Dear Members,

Spring is the time to Grow! So let’s get Ready Set Library! -the theme for 2024 National Library Week. Let’s be honest, we’re all here because we feel libraries and librarians should be honored all year. You can be inspired and explore ideas at your local library, because they’ll be there to cultivate your dreams. Libraries give all of us a place to connect with others and learn new skills. You can experience new ideas at library author talks, story times, and book clubs. No matter where you find yourself on your life path—preparing for a new career, launching a business, studying with friends, learning a new craft, raising a family or using your retirement to catch up on all those unread masterworks; our Donald Dungan & Mesa Verde Libraries provide an inclusive and supportive community where everyone belongs. Take a moment to thank the employees at our two wonderful libraries. They create meaningful programs and events for our community to Grow!

Happy Spring,

Cheryl Fletcher
And More News from Dungan—Mary Leshure

As some of you may know I’m taking a break from the bookstore at Dungan. But that doesn’t mean things aren’t happening there. Our cadre of volunteers continue to be hard at work making sure that our Wall and Cabinet both look wonderful. They are also being diligent in evaluating the donations that we receive from separating out collectibles, special books for the cabinet and making sure that the Wall is well-stocked and our overflow area is under control.

If you happen to be at Dungan, please check out the Wall. One area that is expanding is our collection of classics—which seem to be greatly appreciated by the many students who come by.

And of course, say hello to whichever volunteer is on duty. They would be happy to meet you.
Costa Mesa Libraries Are Here To Serve You!

See the QR Code for the Calendar

Sarita Dangond, Branch Manager
Donald Dungan Library
1855 Park Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92627 • 949/646-8845

Vivian Strabala, Branch Manager
Mesa Verde Library
2969 Mesa Verde Drive, Costa Mesa, CA 92626
714/546-5274

Hours: Mon – Thurs 10am – 7pm and Fri - Sun 9am – 5pm

OC Public Libraries www.ocpl.org

Costa Mesa Libraries, part of OCPL, are community hubs, connecting people to essential services and resources and building communities of lifelong learners.

OCPL helps our communities learn, explore, connect and have fun!

For the Love of Reading – Read 100 books, 100 days, or 100 hours in 2024 to earn badges throughout the year! Save the Date: Summer Reading Challenge 2024 begins June 17th!

LIBRARY OF THINGS – You have access to much more than books with OCPL’s Library of Things collection, including games, backpacks and recently added musical instruments.

California State Library Parks Pass – Check out for three weeks a free State Parks vehicle-day use pass!

KINDERGARTEN READINESS OC Public Libraries has compiled resources and designed programs to support our families in getting ready for school.

DISCOVER & GO Explore Orange County museums and attractions through this exciting partnership between OC Public Libraries and local cultural institutions.

Please visit your branch in person or online at www.ocpl.org/events for current programming information, including storytimes, author events, book clubs, and fun events for children, teens, and adults!

And at Mesa Verde Library, the Family Magic Show on Saturday, May 4th at 11:00am to celebrate Star Wars Day. Bring a blanket or lawn chair and enjoy a “Star” studded magical performance on the library lawn with a special visit from Darth Vader! All ages welcome. No registration required.

Special Storytime with Costa Mesa Police Department on Tuesday, May 21st at 4:00pm. Tour a police car, themed storytime & crafts, learn about safety, children receive a police car treat box while supplies last. All ages welcome!
Dear Friends,

We are happy that spring is here. We are ready for some warmer weather and more daylight for us to accomplish more things.

The friends membership perks seems to be a great draw to join or renew your membership. We hope to incorporate more perks in the coming years.

All members who have joined or renewed for 2024 will be entered in a drawing for a chance to win a $25.00 gift card to a local business, a friend’s book bag or a $5.00 bookstore coupon. These drawings will be held 4 times a year.

Here are the winners for our second drawing of the 2024 year.

◊ Jacqueline Lopez>>$25.00 gift card to Sprouts
◊ Bette Flick>> Friends Book bag
◊ Bob and Mari Palazzola>> $5.00 bookstore coupon

The Friends of the Costa Mesa Libraries invite you to join or renew your membership if you haven’t already done so.

We have provided a membership form in the newsletter or you may join on our website. Your membership expiration date is printed on your newsletter address label. For our members who receive the Binding by email please contact us for your expiration date.

Be sure and stop by one or both of our great bookstores for some great bargains on books. We hope that you are able to join us at our next book sale event at Mesa Verde on April 27th from 12 to 4 p.m.

We appreciate your continuing support very much and hope to hear from you soon.

Cheryl and Maurice Dollison
V.P., Membership

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Spring 2024
WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU!
Are you interested in getting involved with the Friends of the Costa Mesa Libraries?
The Board is currently seeking someone to serve as our Secretary.

The Secretary shall

- Record the minutes of all meetings of the Board and the general membership, which shall include a record of attendance.
- Provide minutes of the previous Board meetings for approval by the Board at each meeting.

The Board generally meets the 1st Thursday of every month.

If interested, please contact Cheryl Fletcher, Board President
friendscmlibraries@att.net
714-438-0517
# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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## Friends Used Book Stores
Located at
- Mesa Verde Library
- Donald Dungan Library

## Contact Information
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Please make checks payable to: **Friends of the Costa Mesa Libraries**
Mail check & Membership Application to address listed under Contact Information, Attention Membership.

Thank you for your membership and help.
Want to help more?
Please volunteer a little of your time. We Train!
If your interested in volunteering,
please circle areas of interest below or specify an interest,
we will give you a call.

- Bookstore
- Public Relations
- Marketing
- Serve on a Committee
- Membership
- Book Sale Day
- Serve on Friends’ Board
- Other____________________

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