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FRIENDS VOLUNTEER NEWSLETTER

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WHAT YOU THOUGHT In last month's *Newsletter*, your opinions were requested regarding an **appreciation luncheon** for volunteers. Although the response was minimal, the Friends Board of Directors have decided to hold the event on October 19 at the Palmbrook Country Club for all active or inactive volunteers. By now you should have received an invitation. If not, send an email (coordinatefriends@gmail.com) or call (415-264-1117) Ruth Polansky, Volunteer Coordinator.

Because of the small survey response, the Board is unsure of attendance. If the requests to attend are too small, the event will be delayed. **Please respond** as soon as possible so that planning can be completed.

BOOKSTORE EVENTS The September half price sale continues on all books by authors **Dean Koontz, Iris Johansen, John Grisham, JD Robb, and Nora Roberts**. **Coffee table books** also are on sale at half price.

In October, Books Around the Corner will have half-off all \$1 and \$2 **hardcover fiction** books. Large print books are not included.



LIBRARY DEVELOPMENTS

Freedom to Read week takes place September 18-24. Stop by the library and take a look at the American Library Association's statement: [The Freedom to Read Statement | Advocacy, Legislation & Issues \(ala.org\)](https://www.ala.org/advocacy-legislation/issues/freedom-to-read)



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Shop Before You Drop: Your Funeral Planning Rights & Options. 10/18 from 1-3 pm. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/SCFuneralPlanning>.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Both of our Libraries will have **donation boxes** to accept various goods and sundries.

LIBRARY SUPPORT At the Friends September Board meeting, the Board approved an expenditure of \$1,870 to **improve the lighting** in the hallway to the Fairway Library.

The Board also approved the funds for the purchase of **magnifiers**. They will be used as promotional hand-outs at Friends presentations, and be available **free** to Library patrons who need them.

Funds for **flash drives** for Library patrons have been used to order more flash drives. The flash drives are also used as promotional items.

FRIENDS BYLAW ADJUSTMENTS

The Friends Board of Directors approved one Bylaw adjustment and postponed another one until the next meeting. Approved was a clarification

in who can vote in Board meetings. Nothing will change in Board operations; the current language was unclear.

Postponed to the next meeting was a proposal to change the **Board members term duration** from six years to three years with an option to one more three year term. The Board wanted to clarify the language before approval.

REMINDERS 1. *Newsletters* are emailed to volunteers who have email addresses. *Newsletters* are mailed to those without email addresses. Postage costs can be saved by sending via email; so, if you have an **email address**, let Ruth Polansky (415-264-1117) know. As a bonus, email receivers get the humor section of the *Newsletter*.

2. With the continuation of COVID, **mask use** is encouraged in the Bookstore because of its close quarters.



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FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Dear Friends,

I hope that you have all received our invitation to our first Friends volunteer event in almost three years. You may recall that we had to cancel our March 2020 annual dinner at the start of the COVID lockdown. Our last event was a Tea Party at Palmbrook in December of 2019.

We are pleased to include current volunteers as well as those who are not active at this time. Consider it our Friends Reunion! It will be good to see friends from the past and hopefully make new ones. We understand that some of you are uncomfortable with larger gatherings. If so, we understand. Our March annual volunteer dinner is in the works, and if COVID is under control, all of us can participate.

I look forward to visiting with you, sharing food, fellowship and fun, and to adding back a little bit of "normal" to our lives.

Sue Blechl, President
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NEXT MEETING The Friends October Board meeting will be at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, **October 13**, 2022, via Zoom. If interested in attending by Zoom, please contact Friends President, Sue Blechl.

The *Friends Volunteer Newsletter* is to improve communication between Friends volunteers. It is emailed to volunteers on the middle of the month, or delivered to their work places if no email address is available. Information for the September 2022, issue should be sent to Tom Everitt at tjever40@gmail.com by Monday, October 10, 2022.

