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OUR MISSION

The Friends of the Millbrae Library encourages volunteerism and fundraising to provide financial support and advocacy for library services, infrastructure, programming, educational opportunities, literacy, and community connections.

OUR VISION

To support the Millbrae Library in providing the best evolving resource for our community.

Friends of the Millbrae Library is a charitable 501(c)(3) tax-deductible organization
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Winter 2025 Newsletter

20th Anniversary Celebration

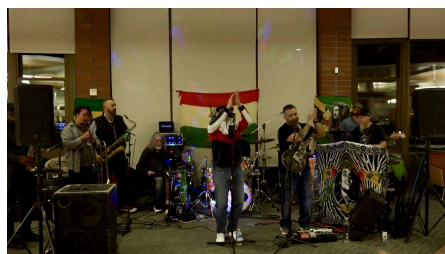
In November, the Friends of the Library celebrated a momentous milestone — the 20th Anniversary of the opening of the new Library!

The evening was filled with lots of fun activities: a magician performed tricks for the kids and their families, a memory walk took visitors back in time through the history of the library, a local/Millbrae trivia contest entertained, a painting class showed off artistic skills, and live music with reggae band Native Elements got folks dancing!



It was the **Friends of the Library** that

rallied the community to support a bond measure that paid for the new building. We all owe a huge debt of gratitude to those dedicated volunteers for the work they put in to bring the entire community such a treasured resource and welcoming space!



Bookstore & Book Sales

Book sales are an important funding stream for the Friends. You can pick up a book, CD, or DVD anytime at our bookstore in the Library. The Friends also host several book sales each year where you can get loads of books (hardback and paperback, fiction and nonfiction, adult, YA, and children's, in multiple languages), as well as CDs, DVDs, and puzzles at bargain prices!

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Chinese Book/Cultural Club Celebrates 15th Anniversary



The Chinese Book/Cultural Club recently marked its 15th anniversary with a festive gathering! The Club hosts lectures and book talks in Mandarin Chinese on a wide range of topics and its events are always a full house. Over the years, 76 lectures have been presented with dozens of writers, scholars, experts, and club members contributing. The celebration saw many of its founding members and current Friends join in the fun. The group had a lesson in making mooncakes from alum Lillian Lee and heard a lecture

from founding member George Wang on the Leonard Cohen penned song, “Hallelujah.” (You may recognize the song—it was popularized in the movie *Shrek*!)

Book Discussion Group

The Friends host a book discussion the first Monday of each month at 1:00 pm at the Library. All are welcome!

Upcoming discussions include:

The Women

March 3

Kristin Hannah

Remarkably Bright Creatures

April 7

Shelby Van Pelt

The Glass Maker

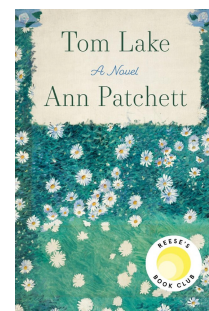
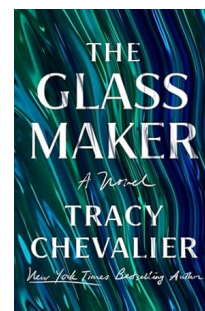
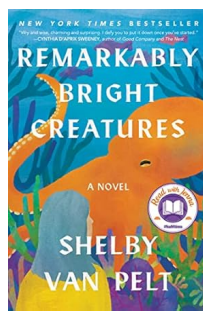
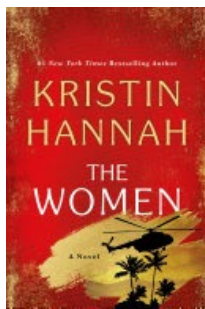
May 5

Tracy Chevalier

Tom Lake

June 2

Ann Patchett



Many Ways to Support the Friends of the Millbrae Library

In closing, we acknowledge that none of our accomplishments are possible without the contributions of donors. You can double your gift by checking if your employer matches contributions. Individuals taking RMDs from their IRA accounts can make a tax-free charitable rollover to the Friends. Other options for contributing are an IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution or naming the Friends organization as a beneficiary in your will or trust.

And you can see what the Friends have for sale in our **Amazon Bookstore**: <https://www.amazon.com/shops/>

If you would like to support the Friends of the Millbrae Library, you can **send a check** or **donate online** at:

<https://www.millbraelibraryfriends.org>