

Among Friends

The Friends of the Arcadia Public Library Newsletter
Winter-Spring, 2026

President's Message by Anne Joseph

Happy New Year to everyone! I hope that you had a terrific holiday season with your families and friends. Here we are in February already. The Friends have some special events coming up which include a Classical Kaleidoscope Concert on February 11 at 7 p.m. It promises to be a real treat with a Silent Auction included. In March we are planning a special auditorium sale which will include items that we have tons of or those that we currently do not have room in the store for. More information will be included in this newsletter. Please join us!

We do have a few new highlights available in the store. In the display case are a lovely assortment of Valentine books, etc. and books on the Olympics. Inside are books on the U.S. Presidency since President's Day is coming up. Also, we have an area devoted to the Lunar New Year. Additionally, we have lots of new Harry Potter items, so please stop by and check us out!

Please do not forget to look us up on eBay. We have loads of treasures for you to peruse.

In the meantime, I wish you all a Happy Valentine's Day, and please do not forget to renew your membership so we may continue to offer outstanding programs and support our Library. Enjoy your February!

Membership Updates by Karen Shepherd and Elizabeth Renfrew, Membership Co-Chairs

This past summer the Friends of the Arcadia Public Library had a special membership drive by adding a membership application to the City's water bill. We are pleased to say that 23 families have become new members! This is very exciting for us. They became members at all levels from Individual to Life Members. These memberships make it possible to donate more to the Library so it can do more for our community.

Welcome Our New Members

Life Members
Muoi Sheow and Sergio Gonzalez

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Our members recognize the great value our Library gives to the community. Please encourage your friends and family to join you! Membership applications for 2026 have been mailed. Join our new members by renewing your membership soon.

Plan to attend our annual membership meeting on **Saturday, April 25, at 10:30 a.m. in the Cay Mortenson Auditorium**. Learn more about what we have done over the past year and enjoy some live entertainment. Our weeklong 50% off sale in the bookstore will begin the same day.

Please start following us on Facebook and Instagram at Friends of the Arcadia Public Library.

Three times a year we send our Newsletter to all our members. It is available online at the Arcadia Public Library website (search Friends of the Library Newsletter). Would you like to receive a digital copy by email instead of receiving a print copy? Send us a note at friendsofarcadiapl@gmail.com. It will be the same great Newsletter just digital. Thank you.



Doris & Jerry Selmer Bookstore News

by Jamie Tom, Bookstore Manager

As we enter 2026, we are pleased to welcome Suparna M., Kelly H., and Mohana K. to our regular volunteer schedule. We also wish to express our sincere appreciation to Helene S. for her many years of dedicated service, and to Margarita V. for her leadership as group manager over the past three years.

The bookstore's continued success is a testament to the commitment of our entire staff. We remain inspired by the legacy of our founders, Doris and Jerry Selmer, as well as the long-standing contributions of volunteers like Tom K. (40 years) and Margarita C. (20+ years). These collective efforts ensure that donated items are effectively converted into funding for summer reading programs and other Library programs. Every sale contributes meaningfully to these goals.

Upcoming Sales and Announcements:

- Auditorium Sale: March 6 and 7.
- Friends' Annual Meeting Sales Week: Saturday, April 25 to Saturday, May 2. All bookstore inventory will be 50% off during this week.
- Volunteer Opportunities: We are currently accepting applications for new volunteers. Interested individuals may visit the bookstore to pick up an application and learn more about the role.

Email Notifications: To receive updates regarding future sales and events, please send an email with the subject line "Subscribe" to: eblast.friends.arcadia@gmail.com. It is a great way to stay informed and never miss the opportunity to find a great deal.



And scan our QR code for quick access to our eBay account.

Library News by Darlene Bradley Director of Library and Museum Services

This is a great time to look forward to a great year ahead. The Arcadia Public Library is no exception and is busy planning many upcoming fun programs for the community for 2026.

If you are still in the winter mode of relaxation and restoration, you may want to cozy up and read. The Library has a great selection of books, both through the Libby app and in print. If you want to set goals, whether to declutter your space or tune up your financial future, the Library has those books and resources too! Here are staff picks that might be of interest.

