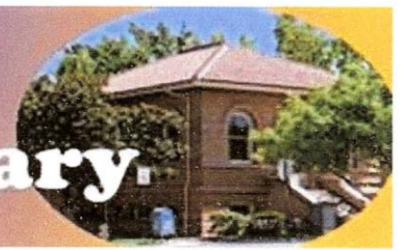




# Friends of the Lincoln Public Library



**Twelve Bridges Library**  
Main Desk 916/434-2410  
Tues & Wed: 1pm - 7pm  
Thurs: 10am - 5pm  
Fri & Sat: 1pm - 5pm

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Main Desk 916/645-3607  
Children's Desk 916/645-3738  
Mon: 12pm - 5pm  
Wed: 11am - 5pm

**Fran Neves, Newsletter Editor**

**September/October, 2010**



## **SPOTLIGHT ON SUPPORTERS OF FOLL**

### ***Super Volunteer - Kerrigan Clark***

You might know him as "Casey". When you come to volunteer at the library, he will be the first to greet you. You may think he's always there, but he's really only there about 40 hours a week. Why is he there when he could be out golfing (his other favorite past time)? He started as a caddy when he was eight years old and still loves the game. He's there because his wife of 47 years **Nancy** is there! He says, "I like to help her out." They were high school sweethearts. They have two children a son and a daughter, and four grandchildren, two from each child.

While on active duty in 1963 aboard the *USS Tingey*, a Fletcher Class Destroyer, Casey received a **letter of commendation** for his actions when his ship was hit by another ship in the middle of the night. He says he was only doing his job. You can see his story on our California of the Past digital stories at <http://www.digitalstorystation.com>. When you get to the website, just type in Kerrigan Clark.

After leaving the Navy, he was in electronic distribution with **RCA and Zenith**. He also had his own business for 25 years as a contractor installing Pay-Per-View movies in hotel systems all over the world. He travelled a lot.

**Casey and Nancy** finally settled in Lincoln about 3 1/2 years ago. Previously, they had lived in Tucson, Arizona about 30 years.

Why do people like to work with Casey? He's "dependable," "charming," "well-informed," "has a great sense of humor," "makes me smile." If you get the chance, come in and meet him. He's usually there. He took a week off to visit his kids recently and was sorely missed.

***Thank you Casey (and Nancy) for all you do!***

## **DONATIONS DELIVERED TO CITY**

**At the August 10th Lincoln City Council meeting, the City Council accepted a check from the Friends for \$13,709.46** (representing donations from the citizens of Lincoln, businesses, organizations and grants) with the stipulation that the funds be used for:

- library costs of **\$7500** for *Mother Goose on the Loose* program for 41 weeks,
- library costs of **\$750** for *Read for the Record*, a children's program in October,
- library costs of **\$750** for *Dr. Seuss Read Across America*, a children's program in the Spring, and
- **\$4709.46** to keep the Carnegie Library open for the 2010-2011 fiscal year

The **Friends also released \$25,789.00** held by the city, which was raised during a 1990's **Save the Carnegie** campaign, to be used to keep the Carnegie Library operating for the 2010-2011 fiscal year. The Friends are also reviewing other library programs to possibility offer additional financial support for the 2010-2011 fiscal year.

## **WHO WILL BE NEXT?**

Since the Twelve Bridges Library opened in October of 2007, the Library has lost eight valuable staff members including three full time staff. **Andrea Stephenson** left due to budget cuts. **Patrick Sweeney** and **Andi Adkins Pogue** accepted other positions. Patrick departed in July 2009 to work for the San Mateo County Library as a Branch Manager. In July of 2010, Andi became the newest Librarian at Cosumnes River Community College. They all made the library run smoothly. The responsibilities of these three full time staffers were shifted to the remaining staff due to budget cuts rather than their position being filled. Our thanks to all former staffers for their contributions. In order to keep staff reductions down, we need to be vigilant when the 2011-2012 fiscal year budget is discussed.

## **WHY DO WE HAVE TWO LIBRARY BOARDS?**

by **David J. Gordon**

**Board Member, Lincoln Advisory Board**

There seem to be more questions than answers today from 'Friends' and other library patrons about our Lincoln Public Library, its facilities, organization and management perhaps raised by **concerns about funding problems** due to current recessionary conditions. We all know how important our libraries are to our community. So the **purpose of this article** is to provide some clarifying information about our current library, its origins, facilities, purpose, organization and management. Future articles will provide more specific background and detail.

