



MAMMOTH LAKES FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

SUMMER NEWSLETTER 2021

VOTE!

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**Ten members minimum are needed to vote on the Board of Directors slate below, so please mark your calendars and vote via Zoom:**  
**9/14/2021 at 1:00PM Zoom meeting**  
**(vote will occur in first 10 minutes)**  
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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Tuesday, September 14th 2021

Mammoth Lakes Friends of the Library will be considering the following slate of Board members for the fiscal year October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022. This general meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 14, 2021, via Zoom. Zoom access: Meeting ID is 472 105 9983 Password is 161548, or Phone number is 408-638-0968. The annual meeting for the installation of officers is scheduled for the October meeting. All meetings commence at 1:00 PM, voting will occur at the beginning of the meeting. Slate of candidates, alphabetical surname order, for 2021-2022 is:

- Jo Bacon,
- Brigitte Berman,
- Cathy Foye,
- Edyth Irvine,
- OJ Zeleny

Thank you to all of our qualified nominees for consenting to stand for election. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the September meeting if the nominee is present, is qualified, and consents.



MLFOL Book Scholarships Awarded

Nine Mammoth High School students in the graduating class of 2021 were eligible for scholarships given by the Mammoth Lakes Friends of the Library to help cover their first semester book purchases in the upcoming college year.

Those students are:

- Joaquin Garcia Barajas - Cecilia Bassler - Emma Dardenne-Ankringa
- Lizetta Dardenne-Ankringa - Bryce Horowitz - Madison Jayne
- Aiden LeFrancois - Kazuki Okamoto - Kayleen Garcia Rios

The Book Scholarship budget was expanded for 2021. The MLFOL Board voted to award each student \$2000.

If you are a Mammoth High School student graduating in 2022, or if you know someone who is, keep in mind that the Mammoth Lakes Friends of the Library provides a book award to college-bound graduating seniors. Students who qualify have an active library card and have used it in the past year, have attended MHS for at least 3 years, and have a 3.0 GPA or have substantially volunteered at the library or in the local community.

For more information visit the MLFOL website (monocountylibraries.org/friends-of-the-library/mammoth-lakes) or contact us at 760-934-4777. Our email address is mlfol@monocoe.org. You can also use this contact information to donate to MLFOL, become a member, or to begin participating as a volunteer.



From the desk of the Mono County Library Director, Christopher Platt

Have you heard of Book Talk Friday? Each week your Mono County Library Director and Oxygen Starved Podcast cohost brings you the titles and descriptions of one new book and one old book that you can find and check out from your Mono County Library! You can view all past Book Talk Friday's at this link —

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLw623F6p8mfryFNG13ixYjcSPbunKLjiS>

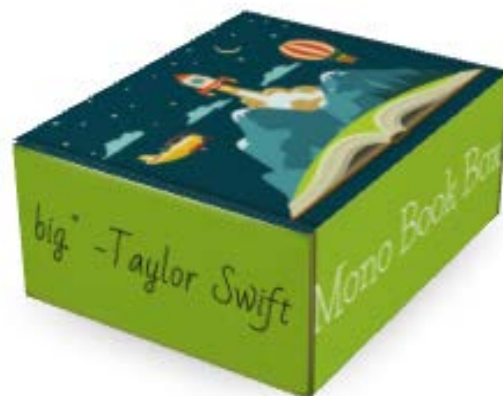
Follow us on Instagram @monoctylibraries or check out our website monocolibraries.org. Also check out our podcast for more reading recommendations at oxygenstarvedpodcast.com!

Summer Reading Program 2021 - Storytelling Circle & Outdoor Programs by Carissa Devine, Youth Library Program Manager

The Mono County Libraries was excited to be able to offer outdoor programming for the first time since March 2020 for the Summer Reading Program 2021! The theme this year was *Stories Color Our World*, encouraging youngsters to read stories of their choice while also exploring the ways in which stories add meaning, wonder and value to our lives through various activities (e.g.

exploring Greek mythology; listening to older, audio versions of fairytales; creating self-portraits and writing their own stories). Day-to-day, Ms. Cindy saw a total of 38 youths at the Mammoth Lakes Library, who practiced their reading under her guidance for the month of July and even dabbled in some embroidery! Online, the county had a total of 44 registered participants, though only 22 active readers, who logged 15,418 minutes of reading and completed 35 activities on the virtual platform Beanstack. Nine of these readers completed the entire program.

