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Dear Friends,

2019 was a huge success for both Madera County Library and our Friends group! The Library had renovations completed and with the help of FMCL, a Young Adult area was created. The Friends of the Madera County Library made this possible by contributing furniture and shelving for the YA area. Along with our financial contributions, FMCL continued to advocate and support the Library by providing educational and literary programs and workshops. Friends of the Madera County Library also supported the Library's first ever Children's Robotics Program. We also collaborated with Madera Arts Gallery for FMCL's Annual Authors' & Artist Day.

We are proud of all our contributions to Madera County Library. But this is not all, we are also proud of you, for each and every one of you that became a member, that sponsored or attended an event, that purchased a Giving Tree Leaf or that purchased a book from our Book Sales. It is because of you that we were able to support our Library. Membership dues, financial contributions and sponsorships are the lifeline to what we do.

We aim to continue supporting our Library in 2020 and we welcome you to join us.

This year we also have new board members and are thrilled at all the wonderful ideas they have thus far brought to our group. We hope that with your continued support we can continue to create a literary hub within the community of Madera, that starts right here—at the local Library.

FMCL has a slew of fantastic events coming in 2020. So stay tuned. Find & follow us on Facebook at Friends of the Madera County Library. Visit our website friendsmcl.org and become a member or donate to FMCL. Email mfolsecretary@gmail.com to be added to our email list and stay up-to-date on future FMCL events. Let's make 2020 the best year yet.

Happy Reading

~Francine Mejia, FMCL President

Bookends & Madera

Friends is the official newsletter of the Friends of the Madera County Library (FMCL), and distributed to all FMCL members and other interested parties via email and on our website friendsmcl.org. The Friends of the Madera County Library is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization. For more information on how to become a member contact us today.

(FMCL) Friends of the Madera County Library c/o Madera County Library 121 North G Street, Madera, CA 93637, (559) 675-7872.

A little library, growing larger every year, is an honourable part of a man's history.
It is a man's duty to have books. A library is not a luxury, but one of the necessities of life.
- Henry Ward Beecher



Celebrating the newly renovated Library, with Madera County, Board of Supervisors, City Council, FMCL, and Madera Library Staff.



Meet FMCL Secretary, Daniel

There is nothing more satisfying than finishing a good book.

This small but mighty gift is what I hope to share with the community of Madera through my service as Secretary.

However, the satisfaction doesn't come from a completion of task or achieving a goal.

~ Daniel Barrios
FMCL Secretary

I believe the satisfaction comes from visiting a different world, experiencing the flaws and humanness of a character, and re-reading a story that always has something new to offer.

“There is nothing more satisfying than finishing a good book.”

(To reach Daniel email him at mfolsecretary@gmail.com.)

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Meet the New FMCL Vice-President



I grew up in Madera but did not understand the appeal of a library until I majored in history. That's when I fell in love with books.

When I moved back to Madera as an adult, I spent a lot of time looking for a way to give back to the community and that's when I found FMCL.

I am so happy I did.

The Friends group has all the things I want: books, community, a library, a way to give back, and friends.

Thank you so much for all the wonderful things you do. I'm very much looking forward to my year as Vice-President.

-Rachelle Underwood, FMCL Vice President

(Rachelle also teaches piano, for more information on Piano Lessons with Rachelle or to contact

Rachelle regarding FMCL, email her at maderafol@gmail.com)



a look back at 2019



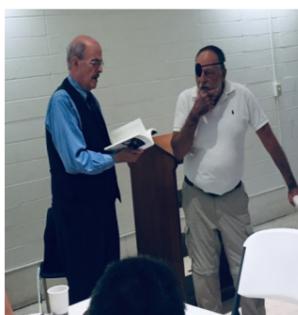
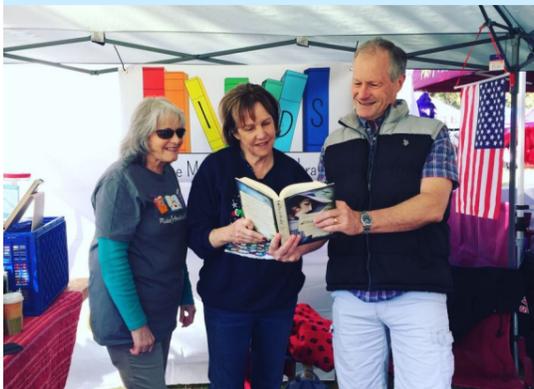
Tulare County Library Workshop & Community Outreaching!