In the last decade, as the City of Lincoln grew in population and service needs, Lincoln's City Council saw the need to add more library facilities in addition to our beloved Carnegie Library. Simultaneously, other School District and Community College leaders identified similar needs for new facilities in Lincoln with adjacent extensive, technologically up-to-date library facilities and services. In 2002, **Lincoln's City Council, the Western Placer Unified School District Board of Trustees and the Sierra Joint Community College District Board of Trustees executed a Joint Use Cooperative Agreement (an MOU, Memorandum of Understanding)**, an agreement to build a new joint-use library on a 5 acre site. (Location of our present Twelve Bridges Library) At this time, the Lincoln Public Library Advisory Committee (LAC) for the Twelve Bridges Library was created to provide advice and counsel on plans for the design and construction of an adequate library facility and guidance on resources, management, operations, policies, and staffing.

The **55-year (MOU)** agreement called for building a large new library planned and designed to serve not only the city's growing library needs, but adequate in size, resources and technology to serve the library needs of a future new high school and a new community college annex. The MOU called for the **City to be responsible for the planning, construction and management of the new library and for the City**, the School District and Sierra College to share operation expenses. The State of California provided grant monies to fund construction. The new 39,100 sq.ft. Twelve Bridges Library was opened in October, 2007.

**Darla Wegener, MLS** was hired as the **Library Director**. The leadership and management responsibilities of the Lincoln Public Library, with its new library, required hiring a Library Director with a unique combination of library management and technological knowledge, skills and experience needed to satisfy the demands of managing a large, joint multi-use facility organized and operated to serve the library requirements of a high school and a community college in addition to the management responsibilities of a public library system. The responsibilities of this position

would also require management capabilities of being able to cope with the issues and intricacies of working and dealing with a combination of multiple managers and multiple boards in the operation and management of a joint-use library.

The joint-use agreement (the MOU) for Twelve Bridges stipulated that the City would be responsible for the management and operation of the library. The Library Director who has overall library management responsibilities reports to the Lincoln City Manager, who in turn, is accountable to the Lincoln City Council. **Two separate advisory groups** – one, a **Library Advisory Board** and another, a **Library Advisory Committee**, provide advice and counsel on policies and operational procedures to the Library Director and the City Council.

The **Lincoln Advisory Board (LAB)** consists of Six (6) members appointed by the Lincoln City Council and serving four (4) year terms. Current members are **David Anderson, Dave Gordon, Kevin Horan, Dolores Martinez and Carri Werve (LAB Chair)**. The LAB provides advice and counsel on operating policies and procedures to the Library Director and the Lincoln City Council in addition to promoting the library and its programs. The Library Director is an Ex-Officio member of the Board.

The **Library Advisory Committee (LAC)** is comprised of fifteen (15) members and two (2) non-voting members. Five of the members are members of the existing Library Advisory Board (as indicated above). Five (5) members are appointed by the **Board of Trustees of Sierra College**; and namely, **Jeff Atkinson, Brian Haley, Sandra Montgomery, Patricia Saulsbury and Barbara Vineyard**. And, five (5) members are appointed by the **Board of Trustees of WPUSD**; namely, **Irma Balonek, Stacey Brown, Karen Roberts (LAC Chair), Shirley Russell and Jane Tahti**. A member of the Friends of the Lincoln Library is appointed and serves as a non-voting liaison. The Library Director serves as an Ex-Officio member. The Twelve Bridges joint-use agreement (MOU) assigns greater responsibilities to the LAC making them accountable for providing recommendations to the City and the Library Director concerning library policies and the operation and administration of a joint-use facility with its complex of cultural, educational, technological and informational needs. While **current operating budget restraints and recessionary** conditions have prevented the School District and Sierra College from moving ahead on their building plans, they each contribute a percentage of the funds as mandated by the MOU to cover library operating expenses.

**The LAB meets monthly and the LAC meets quarterly**, each welcomes public attendance and input. Your continued public support and input are essential for the benefit of our important libraries and critical today because of current budget shortfalls increased by recessionary conditions.

*Library Director's Corner*



*By Darla Wegener*

(Will be back next issue.)

**TEEN WRITING CONTEST**

The first annual Teen Writing Contest *Imaginations Gone Wild* was a huge success! Shirley Russell, FOLL Vice President, presented the winners with their awards. **Maddy Stokell** won \$150 for her story *Gone Cold Turkey*. **Evan Stepper** won \$100 for his story *Underline*. **Janelle Stepper** won \$50 for her story *Never too Late*.

