



Painting exhibit benefits Friends

Fine-art fanciers won't want to miss the exhibit on display throughout the month of August in the Nipomo Library Community Room. A lovely variety of watercolor paintings by members of the Central Coast Watercolor Society (CCWS) are there on sale, with a portion to go to the Friends of the Nipomo Library to benefit the library (see flyer on page 3).

"In 2021 we were asked to exhibit by the Friends of the Nipomo Library," says Phyllis Connolly, who is a CCWS member and in the past has served on the Friends Board, and the annual tradition has continued. CCWS is independent nonprofit group of artists, collectors, teachers, students, and anyone interested in watercolor founded in 1976 for the purpose of furthering interest in and appreciation of the medium. For information, visit ccwsart.com.



Book sale sets another record

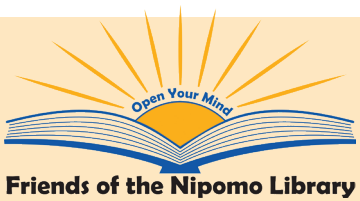
The warm July weather brought book lovers out in droves to the Friends' most recent book sale, netting over \$1,000 and setting a new sales record. Our next book sale is set for **Saturday, Nov. 18**, 10am-2pm.

Community Ice Cream Party! Saturday, August 12, 2-3pm

Let's celebrate! Meet up with your friends and neighbors on the library back lawn for an end-of-the-summer ice cream social. The fun includes ice cream, sprinkles and toppings, outdoor games, giant bubbles, and a craft. Free and fun for all ages!



NOTE: All county libraries will be closed on Wednesday, Aug. 30, for an all-staff training day.



The Friends of the Nipomo Library Board's next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 9, at 2pm. The meeting will be held in the Community Room at the library, 918 W. Tefft St., Nipomo. The public is always welcome.

www.friendsofnipomolibrary.org

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Manager's Message

**From Heidi LoCascio
Library Branch Manager**

The summer is winding down, and drawings for the Summer Reading Program prizes will be taking place early this month. I hope you had the opportunity to participate in our summer program offerings. How many of you traveled the Quail Trail? We enjoyed meeting many library customers from other parts of the county who visited the Nipomo Library to get their library passport stamped and collect a souvenir sticker.

We are building our fall program schedule. The Alzheimer's Association will be presenting a three-part series on brain health held on the third Thursday of the month in August, September, and October. We will add more programs to the library event calendar as they are scheduled.

The One Seed, One Community Nipomo Oaxacan green dent corn patch is planted and growing. The patch is located out the back door of the library, and now that the weather is warming up you can practically see the corn growing. Don't forget to check on its

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What's Happening at your library

EVERYONE'S INVITED!

ICE CREAM PARTY

Saturday, Aug. 12, 2-3pm

CHESS CLUB for all ages/levels

Third Friday of the month,
2-4:30pm

For kids & teens

STORY TIME for ages 0-5

Wednesdays, 10:30am

READING TO ROVER

on break until Aug. 23, 3:30pm

LEGO CLUB for ages 5-12

First Saturday of the month,
2-3pm

For adults

HEALTHY BRAIN SERIES

Thursday, Aug. 17, 10:30am-noon

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Fourth Friday of the month,
10-11am

Coastal Dunes Branch of the California Writers Club (CWC)

Saturday, Aug. 5,

10:30am-12:30pm

Farah Shaw: "Living with Characters"

www.coastaldunescwc.com

MANAGER'S MESSAGE

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progress when you visit the library.

How is your garden growing? Did you check out seeds from the Nipomo seed library? Bring us pictures of your garden, especially what you are growing from the seed library, and we will display them in the library entryway.

Hope to see you at the ice cream party!

Meet Janet McGuire, longtime Friend

It was a lifelong love of books that prompted Santa Maria native Janet McGuire to become involved with the library, beginning in the early 1990s—back when it occupied a "travel trailer on the other side of Tefft." She recalls it was then that a group of women got together at lunch and decided a Friends group was needed to raise the matching funds necessary to build a real library; Janet joined soon after, in 1991.

"We did all sorts of fundraisers—car shows, craft fairs, bake sales," she says. Around 1995, Janet organized the first rummage sale, which brought in \$4,000. "We did this for years, until enough was raised for a match...the rest is history," she muses, sitting at the welcome table in front of library at the Friends' July book sale.

The current library, which went into service in 1996, "gave people a center of community, a place to congregate, where there is always



activity." Thinking back on how her parents instilled a love of books by reading to her, she continues, "Reading is an adventure. It's a beautiful thing to open a book and take a trip without leaving home."

Janet remained involved in the Friends and served on its board until illness four years ago forced her to slow down. Thankfully, her health has improved and she looks forward to becoming active again. We look forward to it, too!

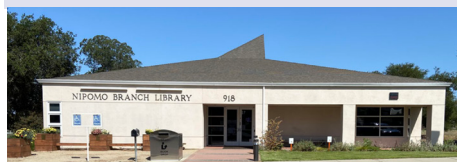
Library Details

The Nipomo Library is located at:
918 W. Tefft St., Nipomo 93444
Branch Manager: Heidi LoCascio
Information: 805-929-3994

www.slolibrary.org

Hours:

Tuesday 10am-6pm
Wednesday 10am-6pm
Thursday 9am-5pm
Friday 10am-5pm
Saturday 10am-5pm



Friends of the Nipomo Library

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A Watermedia Exhibition

August 1st through August 31th, 2023



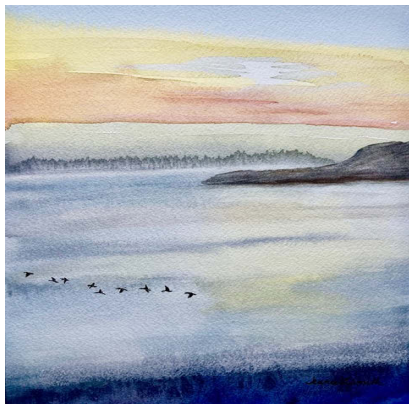
Presented by the Central Coast Watercolor Society
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Nipomo Library Community Room

918 West Tefft Street, Nipomo

Library Hours: Tuesday – Saturday

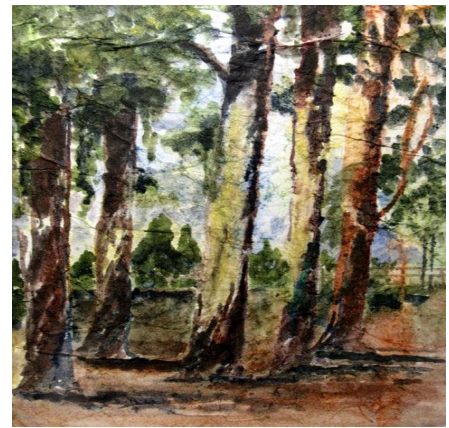
10:00 am – 5:00 pm



Skimming the Surf by Jeanie Smith



Winter Wait by LeeAnn Stangl



Elders of the Forest by Carol Roberts



Renaissance Cowboy by Bob Norwood