Wintering: The Power of Rest and Retreat in Difficult Times by Katherine May -- A thought-provoking memoir on the transformative power of rest and retreat.

The NEAT Method Organizing Recipe Book: 70 Simple Projects to Take Your Home from Chaos to Composed by Ashley Murphy -- This is a great book to start small to declutter and organize your home, from one drawer to one room to your whole house. An enjoyable and not overwhelming read.

The Electricity of Every Living Thing by Katherine May -- Another exploratory book through nature and introspect on what it feels like to be different and how to accept that being different is ok. It takes a deep dive at what it feels like to be neurodivergent, with and without a diagnosis, and yet fully function in the real world.

Feel Good Finance: Untangle Your Relationship with Money for Better Mental, Emotional, and Financial Well-Being by Aja Evans -- Expert tips and guidance from a licensed financial therapist to help you take control of your money while prioritizing your financial wellness.

The Secret Book Society by Madeline Martin -- An historical novel about Victorian English women. Even if you have wealth, it transfers to your husband. You have no rights. If you are divorced by your husband, you are left penniless. If he finds you disagreeable, he can easily buy a one-way ticket for you to an asylum, a very common practice.

Meet the Newest Arcadia Public Library Team Members

Aimee Gonzalez, Shelving Aide, Shelving Management

1. I enjoy horseback riding and try to go at least 3 times every month.
2. I have 4 pets (1 dog, 2 cats and a gecko).
3. I LOVE the beach and recently really got into snorkeling.

I am not a coffee person, but I will drink it if tea is not available, and with a pastry. For that reason, I think these two little emojis are a good representation of me. ☕ 🍪

Kenneth Lo, Shelving Aide, Shelving Management

Fun Things About Me:

1. I love to go abroad to backpack for weeks.
2. I enjoy reading books and researching about the Bronze Age.
3. I enjoy collecting and looking at miniatures such as model railroads.

Robert Katz, Librarian I, Cataloguing and Acquisition Services

I've been in the library world for almost five years starting out in special collections and archives during my undergrad, making my way to public libraries, and now I am excited to start the new chapter of my career with all the amazing people at Arcadia Public Library. Outside of work I enjoy going to new coffee spots, thrifting with my friends in search of old antiques, and shooting on old school film cameras. I currently enjoy reading science fiction but also numerous topics in the social sciences.

Adult and Teen Services – Upcoming Events

Arcadia Goes Green, Saturday, April 11, 2026, 10 a.m. -2 p.m. **Arcadia Goes Green** is back for the 4th straight year! Come out to the Library and celebrate Earth Day the best way we know how - through fun and educational programs that offer environmental education, encourage the use of zero waste principles and teach practical ways that you can take care of our planet through everyday sustainable practices. There will be opportunities to win prizes, discover local resources, and learn more about composting, water-wise landscaping, water conservation, California native plants, recycling, and much more. All ages are welcome and the event is free.



International Movie Night

Doors open at 5:30 pm. Movie begins at 6 pm.

Cay Mortenson Auditorium

For ages 18 years and older.

Bring your dinner; snacks are on us.

Wed, January 21, 2026

Pushing Hands (Taiwan & US, 1991)

Wed, February 18, 2026

Koli Taal (India, 2021)

Wed, March 18, 2026

The Blue Caftan (France, Morocco, Belgium & Denmark, 2022)

Wed, April 15, 2026

Antonia's Line (Netherlands, 1995)

Wed, May 20, 2026

The Intouchables (France, 2011)

Commemorating 250 Years of Independence

America 250 marks the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. In recognition of this historic milestone, the City of Arcadia is organizing a series of patriotic activities that will culminate in a grand event in July 2026.

Arcadia Public Library is preparing a variety of programs designed for kids, teens, and adults. Planned events include a special book discussion for adults, a patriotic hat-making program for kids, and more - ensuring that community members of all ages can participate in the celebration. Further details about these activities and the grand event will be shared as the celebration approaches. Stay tuned for updates!

To kick off the America 250 festivities, the Adult and Teen Services Principal Librarian, Andres Garza, has written an article that highlights the 100th year anniversary of Route 66. This piece speaks to the City's rich history and sets the stage for the upcoming celebration.

