

**MARIN COUNTY FREE LIBRARY COMMISSION**  
**Proposed Agenda**  
**Friday, March 15, 2019**  
**12:00 p.m.**

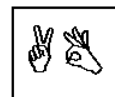
**MCFL Technical Services**

**1600 Los Gamos Drive, Suite 180, San Rafael, CA 94903**

Directions: Highway 101 Take Lucas Valley Road to 1600 Los Gamos Drive. Follow the signs reading "Main Lobby" or "Sheriff" until once past the second building on the left you turn left into the driveway leading into the parking lot (If you reach the YMCA you've gone too far). Continue down the driveway until past the edge of the building on the left, then turn left and find a parking spot in front of the building. Enter through Lobby B and immediately on the left is the entrance to Suite 180 – MCFL. (Please see map at end of agenda)

NOTICE: In order to assure a quorum, please let Library Administration know if you are unable to attend the meeting (**call: 415-473-3222**).

	<u><b>ITEM</b></u>	<u><b>PRESENTER</b></u>	<u><b>STATUS</b></u>
12:00	1. Call to Order	Kaplan	Action
	2. Roll Call	Kaplan	Action
 <i><b>"Libraries always remind me that there are good things in this world."</b></i> <b>Lauren Ward</b>			
	3. Approval of Agenda	Kaplan	Action
	4. Approval of Minutes–January	Kaplan	Action
	5. Open Time for Public Expression		
	6. Reading & Correspondence File	Kaplan	Information
	7. President's Report for Jan/Feb	Kaplan	Information
	8. Director's Report for January	Jones	Information
	9. Review Libraries Strategic Plan and Compass Initiatives (Marin County budget and State of the County video)		
	10. Review MCFL 2-year budget – 1 <sup>st</sup> year and 2 years		
	11. Review Measure A funds/expenses/priorities		



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12. 5 Year projection
13. Discuss a plan for facilities needs including timeline and resources needed. An assessment like 2007 Group 4 Bond Counsel Advice on revenue options
14. Formulate recommendation to present to BOS in April (22<sup>nd</sup>?)

**2:00 – 2:15 BREAK**

15. Discussion:
  - Make-up meetings and Best Practices;
  - Meeting time and frequency locations;
  - Best ways to align with MCFL Strategic Plan;
  - BOS relationship
16. Key Decisions
17. Commission Make-up for February Equity/Collections
18. Announcements

3:50 19. Adjournment Kaplan Action

*Numbered List of attachments:*

4. Minutes for January 9, 2019
12. Library Director's Report for January/February 2019

*Unnumbered Attachments:*

MARINet Board minutes of November 15, 2018 and December 20, 2018 held at MCFL Tech Services 1600 Los Gamos Dr., Suite 180, San Rafael CA 94903



MARIN COUNTY FREE LIBRARY  
Corte Madera Library  
--PROPOSED MINUTES--  
Wednesday, January 9, 2019

(1) CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

(2) ROLL CALL

Present

Barbara Schoen	Nick Javaras	Linda Ward
Sue Ream	Ann Kaplan	John MacLeod
Sally Hauser	Anya Schandler	Margaret Kathrein
Ed Meagher	Craig Kennedy	

Absent with Notification

Loretta Farley	Ali Iqbal
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Also Present

Sara Jones, Director of County Library Services  
Chantel Walker, Assistant Director of County Library Services  
Bonny White, Deputy Director of County Library Services  
Edna Guadiana, Administrative Assistant II  
Julie Magnus, Branch Manager, Corte Madera Library  
Damon Hill, Library Services Manager  
Jennifer Robinson, Digital Initiatives Manager

(3) ADOPTION OF AGENDA

M/S/C-Kathrein/Schoen--Agenda approved as submitted

(4) ADOPTION OF MINUTES

M/S/C-Hauser/Ream--Minutes approved as submitted

(5) OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC EXPRESSION—

Becky Steen resident of Kentfield joined the Commission for their meeting.

(6) READING & CORRESPONDENCE FILE

Reading file circulated for all to read –

- (7) Communications and Marketing Reports – Chantel Walker, Assistant Director, Damon Hill, Library Services Manager and Jennifer Robinson, Digital Initiatives Manager gave a brief presentation on Communications and Marketing services.

## Our Brand: Clear, Helpful, Inclusive & Equitable

### Marin Housing Authority Donates Parent Self Books to Marin City Library

Through the generous support of the Marin Housing Authority, Marin City Library recently acquired a large collection of books and materials that will be available to our patrons. These materials were donated with the intention of supporting parents in their children's lives, and in creating a positive, healthy home environment. The Marin Housing Authority is committed to providing resources and support to our patrons, and we are excited to have these books available to our patrons.



### Respect and celebrate our communities



**Belinda Hester April 2016**  
Belinda Hester is a community leader and advocate for the Marin City community. She is a member of the Marin City Library's Advisory Board and has been instrumental in the library's efforts to provide resources and support to our patrons. Belinda is a dedicated and passionate individual who is committed to the well-being of her community.



Staff are expert guides, curators, and can show you how to use powerful tools

### Reflect our communities (no more clip art)



**The Goal:**  
Tell people what we  
have and what we're  
about

**The Challenge:**  
SO MUCH GREAT  
STUFF!

## Our Plans

### Monthly Schedule for “Holistic” Promotion

#### Annual Dates

- Jan: Audiobook Month
- Sep 15 - Oct 15: National Hispanic Heritage Month
- Sep: Library Card Month
- Oct: Family History Month
- Oct: Friends of the Library Week

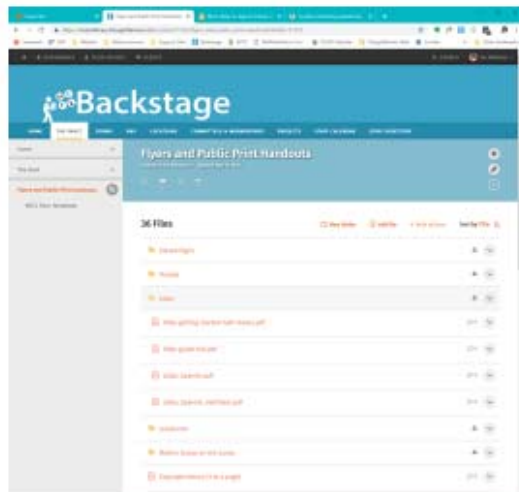
Here is the list of things we plan to focus on promoting for each month (subject to change)

#### MOBILE

2019 (upper half only)

Month	emphasis	Other
January 2019	Libby People	One Free Period
February 2019	Widgit	
March 2019	Geogly	
April 2019		
May 2019	Manga	
June 2019	OverDrive People	Summer Reading Audiobook Month
July 2019	Discover & Go	Summer Reading Porto Passes
August 2019		Summer Reading
September 2019		Library Card Month
October 2019	ancestry (Family History Month)	Friends of the Library





# OrangeBoy Email Examples

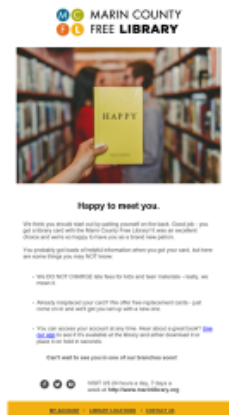


## "We Missed You"

Goes out to patrons who have not used their library cards in 6+ months

**Primary Goal:** Bring back lapsed users

**Secondary Goal:** Let users know of any changes or improvements that might make their experience better



## Welcome

Goes out to patrons 14 days after they get a new library card

**Primary Goal:** Ensure patrons use their library cards after getting them

**Secondary Goal:** Show we're friendly and welcoming



Happy New Year! If you're looking to cut some corners in terms of your budget or you're looking for something new to try, this email is FOR YOU.

A lot of people don't know how much free, great stuff the library has to offer online. Here's a list of free digital offerings you can use today. All you need is your library card, your preferred device, and a few minutes to get started.

#### If you like...

**Audible**  
Use OverDrive or Hoopla to listen to streaming and downloadable audiobooks.

**Kanopy**  
We've got an amazing collection of films available to stream via Kanopy as well as PBS and other television series on Hoopla.

**Kindle**  
Get your eBook fix with thousands of eBooks available via OverDrive. You can use the nifty Libby app to search for and read eBooks. You can also read OverDrive eBooks in your Kindle app if you prefer.

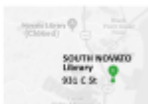
**Netflix**  
The movie collection on Hoopla is really impressive - many albums are available for checkout on the day they are released.

**Turner**  
Download an unlimited number of magazines using our RBDigital app - you can keep them as long as you like, and the selection is incredible.

### Main Novato Library Will Be Closed December through mid-January for Repairs

The Novato Library on Novato Blvd will be temporarily closed for a heating and ventilation system replacement beginning Friday, November 20th. We plan to reopen on Tuesday, January 22nd. This replacement is much needed; staff and patrons have felt the effects of outdated heating and ventilation for a long time and ongoing concerns from the public forced a new HVAC to the top of our maintenance list.

During the closure, the South Novato Library in Hamilton will be open extended hours and offering expanded services.



**SOUTH NOVATO LIBRARY**  
Extended hours begin December 1st  
Mondays - Thursdays: 10am-8pm  
Fridays & Saturdays: 10am-6pm  
Sundays: 10am-5pm

#### IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW

- The last day that the main Novato Library will be open is Thursday, November 20th. The branch will then be closed Friday, November 20th until Tuesday, January 22nd.
- We will not be charging fines on our materials during the closure - look for more news about that in the next few days!
- Items checked out from Novato will not be due during the closure.
- Hours will be extended at the nearby South Novato Library in Hamilton.



We're doing it again! We're thankful for you, our patrons, and we're showing it with another Fine Free Period in December and (most of) January.

Any late items\* returned from November 22nd through January 21st will be free of fines.

**WHAT:** Return your overdue items to the library and get no late fees on those items!

**WHERE:** November 22nd through January 21st

**WHERE:** Marin County Free Library branches

**HOW:** Return your items to any of our branches or bookdrops and we will automatically waive any late fees on those items.

**WHY:** Fines can keep people away from the library, and we don't want that. They can also keep materials away from the collection, and we'd love to get them back to share with others.

Any questions? [Contact Us](#) anytime!

\*Exclusions: Does not include fines for items belonging to city or college libraries, or items for lost or damaged items.

## "If you like"

Goes out to Occasionals, then All Patrons

**Primary Goal:** Inform patrons of library products by referencing brand name, commercial counterparts

## Novato Closure

Went out to All Patrons

**Primary Goal:** Notify public of change in service

**Secondary Goal:** Move patrons to South Novato branch

## Fine Free

Went out to All Patrons

**Primary Goal:** Let patrons know they can return books w/out late fees

**Secondary Goal:** Keep books from coming back to Novato during closure/combine with no fines for Novato patrons

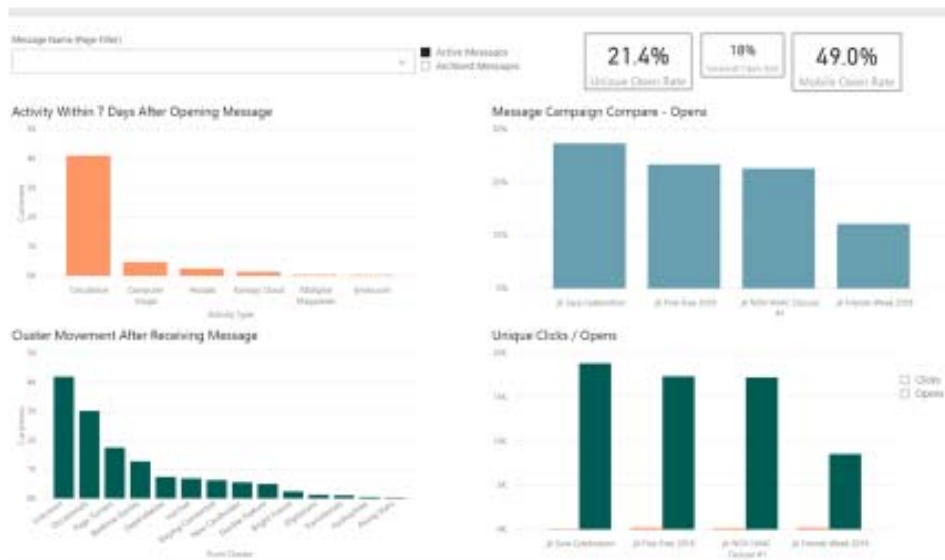


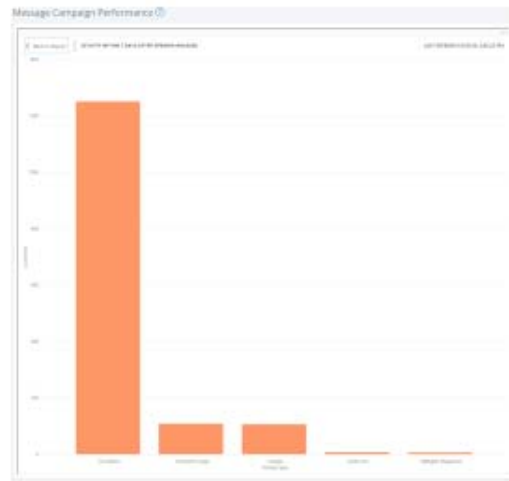
# OrangeBoy Metrics & Reporting

Message

Message Name	Location	Next Scheduled	Open Date	Message ID	Open	% Open	Revenue	Revenue/Click	Clicks	Other
2014-01-01-01	2014-01-01			10001	10001	100%	\$10,000	\$10,000	1000	Revenue
2014-01-01-02	2014-01-01			10002	10002	100%	\$10,000	\$10,000	1000	Revenue
2014-01-01-03	2014-01-01			10003	10003	100%	\$10,000	\$10,000	1000	Revenue
2014-01-01-04	2014-01-01			10004	10004	100%	\$10,000	\$10,000	1000	Revenue
2014-01-01-05	2014-01-01			10005	10005	100%	\$10,000	\$10,000	1000	Revenue
2014-01-01-06	2014-01-01			10006	10006	100%	\$10,000	\$10,000	1000	Revenue
2014-01-01-07	2014-01-01			10007	10007	100%	\$10,000	\$10,000	1000	Revenue
2014-01-01-08	2014-01-01			10008	10008	100%	\$10,000	\$10,000	1000	Revenue
2014-01-01-09	2014-01-01			10009	10009	100%	\$10,000	\$10,000	1000	Revenue
2014-01-01-10	2014-01-01			10010	10010	100%	\$10,000	\$10,000	1000	Revenue