*Tom Everitt,
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SOME
MORE,
HUM
OR



Turns out it was a marble
in the ashtray..





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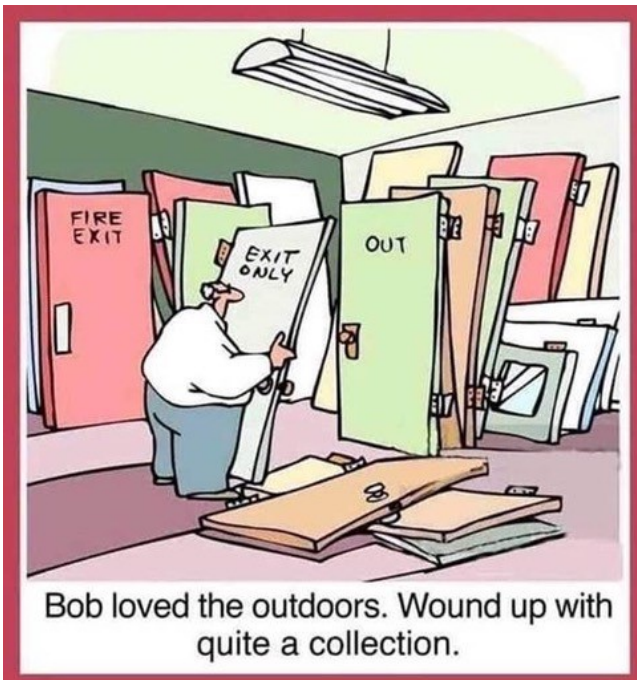
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**The King of Spain has been
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**That means the reign in Spain
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A SHORT GUN STORY

A GUY WALKED INTO A CROWDED BAR, WAVING HIS UNHOLSTERED PISTOL AND YELLED, "I HAVE A 45 CALIBER COLT 1911 WITH A SEVEN ROUND MAGAZINE PLUS ONE IN THE CHAMBER AND I WANT TO KNOW WHO'S BEEN SLEEPING WITH MY WIFE."

A VOICE FROM THE BACK OF THE ROOM CALLED OUT,

"YOU NEED MORE AMMO!!!"

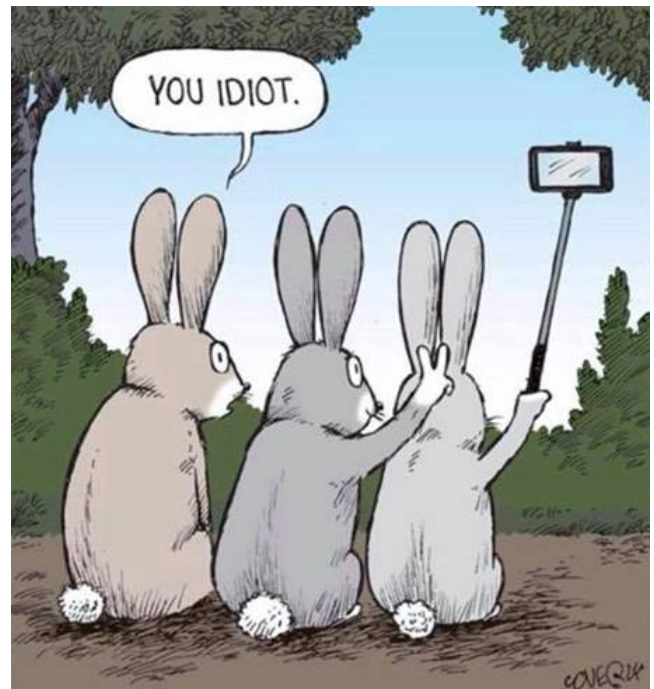


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Just as the graveside service finished, there was a distant lightning bolt accompanied by a tremendous burst of rumbling thunder. The little old man looked at the pastor and calmly said, "Well, she's there and it's His problem now."

