

## Summer Reading Program Begins! Reading Takes You Everywhere!

The Livermore Public Library, with the support of the Friends of the Livermore Library, local businesses, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Livermore Area Recreation & Park District, Robot Garden and the San Francisco Giants, are combating the "Summer Slide." By encouraging children to read during the summer months, learning losses generally experienced during the summer months are minimized. The summer reading program creates a bridge from learning in June to the start of the next school year in the fall. Additionally, national research from the Dominican University showed a correlation between participation in a public library summer reading program and higher reading achievement test scores at the beginning of the next school year.

The summer reading program is not limited to school age children, Pre-Readers have their own program. Children who are not reading, including babies, can participate in their own game. Parents and children can read together creating a huge impact on the child's early brain development! Development in vocabulary and comprehension, a love for reading and a motivation for a child to learn to read, are all benefits of reading to a child, according to the American Library Association.

Adults, 18 and older, are also welcomed in the summer reading program! This year, a six-page Travel Log is used to check off different activities that are completed. Each page has a choice of activities to choose from that are designed to challenge and inspire.

To round out the summer reading, a whole range of activities and entertainments are planned. There are performers, special events, crafts and so much more. All events are FREE; however, some may require registration to participate.

The Summer Reading Program started June 1 and runs to August 15th. To pick up a "Summer at Your Library" events booklet, gameboards or Travel Log, drop by the Livermore Public Library. For more information about the program, visit the library website: <http://livermorepubliclibrary.readsquared.com/>

### Highlights

**Pre-Readers** have their own game board and will earn stickers and a tub of Play-Doh along the way. Those who complete their boards will earn a free book and a taco from Rubio's Coastal Grill.

**K-6 students** complete a game board as they read, earning prizes along the way. Prizes include ice cream vouchers, science kits, swimming passes, and more. Those who obtain the final goal will also receive a medal and get to choose a free book. Those who set their reading goal to at least 30 minutes per space on their board will also receive an invitation to meet the Mayor and City Council at a special City Council Awards Night in September.

**Teens (6th -12th grade)** may earn prizes for completing as few as five of the listed reading activities. Each participant who completes the first and second levels of the game is guaranteed a prize! Teens completing all twenty-five challenges will be entered into a raffle for one of two tablets. Teens register online at: [livermorepubliclibrary.readsquared.com](http://livermorepubliclibrary.readsquared.com) and begin recording the books they read through August 15.

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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEET**

Third Thursday 7 pm at Civic Center  
Library Board Room  
Jan., Mar., May, Jul., Sept., & Nov.

**OFFICERS 2016-2017**

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**FINANCIAL REPORT**

July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017

Total Income:	\$74,957.19
Total Expenses:	\$21,325.45
Library Grants:	\$54,750.00
Net Assets:	\$123,002.48

## President's Message

It's great to have a have a newsletter again - thank you Dory (and her husband) for taking on this valuable service for our community! As is true for many volunteers, Dory does other things for the Friends including volunteering in the bookstore and updating and maintaining our online presences: Website ([www.friendsoflivermorelibrary.com](http://www.friendsoflivermorelibrary.com)), Facebook([www.facebook.com/FriendsOfTheLivermoreLibrary/](http://www.facebook.com/FriendsOfTheLivermoreLibrary/)) and Twitter (@LivLibrary).

As we finish our fiscal year at the end of June, I want to thank all of our volunteers (Bookstore, Sorting and Board) for a stunning year. We will report more at the annual meeting on Thursday June 21st at 7PM, but our excellent sales and efficiency have enabled us to increase our funding of library programs - literally to the extent library staff has time to run these programs. There is never a concern from the city or library staff whether they can depend on us to support existing and new programs to improve library engagement to the entire Livermore community.

Bookstore improvements: In the annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon, there was discussion about inadequate cooling and lighting in the bookstore. Tamera (Library Director) and Geri (Senior Clerk) were gracious to come into the bookstore immediately to assess these concerns. Geri has already coordinated work by city maintenance to improve both issues (reset thermostat and improved bulbs in the can lights), with improved bulbs for the other light fixtures coming soon (maybe by the time you read this). This is just one example of the close working relationship we have with library staff. Thanks Tamera and Geri (and the volunteers who pointed out their concerns in the luncheon)!

