

FOCL POINTS

newsletter

Winter, 2012



We may sit in our library and yet be in all quarters of the earth. John Lubbock

FOCL Annual Meeting

January 30, 2012 7 PM

We have had a very successful year at the Corrales Community Library. The library has become a center for various activities for children, teens and adults. The library staff introduced e books mid year and they have become enormously successful. In the fall FOCL celebrated a very successful Founder's Day with a brunch in the library to honor many of the volunteers who helped build our library. Both the spring and fall FOCL books sales benefitted from our large selection of donated books and our very committed volunteers. Again this year, the membership in FOCL has increased significantly. With the added monies from the increased membership we were able to support more programming for the library patrons.

In late 2011 FOCL began moving to a "rolling membership" which provides our members with a full year of information and events. Members now will renew on the anniversary of their joining date rather than during a year end membership drive which was held in December and January. In the past, members who joined mid year were asked to join again in January of the next year. The FOCL board felt that was unfair. This new membership format will encourage people to join us throughout the year in supporting our wonderful library.

The digital version of FOCL POINTS, available in 2011, has met the goal of reaching a wider range of patrons and encouraging broader participation in our children's and adult programming. The most up to date information on any library program is always available at the library website www.corraleslibrary.org. The FOCL Annual Meeting will be held January 30, 2012 at 7:00 pm in the library. Please join us to celebrate our 2011 successes and to welcome the new 2012 Board of Directors.



Librarian's Update

I would like to wish a Happy New Year to all our Friends of the Corrales Library. We really appreciate the support we receive each year from the Friends of the Library for programming, DVD purchases and other great services for our patrons. There is now an increased interest in E-books in the library, as the price of digital reading devices has become more affordable. Many of our patrons enjoy reading print books *and* books available on their digital readers. I've heard from readers who like the fact that they can increase the typeface size for easier reading and the lack of weight, usually associated with reading larger, heavier books. When visiting our digital library, you might notice that some of your favorite writers are not available for borrowing. Our vendor, Overdrive, has the largest number of agreements with publishers to allow public libraries to offer digital books. However, several of the larger publishing houses do not allow their titles to be available for library use. Libraries pay a premium to offer these titles. Each license (title) is available to one patron at a time, and a hold can be placed on items checked out, just as it is with books in the print library. I feel that this is just another format available to our patrons who like to "borrow" books for their e-readers. The requirements and instructions for checking out from the digital library are on the Sandoval Digital library website. I would encourage you to take a look when you are visiting our website. It's available 24/7.

- Carla Spencer -

What's New at the Library?

Wow, another year has gone by. Life at the library is always exciting. Thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Corrales Library, the library was able to offer over 70 programs for children and young adults. These programs included special guests: rain forest birds, a South American armadillo, a beautiful Red Tailed Hawk, live performers who danced, sang & told extraordinary stories. We had field trip visits from Corrales Elementary, Cottonwood Montessori & Seventh Day Adventist schools. We also invited 5th grade classes to participate in Explora programs that were implemented here at the library. These programs included hands on scientific experiments on electricity, chemistry & physics. Our goal is to provide programming that will encourage the love of learning.

In 2012 we will be introducing a new teen program, Celebrating the Goodness of Locally Grown Foods. This program is designed to teach young adults the art of cooking with local ingredients. Our hope is to encourage young adults to begin eating fresher and better while supporting our local community. We will focus on fresh foods that are available each season. We will be cooking fresh vegetable soups, crepes, breads, cheeses, vegetable dishes and salads. Our objective is to purchase our produce from local farmers. Please check out our website for specific times & dates regarding these programs.

I would like to take a moment to thank all of the teachers, parents, & grandparents who bring the children to the library. I also would like to thank our teen & adult volunteers for their help in keeping the library successful. We are able to do this due to their love and support.

- Miss Edwina-

What's New at the Library? (continued)

Programming: A Look Ahead

Thank you all for making our year so fulfilling, educational and memorable. The adult lifelong learning programs here at the Corrales Community Library give us an opportunity to learn, laugh and teach. This year we will be celebrating the Centennial of NM. On January 25, at 2:30 we will learn a little about the history of wool in NM and create FELTED SOAP to take home. On March 28th we will have a NM cooking demo, tasting and recipes, and on May 30th we will have an opportunity to learn NM style dances. Join us for the fiesta!

These programs are on the last Wednesday of every other month at 2:30pm. All programs are free thanks to the generous support of FOCL, but you must sign-up to participate. The sign-up sheet for each program is available the first week of the month that the program will be held. Information for our lifelong learning programs is posted on the Adult Programming Bulletin board, and on our website, www.corraleslibrary.org.

Our Saturday Stitch Club is still going strong with new members joining every month. We meet on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 10:30am here in the SW room. If you want to learn to knit, crochet or any other fiber art this is the group for you. Thank you to all who participated in our “yarn exchange” and end of year get together. I'm looking forward to another great year of creating with you all!

- Sandra Baldonado -

Another Screening From Mary Lance

2012 celebrates both the New Mexico statehood centennial and the 100th anniversary of the birth of Taos artist, Agnes Martin. To honor this legendary New Mexican painter, the library will host a screening of *Agnes Martin: With My Back to the World*. Documentary filmmaker Mary Lance will introduce the hour-long film and be available to answer your questions after the screening.

Lance's interviews with the famously reclusive artist were shot over a four-year period and give rare insight into her philosophy of art and life. The interviews are intercut with Martin at work in her studio and archival footage and photographs. Martin's abstract expressionist paintings, luminous horizontal bands of subtle hues, are widely collected.

Last fall Ms. Lance hosted a screening of her most recent film, “Blue Alchemy, Stories of Indigo,” that was so well-received that patrons have been clamoring for another screening, so we hope you will join us : Thursday, March 29th, at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served and copies of the film will be available for purchase.

- Cynthia Maurizio -



“My paintings are not about what is seen.
They are about what is known forever in the mind”
- Agnes Martin -



The Fall Book Sale . . .

A Family Affair

The Boy Scouts pitched In . . .

“It takes a Village”



FOCL Board

Board meetings are held the first Monday of each month at 6:30 pm at the library. All are welcome to attend.

Members

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Tuesday	1:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Wednesday	10:00 am to 7:00 pm
Thursday	1:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Friday	10:00 am to 5:00 pm
Saturday	10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You

Thank you to departing FOCL Board Members:

Five members of the FOCL Board will be leaving this year. Brenda Chamberlain, Linda Fahey, Joann Weiss and Polly Garner will follow Karen Barnett, who left in July. Brenda has served as President and Vice President of the board and was the chair of several successful Book Sales during her time on the board. Joann Weiss has spent an incredible number of hours changing and upgrading our membership system to a rolling membership which will benefit the organization enormously in the future, Linda Fahey has helped with grants, membership and the book sales and Polly Garner has been responsible for the FOCL newsletter, numerous marketing brochures and newspaper articles. We have had a wonderful time working together. We wish the new board much success in 2012.

A Personal Thank You From the Newsletter Editor

This edition of the FOCL newsletter will be the last one I will have an opportunity to produce. What an interesting experience the last several years have been! We have successfully moved to a digitized edition of the newsletter, increased the number of pages and have added multiple photos. The library staff have consistently written engaging and interesting articles. They have been a delight to work with ...always pleasant and timely. I would like to thank Dennis Chamberlain and Jerry Weiss for many of the photos used in the newsletter, Brenda Chamberlain for her careful editing and Bill Vega for the technical support in getting each newsletter completed. Thank you all.

Polly Garner

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