



# BookMarks



*The Newsletter of the Friends of the Casa Grande Public Library*

**WELCOME!**

## The New Friends Newsletter

Welcome to *BookMarks*, the newsletter of the Friends of Casa Grande Public Library. The newsletter will include information about Friends activities, library events, and more.

In the last year, the Friends contributed to the library in many ways including sponsoring the Summer Reading Program, the Scholastic Book Fair, and Overdrive Advantage, and helping fund the library's e-book collections. Friends' funds are also used to host library speakers and for special projects like the seed library and purchasing educational games and toys.

The Friends of the Casa Grande Library recently donated funds to purchase a solar charging bench, pictured to the left, which was installed in the Rose Garden at Peart Park.



New solar charging bench in Peart Park



*National Friends of Libraries Week is October 15-21.*

*A giant thank you to all of our members!*

## Dia De Los Muertos Storytelling

**CASA GRANDE MAIN LIBRARY, OCTOBER 28 AT 1:30**

Join us for the next event in the Arizona Humanities Speaker Series on Saturday, October 28 from 1:30-3 p.m.

Sculptor, muralist, storyteller, and performance artist, Zarco Guerrero has dedicated his career to creating positive social change through the arts. *Dia de Los Muertos* (Day of the Dead) is a holiday celebrated in Mexico, Latin America, and the Southwest. Homage is paid with prayers, food offerings, and altars to remember and honor those who have gone before. Join Guerrero and his unique masked characters as they celebrate *Día de los Muertos* with hilarious and moving storytelling, turning stereotypes on their heads. Sponsored by the Friends of Casa Grande Public Library.





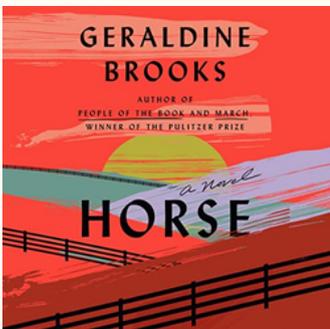
Friends board members and library staff in front of the new bookmobile, August 10, 2023

## Our Latest Contribution!

The Friends of the Casa Grande Library donated \$32,500 toward the purchase of the library's new bookmobile. The beautiful bookmobile will soon be making its appearance throughout the community, serving residents of Casa Grande throughout our community.

Several area donors - Capital R Construction, Coldwell Banker ROX Realty, Jones Casa Grande, Absolute Construction, Ellison Mills, Casa Grande Eye Care, Mitchell & Crosby Dental, Walton Orthodontics, and the Studio of Dance - contributed to the purchase of a bookmobile wrap. Egan Eyes Photography provided the landscape photo. Radius Sign and Banner designed and created the wrap.

## Coming Up LITERATI BOOK CLUB



OCTOBER 4, 2023



NOVEMBER 1, 2023

The library's Literati Book Club meets on the first Wednesday of every month at 11 a.m. at the Vista Grande Library. Join us to discuss the October and November books! All book lovers welcome.



## Book Sales

The Friends maintain ongoing book sales at both the Main and Vista Grande Libraries during regular business hours. Periodically the Friends sponsor a special sale.

- Hardbacks: \$2
- Paperbacks: \$.50 or 3/\$1
- Children's: \$.25
- DVDs/CDs: \$1
- Audiobooks: \$2

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## Get involved!

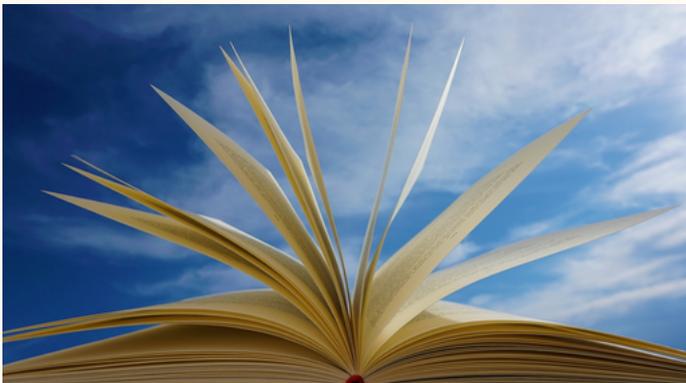
You are invited to attend a Friends of the Casa Grande Public Library Board meeting. They are typically held the second Monday of each month.

The next Friends board meeting will be on Monday, October 9, at 4 p.m. at the Main Library, 449 N. Dry Lake St. All meetings are open to the public.



We would love to see you!

## Become a member today!



### Online Membership Form

<b>MEMBERSHIP TYPE</b>
<b>STUDENT: \$5</b>
<b>INDIVIDUAL: \$15</b>
<b>FAMILY: \$30</b>
<b>SUPER FRIEND: \$50</b>
<b>VENDOR: \$25</b>
<b>LIFETIME (PER PERSON): \$500</b>
<b>SUSTAINING MEMBER (PER MONTH): \$10</b>

### MEMBER BENEFITS

- Receive information, like this email, about library events and activities;
- Enjoy a 4-week checkout period for books, including audio books;
- Choose four free books from the on-going book sale or annual sale;
- Know that you have supported the Casa Grande Public Library and its collections, programs, and services.

### HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE FRIENDS?

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