

Summer Jazz Delights

*Sundays in July at 2 p.m.,
Civic Center Library*

It's what we've been waiting for! Our annual Jazz in July program, underwritten by the Friends of the Livermore Library, highlights unique, talented performers who never fail to satisfy our summer cravings for music both "hot" and "cool." The more you listen, the more you hear.

Even the musicians look forward to coming back. Dmitri Matheny, jazz flugelhornist, composer, educator, and recording artist, who leads off the free shows, says, "Most of the time we either perform for adults (in concert halls and nightclubs) or for children (in schools). This wonderful series at the library gives us the opportunity to share our music with family audiences — all ages, all at once. It's very rewarding!" Other performers agree as many have been with us before.

July 3: Dmitri Matheny with Jazz Noir

The group includes Brad "Grits" Buethe, guitar; Doug Miller, bass; Leon Joyce Jr., drums and Dmitri Matheny, flugelhorn. Jazz Noir includes familiar movie themes (Chinatown, Laura, Taxi Driver, Vertigo, and Stormy Weather), jazz, blues and spoken word. Celebrated for his warm tone, soaring lyricism and masterful technique, American musician Dmitri Matheny has been lauded as "one of the most emotionally expressive improvisers of his generation" (International Review of Music).

July 10: Duo Gadjó: Jazz with a French Twist

Isabelle Fontaine was born in France. Jeff Magidson was born in San Francisco. Together they are known as Duo Gadjó. Their music celebrates the union of two cultures, largely inspired by the sounds of the 20s and 30s, when jazz was the thing and Paris was the place to be. They accompany themselves on guitars, revisiting the American songbook Gypsy style. They also pay tribute to the music of New Orleans. They perform as a duo, trio (add upright bass,) or a quartet (add violin, or accordion). Jeff



Dmitri Matheny

and Isabelle are members of the band, The Hot Club of San Francisco.

July 17: Lee Waterman & Jazz Caliente

Band members include Lee Waterman (guitars), Alex Murzn (sax and flute), Michaelle Goerlitz (percussion), Tommy Kesecker (vibraphone), Bill Lanphier (bass), and Bill Belasco (drums). Don't miss this opportunity to see these outstanding artists perform in an intimate setting. 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.

July 24: 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. All volunteer their time, energy and skill to produce some of the sweetest harmonies around. Choir membership includes 16 singers, as diverse in age, religion, and race as their hometown.

July 31: Cole Sings Cole

Enjoy the sound and style of the original Nat King Cole Trio recreated. Cole Sings Cole is a vibrant and engaging show performed by the George Cole Trio with George Cole on guitar and vocals, Larry Dunlap on piano, and Jim Kerwin on the upright bass. All songs have a heaping helping of impeccably executed guitar, piano, and bass. The show highlights some of Nat's big hits of the forties, fifties, sixties, and Great American Songbook compositions.



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(No sale in September)

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FINANCIAL REPORT

July 1, 2015 – March 31, 2016
Total Income: \$57,456.15
Total Expenses: \$37,022.11
Library Grants: \$25,900.00
Assets as of 3/31: \$130,704.69



President's Message

As the green hills turn golden and summer approaches, we can look forward to the most exciting time of the year at our library. Two major programs funded by the Friends of the Livermore Library are about to kick off. First, the summer reading program begins the day after school lets out in June. This program encourages children to read throughout the summer with fun prizes and an opportunity to meet our city council members in the fall. Also, there are programs for teens and adults. This year's programs are sure to be fun for all readers (and soon-to-be readers). Next, our Jazz in July program returns. There is more about the Jazz in July programs elsewhere in this newsletter.

It has been almost a year since I was elected president of the Friends and I would like to thank all of the members, volunteers, and board members for the contributions they make. It is a joy to work with so many people who value our library as much as I do, and I am looking forward to serving for another year if re-elected. Our annual membership meeting will be held June 16 in Community Rooms A and B.

– Matt Berry



by **Catie Neilson**
BOOKSTORE MANAGER

Summer is almost upon us and it's always a great time to read. Livermore Library Summer Reading Programs start the first week in June. In support of the program, all Children and Young Adult books will be on sale starting June 1. The Classics, Poetry and Drama will be on sale as well. In July, in honor of the "Jazz in July" program, all music books and items will be on sale. So be sure to stop by the Friends Bookstore and see what treasures you'll find.



Volunteers make a difference

Joe Bezio and Jackie Schoenberg are the Friends of the Livermore Library 2016 Volunteers of the Year. The Friends Board of Directors and Bookstore Manager Catie Neilson made the selections.