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Users used the Hoopla service within 7 days of opening an email about the Oscars in 2018

After a brief question and answer period President Kaplan thanked the group for their presentation.

(8) NEW BUSINESS  
NONE

(9) OLD BUSINESS

- a. Update schedule of Commission Meetings – A newly revised meeting schedule was printed out and distributed to all Commissioners.
  - i. Determine time/date for Strategic Budget Planning-Sara reported that we will be swapping out one of this years Commission meeting for a Strategic Budget Planning meeting. After a brief discussion, it was determined that in lieu of the 3/13 Library Commission meeting, the Commission would meet on Friday, March 15 from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm for a Strategic Budget Planning Session, at the Novato Library. The Commission decided to have a potluck lunch and people were asked to bring a favorite family dish.
- b. Update Novato closure and Northgate pop-up: Damon Hill reported that we are closing in on the end of the project. It was supposed to be completed by the contractor on Monday, but there was some problem getting the big AC units installed. We are still scheduled to reopen on Tuesday, January 22. We went from 4 to 7 AC units on top for the branch. This project took about 3 years to complete and cost \$668,000, and should last for the next 20 years. Ventilation was one of the major complaints for this branch. The South Novato branch was busier than ever in December with 48% more traffic and 13,986 visits during the same month. Feedback from patrons has been positive.

Bonny reported that we first saw the space in the Northgate mall (old payless shoe location) now known as Northgate pop up on Monday, December 3, and officially opened it on December 7. In the first two weeks, this pop-up library circulated more items than the small Pickleweed branch. We are calling ourselves the "Library of Yes"! Many of our new patrons are Spanish speaking, and the Spanish collection is the fastest moving collection. In the first month, we circulated 3,135 items, in the first week we issued 24 new cards! The Northgate popup is open 12-8 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and 12-5 Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The first and second months were a trial run, for free. The mall has offered to extend the lease for this spot. The San Rafael Public Library has the contract with the mall and we are supplying the collection in this joint venture.

(10) PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR JANUARY

President Kaplan reported that she recently visited the Novato Pop-up, which was a very fun place!

(11) DIRECTOR'S REPORT FOR JANUARY

Below is a message to all staff on the tragic shooting of a librarian in Sacramento.

I know many of you are aware that Amber Fawn Clark, a Library Branch Supervisor was killed at the Natomas Branch Library of the Sacramento Public Library on Tuesday, December 11 in the parking lot. This is shocking, tragic and of course concerning for all of us who work with challenging and troubling patrons. Below is a news story about the situation:

<https://www.kcra.com/article/she-was-fierce-librarian-killed-in-natomas-shooting-remembered-as-charismatic/25507460>

and another about the incident, describing the suspect and his relationship with the library:

<https://www.sacbee.com/news/local/crime/article223057740.html>

The investigation is ongoing but the suspect arrested was man who was banned from the library. Bonny White was already leading a conversation right now with a subcommittee on problem patron behaviors and the banning process. I have been in contact with County Counsel and Risk Management to discuss the issue and any measures we can do to better ensure staff safety. There are no easy answers and this is an unbelievable tragedy for Amber Clark's family, the Sacramento Public Library and all libraries grappling with patrons' behavior, aggression and mental illness.

For now we are aware and deeply saddened by this tragic act of violence, and the senseless loss of a colleague and will look at our procedures and practices in light of this. We are currently working on revising having only one-person staff the W. Marin branches, security issues and with some active shooter training and training for staff on how to deal with possible threats.

(12) ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Schoen announced that once again the Whole Foods in Novato has donated two carloads full of stuffed animals for the upcoming Summer Program.

(13) ADJOURNMENT – M/S/C Cannon/Javaras Meeting adjourned @ 8:25 p.m.



**Marin County Free Library Commission Report**  
**Sara Jones, Director of County Library Services**

**January 2019 Activities**

**OUR MISSION:**

*Provide welcoming, equitable and inclusive opportunities for all to connect, learn and explore.*

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## Library Activities

Be the **preferred place** for children, families, and caregivers to connect, learn, and grow together.

### Civic Center

Kathleen and Denise are partnering with the Northgate Mall pop-up library to provide two storytimes a month for January and February. San Rafael Public Library staff will provide the other two. Kathleen launched her first storytime at the Mall on 1/30/19.

Kathleen was delighted to host a Jewish Community Center Preschool “Gimel Class” (five years old) visit. Kathleen worked with teachers Amy Tanti and Sarah Defino to coordinate a library card sign-up. This is a notable visit in that JCC’s neighbor school literally across the street is Venetia Valley. For 20+ years Venetia Valley has regularly walked to the Civic Center Library for class visits, but Kathleen was never able to get JCC to put MCFL on their radar for a coordinated partnership although CCE is used by their families regularly. Kathleen believes that it was her presence on Facebook commenting on JCC & Venetia Valley posts, and her constant outreach that finally made a difference. Fortuitously, this class visit coincided with MCFL’s Teacher Paloozaa sale. JCC staff were astounded to know they could avail themselves to free books for the school. Gimel class students were so thrilled with their morning visit some of them returned with the parents that day after school let out.

Kathleen was a presenter at the joint children’s/teen services literature review on 1/15/19. In light of Kathleen’s work as Mind in the Making project lead, Kathleen presented a list of picture books on the subject of a “Growth Mindset”. Kathleen presented two picture books both on the topic of learning how to write & sign your name – a big developmental step in all children. One picture book, *Back to Front and Upside Down*, written and illustrated by Claire Alexander, does a superb job of showing the anxiety and pressure a child feels when faced with the daunting task, but with steady, calm adult assistance and persistence and practice, it can be accomplished. The text, layout, and graphics of this picture book make it perfect to share with a child to nurture bravery and a growth mindset. By contrast, Stacey Coolidge’s *Fancy-Smancy Cursive Handwriting* is an excellent example of how we learn just as much, if not more, from something that is NOT successful but none-the-less is very useful in understanding why something doesn’t work and how to remedy it or try a new approach. This concept is the very essence of moving from a “Fixed Mindset” to a “Growth Mindset.” MCFL staff commented to Kathleen that was helpful to learn why a picture book is “good” or “bad” and how to examine them. Typically, this skill is only taught in library school for librarians on a Youth Services track. Kathleen will continue to offer coaching and mentorship to any interested staff.

Support **youth** in our community with opportunities for self-discovery and expression.

## Civic Center



Natalie launched the Teen Honor Book collection at Civic Center: nonfiction titles covering tough topics which are often difficult to discuss with adults, including staff and parents who have access to our young patrons' accounts. These items are not cataloged and required no check out. Several books have been taken already. The teens can return the books whenever they want.

Natalie presented book talks to Miller Creek Middle School. She hosted an afterschool VR Gaming event. One teen has mastered the equipment and several games. He plans to volunteer at future gaming events and has suggested several new free games for downloading.

Civic Center's Teen Advisory Group (TAG) was featured in a front-page article in Marin County's Volunteer View, highlighting projects such as making blankets for shelter animals at Marin Humane and hosting the Spring Break Crafts program for younger children.

Natalie created and presented a book talk highlighting great new fantasy for teens at the MCFL Children and Teen Literature Review. She attended a Bay Area Young Adult Librarians (BAYA) meeting in Milpitas.

Linda assisted a patron in finding books addressing various aspects of "habitat" in the Children's collection. The patron left the following note: "Linda has gone far beyond and above her duties to help us. I'm a county employee and I'm very impressed on how she has gone out of her way to help us. God bless her."

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## Civic Center

Elmer assisted a patron in installing the "Wright at Your Fingertips" Marin County Civic Center app on her Android phone. He solved a patron's issue of not finding eAudiobooks in Libby on her iPhone by resetting her Libby preferences. Linda assisted patrons in downloading eMaterials and completed a revision of the Libby Quick Start Guide to reflect new graphics and methods.

Linda discussed Hoopla with a County employee who said she is addicted to Hoopla, listening to the eAudiobooks while working around the house, making the time more enjoyable.

Support **adults** through life stages with opportunities for self-development and independent learning

Linda replied to 26 email reference questions. She delivered tax booklets to MCFL branches. She hosted:

- Gauguin: A Spiritual Journey/Fine Arts Museum of San Francisco
- Brown Bag Book Club which met to discuss *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime* by Mark Haddon

## Civic Center



- Grief Education/Hospice of Marin-- Several participants said, "Thank you for this event; that was a peaceful group."

Elmer updated the January Wellness title list, *Feel the Burn*, delivered as (a) printed copies for distribution in the branch (b) a BiblioCore list, and (c) an update to the online Wellness Library.

Elmer viewed the Trauma Informed Services in the Library archived Infopeople webinar, and highlighted the following:

- Awareness of possible trauma experienced by patrons leads to more compassionate interactions
- Trauma is described beyond the clinical definitions provided by APA's DMS-5 to include socio-political conditions such as historical and generational trauma that also may encompass adverse childhood experiences
- See the person, not the stigma

Linda donated the READ book tree topper to a patron involved with the Marin Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA) 10th Annual Altered Book Exhibition & Fundraiser to be held April 27-June 1, 2019. Linda's altered book is now entered into the MOCA silent auction!

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**Anne T Kent  
California Room**



The California Room has contributed an exhibit documenting the history of San Quentin State Prison to complement Cultural Service's new exhibit at the Bartolini Gallery featuring art created by inmates: *Inside Insights: San Quentin Arts in Corrections*. Carol Acquaviva curated our exhibit and attended the opening on January 16<sup>th</sup>.

The California Room's display cases at the Civic Center Library feature a new exhibit on the Golden Gate International Exhibition to celebrate the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its opening on Treasure Island in 1939.

On display at the California Room's Map & Special Collections facility are artifacts—including a scale model of Locomotive #9- documenting the history of the railroad which once went from Mill Valley to the summit of Mt. Tamalpais.

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**Anne T Kent  
California Room**



Carol attended the screening of "[A Silent Legacy](#)" at the **Lucas Valley Homeowners Association**. This student-made film documents the history of the former Marin County Poor Farm, hospital, and cemetery in Lucas Valley. Carol was interviewed and is featured prominently in the film talking about the history of poor farms, and Marin's efforts historically to provide equity for all of its citizens. Following the documentary screening, Carol participated in a panel discussion with Supervisor Damon Connolly, and Parks Ranger Mike Warner.

The film has received awards and accolades, such as the Official Selection of the Golden State Film Festival; Best Original Screenplay at the Marina Del Rey Film Festival; and semi-finalist at the Newark Youth International Film Festival. It will be screened at Grauman's Chinese Theater in Hollywood in March. This month, the California Room and the filmmakers have been featured on local news stations [ABC](#) and [CBS](#), and on the front page of the *IJ*.

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**Anne T Kent  
California Room**

Our ace volunteer cataloguer—Brian Crawford—has uploaded 250 new maps and surveys to our [online database](#) bringing our total to 2,750 maps.