America's 250th Anniversary and the 100th Anniversary of Route 66

On July 4, 1776, the Declaration of Independence was signed, marking the beginning of our nation. This year we celebrate our country's 250th birthday by giving pause and reflecting on our past, while envisioning what we want our future to look like.

Locally, we get to learn from and delight in the fascinating history of our own little corner of the country. This year we also celebrate the 100th anniversary of Route 66, which was established in 1926 and decommissioned in 1984. Located along Route 66, the City of Arcadia had several attractions along one of our country's original automotive highways. In its heyday Route 66 ran from Santa Monica to Chicago – connecting California to the middle of the country, spurring the growth of automotive transportation, diners, motels, gas stations and a uniquely American roadside economy. We'd like to share a few images from our History Room Collection to help you Get Your Kicks on Route 66!

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This photo shows men and mules plowing the open fields of Baldwin Ranch during the area's agricultural era. This was long before major roadways were paved and the eventual subdivision of Rancho Santa Anita that ultimately led to the development of the modern suburban community we know today.

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A view of Eaton's Restaurant, which was located at 1130 West Colorado Blvd. in Arcadia. In addition to a sit-down dining room, the restaurant had an extensive drive-in area, as well as a motel for travelers. It opened in 1939 and was a popular stop along Route 66.

Date: c. 1940; Photo; ID 872



This is a view of the Santa Anita Racetrack from the parking lot, looking toward the front entrance. You can see hundreds of 1930s era automobiles in the parking lot. Santa Anita Park opened on December 25, 1934, and was a popular attraction along Route 66. During World War II, the park was temporarily used as an Assembly Center for the Japanese, while more permanent incarceration camps were being built.

Date: c.1935-40; Photo: ID 1177



This was Arcadia's float entry for the 2003 Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade, the historic parade that runs directly through a major stretch of the original Route 66. The float pictured was titled, "100 Years of Good Health, Happiness, and Prosperity,". Founded on August 5, 1903, the City of Arcadia celebrated its 100-year anniversary in 2003 with this beautiful float carrying a Santa Anita Racetrack jockey, and a Black Hawk Captain named Jon Shafer. The float depicts the Queen Anne Cottage – a Victorian style building located on Baldwin Lake, on the grounds of the Los Angeles County Arboretum and Botanic Garden.

Date: January 1, 2003; Photo: ID 1702

Spring Reading Recommendations by Melissa Maldonado, Adult Librarian



A Witch's Guide to Magical Innkeeping by Sangu Mandanna -- Another amazing read from Sangu Mandanna. Spring is all about new beginnings and starting over -- something the main character is trying to do. With the help of a resurrected aunt, a talking fox, and a handsome stranger from the past, this heroine will learn that starting over isn't as hard as it seems.

My Vampire Plus-One by Jenna Levine -- Love is in the air and maybe vampires as well? This hilarious and touching book about being true to yourself and making your own path in life is perfect for spring. Full of mischief and romance, our main characters learn how to be comfortable in their own skin and build a future together.

The Bewitching by Silvia Moreno-Garcia -- Told in three different timelines, *The Bewitching* tells a tale of obsession, power, and the magic everyone holds inside them. Our three heroines each fight against unseen forces and try to protect themselves and those around them. Not for the faint of heart, this book will keep you up at night.

Nana by Ai Yazawa -- Revisit a classic manga this spring! *Nana* influenced (and still does!) pop culture with its stunning fashion and flawed characters. In this book, you will find two women named Nana whose meeting, some might call fate, will change the course of their lives. Follow them as they learn to navigate life, love, and their search for a place to belong.

Tremors in the Blood by Amit Katwala -- A riveting and fascinating history about the invention of the lie detector. Find out how the very first lie detector came to be and how it's used in investigations. Filled with captivating anecdotes and thrilling cases, this is one history lesson you won't want to miss.

Spring Reading Recommendations

by Teen Librarian, Claudia Arroyo



Hazelthorn by CG Andrews -- This young adult fantasy is enjoyable from start to finish. It features plenty of interesting faerie lore, a marriage competition, and an intriguing cast of characters. This title will appeal to fans of the hit show *Bridgerton* and Holly Black's popular *Cruel Prince* series.