We all work together so please don't hesitate to bring any suggestions or issues to any Friends Board member, or attend any of our board meetings (schedule posted in bookstore).

– **Dave Runyon**

## Bookstore News

People still come into the bookstore asking about the Sunday sales. We don't have them any more because we lost our storage and sales location. But we have a new sales option – called the “last chance” books on sale for 10¢ for paperbacks or 25¢ for hardback books. Wow, where did these come from? Let's look at the path of a donation coming into the bookstore.

We get a cart-full or two of books donated to the library every day. First we go through the books to find all that we want to put on the shelves of the bookstore – mostly recently published fiction and nonfiction with a few exceptions. These exceptions are books that are older, rare, or have unusual subject matter. We'll go into what happens to them in a future newsletter.

The majority of the books that we keep for the shelves are sorted into categories and either put on the shelf or in the drawer waiting for a spot on the shelf. Books are kept on the shelves until they are sold or removed after three months if a replacement is available. The books removed or not chosen for display are boxed up and sent back for further sorting. There, they are checked with a computer app from a book seller called ThriftBooks. ThriftBooks sells books online at ThriftBooks.com and gives us a percentage of the sale. Some books are not wanted by ThriftBooks, either because they don't have a client for them or because they already have several copies. So sometimes we have leftover books that are recent publications, even by favorite authors. These we now bring back to the bookstore and sell them as “last chance” books. This is why you can sometimes see the same book on the regular shelf and on the “last chance” shelf. In any case, these are real bargains.



Want to increase your odds of a long and healthy life into advancing age? Want to have some fun during the summer months? The Livermore Library Summer Reading Program may be what you are looking for! Starting on June 1 and running to August 15th, the library invites you to challenge yourself. Get into the healthy habit of using your mind!

For adults 18 and older:

Get a Travel Log from the Livermore Library that has six “destination” pages with three activity choices per page. Only one activity needs to be completed from each page.

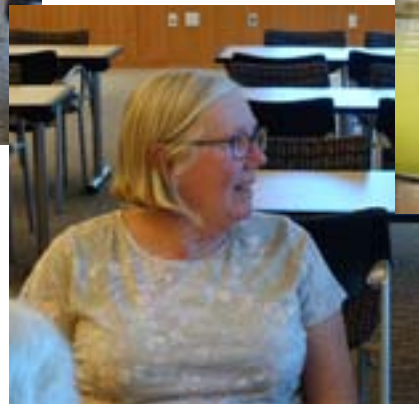
Complete any three “destination” pages and present the Travel Log to a library staff member to earn a prize.

Complete all six “destination” pages by August 15th and you will be entered into a drawing to win more great prizes, including movie tickets and gift certificates to local restaurants and merchants.

Pick up your very own “Reading Takes You Everywhere” Travel Log and a copy of the Classes and Events Guide at the Livermore Library. To get more information visit the Livermore Library website: <https://livermorepubliclibrary.readsquared.com/>



*Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon*



Dave Runyon presenting the Volunteer of the Year awards at the annual luncheon.

It is always a pleasure to award Volunteer of the Year awards - especially this year to Mary Meyer and Nikki Vanderpool at our Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon on June 1st. It was a great opportunity for food and fellowship with our volunteers committed to serving our community through the Friends organization. I very much appreciated the opportunity to get to know our volunteers better, and hear from them what is working and what could be improved. Thanks to Bill and Cherie Jo for doing most of the work for setup, and to Bill for his work in finding/arranging the caterer as well as taking photos. Special thanks to Janice Diane for leading the work to build the fabulous Friends 40th Anniversary poster outside the cafe.

Nikki Vanderpool (left)  
Mary Meyer (right)



# Jazz in July

**Jazz in July, an annual Livermore tradition, once again takes over the Civic Center Library for five programs by top jazz artists. All programs are on Sundays at 2 p.m. and are free of charge, thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Livermore Library. No reservations required. Parking and seats are limited, so get to the library early!**

## **Sunday, July 1, 2 pm Oakland Jazz Choir**

This multicultural, multi-talented group of people has been singing and bringing innovative and unique vocal jazz to the Bay Area since 1992. Oakland born and bred, they are one of just a few community jazz choirs in the nation singing cool original and standard jazz material in a distinctive choral jazz setting. Choir membership includes 15 singers, as diverse in age, religion, and race as their hometown.