The Friends' Bookstore has limited work and storage space available as most is devoted to showcasing materials for sale. Hence, three times a week, volunteer Joe Bezio loads up his truck with boxes of books he takes from there to the storage area in the old library. He then unloads them in designated spots in preparation for the monthly book sales. Bookstore Manager Neilson says that what Bezio does allows the volunteers to keep processing donations in a timely way. "He's not just 'pushing a cart'. He's 'toting that bale' at 7 a.m. before he goes off to one of his two other jobs. He has to put the boxes in the right places in the storeroom so the volunteers know where to find them." Bezio has also served as vacation relief for the Satellite bookstores.

Joe worked in the construction industry for many years, but found a new calling in Livermore at Page Mill Winery in 2013, the same year he started volunteering at the Bookstore. Gone were the long commutes to construction jobs; instead he works right in his own neighborhood in the beautiful wine country of Livermore. As the cellar master at Page Mill, Joe is responsible for every facet of production from the time the grapes arrive at the winery to the time they are bottled. He works with the winemaker to create wines and does his fair share of tasting. Bezio also still uses his construction expertise to inspect commercial modular buildings for the state.

It seems like a natural fit to find Jackie Schoenberg volunteering in the Friends' Bookstore, as she is a former teacher with a Master's Degree in Library Science. She works a regular stint in the Bookstore weekly, where she puts her sorting and "people" skills to good use. Jackie makes sure the shelves are



Jackie Schoenberg

Joe Bezio

filled, answers questions and handles the cash register when customers make a purchase. Two times a week, she also picks up books from the Bookstore to take to the Satellite book stores, culling items from the cupboards and shelves in the Bookstore that she thinks will sell. Then she heads out to each location with her boxes of books, restocks the materials offered to the public and collects the money earned from the book sales. The Satellites have done very well under her care.

Schoenberg is a newer California resident, who moved here from Missouri two and a half years ago so she could be closer to her family, especially her grandchildren. In her spare time, Jackie is an active and energetic outdoor enthusiast, who enjoys running, bike riding and hiking on nearby Brushy Peak. "I really like being outside," she says. "The cows don't scare me, and I watch out for rattlesnakes." She regularly attends gym classes at Las Positas College, where she has taken several different courses, ranging from ballet to weight lifting.

Each has a unique job within the Friends' organization of volunteers. Catie Neilson sums it up succinctly. "Joe and Jackie are what I think of as the Friends magicians; one makes boxes disappear from the store and one makes books appear in the Satellites, but no one sees how they do it."

They will receive their awards at the May 20 Volunteer Luncheon.



Friends Authors & Arts Series

Don't Leave Yet: How My Mother's Alzheimer's Opened My Heart

Sunday, June 5, 2 pm, Civic Center

Livermore author Constance Hanstedt shares her personal and compelling story of her mother's struggle with Alzheimer's in her book, *Don't Leave Yet*. Books will be available for sale.

Livermore Shakespeare Festival Previews

Persuasion and *The Tempest*

Thursday, June 16, 7-8 pm Civic Center

Come see a preview of Livermore Shakespeare Festival's productions of Jane Austen's *Persuasion* and Shakespeare's *The Tempest*. Producing Artistic Director Lisa Tromovitch and company members will share rehearsal strategies and practices, demonstrating some of the fascinating processes that create a professionally staged production.

Enjoy the full production at Wentle Vineyards this summer. See more at www.livermoreshakes.org.

Celtic Sands in Concert

Sunday, August 14, 2 pm

Celtic Sands will bring a tear to your eye and a bit of dance to your step with their mix of traditional Irish reels and jigs, plaintive Celtic airs and ballads, and sometimes a little Celtic rock. Enjoy an intimate sound and some lively good times.

Seranadin' Strummers & Aloha ConneXion

Family program to celebrate the Adult Summer Reading Program

Sunday, June 12, 2 pm

Enjoy an afternoon of Hawaiian songs, country and western music, and hula dancers! Seranadin' Strummers is a group of ukulele players, accompanied by Aloha ConneXion, a group of hula dancers.

Don't miss this fun summer program, sponsored by the Friends of the Livermore Library. This event celebrates the library's eighth annual summer reading program for adults, supported by the Friends of the Livermore Library. From June 6 to August 15, adults can participate in the summer reading program for a chance to win prizes. Participating in the program is convenient and easy because it is all done online. Just sign up, read, and log your books to be entered to our weekly and grand prize raffles. For more information about the summer reading program, check the library's website at www.livermorelibrary.net.



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