The FOLL congratulates all winners plus Honorable Mentions: *The Library Book & the Wishing Stone* by **Justin Burke**, *Twisted* by **Julian Ogans**, and *His Little Lady* by **Arial Scholl**, as well as all teens who entered the contest. Thanks to our judges **Sandra Thompson**, Library Homework Center Volunteer Coordinator, and **Mike Maul**,

Lincoln High School English teacher. We also appreciate the efforts of Julie Miller, Library Clerk and Contest Coordinator.

**READ FOR THE RECORD**

Join with the FOLL and library staff in a **national movement** to break our own world record for the number of children reading the same book on the same day – **October 7 from 3-4pm**. The *Read for the Record* event is designed to raise public awareness and make early education a national priority. *The Snowy Day* by Ezra Jack Keats is this year's book. Join us to listen to the story and participate in craft-time activities inside the Twelve Bridges Library Homework Center.

**LINCOLN LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS**

**Volunteer hours totalled 1115.75** for the Month of July. This total includes processing books, shelving, and other volunteer work on behalf of the library. Volunteers are a great assistance in keeping the libraries running smoothly. **If interested in volunteering contact: Miguel Codina at the Twelve Bridges Library or email: mejcodina@aol.com or phone:705-9787.**

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Membership level (please circle) Friends \$15, Family \$25, or Business \$40

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Please mail to: Membership Chair, FOLL, P O Box 394, Lincoln, CA 95648.

*Membership is from January 1 to December 31 of the current year.*

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## FOLL Calendar of Events – September, October, November 2010

September 14	<b>FOLL Board of Directors Meeting</b> 2:30pm Twelve Bridges Library – Fir Room <i>All FOLL Members are invited to attend.</i>
September 17	<b>Sisters In Crime Mystery Writers Book Talk</b> 3-5pm Twelve Bridges Library
September 21, 28	<b>Volunteer Simplicity</b> 5:30-6:30pm Twelve Bridges Library
September 23, 30	<b>Mother Goose on the Loose</b> 10:30 & 11:30am Twelve Bridges Library
September 27	<b>Book Club Discussion</b> 2-3:30pm Twelve Bridges Library
October 5, 12, 19, 26	<b>Menu for the Future Seminars</b> 5:30-6:30pm Twelve Bridges Library
October 7	<b>Read for the Record</b> <i>The Snowy Day</i> by Ezra Jack Keats 3-4pm Twelve Bridges Library
October 7, 14, 21, 28	<b>Mother Goose on the Loose</b> 10:30 & 11:30am Twelve Bridges Library
October 10	<b>Voices of Lincoln Poetry Contest Awards</b> 3-5pm Twelve Bridges Library – Willow Room
October 12	<b>FOLL Board of Directors Meeting</b> 2:30pm Twelve Bridges Library – Fir Room <i>All FOLL members are invited to attend.</i>
October 25	<b>Book Club Discussion</b> 2-3:30pm Twelve Bridges Library
November 2, 9, 16	<b>Menu for the Future Seminars</b> 5:30-6:30pm Twelve Bridges Library
November 4, 18	<b>Mother Goose on the Loose</b> 10:30 & 11:30am Twelve Bridges Library
November 6	<b>FOLL Book Sale</b> 10am – 5pm Willow Room, Twelve Bridges Library
November 14	<b>Open Mic</b> 3-5pm Twelve Bridges Library – Willow Room
November 16	<b>FOLL General Membership Meeting</b> 5:30-7:30pm Twelve Bridges Library – Tech Center Program starts at 5:45pm with business meeting following. Semi-Annual meeting of all FOLL members. An opportunity to meet other FOLL members and provide input on library issues.
November 29	<b>Book Club Discussion</b> 2-3:30pm Twelve Bridges Library

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### **MAKE YOURSELF HEARD!**

If you are a fan of **Facebook** (you don't have to be a member), you can join the Lincoln Public Library's **Facebook** page and chat.

The *My Lincoln* link at [www.lincolnnewsmessenger.com](http://www.lincolnnewsmessenger.com) also provides an opportunity for the community to comment about library issues.

Questions for the FOLL, contact us at **FOLL@live.com**.

**FOLL MISSION STATEMENT:** *The mission of FOLL is to support the Lincoln Public Libraries and the community by promoting library services and needs through advocacy, fundraising and cultural enrichment.*