



MAMMOTH LAKES FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

WINTER NEWSLETTER 2018

From the desk of the President,
Edyth Irvine

Here are brief highlights of this last year.

FOL board members:

President Edyth Irvine
Vice President Shannon Clark 2016-2017,
Louise Warren 2017-2018
Secretary Cathy Foye
Treasurer Jo Bacon
Member-at-Large Ana Danielson

2017 was a year of big Snow in Mammoth Lakes. For this reason, several Board Meetings were canceled due to the depth of the snow and road conditions, however, the support of FOL continued through the weather.

MEMBERSHIP: Our Membership chair, Jo Bacon, reports that we completed the year with 156 members.

VINTAGE BOOKS: Jo Bacon, chair of Vintage Books, reported that 48 books were sold on line, including a book shipped to Spain, and another very old book on Crescent City, CA, was sent to someone in Washington State. Total sales were \$2,778.98, shipping costs were \$539.05, for a net of \$2,239.93.

GALLERY WALL: Ana Danielson and Jo Bacon, chairs of Gallery Wall, reported that through the generosity of the local artists displayed on the walls, we netted \$898.80 for the fourteen sales plus a one-day additional images sale. Our library patrons were able to enjoy a variety of artworks in many different styles and we were able to showcase some of the talent of the Eastern Sierra artists.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Edyth Irvine, chair of scholarships, and committee members Louise Warren and Cathy Foye reviewed applications of June 2017 graduating seniors. Eight award recipients each received a Book Scholarship of \$250.

BOOK CHALET: OJ Zeleny, chair of Book Chalet, reported that store receipts totaled \$14,001 with 3253 visitors for the 2017 year. Our book store is operated entirely by wonderful volunteers. On July 4th, there was a super, well attended Kids Book Give-Away on the deck outside the store.

NEWSLETTER: OJ Zeleny, editor, reported that the number of newsletter issues per year was reduced from three to two. Issues for 2018 will be published in January/February and July/August.

I appreciate each and every one of the Friends of Mammoth Lakes Library. We have a very successful, unique library in a rural community; it is a treasure.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

- Jo Bacon

As of December 31, 2017, MLFOL has 131 members in the following categories supporting the Mammoth Lakes Branch Library:

Lifetime	17
Honorary	16
Honorary (Deceased)	5
Club 100	28
Patron	12
Family	28
Individual	21
In Lieu (hours service)	4

A very big **THANK YOU** to all of you who have renewed for 2018. Hank Garretson and Rhonda Starr were the winners of this year's drawing of all those members who had renewed or joined by November 1st. They will be automatically renewed for our 2018-2019 fiscal year. Congratulations!

If you have not yet renewed, there's a handy form on the final page of this newsletter, or you can renew online through our **Donate Now Through Network for Good button** on the MLFOL page of the Library's website at <http://www.monocolibraries.org/friends-of-the-library/mammoth-lakes>.

Have you renewed your MLFOL membership for 2018 yet?

The library can never have too many Friends!

The Board and Committees for 2017-2018

The following MLFOL members will be serving on the MLFOL board and sub-committees. We thank them for their service.

The Board: President, Edyth Irvine; Vice President, Louise Warren; Treasurer, Jo Bacon; Secretary, Cathy Foye; Member-at-Large, Ana Danielson

Sub-committees: Book Chalet & Newsletter, OJ Zeleny; Vintage Books, Jo Bacon, Carol Benefiel, Kevin Weinert, Louise Warren, OJ Zeleny; Gallery Wall, Ana Danielson & Jo Bacon; Nominating, Ana Danielson & Jan McPherson; Historian, Shannon Clark; Membership, Jo Bacon; Publicity & Membership Volunteer Hours, Jan McPherson.

MLFOL GOALS & OBJECTIVES FY 17-18

These may be viewed at
<http://www.monocolibraries.org/files/MLFOLGoals1718.pdf>

ON THE GALLERY WALL

- Jo Bacon

January 31st will mark the end of the very popular Textile Art Show by members of the Calico Quilters Group from Bishop, California. This is the third year the group has displayed their wonders. Patrons have purchased fifteen of the creative wall hangings as of mid-January, making it one of our most popular and lucrative shows.

There are still some quilts left if you need original art to decorate your home; this is a great opportunity to own something unique. As always, MLFOL receives a minimum of 30% of the sale price to support library programs.

Starting in February, the next exhibit will be the Eastern Sierra Photographers' Group. That exhibit will be on display through April 30, 2018.

Stop by the Ellie Randol Reading Room to check out the variety of art our local talent produces!

The library is located at the intersection of Meridian and Sierra Park Road.



Serena Johnson's quilt

"A room without books is like a body without a soul" ~ Cicero (CBS News quote 11/10/2017)

LIBRARY HOURS - 2018
Monday - Friday 10AM-7PM
Saturday 10AM-5:30PM
Sunday Closed

MURAL COMPLETED – COME SEE!