He's So Possessed with Me by Corey Liu -- A Japanese American college student battles depression and feelings of loneliness during her studies abroad. Relatable and honest, this graphic memoir will appeal to anyone who has ever felt like an outsider.

Goodbye, My Princess by Fei Wo Si Cun -- This sweet romance fantasy follows a girl and her knight through a treacherous forest. Despite its tender moments, this young adult title does not shy away from high stakes adventure in the form of ruthless shadow monsters.

17-21 by Tatsuki Fujimoto -- Magical realism and contemporary romance blend together to tell the story of Eric and Haru who meet briefly on a school trip to Japan only to meet again in what might be Eric's imagination. This story of grief and love will have you racing to its conclusion.

Fairy Cat by Hisa Takano -- Six months ago a boy went into the forest. When he returned, he seemed to be the same person on the outside, but he had definitely changed. Horror and mystery fans alike will enjoy this eerie and beautifully rendered manga about two friends, Yoshiki and Hikaru.

Children's Services

My Hero Card -- A public library card is an essential resource for young students, offering numerous benefits that contribute to academic achievement and personal development. With a library card, students gain access to a wide range of materials, digital resources, computers, and additional services that support both research and recreational interests. This access not only aids their immediate educational needs but also helps them appreciate the value and role of the community library as they grow.

In accordance with Senate Bill 321 and the updated Senate Bill 1329, the California State Library has launched the Student Success Card Initiative. The goal of this initiative is to ensure that every California student has a library card by the third grade, reinforcing the importance of library access for young learners.

The Arcadia Public Library has developed the My Hero Card program to further support student access. Through this program, the Library collaborates with local public and private schools to efficiently provide library cards to students from transitional kindergarten through third grade. Designated schools receive library card applications to distribute to students, allowing families to voluntarily apply for and receive a unique My Hero Card for their child.

Students who hold a My Hero Card are able to check out up to two items at a time, encouraging regular library use and fostering responsibility. The program also raises awareness about the public library while strengthening the connection between local schools and the Arcadia Public Library, benefiting both students and the broader community.

Library? Bookstore? Who Gets Your Business?

by Jeanne Roy

Reading *The Secret Lives of Booksellers and Librarians, True Stories of the Magic of Reading* by James Patterson and Matt Eversmann (which I highly recommend) got me thinking about the book habits of people I know. Not one of my friends has a library card. Some buy books for Kindle. Some pay for Audible. Some pay for Amazon Prime. Some order hard copies, usually as gifts, from Amazon. Only a few people I know actually set foot in a bookstore and never on a regular basis.

As I have a preference for holding a book in my hands, the library is always my first stop. If I can't get a physical copy, I will check out a digital copy. I usually have an audiobook checked out to listen to when reading isn't practical. Because I rarely read anything more than once, I see no need to pay for what I can get for free. Not to say I never buy a book, I do, but only if it is something so unique that there is no other option, or it is one of the few books I return to repeatedly.

This does make me feel somewhat conflicted. Am I not being supportive enough of writers? Other than the big names, writers need all the support they can get. Am I not being supportive enough of bookstores, independent or otherwise? Am I contributing to their demise? I do love bookstores, the look, the smell of new books, wandering the aisles and perusing the shelves, but, honestly, I just can't make myself part with my hard-earned cash when I can get it for free at my local library, or, substantially less online, preferably used. My days aren't spent contemplating the quandary, but it does cross my mind when I see or read something lamenting the demise of the brick-and-mortar bookstore. Of course, all I have to do is look around my house, bookcase after bookcase of books on a myriad of subjects collected over generations, and I can rest assured I've done my part.

Asian Pacific Heritage Month

In celebration of Asian Pacific Heritage Month, the Library invites families and community members to enjoy two engaging cultural programs this spring that highlight the richness, diversity, and stories of Asian and Pacific Islander cultures.

Join us on **Saturday, April 25 at 2:30 p.m.** for an exciting Taiko Drumming performance. This high-energy program showcases the powerful rhythms and traditions of Japanese taiko drumming, offering audiences an immersive cultural experience that is both educational and entertaining.

