



Encinitas Community Library Update

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Next Steps in Getting the Library Ready for Readers

The new Library construction is coming into completion and isn't it stunning looking! The construction company expects to turn the building over to the City and the County Library in November to complete furnishing the interior. So, what comes next in getting the Library ready for readers?

- **Additional books and materials are needed.** 38,000 books from the old Library were kept in storage for the new building and 27,000 new books have been purchased so far. The new Library will hold approximately 110,000 books and materials. There is room for an additional 45,000 more books. The Friends of the Library have launched the Library Legacy Campaign to help fund the gap.
- **Furnishings are needed for the City portion of the library.** The City will be operating the Literacy Lab and needs computers to complete furnishings for the Lab. The Community Room, which will hold about 120 people will be a wonderful venue for small musical events, speakers, etc. but needs audio-visual equipment to be completed.

- **The Friends of the Library Bookstore needs Volunteers.** The Bookstore needs to recruit and train volunteers to staff the store during Library hours to raise additional funds for books and furnishings. See the article below on how you can become a volunteer.
- The Friends have set up an Endowment Fund for the Library through the Coastal Community Foundation. We hope to build the fund to help ensure during economic hard times, new books, materials, and programming will always be available for Library patrons.

Please consider joining the Friends in helping the new Library grow to completion. Give a gift of money or a gift of time! Donations can be sent to the **Friends of the Encinitas Library, P.O. Box 231722, Encinitas, CA** If your neighborhood or club would like to have a short presentation about the new Library, call Anne Omsted at (760)753-6970 or Sheila Cameron at (760)436-1379.

Kathy Anderson, Friends Board Co-president



Volunteer at the New Library Bookstore

Bookstore Volunteer Meeting
Wednesday, November 14, 2007 • 7:00pm
City Hall, Poinsettia Room
505 S. Vulcan Ave.
Please call 753-6970 to reserve a space at the meeting.

The new Library is scheduled to open in January and an organizational meeting is being held to set up a corps of volunteers to work in the Bookstore. Bookstore volunteers must be a current member of the Friends for insurance purposes, but of course, anyone can join the Friends, and be very welcomed!

Our Bookstore is in a prime location, right outside the new Library front doors. Here the Friends will sell donated, gently-used books at a value price. The people of Encinitas are known to be great readers, so we will have a wonderful selection of books available. All proceeds will go to the Library to buy more new books, DVDs, magazine and

newspaper subscriptions, CDs, and other materials to keep our new Library brimming with current stock, and also pay for community oriented programs.

We need lots of help! Please write November 14 in your calendar today and call to reserve your spot at the meeting. Our goal is to keep the bookstore open six days a week by having as many bookstore volunteers as possible – regular and substitute volunteers. To start, we are planning three-hour shifts, two people per shift, and proposing a 10am to 1pm and a 1pm to 4pm shift. Please bring your calendars and think ahead about when you could pencil in a shift. We have visited the Dove Library in Carlsbad and collected some great ideas about how to run a bookstore. Until we have a handle on how many volunteers are interested, our planning will be only theoretical. Hope to see you there!

Anne Omsted, Friends Board Co-president
Connie Louis, Friends Board Member

Scenes from the new Library...



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