The Children's Room mural is now completed! Stop by to see the incredible work done by local artist Laurel Stanford, depicting the fantasy world that awaits all readers inside books.

Make sure to stop by and see how many of the creatures you can find.

If you'd like to watch a short time-lapse video Laurel created while she finished the pair of blue and purple deer, go to the Library's Facebook page at

<https://www.facebook.com/mammothlakeslibrary>.

MLFOL SCHOLARSHIPS

- Louise Warren, MLFOL VP

Do you know a spring graduate attending MHS who is planning to start college in the fall? MLFOL can help with book expenses. Up to 10 graduating seniors are awarded book scholarships for their freshman fall semester. The MLFOL scholarship fund has a total of \$2,000 for this purpose. Students who qualify have:

==> An active library card they have used to check out materials (not for computer use) in the 12 months prior to their application.

==> Submitted the community scholarship request form provided by the MHS counseling staff.

==> Have attended MHS or the Independent Learning Center for 3 out of 4 years.

==> Have a minimum 3.0 grade point average.

Students who have been library volunteers or been community volunteers beyond the MHS community service requirements will receive special consideration, as will students who submit an outstanding personal essay.

You can find more information at the Mammoth Lakes Library web site, or by talking to a Library staff member or MHS counseling staff member.

AARP[®] Tax Help

An all-volunteer Tax-Aide program will be operating during tax season in the Ellie Randol Reading Room at the Mammoth Library. The program is a partnership between the AARP Tax-Aide Foundation and the Mammoth Lakes Library. It offers free tax help, preparation, and e-filing during February, March, and April through the end of tax season on April 17th. The program operates on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoons from 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

The AARP free Tax-Aide program assists low-to-moderate income taxpayers in Mono and Inyo Counties. Sue Stavlo is the district coordinator for AARP Tax Aide in addition to being the Mammoth Lakes local coordinator. In the district are two free Tax-Aide centers; one in Mammoth at the Mammoth Lakes Library and the other in Bishop at the Northern Inyo Hospital Birch Street Annex. Across the district are 25 volunteers. Each year in January, the volunteers are trained and certified through the IRS/AARP training program in the current year's tax laws and software.

What to bring when you visit our Tax-Aide site:

- Social security cards or ITIN documents for yourself and your dependents and a Picture ID
- Tax statements; W-2 forms, 1099-G (unemployment), SSA-1099, 1099-R, 1099-INT, 1099-DIV, 1099-MISC, broker statements, etc.
- Medical insurance information for all persons on the tax return, including form 1095-A if insurance purchased through Covered California
- If direct deposit desired, bring account information (routing and account numbers)
- Copy of last year's income tax return (if available)
- Child care provider information (name, provider's SSN or EIN, address, and phone)
- If itemizing deductions, bring past 2 years property tax bills, form 1098 for mortgage interest, DMV statement or car registration, medical expenses, charitable deductions, new vehicle invoice, etc.

About AARP Tax Help:

The Mammoth Library Tax-Aide site has six computers and fourteen volunteers (three Spanish speaking). Last year, over 500 tax returns were prepared and filed. These volunteers help people with a wide variety of tax situations, including various forms of income, unemployment, education credits, earned income credit, child tax credit, dependent care deductions, renters credit, itemized deductions, investment sales, and small businesses (that do not have a loss, depreciation, or expenses exceeding \$25,000).

For more information or an appointment, please call or email Sue Stavlo at (760) 934-5674 or suestavlo@yahoo.com. Walk-ins are welcome.



BOOK CHALET UPDATE

- OJ Zeleny, manager

Two new volunteers have joined the Book Chalet's staff in these last two months: Maxine Binn and Rhonda Starr! Thank you and welcome aboard!

Store hours changed last fall. Summer hours are now Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend, Tuesday-Friday Noon-5PM and Saturday 10AM-5PM. Winter hours are after Labor Day weekend until Memorial Day weekend, Tuesday-Friday Noon-4PM and Saturday 10AM-2:30PM.

Our donors provide books, DVDs and CDs in very good condition. Come browse our selection!

"To me a novel can be as beautiful as any symphony, as beautiful as the sea." ~ Ursula K. LeGuin



"You Are Fabulous!"

- Jan McPherson

Friday, October 20, 2017, a group of "fabulous" women gathered at the Patterson home in Mammoth for our 5th "You Are Fabulous" fundraiser for the Library. The ladies donated \$100 each to spend an

evening with some of Mammoth's most "fabulous" women and raise funds to support our Library and its programs. We got dressed up (cocktail attire and gloves were optional!) and treated ourselves to a "fabulous" evening of enticing edibles, adult beverages, a chocolate martini tasting, lots of pampering, hand & neck massages, a silent auction, an opportunity to unlock a wine treasure chest, door prizes, goodie bags and a few other surprises. We saw old friends and made "fabulous" new ones. A good time was had by all --- and we netted \$5,656 for the library!