The celebration continues on **Saturday, May 16 at 2:30 p.m.** with Passport to Culture and Stories, a family-friendly program featuring stories, activities, and cultural exploration from across Asia and the Pacific Islands. Participants will have the opportunity to learn about different traditions while enjoying interactive storytelling and hands-on activities.

These programs are part of the Library's ongoing commitment to celebrating cultural heritage, promoting inclusivity, and providing enriching experiences for our community. All are welcome, and no registration is required. We extend our sincere thanks to the Friends of the Arcadia Public Library for their generous support in making these programs possible. We hope you'll join us as we celebrate Asian Pacific Heritage Month together at the Library!

Local Author to Meet with Middle Schoolers to Discuss Novel



The Jerry Broadwell Children's Room is excited to host local author, Aimee Lim at our March session of Booking Together.

Middle schoolers (currently in grades 6-8) are invited to read *The Spindle of Fate*, then attend our book discussion on **Saturday, March 7 at 2 p.m.** to discuss the book, learn about Aimee's writing and publishing experience, and ask her questions. Participants will also get to enjoy a pizza party and enter to win signed copies of the sequel, *The Thread of Destiny*.

Copies of *The Spindle of Fate* are now available for pickup in the Jerry Broadwell Children's Room or digitally on the Libby app as an eBook or audiobook. Place holds or check out digital copies at <https://tinyurl.com/APLSpindleOfFate>. Print copies of the books that were added to the Library's collection, as well as the copies of the sequel for giveaway, were generously donated by Macmillan Publishing Group.

Celebrate National Library Week at Arcadia Public Library

National Library Week is a time to celebrate the important role libraries play in our community as places of learning, creativity, and connection. The Arcadia Public Library is excited to mark this special week with a fun and engaging program for children and families, made possible thanks to the support of the Friends of the Arcadia Public Library.

Join us for **A Super Reader Party on Saturday, April 18, from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m.** Children ages 5 to 12 years can take part in activities that inspire imagination and a love of reading. Older students will enjoy a comic writing workshop where they create their own superhero stories. Younger students will participate in activities that help them become superheroes for the day. At the end of the program, older students will share their original comics with everyone.

Programs like this show how libraries help children develop creativity, confidence, and a lifelong love of learning. Come celebrate National Library Week with us and discover the superhero in every reader.

Kids Vote, Kids Decide!

Each year, children across the state of California get the opportunity to use their voices and vote for their favorite books of the previous year and select the winners of the California Young Reader Medal. This year, the Jerry Broadwell Children’s Room will provide a space for children aged 4-14 to vote for the categories and books below:

- Primary (Grades K-3)
 - *Creepy Crayon!* by Aaron Reynolds and Peter Brown
 - *Endlessly Ever After* by Laurel Snyder and Dan Santat
 - *Jefferson, Actually* by Katherine Trejo and Scott Martin-Rowe
 - *A Letter for Bob* by Kim Rogers and Janathan Nelson
 - *The Eyebrows of Doom* by Steve Smallman and Miguel Ordóñez
- Picture Books for Older Readers (Grades 4 and Up)
 - *Listen: How Evelyn Glennie, a Deaf Girl, Changed Percussion* by Shannon Stocker
 - *Let Liberty Rise!* by Chana Stiefel and Chuck Groenink
 - *The Great Stink* by Colleen Paeff and Nancy Carpenter
- Intermediate (Grades 3-6)
 - *The Labors of Hercules Beal* by Gary D. Schmidt
 - *Coyote Lost and Found* by Dan Gemeinhart
 - *Dogtown* by Katherine Applegate
- Middle School/Junior High (Grades 6-8)
 - *The Fire, the Water, and Maudie McGinn* by Sally J. Pla
 - *What Happened to Rachel Riley?* by Claire Swinarski
 - *How to Find What You’re Not Looking for* by Veera Hiranandani

Voting space and books will be available for children to peruse from February 2 -- March 15. Students who submit a ballot will receive an “I Voted!” sticker from Library staff. After March 15, staff will submit the tallies to the California State Library. Winners will be announced on May 1, 2026.