## **Sunday, July 8, 2 pm Joe DeRose and Amici**

Drummer Joe DeRose leads this jazz fusion band. Amici literally means friends in Italian. Joe DeRose and Amici is composed of some of the most gifted players and improvisers from all over the globe; featuring Hristo Vitchev, a Bulgarian virtuoso and co-writer for this group, playing guitar. Also, adding to this group's progressive and deep talent is Grammy-nominated Murray Low on piano, the soulful sounds of Dann Zinn on sax, and the groove maker of the low end, Dan Robbins on Bass.

## **Sunday, July 15, 2 pm**

### **Rob Hart Trio**

The Rob Hart Trio is an exciting blend of organic traditional jazz, fusion, funk, latin and textural experimental music, along with high-powered, on-the-edge improvisations. Established in the early 1990's the Trio has gone through a series of different incarnations of instrumentation and evolutions, taking the trio through pathways of musical adventures.



## **Sunday, July 22, 2pm**

### **Lee Waterman & Jazz Caliente**

Jazz Caliente is an all-star ensemble whose members have appeared with a Who's Who of musical luminaries including: Tito Puente, Whitney Houston, Eddie Palmieri, Linda Ronstadt, Michael Bolton, Madonna, Jon Faddis, Tom Scott, and Pete Escovedo. Band members include Lee Waterman (guitars), Alex Murzn (sax and flute), Michaelle Goerlitz (percussion), Tommy Kesecker (vibraphone), Bill Lanphier (bass), and Bill Belasco (drums). All the band members are terrific ensemble players and exciting soloists.

## **Sunday, July 29, 2 pm**

### **Dmitri Matheny Group**

The Dmitri Matheny Group (DMG) performs over 100 concerts on tour each year. Directed by flugelhornist/composer Dmitri Matheny ("one of the most emotionally expressive improvisers of his generation" —International Review of Music), the DMG has developed an engaging repertoire and a strong international following. The group's signature sound pleases both crowds and critics, balancing fresh, original works with familiar jazz classics, hard bop, west coast cool and selections from the DMG's eleven critically-acclaimed CDs.





# Services at the Library

## THE LIBRARY OF THINGS

The library offers educational toys, technology and exploration tools, and games for patrons to borrow. The Library of Things is a service that offers non-traditional items for checkout—such as robots, telescopes, and board games. People may view available items at the Civic Center Library and borrow them for two weeks.

Items were selected based on community feedback from surveys. We listened to your suggestions and have recently added dozens of new items, including sewing machines, Lincoln Logs, a bocce ball set, and a metal detector.

A complete list of Library of Things items is available in the library's online catalogue at [livermoreli-brary.net](http://livermoreli-brary.net). Just search for "Library of Things."

The Library of Things catalogue is on the library's website. Just search under special collections!



## SUMMER READING KICK-OFF: BAY AREA DISCOVERY MUSEUM ENGINEERING FESTIVAL

The mobile engineering lab brought a variety of science stations and hands-on experiments for children. The lab was equipped with a multitude of high-technology tools, including a laser cutter and 3D printer, and low-technology tools and materials, such as cardboard, craft supplies, and hand tools. The goal is to build creative problem-solving skills. Activities are grounded in the Bay Area Discovery Museum's engineering design process of "Think, Make, Try."



## "THINK, MAKE, TRY"





*"You see, bookshops are dreams built of wood and paper. They are time travel and escape and knowledge and power. They are, simply put, the best of places."*

*- Jen Campbell, The Bookshop Book*

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of address to FOLL, PO Box 2483, Livermore CA  
94551-2484



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## Friends of the Livermore Public Library Membership Form

### Membership Form

Return form to the Friends Bookstore in the Civic Center Library, or mail it to:  
Friends of the Livermore Library, PO Box 2483, Livermore, CA 94551-2483

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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To further support the Library I/we have included a donation of

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Please contact me about volunteer opportunities

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