theater at the University of Southern California, Barbara loves the theater especially the classics. She hopes to get back into community theatre—if she can find the time. “It’s amazing how busy one gets once one retires,” she muses.

## Summer Lunch Program at Dungan

By Kristina Jones

This summer Costa Mesa Donald Dungan Library will offer **FREE** healthy lunches for children and teens 18 years of age and under in partnership with Newport Mesa Unified School District through the USDA Summer Food Service Program. There is no sign-up, application, income verification or identification needed. Meals are served to all children on a first-come, first-served basis. Children are encouraged to come and enjoy a summer filled with free activities, summer reading and healthy lunches that are all designed to nurture young bodies and minds in our community to help them grow and thrive!

**Lunch is served June 25th through August 3rd**

The time will be announced soon  
Costa Mesa Donald Dungan Library  
1855 Park Avenue  
(949) 646-8845



### Letter from the Editor

*Dear FOL Members,*

*Everything comes to an end and so has my time as the Editor of your newsletter, The Binding. I have enjoyed putting it together four times a year since 2013. I especially appreciate all of your compliments about its design and layout.*

*As a professional business owner with two companies—Scarlett Sketch and Scribe Services and Scarlett and Dr. Bob Finney Jazz Group—it is time I devote my energies to those endeavors. Also, there are our ten grandchildren who are sprinkled throughout the U.S. who we love to visit.*

*The FOL is forging new directions this year that must be exciting for you all. I wish everyone the very best.*



*Respectfully,  
Scarlett Finney*

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Monday through Thursday: 10a.m.—7p.m.  
Friday, Saturday, & Sunday: 9a.m.—5p.m.

### Bookstore Hours (behind the library):

Tuesday through Sunday: 1p.m.—4p.m.  
(Closed on Mondays)

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(Closed on Fridays)  
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**Costa Mesa/Donald Dungan** 949-646-8845

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