Book Reviews



[The Last Act](#)
by Brad Parks

[Dutton, 2019, 383 pages](#)

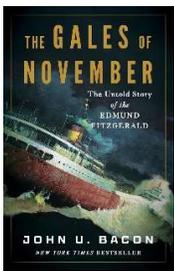
[Review by Jeanne Roy](#)

Tommy Jump needs a new job. He is no longer the darling of the stage, and his fiancé, an artist whose work isn’t exactly in demand, is pregnant. They both know that living on hopes and dreams is not a viable option. So, when Tommy is offered a unique opportunity to make enough money to get them through, he convinces his fiancé that this is the role of a lifetime; and he can’t say “no.”

The role is offered to him by his long-time friend, now FBI Special Agent, Danny Ruiz and Ruiz’ partner, Rick Gilmartin. All Tommy has to do is become Peter Lenfest Goodrich, a schoolteacher, who, due to his

wife being injured, had to take on additional jobs to try and keep up with the mortgage. When he was unable to do so, and after unsuccessfully pleading with the lenders to give him more time, the bank foreclosed. “Pete,” desperate and wanting revenge, decided to rob the bank that foreclosed on his house. Of course, Pete got caught and pled guilty. Now Pete is in a minimum-security Federal prison for the next 8 years. As Pete, Tommy’s “assignment” is to get close to inmate Mitchell Dupree, a former banker who was aiding the laundering of money for the New Colima Cartel. The only reason Mitchell and his family are still alive is because he has, in a location no one has been able to find, proof of the cartel’s activities. The FBI wants the documents, and they want Tommy to find them. Unfortunately, the cartel wants them too. So begins a game of cat and mouse. But who is the cat and who is the mouse?

Admittedly, if you have any familiarity with the subject matter, you may have to suspend belief. Early on, I did think to myself “That would never happen,” but kept reading just to see where the story would go. I’m glad I did. Parks kept me guessing with the story providing a number of surprises. I truly got a kick out of this book.



[The Gales of November – The Untold Story of the Edmund Fitzgerald](#)
by John U. Bacon

[Liveright Publishing Corporation, 2025, 442 pages](#)

[Review by Barbara Delphey](#)

Great Lakes shipping and the freighters who plied those five lakes brought iron ore from Lake Superior shores to factories in Chicago, Detroit and Cleveland. At the height of the post-war boom, these ships played an important role in the country’s successful recovery. One in particular, the Edmund Fitzgerald, has long been the subject of special interest. Launched in 1958, it sank in Lake Superior on November 10, 1975, with 29 men on board, in what has been described as “the storm of the century.” The story of this disaster also presents a picture of the magnitude, the majesty, the immensity of these vast bodies of water, as well as the danger.

Weather, ranking among the world’s most erratic, plays an important role in the way ships navigate the lakes’ waters to reach their destination safely. The information about the rapidly changing temperatures, the structure and frequency of the waves, rocky shores, shoals, and currents are some of the elements the captain must know. A pilotage license is necessary before he/she can be in the pilothouse. The design of the freighter is generally the work of a naval architect who takes into consideration these factors, as well as the wave heights, the pressure and weight of the cargo, the position within the ship, the winds. The lakes pose a planning challenge for the experts in design, construction, and navigation. Since the sinking in 1975, there have been studies and technological advances that have built upon the body of knowledge that has been developed. The strengths and weaknesses of the ship have been examined.

The tale of the Fitzgerald would be incomplete without full attention to the sailors. The lives of these men, their families, their interests and their hopes for the future all create a picture of wholeness, rounding out the emphasis on the ship itself. The individual stories are touching and warming, presenting a window into the decisions that sometimes lead the crew into their work on the Fitzgerald. For several on board, this was to be their last sailing; they were planning to retire. The last minutes of the ship are largely unknown and attempts to reach its last known position were hampered by the winds, the rain, the waves, “the storm of the century.” Experts have evaluated probable causes for the sinking. There are theories and reports and books, all offering reasons for the sinking. But the one thing that is agreed upon is that the ship’s demise occurred with alarming speed. Questions will remain.

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