Mammoth Lakes Library offered outdoor programming this summer, which started with the Storytelling Circle with Erin Boehme, sponsored by MLFOL. This was followed with 5 Outdoor Storytimes and 2 Outdoor Rock Painting Programs, not to mention Makerspace's weekly Crafting in the Garden. Each program was visited by no less than 6 youngsters, with Outdoor Storytimes sometimes attracting as many as 15-20 (not counting their accompanying grown-ups)!



MonoBookBox by Carissa Devine, Youth Library Program Manager

The MonoBookBox is a "subscription-like" GrabNGo program that launched in April 2021 as an effort to get more books into the hands of our young readers, despite the shifting social restrictions experienced in the last year. In short, each participant picks up a box at the start of the month that includes two, hand-selected books by a local librarian as well as a sweet treat and what-not according to a monthly theme (i.e. Get Outside, Back to

School, Back to Self, etc.). The number of participants started very high -- 55, to be exact, which led to cutting off the sign-up form as it is a time-consuming program to deliver. Since April, we're learning which readers are earnest about continuing and which are not, which means we look forward to re-opening the sign-up form soon. The MLFOL funded the purchases of additional book boxes, which was crucial in making sure the Mono County Libraries had enough boxes in circulation to keep the program running.



The Hummingbird Workshop was held the morning of Saturday, June 26. Activities included singing, a story about hummingbirds, a fun pollination game, and a chance to see hummingbird specimens up close. Each child took a swag bag home to enjoy.

The event took place outdoors near the new unique MakerSpace Learning Garden.

Helping "Auntie Hummers" were: Ruth Hensley, Sheryl Taylor, Cathy Foye, and Lori Michelon. Planned and implemented by Edyth Irvine.



LEARNING GARDEN POLLINATOR WORKSHOPS held June & July 2021

The Mono County Libraries Makerspace in partnership with the Eastern Sierra Land Trust and Eastern Sierra Master Gardener Program held three workshops during June and July 2021 for preschoolers through second grade: Hummingbird Workshop, Sunflower Activity and Monarch Butterfly Workshop.



On Saturday, July 31, children engaged in a delightful morning learning about Monarch Butterflies. This workshop started with each child introducing themselves by stating their name and where they lived, all while holding the Talking Stick. Only the person holding the Talking Stick was allowed to speak without interruption. Activities included: listening to a children's level book about Monarch Butterflies, group singing, a running migration game, and a wrap up of the outcome of the game. A swag bag was given to each child which included Butterfly cookies.

This program took place outdoors adjacent to the flowering MakerSpace Learning Garden.

Garden assistants included: Kate Page, Jo Bacon, Pat Smoogen, and Lori Michelin. Also planned and implemented by Edyth Irvine.



The Gallery Wall

We are again honored to exhibit the work of local photographers on the Gallery Walls through September 2021. Again, these artists have created wonderful photographs of natural beauty both in our area and around the nation. Photos can be viewed, and purchased, during regular library hours.

To end the sale this year, there will be a One-Day Sale September 25th from 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm, with additional “framed prints, matted prints, and just prints” available.



Sunflower by Bob Rice (see the bee?)

As always, a portion of each sale is donated to MLFOL to support library programs.

The gallery walls are located in the Ellie Randol Reading Room during regular library hours.



Dinner Time for Osprey Chicks by Joanne Hihn

“I have lived a thousand lives and I have loved a thousand loves. I’ve walked on distant worlds and seen the end of time. Because I read.” ~ George R. R. Martin

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Although we have had limited opportunities to directly volunteer for library programs over the past year, we have been busy providing funding for library activities.

