

# NEWSLETTER April 2025

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The Board meets the 3rd Thursday each month.

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# From the FRL President, Debbie Reis

# Welcome to Spring!

It's that time again! The Friends of the Redwood Libraries 2026 Children's Art Calendar applications, for ages 5 to 12, are available. The theme is, "A Book I have Enjoyed". You can download an application from our website at eurekafrl.org, pick one up from the circulation desk at the Eureka Library, or the Serendipity Book Store, "The Little Store on the Second Floor" in the Eureka Library. All applications must be received by Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Calendar Committee is looking forward to seeing all the creative, beautiful artwork.

The FRL Quarterly Book Sale is coming soon! Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup> from 10-3:30 (for members only) and Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup> from 10-3:30 (open to all). If you know someone who isn't a member yet, please encourage them to sign up on the 18<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup>. Yearly memberships begin at \$5.00. Also, if you are looking for volunteer opportunities that support your public library, check out the volunteer work options on our membership form included in your newsletter.

Thank you for supporting Friends of the Redwood Libraries. Through your donations and purchase of books, FRL is able to provide much needed monetary support to one of our most valued public resources, our library. Libraries provide free access to information and opportunities to learn. Everyone is welcome!

Email: <a href="mailto:friends@eurekafrl.org">friends@eurekafrl.org</a> The Friends website: <a href="mailto:eurekafrl.org">eurekafrl.org</a>

# Annual Meeting, June 21 – Save the Date

Please join us at the Eureka Library on Saturday, June 21, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. for the Friends of the Redwood Libraries Annual Meeting.

A short business meeting will be followed by Library Director Chris Cooper's report on the state of the Library as it completes its 30<sup>th</sup> year in our beautiful Third Street headquarters.

Following that will be a presentation about an interesting and important project that's taking place in our county.

We'll conclude with refreshments and time for socializing. Watch for additional information.

Friends of the Redwood Libraries

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# Board Elections to Take Place During Annual Meeting June 21, 2025

Following is the slate of Board Nominees for 2025-26.

This slate was recommended by the FLR Nominations Committee and the Board has approved.

The following are nominees for 2-year terms beginning July 1, 2025.

President Debbie Reis

Recording Secretary Barb MacTuck

Director Bill Cech

Director Terrie Kanowski

Director Marilyn Tucker

Continuing Board Members are as follows:

1st Vice President Stephanie Hillman

2nd Vice President Elizabeth Haynes

Treasurer Michelle Silvertson

Director Sandie Hazel

Director Marjorie Malcom

Director Laura McEwen

Director Robin Jenkins

Nominations may also be made at the meeting.

#### More Book Sale Info

Hardcover \$1, Paperback \$.50, Media \$.25

Plenty of new arrivals in all categories, especially: Fiction including SciFi, Fantasy, History, Biographies, Children's books, Cookbooks, Art and Science.

**Non Fiction** is in the meeting room inside the main entrance. **Fiction and Media** is in the garage.

On Facebook: Friends of the Redwood Libraries

# **NEWS FROM CHRIS COOPER, LIBRARY DIRECTOR**

National Library Week is upon us. During April 6-12, the Humboldt County Library (HCL) encourages the people of Humboldt to visit their library in person or online to explore and access services and programs. The library offers a dynamic variety of programs, classes, and resources that are available in person or from the comfort of your home. This includes books, movies, story times, book clubs, and databases. The databases range from 'Library to Go', a digital reading platform that provides eBooks, audiobooks, and magazines for free to library customers, to historical research tools including Heritage Quest, a database rich in unique content including primary sources, local and family histories, convenient research guides, interactive census maps, and more. Are you interested in learning a new language? Check out HCL's Mango Languages interface. Mango uses real-life situations and actual conversations to more effectively teach a new language.

If you have transportation barriers or difficulty accessing the library and live in Arcata, Fortuna, or Eureka, check out the HCL's Library at Your Door program. You can enjoy your favorite books, audiobooks, magazines, movies, and other library materials without having to leave the comfort of home. The Library at Your Door service is especially convenient for community members who may have difficulty visiting the library due to busy schedules and customers with limited mobility or health concerns. This new service was made possible thanks to a generous donation from the <a href="https://example.com/humboldt.ca.us">humboldt</a> Library Foundation. For more information, call 707-269-1954 or e-mail <a href="https://example.com/lyd@co.humboldt.ca.us">lyd@co.humboldt.ca.us</a>

The theme for this year's National Library Week is "Drawn to the Library," which promotes the idea that whatever draws you in, the library has something for everyone. From young families stopping in for play and story time, to students sketching out their next creative project at a Teen Art and Writing Club gathering, to seniors seeking tech help and everyone in between, libraries help us connect the dots from one part of our journey to the next. Chart your next literary adventure by browsing the stacks or joining a book club. Let an author color your imagination at an author talk. Draw on your creative spirit at a crafting program or trace your history with your library's genealogy resources in the Humboldt Room. Make your mark and get involved with your library by volunteering or spreading the word.