Carol has added our 1980 [Lucretia McNear Thomas](#) oral history interview to CONTENTdm. Lucretia is the mother of Robert Thomas whom we've interviewed twice this month for our oral history program.





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### **Anne T Kent California Room**



Laurie Thompson & oral historian Marilyn Geary interviewed John McNear and Robert Thomas on the history of the McNear family who once owned much of San Rafael's Point San Pedro Peninsula. We learned about a small community known as "Starvation Gulch" which arose during the Great Depression, a sort of "shanty town" where individuals down on their luck took refuge. We also learned more about the McNear's Brickyard operation; activities at China Camp; & the Striped Bass Carnival at McNear's Beach, popular in the 1940s.

Laurie and map archivist Dewey Livingston also conducted a separate interview with Robert Thomas regarding his tenure working for Marin County Surveyor John C. Oglesby in the 1950s. The Oglesby survey collection is part of our Marin County Map & Survey Collection at the Annex. Robert described Oglesby's business practices (he paid his employees 25 cents more/hour than the competitors) as well as some of the subdivisions Robert surveyed for Oglesby including all of Marinwood (once a dairy ranch); a subdivision near Limantour Beach which was later demolished when it became part of the Pt. Reyes National Seashore; as well as other interesting stories.

### **Anne T Kent California Room**

#### **Brief Additional Updates**

- Map archivist Dewey Livingston has migrated over 2000 Oglesby surveys to new archival cabinets.
- The Petaluma Historical Museum has donated 20 historic photographs of the McNear family.
- Insert

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### Corte Madera



Sarah Butts, Youth Services Librarian, was invited to speak at the DELAC (English language learners) meeting for the Larkspur Corte Madera School District. She explained how to get a library card and gave an overview of the relevant parts of the collection to parents of middle and elementary school children. She will return to the next meeting as well, and will be working with the language specialist to target some specific needs of their students, like middle-grade Portuguese titles and specific audio books to help with fluency.

When violinist Joshua Bell comes to the Green Music Center on Feb.8, a young Corte Madera Library patron will be in the front row of the balcony. The five-year-old music-lover was inspired by *The Man with the Violin*, a picture book about Joshua Bell's free concert in the Washington DC metro, which he found at the library and read over and over. As luck would have it, tickets were still available for the concert. Perhaps the boy will meet Mr. Bell and have our book autographed!

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### Corte Madera



All 6 spots in our first virtual reality (VR) demo series were filled, enabling 3 adults and 3 teens to experience our new Oculus, courtesy of the support of the Friends of the Corte Madera Library, who made possible the purchase of the workstation and equipment. Redwood High School students are helping to act as VR ambassadors as we roll out more virtual experiences. Our goal is to provide more opportunities for more young people and adults to "get to know" virtual reality, and to possibly offer augmented reality features in the library.

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### Corte Madera



With the help of our intrepid Tech Support team, we recently installed a riser at the Print Release/Scanner station for improved accessibility for all patrons. The riser lets us adjust the height of the station so that we can accommodate users with varying needs.

A patron came in exclaiming how great the library is...she discovered all of the databases and movie streaming. She's streamed a movie from Kanopy she'd been wanting to see, learning stuff on Lynda.com and learning Spanish on Mango. She loves the library!

Patrons are thankful for the extensive time staff will devote to helping them with Libby and other online resources. Just yesterday, Jackie Foster, Library Assistant II, devoted a great deal of time teaching two patrons how to access our resources. They were very grateful and another patron who observed one of these transactions came up to Jackie and said, "I'd like to learn that too. Can you help me?"

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### Corte Madera



In honor of the Chinese New Year, Library Aide, Chizuko Tsuji, and Librarian II, Adult Services, Shereen Ash, created a colorful display of materials highlighting the history, culture and literature of China and Chinese Americans. From dumplings to Tai Chi, items are jumping off the display. A father, leaving story time with his young son, was pleased to see the display and his culture represented.

Adult programs in January covered a wide array of topics, beginning with a well-attended presentation on weight loss by a dietician from Marin General Hospital. Tapping into the current climate of political action, author Joel Blackwell spoke to a motivated group about the best communications methods to use when approaching elected officials to lobby for political change. And finally, Marin Showing Up for Racial Justice (SURJ) had a very successful meeting of their racial justice book club where they discussed *Chief Marin* by Betty Goerke.

### Corte Madera

#### Brief Additional Updates

- Julie Magnus, branch manager, attended an intensive 3-day workshop on group facilitation at the Community At Work offices in San Francisco, as part of a County effort

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### Fairfax



Children's Services Team and the Teen Services Committee partnered again for the third annual Literature Review on Friday, January 25. Margaret Miles, Branch Manager, coordinated Children's Services Team presentations and provided an introduction to the 4-hour review. Iris Meinolf, Children's Librarian, presented a talk on "Little Reader, Big Book," offering titles for children who read at an advanced reading level but aren't ready for the intensity of Harry Potter. John Elison spoke about the Teen Honor Books collection and suggested graphic novels for teens. Janet Hughes and Neshama Franklin, LA 1s, were just two of the staff who filled the Corte Madera meeting room. County as well as city library staff unanimously agreed that the workshop increased their reader's advisory abilities. A hands-up survey at the end revealed that 100% of attendees gained valuable information they could bring back to their branches and apply when offering reader's advisory to patrons. All booklists are being posted on Backstage and Bibliocommons.

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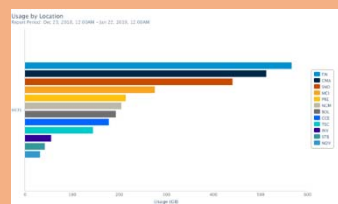
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John Elison, LA2, worked with Angela Wawrzynek, Librarian I, to present a Cooking Club program for Teens on January 22. 13 teens had a lot of delicious fun learning to make microwave chocolate cake in a mug. Like all our cooking programs, teens had to read and follow directions, and achieving success meant they got to eat chocolate cake! Because it was so good and so easy, the recipe is included here:

Microwave for 30 seconds:  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup chocolate chips and 3 T heavy cream  
Add 2 T butter and stir until smooth  
Add 2 T flour and  $\frac{1}{4}$  t baking powder. Stir well.  
Microwave for 60 seconds. Let cool a few minutes before eating.

## Fairfax



Anthony Puga, Circulation Supervisor and Aaron Fong, LA2, assisted a woman in her 80's who was going on a trip and wanted to borrow eBooks to take with her. She had an older Samsung model tablet, but Anthony and Aaron persevered through a lengthy process, and she left with several books downloaded.

Margaret assisted a patron who had a document on her phone that she needed to print, sign, scan and email. Margaret walked the woman through the steps of connecting to wifi, emailing the document to the library printer, releasing the print job, and using the scanner. The patron was amazed that she was able to do all this for free!

## Fairfax



Marcia Stieger, LBA, scheduled David Herlocker, retired Naturalist for Marin County Open Space, to give a presentation on local mushroom species. This program complemented the gallery show "Treasures of the Forest," photographs by Allison Pollack which Marcia coordinated. Allison's meet-the-artist reception on Saturday Jan. 5 drew a very healthy 45 people, and an additional 40 showed up to pack the room for David's slide show and talk. Attendees were fascinated by his discussion of the role of fungi in our ecosystem.

In partnership with SURJ-Marin and White Women Buffalo Council, Margaret Miles and John Elison coordinated a film and conversation program on Saturday January 24. An audience of 45, the largest we've had for a Film & Conversation program, discussed the portrayal of Native Americans in popular culture. Margaret pulled together a display of books by and about Native Americans for patrons of all ages, and many of the books checked out after the program.

- Sachiko Suhara, LBA, is receiving training this month from Anthony and Aaron to become an extra-hire LA1.
- Diana, a regular volunteer, received a certificate from Marin County Volunteer Coordinators for 6 years of service. She has consistently volunteered 20 hours a week since she started, which is a total of 6,240 hours. We estimate she has pulled over 100,000 paged items and shelved more than 150,000 dvds.
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### Marin City

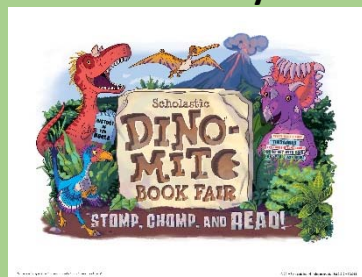


Diana planned, obtained materials for, and promoted a series of kids' STEAM activities for the two-week winter break that kids had. Danny and Faheem conducted the programs. The activities in January included:

- Snowball Catapults on Wednesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>. Kids used popsicle sticks and rubber bands to build catapults to see who could launch their "snowballs" the farthest. We had 17 kids.
- A showing of the movie *Happy Feet* on Friday, January 4<sup>th</sup> which 17 attended.
- A video storytime showing of *The Snowy Day* by Ezra Jack Keats on Saturday, January 5<sup>th</sup> with 19 participants. Kids also made shadow boxes with Peter's figure and a snowy background.

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### Marin City



Kayla Thompson (Community Library Specialist embedded at Bayside MLK), Julius Holtzclaw (Office Manager and Renaissance Man), and Diana are planning the book fair for Bayside MLK. The Scholastic theme for Spring 2019 is dinosaurs! Rawr! The book fair will be Monday, March 4th through Friday, March 8th with a parent night on Tuesday, March 5th. Parent night will have refreshments and crafts. All proceeds benefit the Bayside MLK school library. Thanks!

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### Marin City



1-9-19 Ultimaker sent Etienne a care package of filament and other goodies after partnering with them a ALA2018. ED

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### Marin City



1-8-19 Local playwright Lance Belville and his partner and director Lynn Lohr gave a rehearsed reading of Lance's latest play, *Atlanta Burning Sherman's Shadow*. We had 25 attendees and a lively performance of this Civil War tale by Lynn, Lance, and "extra" Galen Dunham (a Civil War re-enacter).

### Marin City Library

#### Brief Additional Updates

- On Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, we had our first program with Reaching Out with Robotics, a group of Tam High kids who use LEGO Mindstorms to teach youth how to create and program robots. Our program was featured in the IJ (with Keith Waye's son, Kadence, in a picture!): <https://www.marinij.com/2019/01/19/reaching-out-with-robotics-comes-to-marin-city/>
- On Tuesday, January 22<sup>th</sup>, in collaboration with Showing Up for Racial Justice (SURJ) Marin, we screened the film *American Drug War*.
- On Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, longtime patron Dave Kong's brought his father to take a photo of the display we put up of an Marin IJ article about him. Mr. Kong, a long-time Mill Valley resident, was recently awarded the Congressional Gold Medal for his service in WWII. <https://www.marinij.com/2018/12/31/mill-valley-veteran-to-be-awarded-congressional-medal-of-honor/> We reached out to Sean Stephens, Marin County Veterans Services Officer, and he posted it on the Veterans Services Facebook page.
- On Tuesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, Diana attended an all-day training by Ryan Dowd on Understanding Your Homeless Patrons. She is currently reading his book *The Librarian's Guide to Homelessness: An Empathy-Driven Approach to Solving Problems, Preventing Conflict, and Serving Everyone*. She has requested a copy for MCFL.
- At the Children's/Teen Literature Retreat on Friday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, Danny Khuu presented a list of children's books on diversity and social justice.

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### Novato



Whole Foods of Novato once again donated 2-3 shopping carts of toys/stuffed animals via the Novato Friends to Novato and South Novato Libraries to use as summer reading prizes. Librarian Laura Kennett and Novato Friends President Virginia Shultz (pictured) loaded up two carfuls of good stuff on January 8, including a giant stuffed bear, and hauled it off to the storage shed at Novato Library. Looks like the Kids' Room may have a new mascot!

Novato moved back into their own digs as planned on Tuesday January 22 after being closed since the end of November for HVAC upgrades. The Kids' Room has been full of happy kids and families, some of whom came to visit us at South Novato Library, and many who were happy to be back on their home library turf. One mom told Laura Kennett that when her son woke up, he said, "Yes! I get to go to the library today!" And, then he preceded to name all the things that he was going to do when he got to the library.

So many kids told Laura that they planned what they were going to do their first day back. Most lists went like this:

1. Ask Laura to find a book for me
2. Play on the computer
3. Build a castle with all the blocks
4. Read on the Watermelon

Laura Kennett spent some quality time at the Corte Madera Library while Novato was closed. CMA Branch Manager Julie Magnus wrote to thank Laura for her generosity and helping them out in the Children's Room several times recently, even filling in last minute for Baby Bounce, and more, due to a sick staffer here. Julie reported that Laura "has been a joy to all of us, and it was great to spend some time with her!"