FINANCIAL REPORTS

- Jo Bacon, MLFOL Treasurer

The "new year" fiscal budget approved at the October 10, 2017 meeting is noted below.

Mammoth Lakes Friends of the Library	
FY 17-18 Budget	
	Amount
Income	
BOOK CHALET SALES	13,250
COPY FEES	5,000
Donations – Cash	3,190
Dues	4,500
Endow Grants	2,000
FUNDRAISING	
Misc Fundraising Revenue	1,000
You Are Fabulous 2017	2,000
Tote Bags	100
GRANTS	
Jane Deming	1,150
LIB INC	
Books	500
Donations	2,500
VINTAGE BKS INC	3,000
Total Income	\$38,190
Expenses	
BK CHALET	
Electric	800
Rent	6,600
Repairs	200
Supplies	200
Telephone	540
COPIER LEASE	3,200
COPIER/PRINTER SUPPLIES	1,800
Filing Fees	80
FUND EXP	
Membership Campaign	20
Misc. Fundraising Exps	1,000
You Are Fabulous 2017	2,000
INSURANCE	1420

MEMBER BENEFITS	
Newsletter Postage	60
Newsletter Printing	360
OFFICE	
Office Supplies	200
Postage	50
QB Online Fees	360
PROGRAM	
Books - Movies - Audios	6,000
Magazine Subscriptions	2,000
SPECIAL PROG	
Children's Programs	800
Collection Development	2,500
Endowment Grants Paid	2,000
MakerSpace	1,000
Musical Story Hours	2,000
Scholarships	2,000
Summer Reading	500
VINTAGE BOOKS EXP	500
Total Expenses	\$38,190
NET	0

We closed the fiscal year with total assets of \$275,039.99.

Our revenue sources included:

Contributions, Gifts and Grants -- \$47,329
 Program Service Revenues -- \$24,677
 Dues -- \$5,650
 Investment Income -- \$1,759

Significant programs and projects funded by MLFOL for the year included:

Collection Development and Patron Support -- \$14,641
 Book Chalet and Used Book Sales -- \$8,776
 Community Programs -- \$6,041
 Children's Room Mural - \$4,000
 Interior Painting of Library -- \$20,262

All state and federal tax forms were submitted in December 2017. Copies are available for review by contacting Jo Bacon, MLFOL Treasurer.

Mammoth Lakes Friends of the Library	
Balance Sheet	
As of September 30, 2017	
	Total
ASSETS	
Bank Accounts	
Checking 2854 UBOC	29,630.86
On Hand Cash at Bk Chalet	200.00
Langs. Money Market	9,937.72
Langston CD	110,000.00
Endow CD (Princ)	98,000.00
Endowment (Princ)	925.00
Endow Int	2,635.07
MLFOL Money Market	18,696.80
Other current assets	
Inventory - Tote Bags	514.54
Fixed Assets	
Art Work	4,500.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 275,039.99
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Other Current Liabilities	
Bldg Maint / Loan Pmts	1,200.00
Deming Grant	1,145.00
Holmes Foundation	9,500.00
Langston Liabilities	2,000.00
Total Liabilities	\$ 13,845.00
Equity	
Endowmt Equity (Spendable Int)	2,635.07
Endowment Principal	98,925.00
Langston Equity	119,937.72
Retained Earnings	11,145.13
Net Income	28,552.07
Total Equity	\$ 261,194.99
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 275,039.99

**Mammoth Lakes Library's
2017 Christmas Tree**
(created from donated books)



"An original idea. That can't be too hard. The library must be full of them." ~ Stephen Fry



Mammoth Lakes Library Makerspace and Snack & Art Friday Present:

Sculpture Challenge from Upcycled Materials



Design and Create Sculptures During Makerspace Hours:

Tuesdays 2:00-6:00 Middle School Age and Up / Wednesdays 2:00-6:00 All Ages /
Thursdays 2:00-6:00 Elementary School Age

Beginning Tuesday, January 9th and ending Thursday, February 1st

Sculpture Challenge Exhibit and Judging

Friday, February 2nd 3:30-5:00 pm

Challenge is
Open to Grades
4th and up!



**PRIZES for all
Categories:
High School
Middle School
Elementary School**

Show Off Your Creativity to Your Friends,
Family and the General Public!

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here*

*Mammoth Lakes Friends of the Library's mission is to support,
provide service to, and raise awareness of our library.*

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION New Member Renewal

Please accept my membership in MLFOL in the following category (check one):

\$1000 Lifetime \$100 Club 100 \$50 Patron \$25 Family \$10 Individual

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

I am interested in volunteering time Yes No

I would like to receive news via email: Yes No

Return this form along with your check to:
MLFOL, PO Box 1468, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546-1468