



Friends of the Montecito Library

Spring Newsletter 2011

You're Invited

You are cordially invited to attend the **Annual Meeting** of the Friends of the Montecito Library.

Monday, April 18, 2011
Montecito Library, 4pm

There will be a special presentation by **Jace Turner**, Head of Reference for the Santa Barbara Public Library System.

Jace will be demonstrating and sharing the latest information on the library's website.

Without private donations, the Montecito Library would be open only 16 hours per week!

Current Library Hours

Monday 9:30am – 7pm
Tuesday – Friday 9:30am – 5:30pm
Saturday 9:30am – 4pm
(805) 969-5063
Thank you Friends!

Elections

The Friends of the Montecito Library Board consists of 15 members, elected for three-year terms. The following individuals have been recommended by the nominating committee to fill terms expiring 2014: Vito Gioello, Cornelia McGrath, Antonia Robertson, and Phil Wilcox.

The following current directors will continue on the Board: Judi Anderson, Darlene Cox, Julie Freedman, Chana Jackson, Gib Lentz, Pat Saley, Julia Springer, Ned Quackenbush, Mike Rodrigue, and Elisabeth Zahm.

We need your vote

Please return the enclosed proxy and your contribution to the Friends before April 4, or vote in person at the meeting.

Thank you for your support

The Montecito Library is currently open 48 hours per week. Without private donations, the library would be open 1/3 of that time, or 16 hours per week. The County is expected to reduce funding for libraries by 7 to 15% and State funding is expected to be completely eliminated. This will likely result in the library being open even fewer hours per week. The reduction in hours would be even more dramatic without the contributions of Friends like you!

Thanks to you, the library is open 6 days a week and has a healthy book budget as well. We hope we can count on your ongoing support to keep this important resource thriving in our community.

Special News

The Montecito Library's very own Eden Kennedy has co-authored a book entitled:

**LET'S PANIC ABOUT BABIES!
How to Endure and Possibly Triumph Over the Adorable Tyrant who Will Ruin Your Body, Destroy Your Life, Liquefy Your Brain, and Finally Turn You into a Worthwhile Human Being** Alice Bradley and Eden M. Kennedy



Eden is the author of the web site Fussy.org, which was celebrated as one of the top ten parenting blogs by the Wall Street Journal. She has been featured in The San Francisco Chronicle, The New York Times, and on the BBC, and her work has appeared in several anthologies. She is also a former bookseller and magazine editor. We are lucky to have such a talented gal at our library. Congratulations Eden!