Novato staff welcomed a "new" Librarian to the Kids' Room, Adrienne Graham, who, before becoming an LI at South Novato Library over a year ago, previously split her Library Assistant II duties between the two. Adrienne now rejoins us as a Librarian I and is looking forward to wowing the kids and families of the "downtown" Novato Library with her songs, stories and knowledge.

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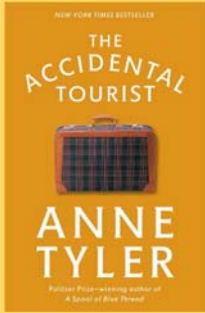
### Novato



Laura Kennett has put out a call to Joy Fossett, the County of Marin's Student Internships Coordinator, for Teen Volunteers to be responsible for working with books and other materials in the Children's Collection, including, but not limited to sorting, arranging and shelving library materials according to numerical or alphabetical order, reading shelves for accuracy, and straightening and correcting the order of materials on shelves. Each year high school students must complete community service hours and this will be a perfect opportunity to learn about the library and collection management, establish references for work and school in a safe and welcoming environment in which they can build professional skills.

Branch Manager Janet Doerge and Laura Kennett attended the Young Adult Novelist Convention (YANovCom) 2019 at the Millbrae Library on Saturday January 26. This free half-day celebration welcomed librarians as well as families and middle and high school students and included panel discussions, author hangouts, and book signings with at least twenty award-winning, notable and new YA novelists. Attendees got to connect with authors about their writing and



	<p>publishing process, but also with local organizations to help shine a light on the issues teens face inside the home, including family issues, domestic abuse, food insecurity, and how they demonstrate their resilience.</p>
<p>Be a positive environment for <b>mobile and digital literacy.</b></p> <p><b>Novato</b></p> 	<p>While Novato Library was closed, we received many comments and compliments through Bibliocommons online patron support email service. One person wrote “The online stuff is great and so v. convenient. The only thing missing is the lovely interaction that employees always provide others when we are visiting the library! cheers. a citizen.”</p> <p>Another patron wrote that she needed help with a catalog search, “I am looking up “Spain Travel” and I get crazy rich Asians and sisterhood of the traveling pants and a LOT of really old books (1908???!!) Eudora Welty stories???!!” I helpfully reminded her to make sure she is searching by Keyword. Sure enough, 510 results on travel in Spain appeared.</p> <p>More BiblioCommons User Feedback included this: “I love your system. It works perfectly. From reserving a book, to hearing when it is available, to picking it up, to renewing. It is all flawless. Thank you for adding to my reading experience.” These kind of comments really do make the folks at MariNet feel better about the work that they do behind the scenes.</p> <p>At least one Novato patron responded to a Savannah email that Jen Robinson sent out to “occasional” library users. She reported that she was “Happy to easily find out online that my card is still in your system, and thank you for the email reminders to use it!”</p>
<p>Support <b>adults</b> through life stages with opportunities for self-development and independent learning</p> <p><b>Novato</b></p> 	<p>Twenty one intrepid Novato Afternoon Book Club participants met in the XR Marin space at the Marinovation Learning Center across from the South Novato Library on January 17 to discuss Ann Tyler’s <i>The Accidental Tourist</i>. We got a small, sweet, simple webcomment from a Novato adult patron, “Glad you reopened.”</p> <p>The wonderful and generous Friends of the Novato Library hosted a “Welcome Back to the Library” table with light refreshments on Monday, January 28, from noon to 4 p.m. outside the Library’s Community Room.</p> <p>Our patrons...missed us! are glad that we have re-opened! love <u>their</u> library! (All feedback that staff is receiving. ♡)</p>

## **Novato**

### **Brief Additional Updates**

- Novato staff and patrons are so happy to be back in our building after the HVAC upgrades, but we wish a hearty Thank You to South Novato Staff for hosting us for seven weeks! BIG Thanks also go to Jim Stephens and his TEC crew who did such a fabulous job of setting up and shutting down at both Novato and South Novato. Cheers!

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### South Novato



South Novato bid farewell to Adrienne Graham this month, but don't worry: She's not going far! Adrienne will transfer to Novato as a full-time Children's Librarian, bringing even more joy to Novato families and continuing to partner with South Novato on school outreach!

During her tenure, Adrienne worked as both a Library Assistant II and a Librarian at South Novato, while also working for Novato and Marin City. She served as interim branch supervisor for a year, spearheaded dozens (no, hundreds!) of youth programs and class visits, initiated STEAM and family maker programs, capably planned summer activities, kept the collection in tip-top shape, and delivered excellent customer service for patrons of all ages. Join us in wishing Adrienne well!

South Novato's storytimes will continue with help from librarian Nikki Gothelf who jumped right into the swing of things. We'll be hiring soon for a new librarian – just in time for summer, we hope.

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### South Novato



The makerspace is getting ready to exhibit at the annual [Maker Faire](#) in May ... and Sara Bolduc had a great idea: *Let the kids lead!*

Sara launched "Young Makers" this month, a four-month program engaging motivated makers in designing, testing and exhibiting their own creations. The first Young Maker Meetup took place on January 26. Makers and their families began developing project plans. Over the next few months, the team will work collectively after school and one Saturday per month.


In other Maker news: This month's theme was Motion with materials including cardboard, wood and wheels. Techniques learned this month can found on our blog: [www.marinmakerspace.com/what-were-making](http://www.marinmakerspace.com/what-were-making)

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With guidance from Etienne Douglas at Marin City, we are expanding the WebStars program to South Novato! The program offers paid employment for youth age 14-17 at our newly named "Marinovation Learning Center" -- the name for our whole campus including South Novato Library, the Makerspace Media Studio and XR Marin/New Media Learning. XRStars, as we're calling them at SNO, will:

- assist after school in the makerspace and mentor younger students,
- demonstrate virtual/augmented reality for visitors of all ages, and
- serve as tutors in the library computer lab.

	<p>In 2018, XR Marin and Marin County Free Library secured funding to bring this program to other locations, with a new focus on virtual reality, multimedia and maker education. We aim to build youth leadership, promote a growth mindset and foster creativity in design, science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics through hands-on work in a library/nonprofit setting.</p> <p>Building on MCI's success, XR Stars will participate in training and gain on-the-job experience equipping youth for careers in libraries, technology, science, arts and media. More info is available here: <a href="http://www.marinmakerspace.com/xrstars">www.marinmakerspace.com/xrstars</a></p>
<p>Support <b>adults</b> through life stages with opportunities for self-development and independent learning</p> <p><b>South Novato</b></p> 	<p>South Novato patrons were gracious in sharing our small space during the Novato closure. With expanded hours and new visitors, our gate count increased by 48% and circ was up, too!</p> <p>Over and over, patrons complemented staff for excellent customer service during a busy time. Two of SNO's regular patrons told us: "This place is buzzing. We love it!" Like many other patrons, they asked: "Can you keep these expanded hours?!"</p> <p>SNO is back to regular hours now, and happy to keep buzzing!</p> <p>We are even happy about the avalanche of materials we got back on January 22! <i>Why?</i> Because it means all those happy patrons enjoyed their extended loan times during the closure, along with our Fine Free period.</p> <p>Big thanks to Library Assistant II, Ezra Herdocia. Ezra managed a herculean shelving project that week in order to get our book drop and back room cleared. He recruited new volunteers to help, got all of Novato's items ready for moving, and capably directed superstar extra hires Shani, Jesse, Jan, Judy, Mary and Ruth.</p>

**South Novato Library**  
**Brief Additional Updates**

- South Novato now publishes a **campus-wide calendar** each month, covering events in the library, makerspace and XR Marin media studio. If you would like to receive a PDF, please email [sara@marinmakerspace.com](mailto:sara@marinmakerspace.com) to join our distribution list. Most events are on the Library website as well.

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- Clara was a featured presenter at the 1/25/18 Children's Literature Review, an annual readers' advisory event for MCFL and MARINet staff at all levels. This focused and detailed presentation allows staff to provide better reading recommendations and service to children and families throughout the year.

Savannah emails were sent out to members of the public:

"If You Like..." email sent to All Patrons on Friday, January 11th:

Email was opened by 40,000 of 70,000 users

3, 624 people clicked through the email to one of the resources or to our website

Hoopla usage: 44 new users on the 11th (then 21, 18, etc.)

"We Missed You" email sent to Inactives – opened by 12,500 out of 45,000 inactive users; 599 of those who opened clicked through to one of the resources mentioned or to our website

"Welcome" email sent to New Cardholders - sent to 809 patrons and opened by 805

In the past 30 days, the Wi-Fi usage was down again during the holiday season and with the Novato Library (NOV) being closed until January 22<sup>nd</sup>. The total for January is 2863.67 GB.

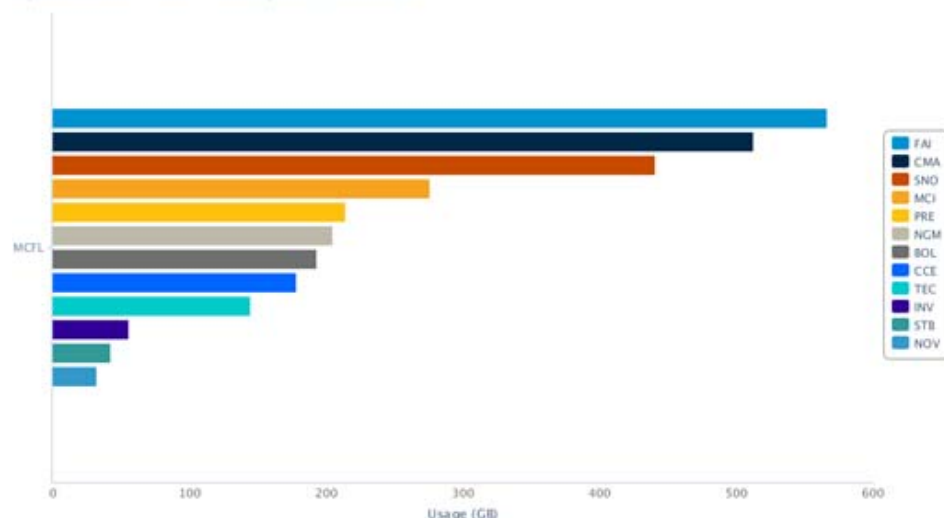
Below is a graph of Wi-Fi Usage by location:

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Usage by Location

Report Period: Dec 23, 2018, 12:00AM - Jan 22, 2019, 12:00AM



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Purchased 10 copies of "A Facilitator's Guide to Participatory Decision-Making" for county staff (or the public) to use.

<https://marinet.bibliocommons.com/item/show/2348494113>

Created Read to Lead Lists in BiblioCommons for 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018. Tagged all RTL titles to date with a subject heading (e.g. Read to Lead 2018) so that they are findable by year in BiblioCommons

**Technical Services, eServices and Marketing  
Brief Additional Updates**

- Additional equipment at the South Novato Library so that the Novato Staff reporting to work at the South Novato Library could help with the added workload was removed so that the additional furniture could also be removed.
- The Public PC hours for both the South Novato Library and the Novato Library were both put back to the regular schedules from prior to the Novato Library closure.
- All of the Public PC floor data jacks at the Fairfax have been protected with locking plastic boxes to help prevent patrons from accidentally kicking the network cables out of the floor jacks.
- The Bolinas Library staff computers are now protected by new battery backup UPS replacing the older models that were failing.
- Tech Support team picked up the technology related pieces to the put the Novato Library back together puzzle so that the library could reopen on January 22<sup>nd</sup>. In just a few days, the Public PC area was put back together including the 13 computers, 2 printers and 2 copiers/scanners. 4 selfcheck systems, 6 catalog systems a new Envisionware server and 5 staff stations used to support the Public were all updated and reassembled as well.
- Sharon Ho and Damon Hill attended the Heart of Marin Awards
- Jen Robinson presented at the Library Commission related to marketing and Damon Hill updated NOV closure
- Sent out first email newsletter to enthusiastic response of email replies
- Retooled Marin Poet Laureate webpages and created online version of application for 2019-2021 Application Period

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MCFL is excited to embark on a new educational partnership with Nicasio School to update their library collection and physical space to be an exciting environment for K-8 reading and learning, which includes makerspace Next Generation Science activities and projects . As a first step, Sara Jones, Annemarie Russo, Jennifer Livingston, and Raemona Little Taylor visited each class (TK-8 )to brainstorm and discuss “Our Dream Library”. Nicasio students and teachers recommended books for purchase and brainstormed what their new library would look like and design elements to improve the space.

Kerry Livingston recently added a “Parent Collection” to the Children’s area at the Stinson Beach Library.