Madera Arts Gallery, Authors' & Artists' Day, Book Sale & Halloween



Pomegranate Festival & Trees for Charity



FMCL Summer Potluck with special guest, Larry Lihosit & Food with Friends December Dinner with special guest, Dr. Jackie Ryal.

Attend a Meeting

FMCL Meetings are held at Madera County Library. Attending meetings is entirely optional, but all members interested in joining us are more than welcome!

Meetings are open to the public.

Meetings are held monthly the first & third Thursday of each month, except for July & December. July & December we are dark, no meetings are held.

We are a friendly group that loves to make a positive impact on our community.

FMCL Meetings
First & Third
Thursday at 6PM
Every month!



Find us on:
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Stay informed on all Madera County Library & FMCL events.

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- Madera County Library
- Friends of the Madera County Library
- Madera Reads Community Book Club
- Madera German Language Club

Upcoming 2020 Events

January

No Sew Fleece Blanket	Thursday, January 9	3:30-5:00 p.m.
FMCL Business Meeting	Thursday, January 16	6:00-7:00 p.m.
Madera Reads Book Club Informational	Thursday, January 23	5:00-5:45 p.m.
Madera Reads Book Club Informational	Thursday, January 25	12:00-1:00 p.m.
German Language Club	TBA	

February

FMCL Planning Meeting	Thursday, February 6	6:00-7:00 p.m.
Lunch & Jam Tasting	Thursday, February 6	11:00-2:00 p.m.
Cupcake Decorating Day	Thursday, February 13	3:30-5:00 p.m.
Toni Morrison Tribute	TBA	
Madera Reads Book Club	TBA	
FMCL Business Meeting	Thursday, February 20	6:00-7:00 p.m.
German Language Club	TBA	

March

FMCL Planning Meeting	Thursday, March 5	6:00-7:00 p.m.
FMCL Business Meeting	Thursday, March 19	6:00-7:00
Loteria	TBA	
German Language Club	TBA	

April

FMCL Planning Meeting	Thursday, April 2	6:00-7:00 p.m.
FMCL Business Meeting	Thursday, April 16	6:00-7:00 p.m.
Easter Egg Hunt	TBA	

Join us today!



Become a member Today — and Support — the Friends of the Madera County Library.

Membership dues help support special library events, purchases for collection, facility enhancements, and other vital needs. We are also an all-volunteer organization, so your help is also needed in areas other than just membership dues.

To become a member, just complete the bottom portion, include your dues and mail it to the address listed or bring it in to the Library. Make checks out to "Friends of the Madera

Renew Your Membership Today!

Member Participation

- Old Timers Day Parade
- Trees for Charity
- Santa's Visit
- Summer Reading Program
- Local Authors/Artists Faire
- Community Book Club and more

More ways to help

- Become a member
- Help with fundraising
- Volunteer wherever needed
- Lend your ideas

✂ Cut here & include your dues.

Mail entire section with **cash, check, or money order**

To: Friends of the Madera County Library (FMCL)
c/o Madera County Library
121 North G Street, Madera, CA 93637

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Your Name(s) _____ Date: _____

Address _____

Phone Number(s) _____

Email Address _____

Thank You for supporting the Madera County Library!

FMCL annual membership is January 1-December 31, renewable each year in January. New members are prorated.

Annual Membership Levels

(renewable each year in January)

Individual	\$10
Family (up to 4)	\$20
Student (with I.D.)	\$5
Senior (55+)	\$5

Sponsor Donation Levels

(includes donor plaque on The Giving Tree)

Bronze Leaf	\$100 +
Silver Leaf	\$250 +
Gold Leaf	\$500 +
Apple	\$1,000 +

Summer Reading Program Sponsor

Donation amount\$ _____

Robotics Program Sponsor

Donation amount\$ _____

Young Adult Program Sponsor

Donation amount\$ _____