Enclosures – The project to enclose two areas on the north side of the library is nearing completion. We now have substantial gates to protect the mechanical equipment housed under the eaves and to secure the entire area.



Mono Book Box – We are supporting customized boxes that staff are using to reach out to individual readers by providing up to \$300 for the boxes. [See earlier article.]

Books for Emerging Readers – We are providing up to \$1,500 from our Literacy Endowment to support collection development in combination with the book boxes. Approximately 100 books, many in Spanish or Spanish & English, will be purchased.

MakerSpace Learning Garden – MLFOL provided funding of \$600 to get the program started by purchasing lumber, plants, and other supplies to build the garden. [See earlier article.]

“We lose ourselves in books, we find ourselves there too.” ~ Anonymous



Book Sales and Donations

Over the past year, we’ve transitioned into a Mini Book Chalet inside the Mammoth Lakes Branch Library and Vintage Sales online only.

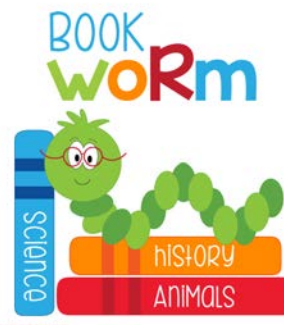
Thanks to the help of MLFOL members Jo Bacon, OJ Zeleny, Brad Daigle, Jim Clark, Louise Warren and David Clunn [hope we did not miss anyone!], we have completely vacated the “Old Library” space we had occupied for years. We now have space for our sorting area, book storage and book sale supplies at the Mammoth Library branch.

And, this summer, our Mini Book Chalet sales have rocketed due to the library being open again and patrons finding us there!!!

Biggest News: *We can recommence accepting book donations at the library!* Please only donate sellable books, and to help with the anticipated rush, only a few boxes or bags at a time.

Books will be screened for use in the following order:

- Added to the Collection at the ML branch or other branches
- Vintage Sales online or in person in the Ellie Randol Room (in the future)
- Mini Book Chalet
- Free books on the shelves in the library foyer



Where is that Mini Book Chalet????

Why it is inside the Mammoth Lakes branch library on the wall opposite the copier!



Storytime

Musical Story Time from the Felici Trio

Ensemble-in-Residence with Chamber Music Unbound

Mono County Library and the Mammoth Lakes Friends of the Library Foundation are pleased to share this year's virtual version of Musical Story Hour from the Felici Trio. Click through the images below to explore and learn from these wonderful performances.

Meet the Music Makers (all grades including pre-school)



Musical Story Times Update

Since we were not able to provide in-person Musical Story Times to our kindergarten, and first and second grade students this past year, Brian and Rebecca and friends were able to create four YouTube presentations. All are available to watch from the Library website via this link -- <http://www.monocolibraries.org/programs/storytime>

We have received a grant and expect to continue the presentations during the 21-22 school year, but do not yet know what format will be used.

Have you renewed your MLFOL membership for 2022 yet?

eBooks, Audiobooks, Streaming Video and More



The Mono County Library offers fiction and non-fiction books in audio and eBook formats on several sites. Additional sites offer magazines, the New York Times, and videos.

You will need your 14 digit Mono County Library card number to access these collections. Contact your branch library if you need to get or renew your library card.

All links can be reached from the library website page - <http://www.monocolibraries.org/online-resources/audio-a-ebooks>

Library to Go

- Download audiobooks, eBooks, and magazines from Library to Go using the Libby app. The older Overdrive app is also still functional.
- You can also access Library to Go directly from the Mono County Library Online Catalog page.

Streaming Video and Audiobooks from HOOPLA Digital Library

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- Enjoy unlimited access to the NYTimes inside any of our 7 county libraries or from your own digital devices.
- Complimentary on-the-go remote access is provided in 24-hour increments. You will need to refresh the code each new day.
- This program is made possible by Mono County Library, California State Library, and The New York Times.

Additional online sources for Young Adult books can be found on the Library website at this page – <http://www.monocolibraries.org/young-readers/young-adults> -- scroll down to the bottom of the page for the links.

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I am interested in volunteering time Yes No

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