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The Teen Services Committee recently launched a Teen Honor Collection, which is a selection of books on tough topics that teens might be reluctant to check out on their or their parents library card. The books in this collection are not barcoded and are borrowed using the “honor system” with a request to “return when you are ready”. All four West Marin branches are excited to display this new collection, which includes newly released non-fiction title, *High: Everything you want to know about drugs, alcohol, and addiction* by David Sheff and Nic Sheff.

Raemona is a current member of In The Margins committee book award committee, which highlights books that explore the world through the eyes of youth who experience challenges of marginalized issues related to living on the street, homelessness, incarceration, addiction, gang friction, and bullying. She presented In the Margins selections for 2019 at the MCFL Kids and Teens Literature Review at Corte Madera.

Ann attended the Young Adult Novelist Convention (YANovCom) 2019 at the Millbrae Library on Saturday January 26.



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The Inverness Apple Users Group continues to meet once a month at the Inverness Library.

Simon and Jennifer identified a need for additional technology assistance for patrons at Point Reyes Library. We plan to start offering Computer Drop in Hours on Fridays in February.

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Nora Livingston, the Mono Lake Committee Lead Naturalist Guide, presented a visual journey to the Eastern Sierra to learn about the unique natural history of Mono Lake, how human activity has impacted the lake, and how generations of dedicated people (many from Marin) have worked hard to protect it for future generations. Nora presented to a packed room at Point Reyes and Stinson Beach Libraries.

Nora grew up in Inverness, and attributes her love for nature to coming of age here in West Marin and exploring all the habitats with her family. Nora is the daughter of Stinson Beach Community Library Specialist, Kerry Livingston, and historian Dewey Livingston.



On a rainy night in Bolinas, Local author Eric Karpeles captivated 35 attendees with a reading from his latest book *Almost Nothing*, a bio of Polish artist Josef Czapski. Eric also translated a book written by Czapski of lectures on Proust that Czapski originally gave while imprisoned in Russia during WWII. Eric is also the author of *Paintings in Proust*.

**West Marin**  
**Brief Additional Updates**

- West Marin Local Art Exhibits: (Bolinas) "Alternative map of Bolinas" by Stuart Chapman, (Inverness) "Those Shafter Women" curated by Tom Branan, Gayanne Enquist and Meg Linden, (Point Reyes Library) Sue Gonzalez Art.
- West Marin staff attended the webinar, "HOW CHILDREN LEARN ABOUT RACE: a conversation with Margaret Hagerman and Erin Winkler.
- Jennifer, Annemarie, Simon, Kerry, and Raemona attended the 2019 Kids and Teens Literature Retreat at Corte Madera Library.
- Raemona joined the West Marin Kindergarten Action Team led by Marin Promise.



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### Bookmobile



January is a month of change for the children we serve. Coming back from the winter vacation is a bit of a transition for some but nothing like the beginning of the school year. By the time the end of January comes around all children are making progress with learning their letters and actually reading! The struggle to find the right book to interest the beginning readers is over and the kids gravitate to the section that works for them. Their interests have broadened and the reading struggle is over for the most part and the love of reading has begun. Teachers do amazing work and we are so fortunate to be their library support. Yay books!

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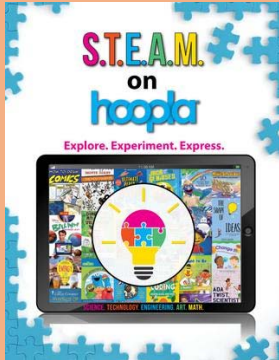


The child development centers we serve are such amazing places. The classroom libraries are starting to grow in size and depth with the addition of the library's excess books. Often the centers are understaffed which makes it difficult for teachers to get to our Teacherpalooza events so we bring the books to them instead. It is so wonderful to see the classrooms shelves swelling with so many books covering so many subjects. Teachers all come on to supplement their curriculum with books from the bookmobile but now they are gaining a solid base for their collection and we are finding good homes for books that still have life in them.

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We have a great opportunity with the bookmobile school and child development centers to support our hard working teachers. There's little time for reading for teachers to read during the busy school year but many enjoy our audiobooks and

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playaways during their commutes back and forth to school. Hooray for Hoopla and Kanopy that support teachers finding curriculum for their students and entertainment for themselves.

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## Bookmobile



So many books, so little time-----lucky for our seniors there are book clubs! The Redwoods and many of our assisted living centers have vital, cutting edge book clubs that expand discussion and social opportunities for many. In addition to the book clubs, some residents put on movie nights for their movie clubs. The activity directors at many of our centers use our library system to provide daily movie nights for their residents as well. Documentaries on many subjects are popular and travel documentaries are the perfect opportunity for arm chair travel. It's also a great time to revisit past vacations and travels and to share experiences together. These are services we provide to the centers in addition to the individual library visits of residents. When people's worlds may be shrinking due to loss of ability or a shortage of funds, in steps the library to provide enrichment and broaden opportunity!

## Library Director Activities – January 2019

Below is brief overview of a few activities and items that may not have been highlighted in other areas of this monthly Commission Report.

 The logo for Marin County Free Library, featuring the letters 'M' and 'C' in blue and green circles, and 'F' and 'L' in orange and yellow circles, followed by the text 'MARIN COUNTY FREE LIBRARY'.	
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## Personnel – January 2019

 The logo for Marin County Free Library, featuring the letters 'M' and 'C' in blue and green circles, and 'F' and 'L' in orange and yellow circles, followed by the text 'MARIN COUNTY FREE LIBRARY'.	<p>During January, MCFL opened recruitments for our vacant Librarian II positions in Novato, Fairfax, Marin City and South Novato. In addition, a temporary promotional opportunity was opened for the vacant Supervision Library Technical Assistant position.</p> <p>The following full-time and part-time vacancies are under review, or are in the early recruitment preparation phase as of January 2019:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Administrative Services Technician (Admin)</li><li>• Community Library Specialist (Bookmobile)</li><li>• Library Aides, Civic; Novato; Tech Services; Fairfax</li><li>• Library Assistant I, Fairfax</li><li>• Library Technical Assistant (Marinet)</li><li>• Media Technician (Tech Services)</li><li>• Mobile Library Assistant (Flagship)</li></ul>
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## Commission Members:

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**THANK YOU for the time and talents that you share with us daily, monthly and annually.**



**Marin County Free Library Commission Report**  
**Sara Jones, Director of County Library Services**

**February 2019 Activities**

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- f. Novato (Janet Doerge)
- g. South Novato (Amy Sonnie)
- h. Technical Services, eServices and Marketing (Damon Hill)
- i. West Marin (Raemona Little-Taylor)
- j. Bookmobile (Terry Jones)

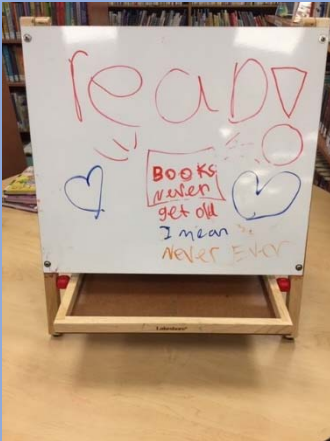
**2. Library Director Activities**

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## Library Activities

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### Civic Center



Kathleen spent this month working closely with Margaret Miles (Branch Manager Fairfax Library and Chair, Children's Services Team) to plan the upcoming program **The Shadow Side of Play: Supporting Children Wherever Their Play Takes Them**. Kathleen spent concentrated time doing publicity outside of the library, attempting to reach schools, day care providers, health care professionals, early childhood education professionals and more in concerted attempt to bring in community members for this important program about the more alarming or troubling sides of children's play. The event will take place Wednesday, March 17, 6:30 – 8:30 pm at the San Rafael Community Center. Event report-out to follow in next month's report.

The silver lining of storm clouds: The Novato Library's extended closure for roof leakage and damage provided a benefit for the Civic Center Library. Novato's children's Librarian Adrienne Graham spent several weeks helping Kathleen in the Children's Room most importantly by weeding CCE's dusty Juvenile Fiction. It was a big task and Adrienne was ruthless which is good thing for a healthy collection. There is much to be said for librarian's weeding collections others than their own. It was also of great benefit to have Adrienne staffing the J reference desk during the San Rafael school systems Ski Week break. The children's room was busy all week.

Kathleen and Denise provided storytime assistance at the Northgate Pop-up Library to enthusiastic crowds of kids and adults. The donated freshly cleaned and bright ABC/123 rug from the Civic Center found a good home at the pop-up library and provided a nice soft spot for storytime.

Linda and Natalie viewed Embrace Race's **How Children Learn About Race** webinar.

<p>Support <b>youth</b> in our community with opportunities for self-discovery and expression.</p> <p><b>Civic Center</b></p>	<p>Natalie delivered book talks to Miller Creek Middle School students and was interviewed twice for the Miller Creek News. She held the first Venetia Valley Book Club meeting with nine attendees. This has been in the works for a long time and came together thanks to support from Laura Beam, school librarian (and former MCFL colleague).</p> <p>Natalie and West Marin Branch Manager Raemona Little Taylor facilitated the first session of a racial justice-themed book club at the Marin County Juvenile Hall. Youth read and discussed <b>The Hate U Give</b> this month. Discussion topics included “When was a time you did/did not stand up for someone, or they did/did not stand up for you?” The youth had recently watched the movie and were excited to compare it to the book.</p> <p>Natalie supervised 12 volunteer hours for three San Rafael High school students training to use and troubleshoot the Oculus Rift. She hosted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• three Marin County Youth Commission meetings: The library is collaborating with the Commission to host a Social Justice Movie Night</li> <li>• the monthly Teen Advisory Group meeting</li> <li>• a Virtual Reality Gaming program</li> <li>• the program, Start Smart: Driver Safety Education for Teens and Parents. The program filled up weeks before the program date and we’ve had several requests for another session</li> </ul>
	<p>Linda sent Libby quick-start guides to several patrons this month through email. Linda was shown by a young patron, during the CENIC network outage, how to connect some of the public computers to the Marin County wi-fi. While not all the public computers could be configured to allow this, Linda was able to get two or three more computers online.</p> <p>Elmer demonstrated Mango on a webpac for a patron. He assisted a patron</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• whose roof was damaged in the severe storms and in a fight with her insurance provider. Her roofer emailed her three images of the damage but unfortunately, they were very small and imbedded in a PDF document. After the patron emailed the PDF file to me, I screen-shot and cropped each image, imported it into Publisher to enlarge and print</li> <li>• in using the Marin Transit app on her phone to schedule a ride from the Library back to her home</li> <li>• in printing an image she received in her Facebook account</li> </ul> <p>On the day the CENIC network was offline and his inability to access patron records from his staff computer, Elmer connected to a wireless</p>

<p>Be a positive environment for <b>mobile and digital literacy</b>.</p> <p><b>Civic Center</b></p>	<p>network with the library-issued iPad Mini to access library accounts of patrons wishing to renew their items over the phone.</p>
<p>Support <b>adults</b> through life stages with opportunities for self-development and independent learning</p> <p><b>Civic Center</b></p>	<p>Elmer provided 27 Craig's List postings by phone to disabled patron in San Rafael; replied by postal mail or email to 21 reference queries requested by phone or postal mail; and filled two obituary requests, successful only through Carol's skillful assistance with the California Digital Newspaper Collection</p> <p>He also demonstrated use of the Classic Catalog for a more traditional treatment of subject headings including subheadings and related subjects to a patron who expressed difficulty in narrowing down subject areas in Bibliocore; he was delighted with the Classic Catalog's subject approach.</p> <p>Linda responded to 28 email reference questions and filled two interlibrary loan requests for two books.</p> <p>She hosted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spring Vegetables/Master Gardeners</li> <li>• Ten Warning Signs of Alzheimer's/Northern California Alzheimer's Association</li> <li>• the Brown Bag Book Club which met to discuss <b>Interpreter of Maladies</b> by Jhumpa Lahiri</li> </ul> <p>Elmer joined the listserv for the newly formed CLA Interest Group, Services to People Who Are Incarcerated.</p>

<p><b>Civic Center</b></p> <p><b>Brief Additional Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Natalie demonstrated virtual reality with the Oculus Rift and Oculus Go for Civic Center staff.</li> <li>➤ Civic Center staff are viewing Practical Tips for Challenging Homeless webinar.</li> </ul>
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### Anne T Kent California Room



[The Kentfield-Greenbrae Historical Society](#) (KGHS) held their board meeting in the California Room's Map & Special Collection's Annex on February 14<sup>th</sup>. After their meeting, Librarian Laurie Thompson & Map Archivist Dewey Livingston gave them a tour of the facility. Laurie also provided them with information on the care & preservation of archival collections and gave them an overview of the California Room's digital archive. As the KGHS doesn't have a facility of their own, we are discussing hosting their collections on our digital archive and we may become a repository for a part of their physical collection.