The library also helps the community connect with media, programs, ideas and classes, and of course, books. We connect our communities to each other, promote literacy, and are champions of free speech and civic engagement.

National Library Week is a time to express heartfelt gratitude and highlight the essential role libraries, library volunteers, library advocates, and library workers play in transforming lives and strengthening communities. The HCL is fortunate to have the support of caring staff and volunteers. Our dedicated volunteers are an essential part of the HCL. They are a diverse group that represent all ages, backgrounds, skill sets, and interests. Volunteers assist library staff to extend the services and programs that our libraries can offer the public. The HCL has a wide variety of volunteer opportunities that include shelving library materials and providing support for library programs to serving as a docent in the Humboldt Room.

The Friends of the Library groups are people who share a passion for libraries, a love for their community, and advocate for diversifying the library's reach in their communities. Friends groups support the library in myriad ways, including holding book sales, sponsoring library programs and events, helping recruit volunteers, and selling donated materials online to support the library.

The Humboldt Library Foundation is dedicated to supporting the HCL and meeting the evolving and expanding needs of the diverse communities we serve. The Foundation raises funds and creates partnerships that support the library while bridging the gap to provide for programs, facilities, and services. This includes Library at Your Door, Mango Languages database, Summer Reading Program, refurbishing the library information kiosk at the Eureka Library, contributing to the HCL's digital e-book and e-audio content, and enhancing library collections.

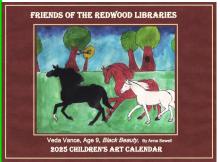
This National Library Week, the public can show their appreciation and support for their free public libraries by visiting their library in person or online.

First observed in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association and libraries of all types across the country each April.

For more information, visit www.humlib.org

#### CHILDREN'S ART CALENDAR

It's that time again! Time for children to begin thinking about books they have read! All children, aged 5 to 12, are encouraged to submit a picture that reminds them of a book they have enjoyed. The artwork can be done on 8 1/2 by 11 or 9 by 12 paper and it can be done in crayon, colored pencils, paints, or cut and paste.



Every child is a winner! Every entry will receive a certificate for free books at the Serendipity Book Store, the "little store on the second floor" of the Eureka Library. The twelve "month" pictures, cover picture, and twelve Honorable Mentions will be framed in our new picture frames and hung in the



Hagopian Art Gallery upstairs in the Eureka Library for the months of

November and December; and those children will also have their photos taken with their artwork and will be featured in a Friends of the Redwood Libraries Newsletter. In addition, every entry can be found somewhere in the calendar!

In order to submit the artwork, first fill out the Application. These can be found in the Serendipity Book Store, at the Circulation Desk in the Eureka Library, in the Children's Room at the Eureka Library, or on the web site of the Friends of the Redwood Libraries (www.eurekafrl.org). Then take the artwork with the application to one of the areas above. As an alternative, the artwork and application can be photographed and sent (jpeg) to marilyn.tucker.mt@gmail.com.



We'll be looking forward to receiving wonderful artwork by August 2, 2025. This has been happening since 2011. We have been fortunate to receive enough sponsorship donations, so that when it comes time to sell the calendars all of the receipts go to the Humboldt County Libraries. Sponsors have paid for all of the printing and postage. If you would like to help out as a sponsor, please send your donation to Friends of the Redwood Libraries, Box 188, Eureka, CA 95502 and label it **Attn: Children's Art Calendar**.

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# **Welcome To New Members**

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Sarah Parker	Bayside	
Evelyn Lee	Eureka	
Diana and Richard Vega	McKinleyville	
Marty Wilde	Eureka	
Debra Ventura	Weott	
Gloria Mori	Eureka	
Eileen Hayhurst	Eureka	
Morgan & Quinn Warnock Eureka		
John Clark	Eureka	
Ross Odell	Eureka	
Karen Anderson	Eureka	
Emelia Berol	McKinleyville	
Jessica Clothier	Eureka	
Doyle Doss	Eureka	
Jessica Griffith	Eureka	
Ashmita Mulvaney	Eureka	
Heron Saline	Fortuna	
Stephanie Schultz	Eureka	
Ellen Skagerberg	Santa Rosa	
Lynn Spence	Scotia	
Vicki Zeitlin	Loleta	
Roy & Lori Cantu	Eureka	
Brooke Thorne	Eureka	
Carolyn Sproat	Fortuna	



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#### Did you know?

Tsundoku (tsoon-doh-koo): noun - the act or habit of piling up newly acquired books

Origin: The term dates back to the Japanese Meiji era (1868-1912) and literally means "reading pile."

One of my joys is discussing books with my adult daughter who lives in Atlanta. As a biologist, she reads a lot more nonfiction than I do with an emphasis on botany and nature, birds, geological formations and travel. She has an ongoing wish list of books and I'm always on the lookout when I browse around used bookstores, thrift stores and yard sales.

During a recent conversation I was moaning about the pile of mostly classics and novels that I've accumulated but not read. She said, "Mom, there's a name for that, you know."

I didn't, but I do now and so do you!

Kris Onstine