It was a dark & stormy night on Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> when Marin author & historian Brian Crawford debuted his new book & regaled us with a talk on [Shipwrecks of Marin](#) at the California Room's Map & Special Collections Annex. Despite the tempest, over 75 people braved the elements to hear about historic shipwrecks in local waters dating back to the 16<sup>th</sup> century. Brian is also a writer of fiction so his accounts were compelling and everyone was truly engaged. Guests stayed late to purchase books and continue the discussion.

Several years ago, when current Marin History Museum Director Michelle Kaufman was looking for a local history project, we proposed that she photograph and write brief histories of the San Rafael venues documented in the California Room's rare 1884 [San Rafael Illustrated & Described](#). The fruits of this collaboration resulted in a popular exhibit in partnership with Marin County Cultural Services. Carol Jensen, an agent with Arcadia Publishing, saw the exhibit and proposed we turn it into a book. The book has just been published and our collaboration immortalized in [San Rafael through Time](#).

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On February 27<sup>th</sup>, six students from Marin Academy accompanied by their teachers visited our Map & Special Collections Annex where Librarians Laurie Thompson & Carol Acquaviva shared resources on the history of their school including 1915 film footage documenting the school when it was known as the Tamalpais Military Academy. We also shared an historic map of San Rafael depicting the lot and landowners on the school site in 1867. During a "show & tell" students had the opportunity to view historic artifacts and to examine yearbooks, brochures & ephemera. They also learned how to use the California Room's digital archive and the California Digital Newspaper Collection to conduct research on their own. The students have just begun a multi-year project to create a historical tour of their school and will return to do more research as their project progresses.



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Digital Archivist Carol Acquaviva has catalogued and posted to our digital archive a set of [27 order books](#) documenting thousands of survey jobs carried out by John Oglesby from 1918 to 1966. This important source is frequently sought by the researchers who use our survey collection. Because the order books are so fragile we had them digitized last fall by Act3 Partners as part of a larger digitization effort which was underwritten by Jeff Craemer.

California Room Volunteer Brian Crawford has added 141 more maps and surveys to our Digital Archive. To date, Brian has catalogued and uploaded over [2900 historic maps](#), revolutionizing access to these important source materials.

Surveyor **Phil Danskin**, who staffs our survey collection on Tuesday mornings, is currently working on a project to catalog the plat maps in the J. C. Oglesby collection. Phil's expertise as a surveyor is key to creating accurate metadata for this collection which will eventually be posted to our digital archive. Digital Archivist Carol Acquaviva provided Phil with a template and one-on-one instruction.

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The California Room has been doing a series of oral history interviews with descendants of the pioneer McNear family of San Rafael since last fall. In a fortunate twist of fate, these interviews have coincided with a large donation of photos & ephemera documenting the McNear family's history in Marin from the Petaluma Historical Museum. On Feb. 13, Librarian Laurie Thompson invited McNear descendant Robert Thomas to the Petaluma Museum where Collection Manager Solange Russek and her docents arranged a tour and shared the history of the McNear family in Petaluma. Robert Thomas helped Solange identify some of their photographs, including several of Marin, which were then donated to the California Room.

**Anne T. Kent California Room**

**Brief Additional Updates**

- On Feb 5<sup>th</sup>, Carol attended the Marin Archive Collective meeting which featured a demonstration of the Lucretia Little History Room's Virtual Reality history project. The Marin Archive Collective is a consortium of local historical groups which meets periodically to discuss projects and possible collaborations.
- Our generous benefactor Jeff Cramer has provided us with a \$38,915 grant to preserve, digitize and interpret our map and local history collections.

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Our Black history month displays for kids provided an opportunity to highlight the stories and accomplishments of African Americans, and an entry point for all ages to learn about their experience. We included multiple formats so that many learning styles could be supported, from books to audiobooks to DVDs to streaming services.

With the help of the Marin Chinese Cultural Association and their Marin Lion Dance team, directed by Ben Chuck, and thanks to the support of the Friends of the Corte Madera Library, we celebrated the year of the pig on Saturday, Feb.16, with an appreciative, multi-generational audience in attendance. As the Marin Lion Dance Team set up gorgeous costumes, cymbals, a gong and drums and one enormous drum, we knew it would be a loud celebration. It was! Twenty 8 to 18 year-old skilled dancers and percussionists from the Marin Chinese Cultural Association welcomed in the Year of the Pig. At the end of the performance one Lion unfurled a silk scroll with the message "Gung Hay Fat Choy!" Kids and their families were able to learn about the cultural significance of the lion dancers in greeting the lunar new year, and enjoy the rousing dance!

The library hosted a creative writing workshop for kids 7-12, taught by Redwood High School students. Each young author was encouraged to write their own story in a booklet, and to make their own adventure at the 1 hour creative writing jam session.

And, we made origami valentines with the help of Tas Bringas, one of our regular artists who attends the library's adult coloring sessions. The Marin IJ covered this event in their Local News section <https://www.marinij.com/2019/02/09/origami-valentines-day-cards-at-corte-madera-library-a-hit/>

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On Sunday, February 3, we hosted a free, full-length SAT and ACT practice test. The program was full, with 20 registrants, and kids leaving said that the chance to practice really alleviated some of the anxiety they'd had about their upcoming tests. Sarah Butts, Youth Services Librarian, and Julie Magnus, branch manager, opened the library early that day, just for the teens, and partnered with C2 Education to make this happen.

Teens got creative with their space in the Corte Madera Library, designing a Valentine's Day display, complete with lights, hearts and books. Our Teen Advisory Group gets to put their own "stamp" on the teen area and they have a lot of fun doing it! We have seen that enhancing the way that teens express their "ownership" of their space in the library results in their feeling more welcome, which, in turn, means that they increasingly use the library and their space!

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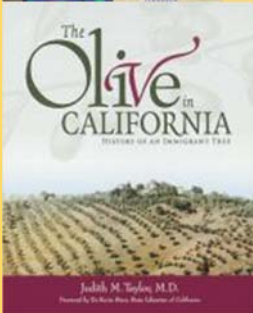
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We are very excited about our newest offering, an eight-week series of classes on using Apple devices called All Things Apple organized by Shereen Ash, Librarian II, Adult Services, and taught by the "chic geek", Beryn Hammil. The first class began on February 12<sup>th</sup> and was filled with 29 enthusiastic students. Attendance and enthusiasm have remained constant. Shereen appreciates the support and quick response of Jim Stephens and Channing Wong of Technical Support who quickly purchased and delivered an Apple TV to enable this class to move forward. The Apple TV allows our instructor to mirror her devices so the class can see exactly what she is doing and talking about, and is a great teaching tool that we look forward to using for many more classes and programs.

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On Saturday, February 9, authors Diane Ehrensaft and Janna Barkin offered an important conversation on the topic of parenting gender expansive youth. Dr. Ehrensaft is the Director of Mental Health at the Child and Adolescent Gender Center and an associate professor of pediatrics at the University of California San Francisco. Ms. Barkin is an advocate for trans youth and the mother of a transgender son. The conversation was informative with lots of time to answer questions and share resources. Parents and educators attended and many stayed after to talk with the speakers.

As a result of the press release Shereen Ash, Librarian II, Adult Services, sent out about a program on the history of olive trees in California, a writer from the Marin IJ wrote a nice long piece about Dr. Taylor and mentioned our program:

<https://www.marini.com/2019/02/15/the-history-and-mystery-of-californias-olive-trees/>

Despite being offered on a rainy Monday morning, the program was well attended. Dr. Taylor is a wonderful speaker with a great sense of humor and the audience followed her talk with interest and asked many questions.

Our Black History display in the adult wing of the library brought together many examples of novels, history, statistics and law to engage our patrons with the contributions of African Americans across all areas of our culture and country. Our streaming service, Kanopy, was highlighted in the display as another resource and opportunity to explore African American cinema, history, major figures and current events.

### Corte Madera

#### Brief Additional Updates

- We welcomed some Novato staff, including Laura Kennett and Amanda Tomlin, who were so generous in helping us out while repairs are happening at Novato.
- Corte Madera Library continues to struggle with leaks during this rainy season, and appreciates the efforts of our Department of Public Works to help to keep us operating

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Iris Meinolf, Children's Librarian, scheduled the Marin Chinese Cultural Association to help us usher in the Year of the Pig! On February 2, two Chinese Lions danced to drums & cymbals, making quite a celebrational din. Because of the pouring rain, the program was moved from outside to our community room, and Aaron Fong, Library Asst. II, went around to all patrons in the library to alert them that we were about to have a LOUD program. Patrons held their ears, but smiled during this multicultural event.

Iris has scheduled Dani Levy, a local celebrity with the under-5 set, to offer "Music with Dani" twice a month, supported by Fairfax Friends of the Library. This past Monday she brought out a parachute for the first time, and while outside the rain poured down, kids as well as parents had a great time moving to the songs.

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### Fairfax

Marcia Stieger, Library Branch Aide, coordinates art displays in the Community Room and library. This month, students k-8 from Ross Valley Schools are exhibiting art on the theme "Imagination." Kids and their parents have visited the library to find their works of creativity displayed on our walls.

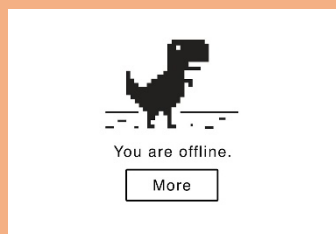
Networking pays off! Sausalito library is interested in starting a Dungeons & Dragons group at their library, and posted a question on the Children's Services Working Group (CSWG) list. Diana Lopez, Branch Manager at Marin City Library, referred them to John Elison, Library Asst. II, who is running a very successful group here in Fairfax. Sausalito staff gave John a call and he was happy to share best practices. This month, as happened last month, one of our regular teen attendees served as dungeon master and led the game for the other teens who showed up to play.

Under John's guidance, teen volunteers created a Black History Month display for our teen area (photo).



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When CENIC was down on February 25, staff did their best to direct patrons to the shelves without having use of the catalog. When wifi was restored but Internet was still down, staff were able to use the Chromebooks to search the catalog. Working with Jim Stephens at TEC, Aaron Fong, Library Asst II, succeeded in connecting several of our computers using alternate IP addresses, and so staff could assist patrons with holds and renewals.

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Margaret Miles, Branch Manager, continues to book programs for adults and seniors while the Fairfax Adult/Teen Services Librarian II position is vacant. On the 22<sup>nd</sup>, CHP Officer Andrew Barclay offered a free 2-hour class “Age Well/Drive Smart” for seniors. All seats were full as Officer Barclay shared tools for safe driving as well as information for maintaining an active lifestyle when driving is no longer an option.

## Fairfax

### Brief Additional Updates

- Margaret continues to conduct Equity discussions at monthly Branch meetings and at Children’s Services Team meetings. This month Fairfax staff discussed an article on “calling in:” <https://everydayfeminism.com/2015/01/guide-to-calling-in/>. CST is in the process of watching and discussing the Implicit Bias series created by NY Times.
- Anthony Puga, Circulation Supervisor, has continued training two extra-hire LA1s this month.
- Aaron Fong, LA2, is our volunteer coordinator for the branch. This month he nominated our Oak Hill School volunteers as Volunteer Team of the Year. The three teens and their Teaching Assistant volunteer weekly to shelve children’s books and dvds. The team’s goal is to introduce students with autism and other developmental differences to the workforce.

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Diana continues to plan the book fair at Bayside MLK library (taking place Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup> through Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>) with support from Kayla Thompson. Find out more at <http://bit.ly/bmlkbookfair2019> The book fair will be open till 7 pm on Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>. We are really exciting about having Dinosaurs Rock come to the school at 4 pm on Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> for a hands-on kids' program. This program was made possible with school-year funds from MCFL Friends and Friends of the Marin City Library.

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### Marin City



Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, we had a Valentine's Day craft program which included supplies for kids to make their own valentines and shrinky dinks. A very sweet preteen volunteer helped with set up and clean up. Sixteen people came out to enjoy this fun activity. People made valentines for family members, friends, and even each other!



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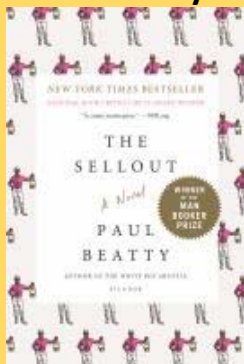
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Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup> was our second session of our monthly robotics club with Reaching Out with Robotics run by students from Tam High. Adults have expressed interest in learning about robotics also so the student leaders are considering this request to expand offerings.

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On Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, in collaboration with SURJ Marin, we had our Showing Up for Racial Justice Book Club. This month's book was [\*The Sellout\*](#), by Paul Beatty: a biting satire about a young man's isolated upbringing and the race trial that sends him to the Supreme Court, Paul Beatty's book showcases a comic genius at the top of his game.

### Marin City

#### Brief Additional Updates

- Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, we had a *Frozen* movie sing-along.
- We continue to have our monthly knitting group.
- Tuesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, we had our monthly movie night and showed *Freedom Riders*.

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### Novato



Novato had no opportunity in February to serve up activities in-house because of the closure due to continued leaks and ongoing repairs. But that didn't stop our amazing Kids' staff from accomplishing great things elsewhere!

Adrienne Graham worked a few shifts at the Northgate Pop-Up Library and helped set up the new Storytime rug there. The rug was generously donated from the Civic Center Library. Adrienne also spent several days working at Civic Center Library and helping them weed their children's materials.

Laura Kennett continued doing her good deeds at Corte Madera Library, filling in for staff illnesses and conducted three of their regular storytimes.

The entire children's team took advantage of not being attached to a desk and visited the Charles M. Schulz Museum and Research Center in Santa Rosa, as well as the Children's Museum of Sonoma County, gathering future programming ideas and bonding over a good bit of fun! Lauren Hodge Peters, the Director of Programs at the Children's Museum of Sonoma County, meet with the children's team to discuss programing and give them a tour.

It is also rare to have time to do outreach, so it was wonderful for Laura Kennett to get out to Rancho Elementary and do programing. She did booktalks and readings for the fourth, second and first grade.

Willow Taraja diligently worked at South Novato during the closure, keeping the kids happy and the children's collection in good shape. She also worked with Marin County Parks to secure some fabulous programs for the spring and summer, including Basic Compass Navigation.

Adrienne and Laura were able to provide storytimes for the four Olive Elementary Kindergarten groups that came to South Novato and the Makerspace for a field trip. One of the chaperones immediately signed her kindergarten up for a library card after learning that cards are free and everyone is old enough to get one. Adrienne lead the groups in an ASL signing of the alphabet and taught them how to sign "library card" - what a hit!

Laura was thrilled to be part of Olive Elementary's preliminary round for their annual Novel Knowledge contest, an event that the library supports yearly with materials. It was Laura's first time seeing the contest in action, great to see all the kids and their great team names. Go, Overly Caffeinated Mutts and Unique Snowflakes!

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Sadly, we were forced to cancel several Teen programs that were scheduled for Novato Library in February.

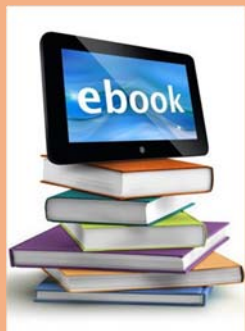
The illustrious and talented extra hire Library Assistant Shani Boyd had planned to kick off vacation week with a Teen Origami Program: Sonobe Module, where teens would have learned to make a twelve-piece sonobe module, a six piece cube and/or a three piece diamond and have advanced their origami skills with these intricate designs. Hopefully we can convince Shani to share her mad expertise with our teens another time!



Tom McGibney had also scheduled a Taking the Stress Out of Taking Tests program to offer teens techniques to eliminate test anxiety, enhance retention, boost recall, and strengthen concentration and confidence when it counts the most: on tests like the SAT and ACT (as well as SSAT, GMAT, GRE, USMLE, LSAT and more). We hope to reschedule this program in the future.

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Patrons continue to be so excited that they can download materials for free from the library Tom McGibney reports that he answered a lot of Ebook questions this month at South Novato, both in person and by phone. Museum passes also continue to delight and be used.

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Novato's Morning Mystery Club, Thursday Afternoon Book Club and the Wednesday Night Book Club met at South Novato Library. Our usual patrons joined staff for discussions of *Maigret's Revolver* by Georges Simenon, *This Book Will Save Your Life* by A. M. Homes, and *We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves* by Karen Fowler, respectively.



Amanda Tomlin spent her days of the Novato closure deselecting and weeding Adult collections around the system. This included South Novato, Point Reyes and Corte Madera, where she also spent a good deal of her time staffing the desk and helping patrons. As of this writing, she has sent 40 bins to TEC from Corte Madera and anticipates there being at least an additional 15. One of the most important things Amanda has done through her weeding is bring attention to some out of date Reference materials and encourage an assessment of same from the point of view of our responsibility to our patrons to provide current and accurate information.

A lot of Novato staff dedicated their time this month to early access to an online training that all MCFL staff will be taking eventually that focuses on tips, and a lot more understanding, of how to manage our interactions with patrons who are housing-challenged. This Library training comes from Ryan Dowd that other staff saw at a preconference offered at the last California Library Association Conference. This version is completely online, is broken up into small segments, and can be viewed as time allows, either independently or with others. There are 62 parts, and it lasts around 3.5 hours, altogether. Feedback has been positive.

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### South Novato



South Novato is happy to continue our expanded hours and service to our community.

We continued offering 2 weekly story times and a weekly Family Fun program. In the makerspace, our monthly family workshop hosted 40 community members and featured pop-up paper crafts, pan flutes made from straws, harmonicas made from popsicle sticks, and balloon powered cars. We had several first-time families this month. One mom and her son spent the whole two hours working their way through all the projects — coloring, cutting, building and finally testing their balloon powered car.

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### South Novato



We hosted two school Field Trips this month reaching 100 students from Olive Elementary's 3rd grade and Kindergarten. Third graders experienced balance and motion with ziplines and helicopters in the Learning Lab, where students learned how potential energy is converted to kinetic energy using rubber bands. In the Makerspace, students built and tested balloon powered cars they were able to take home, learning that kinetic energy is proportional to the mass of the moving object and grows with the square of its speed. In the Media Studio, students built and tested their own marble mazes, learning how the angles from which objects are dropped as well as their weight affect their motion. And in the library students practiced the ancient art of folding paper airplanes, testing their designs outside!

Meanwhile our Kinder students got "messy" with matter and weather. In the Makerspace, students learned about the properties of gas by blowing bubbles, and about non-Newtonian fluids by playing with and observing slime. Students made their own weather vanes to take home, learning about wind, and experienced water cycles by creating a walking rainbow experiment.

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Watch video [here](#)

### South Novato

Highlight of the month: We offered jobs to 8 youth who will participate in the WebStars program at South Novato (also called XRStars). These youth went through a competitive application process to join our team.

Many applicants are long-time library/XR Marin students. They articulated creativity and a passion for teaching others. They will begin training and work in March, with a goal supporting maker workshops, library eHelp, multimedia/VR and youth-designed projects by this summer.

You can meet a few of them now in [this video](#) (link to YouTube) that Sara Bolduc created for the Infy Maker Award from InfoSys. If received, this grant in partnership with New Media Learning will allow us to expand the "maker education" part of this program with funding for youth-designed projects.

	<p>Many thanks to Etienne and Marin City for supporting this expansion of WebStars.</p>
<p>Support <b>adults</b> through life stages with opportunities for self-development and independent learning</p> <p><b>South Novato</b></p> 	<p>Each week, the makerspace runs workshops for Cypress, an agency supporting adults with developmental disabilities. This month 60 adults attended 3 hands-on workshops. They created kinetic sound sculptures, laser cut sound waves, and balloon powered cars. See one of these cars in action here: <a href="https://www.instagram.com/p/BtflerIneCg/">https://www.instagram.com/p/BtflerIneCg/</a></p> <p>As Janet noted, several NOV adult programs are continuing at South Novato during the closure. Many thanks to XR Marin and the Makerspace for hosting some of these popular programs when then library is too full.</p>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>South Novato</b> <b>Brief Additional Updates</b></p> <p>➤ <b>“Equity Starts with Us” in Denver</b> -- Branch manager Amy Sonnie was invited by the Public Library Association (PLA) to co-lead a training in Denver, Colorado this month, “Equity Starts with Us.” The 1.5-day training builds on a workshop delivered by social justice educator Mia Henry last year. Several MCFL staff participated in Mia’s foundational training on “power, identity, oppression and social justice” in Philadelphia last March. Given its popularity, PLA decided to host three more regional trainings in 2019 with a second day added for hands-on experience. Amy helped design the agenda for this second day, which builds on a growing collaboration between PLA and the Government Alliance on Race and Equity. Using <i>Advancing Racial Equity in Public Libraries: Case Studies from the Field</i> to inspire dialogue, the training introduced participants to racial equity tools and supported participants to apply an “equity lens” to practical scenarios related to library collections, policies, community engagement, programs, core services and workforce development. Amy left inspired and so did participants who shared how unique, foundational and useful this training was. Future sessions will take place in Chicago and Charleston this summer/fall. See <a href="http://www.ala.org/pla/education/inperson/equity">www.ala.org/pla/education/inperson/equity</a></p>
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<p>Be the <b>preferred place</b> for children, families, and caregivers to connect, learn, and grow together.</p> <p><b>Technical Services, eServices and Marketing</b></p>	<p>Anna Jonsson did an excellent job of keeping up with changes to the Novato and South Novato schedules and keeping all notices on the website up to date and accurate. For the extension of the closure, Jen Robinson assisted in assembling a Press Release and wrote a blog post as well as an email update that went out to South Novato and Novato patrons. The closure was also noted in the February monthly newsletter.</p>
<p>Be a positive environment for <b>mobile and digital literacy</b>.</p> <p><b>Technical Services, eServices and Marketing</b></p>	<p>Anna Jonsson created a “Director’s FAQ” area of the Intranet so Sara can answer staff questions in a forum environment. This is an extension of the presentation Sara made to all staff at the 2019 All Staff Day.</p> <p>Kanopy is very popular! We’ve seen a large increase in users; we may need to limit the play credits from 10 per month in order to rein in costs. As of February 19<sup>th</sup> (not even the whole month!) patrons have watched over 800 films. The Top 10 Videos of February have been: Columbus, The Squid and the Whale, First Reformed, Kedi, Lady Bird, Moonlight, The Children Act, The Miseducation of Cameron Post, Hearts Beat Loud, and I Am Not Your Negro. Here are some comments from Kanopy users:</p> <p>"Hi ! I love Kanopy and I'm so thrilled that my library is a part of it. It's easy to sign up and then sit back and watch. I can't remember where I read about it, but it was online - maybe Buzzfeed or BITCH or Wonkette. I've been telling people about it but not everyone's library participates. Hope that will change! Thank you!"</p> <p>“Love Kanopy with its great selection of foreign films. It was recommended by a friend. So far very satisfied, you’re doing a wonderful job delivering a great range of films. Thank you.”</p>
<p>Support <b>adults</b> through life stages with opportunities for self-development and independent learning</p> <p><b>Technical Services, eServices and Marketing</b></p>	<p>The Age-Friendly at the Library email was sent to all cardholders over the age of 64.</p>

**Technical Services, eServices and Marketing**  
**Brief Additional Updates**

- Jen Robinson presented a short showcase of Digital Services for staff at the 2019 All Staff Day. Also for All Staff Day, Keith Waye whipped up a last minute version of our mission and goals with the 4<sup>th</sup> goal included. Damon Hill presented two sessions at all staff day workshops and served on the organizing committee.
- Katie Port, Clara McFadden, Damon Hill and Chantel Walker prepared a presentation for the February Library Commission. Unfortunately the meeting was cancelled due to a weather event.



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During the month of love and friendship, the children on the FLAGship learned about emotions and relationships. For valentines week we read *The Day it Rained Hearts* followed by making heart art with heart shaped sponges and paint. Their current favorite songs are “If you’re happy and you know it” and “Skidamarink” and the kids also love to explore our bean sensory box.

West Marin libraries continue to support children, families, and caregivers through weekly storytime at our local pre-schools. Our beloved storyteller, Camilla Ford resigned in January 2019, and Annemarie Russo, Simon Woodard, and Vanessa Waring have continued to read, sing, and play with children at Papermill Creek Children’s Corner, Inverness School, Bolinas-Stinson preschool, and Bolinas Children’s Center.

Raemona continues to collaborate with Nicasio School to update their school library with new books, makerspace equipment, and providing library cards for all students and teachers. Jennifer Livingston is leading the library card sign-up project. Additionally, Raemona was invited to MCOE’s P3 Annual Dinner with our community partners on the West Marin-Inverness School design team. It was a great opportunity to connect with teachers who are focused on addressing Educational Equity in Marin schools. Teachers, administrators, and community partners reflected on different ways to interrupt the narrative of how institutionalized racism and poverty lead to inequitable outcomes.

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West Marin tweens and teens from Point Reyes and Stinson Beach recorded short video clips about the importance of libraries for youth development. The Teen Services committee used this footage to create a “Forward Momentum” video about supporting patron voice, which was shared at All Staff Day, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Raemona joined Civic Center Teen Librarian, Natalie Mallett to bring a racial justice book club to youth at Juvenile Hall. The first book the group will read is Angie Thomas’s bestseller “The Hate U Give”.

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Virtual reality returned to Point Reyes Library! Annemarie Russo recently offered an after-school VR program for youth to explore the deep sea with sharks and visit some of our national parks.

Also, John Macleod of XR Libraries generously donated Oculus Go, virtual reality headsets, to every library location and we are excited to share this emerging technology with patrons throughout West Marin.

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The February 27<sup>th</sup> coffee klatch at Inverness library was a time to reflect on life's final stage through remembrance of a local community member, coffee klatcher, and library patron who recently passed away.

Bolinas and Point Reyes libraries hosted interviews and book talks with a spotlight on local West Marin authors.

Bolinas library was the place to be on a rainy night in West Marin. Joshua Churchman, a long time Bolinas fisherman, read from his book; "The Whale That Lit the World" where he recounts some of his memorable encounters with massive whales while fishing on the Pacific.

Igor Sazevich discussed his book: "Time in My Coffee: An Art-Full Autobiography" to a packed room in Point Reyes. Sazevich's exciting memoir explores life growing up in San Francisco amid artists, his time studying architecture at UC Berkeley, and his marriage into royalty. As an architect, he was engaged by a variety of colorful characters, from Napoleonic Almaden winery owner Louis Benoist to sports mogul Jack Kent Cooke and local Youngbloods lead singer, Jesse Colin Young and artist Sam Francis.

Stinson Beach Library unveiled, *Face to Face*, a new art exhibition showcasing work from Cedars of Marin. Since 1919, Cedars supports individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.



### **West Marin**

#### **Brief Additional Updates**

- Raemona continues to serve on the West Marin Kindergarten Readiness Action Team. She attended her first meeting with West Marin Executive Directors.
- Jennifer is currently serving on the Tomales High School College Completion Team with Marin Promise.
- Our Citizenship group continues to meet weekly at Point Reyes Library.
- With Janet Doerge, Raemona co-led an “Everybody Loves Reading” book discussion at All Staff Day and also served on the coordinating committee.

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### Bookmobile



In order to be the preferred place for children, families and caregivers to connect, learn and grow together, we first have to be able to get there! This month of wintry weather has brought all kinds of challenges to us----high wind warnings, flash floods, closed schools and flooded ranches. Still we were able to navigate the roads and visit most of our sites to bring much needed materials to all of our rainy day “shut ins”!

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Our child development centers and schools have picked a great month to learn about weather. Materials on winter, rain, the water cycle and floods have been flying off the shelves. This has been quite a learning experience since for many of our youngsters this is the first flooding they have ever seen----and the first snow on Mt. Tamalpais. Nature has put on quite a show and the rubber boots are really getting a workout!

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### Bookmobile



The long commutes caused by the road closures are hard on teachers and caregivers as well as parents. The library’s online downloads for movies and audiobooks have been a godsend to help while away the long times in the car and inside in schools and child development centers. The Playaways and audiobooks have been put to good use as well to provide learning opportunities for those who are stuck inside. Thanks Kanopy and Hoopla!

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### **Bookmobile**



Our senior centers continue to be vital and engaging places for adults to live and learn. The wet weather presents extra challenges for individuals navigating the wet stairs of the bookmobile so we spring into action and offer curbside service out of the rain to our patrons. Individuals and the activity directors were well stocked with movies and books for entertainment during this wet and freezing weather.

## Library Director Activities – February 2019

Below is brief overview of a few activities and items that may not have been highlighted in other areas of this monthly Commission Report.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rain, rain, rain and more rain! I feel like stopping there as that did consume February on many levels!</li> <li>• Library Commission meeting scheduled for 2/13/19 was cancelled due to the “atmospheric river”- items on that agenda will occur on our 3/15/19 planning session.</li> <li>• The Novato Library had to extend the closure due the heavy rains again through March 16. It appears we are finally getting enough roof and damage repair that this date for reopening is highly likely. The south Novato expanded hours and the Northgate Pop-up have helped serve our patrons during these challenges.</li> <li>• All Staff Day was held February 8 and was a great success. Huge thanks to the team, led by Chantel Walker, Bonny White, Julie Magnus, Lisa Staewen, Jim Stephens, Damon Hill, Raemona Little-Taylor, Janet Doerge, John Ellison, Danny Khuu, Eva Patterson, Etienne Douglas, Ali Cruz, and Jen Robinson. These awesome team members made it happen!</li> <li>• Presented to the Board of Supervisors on 2/12/19 about the Northgate Pop-Up. The branch continues to be wildly successful and we are in progress of committing to the full 2019 to be there. Bonny White presented to the San Rafael City Council on 2/19/19</li> <li>• Several strategic planning meetings with the Library foundation.</li> <li>• Attended the Strive Together team meeting in Austin, Texas 2/19 &amp; 2/10. <a href="#">Marin Promise</a> Partnership was awarded a grant to build a strong team to address education gaps in Marin. The first in a series of four trainings occurred in Austin Texas and was a very impactful training and networking opportunity.</li> <li>• Presented a webinar for OrangeBoy called <i>Embracing a Data Driven Culture</i> on 2/28/19</li> </ul>
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## Personnel – February 2019

	<p>During February 2019, MCFL opened recruitments for both the <b>Media Technician</b> Position and the <b>Library Technical Assistant II (MARINet)</b> Position. The <b>Librarian II</b> recruitment for positions in Novato, Fairfax, Marin City and South yielded 26 qualified candidates for the positions. The temporary promotional opportunity opened for the vacant <b>Supervising Library Technical Assistant</b> position yielded no applicants.</p> <p>The following full-time and part-time vacancies are under review, or are in the early recruitment preparation phase as of February 2019:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Administrative Services Technician (Admin)</li> <li>• Community Library Specialist (Bookmobile)</li> <li>• Library Aides, (Civic; Novato; Tech Services; Fairfax; Marin City)</li> </ul>
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- Library Assistant I, (Fairfax; Stinson; Bolinas)
- Mobile Library Assistant (FLAGship)

We are thrilled to Announce that Diana Lopez, Branch Manager at Marin City, has been selected as a Library Journal Mover & Shaker.

#### **Diana Lopez | Movers & Shakers 2019 – Advocates**

##### **Literacy Partner**

In 2013, when Diana Lopez came to Marin City Library (MCL), situated in Marin County's most diverse and economically challenged community, it had the fewest hours of any branch in the Marin County Free Library (MCFL) and was an untapped community resource. Lopez changed all that, enhancing basic services, providing opportunities for local teens to develop their technology skills, and offering specialized support for grade schoolers. In 2015, MCL became the first branch in the 87-year history of the system to be open seven days a week. And under Lopez's leadership, staff are as diverse as the community they serve, helping patrons to see themselves in the library. (Press Release Attached)

"I love our community," Lopez says. "But there are a lot of equity gaps. My branch works hard to close those gaps—especially when it comes to serving our youth."

Now, as both branch manager and education initiatives coordinator of MCFL, she oversees operations of the Bayside Martin Luther King, Jr. Academy library. New staff have been added at the K-eight school, including a library technician, and hours have grown from 15 per week to more than 30. In 2017, MCFL revamped the school library by aggressively weeding, matching school library funds, and using MCFL's branch discretionary fund. A grant provided money for an early literacy station and STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, math) materials and equipment. One of Lopez's many partnerships is with the Marin Housing Authority to establish the Book Rich Environment (BRE) Initiative, which puts hundreds of free books into the homes of Marin City's children, "which we know is key to promoting literacy," Lopez says.

Sara Jones, MCFL's director of county library services, puts it simply: "Diana is a passionate, tireless, and authentic advocate for the children and members of the community who are marginalized and disadvantaged."

## **Commission Members:**

### **MCFL and the County of Marin**

**THANK YOU for the time and talents that you share with us daily, monthly and annually.**



# MARINet Board Meeting Minutes

November 15, 2018

Attendance: Gary Gorka (DUC); Anji Brenner( MV), Linda Kenton (SAN), Henry Bankhead (SRP), Janice Akel (LRK); Abbot Chambers (SAU); Sara Jones (MCFL); Sarah Frye (COM); Debbie Mazzolini (BEL-TIB); Dan McMahon and Jessica Trenary (MARINet).

## Public Comment Period

Introduction of guests No guests attended

Approval of minutes Abbot Chambers moved Gary Gorka provided second, minutes approved.

## Old Business

We want you back program was discussed, no decision was made.

CMX update and wi-fi security – discussion on passwords/splash page and access.

## New Business

Marin IT –Discussion on services

Library card issuing ID requirements- Discussion on proof of address as being needed. Board approves no proof of address required by MARINet for a library card. Motion by Henry Bankhead and Debbie Mazzolini.

Budget Outlook for FY 2019-20- discussed getting as much information ahead of time, but forecasted to be very close to last years.

Sierra 4.1 and/or Auto Renewal it's available and auto renewal will work but will wait until 4.2- put Auto renewal on topic

January Retreat Planning. Place: Larkspur; Date: TBD but not during Midwinter; Topic Discussions possible: JPA-making sure it cover current circumstances and future needs; MARINet needs/outcomes as a governing board; EBook Discussion becoming largest branch. Possible JPA expert to lead off discussion.

Other non-action items none

## Standing Items for agenda

System Administrators report see attached

Correspondence

Topics for Future agenda

- We want you back program
- CMX update and wi-fi security

- Sinking fund update
- Marin IT
- January Retreat Planning

### Announcements

Gary Gorka (DUC) No news. Possible for high demand changes needed by students.

Sarah Frye (COM) Library moves during construction summer 2020. Plans for new building are in progress.

Anji Brenner( MV) Finished state report. Stats were good. Started Know Your Neighbor program and Views and Voices, documentary screening and other elements.

Linda Kenton (SAN) Trialing Kanopy, Hoopla successful for e-audio. Getting new fire alarm installed, closure possible in January.

Henry Bankhead (SRP) Joining with Community Services forming a new department, more resources better for the community.

Janice Akel (LRK) Larkspur has Kanopy! Friends are paying for it. Will debut in January for patrons. Task Force for new building in place. Community engaged.

Abbot Chambers (SAU) Moving YA from Mezzanine to main floor slow moving process (asbestos, etc) All CD's unavailable during the move. Hosting the mobile shower.

Sara Jones (MCFL) Novato closure from Dec 1 to January 20 for HVAC improvements. Provided updates from CLA (California Library Association).

Debbie Mazzolini (BEL-TIB) Break ground on expansion in March or April. Project was downsized to accommodate rising costs.

# MARINet Board Meeting Minutes

December 20, 2018

Attendance: Gary Gorka (DUC); Anji Brenner( MV), Linda Kenton (SAN), Henry Bankhead (SRP), Janice Akel (LRK); Abbot Chambers (SAU); Bonny White (MCFL); Jacki Dunn (BEL-TIB); Dan McMahon and Jessica Trenary (MARINet).

Meeting came to order at 9:05.

Public Comment Period - No comments

Introduction of guests No guests attended

Approval of minutes Abbot Chambers moved Linda Kenton provided second, minutes approved.

## Old Business

We want you back program was discussed. Each library will be doing its own thing regarding amnesty. Possibly regroup and discuss an overall program during National Library Week.

CENIC update – discussion on rolling out security updates and glitches.

Marin IT – Discussion on how to improve responsiveness.

## New Business

Retreat Planning - Retreat planned for January 17 in Larkspur.

Auto Renewal in Sierra - a discussion was held regarding whether to implement a new feature in Sierra – auto renewal – Marinnet wide.

A motion to implement Auto Renewal was proposed (Abbot Chambers, Jacki Dunn second). Passed unanimously.

The board agreed to continue discussions about possible different renewal periods for very long and new books.

Will implement with the upgrade to Sierra 4.2

Sinking fund - The sinking fund is rebuilding solidly. About 350K now.

Califa Refund – a resolution was signed to transfer a refund from Califa.

Other non-action items none

### Standing Items for agenda

System Administrators report see attached LTA2 hiring moving ahead.

Correspondence - none

Topics for Future agenda

- DWRG transferring database funds to ebooks
- Can military use services abroad?
- Proposed budget
- MARIN IT

### Announcements

Linda Kenton (SAN) New fees and fines schedule starting January 2.

Henry Bankhead (SRP) and Bonny White (MCFL) Opened Pop-up Library at Northgate Mall. Very Well received! MCFL Provides books, SRPL provides staff. A great location. They have a book drop, 3d printing and VR.

Janice Akel (LRK) Larkspur has Kanopy! Friends are paying for it. Will debut in January for patrons. Task Force for new building in place. Community engaged.

Abbot Chambers (SAU) Shift of Young Adult materials to main level finished.

Jacki Dunn (BEL-TIB) Fundraising in full force, taking much of Debbie's time.