

Greetings,

I am very excited to be the new Executive Director of the Sacramento Public Library Foundation. I was born and raised in Sacramento and left in 1979 for college. I am thrilled to be home working on behalf of this tremendous community resource. My background in non-profit organizations is a great fit with the goals of the Sacramento Public Library.

In the short time I have been here, I have met with members of the Library Foundation board, past and present; long-time supporters; library staff; foundation staff; and members of the Friends of the Sacramento Public Library. One highlight was scooping ice cream at the annual Barbara Jeanne Hansen Ice Cream Social, hosted by the Friends of Belle Coolege Library in June. What fun!

Over the next several years, we will be focusing our fundraising efforts on endowments which will create sustainable support for the library in perpetuity. By supporting the Sacramento Public Library, you will ensure your legacy's place in history.

Please call me directly and share your ideas and hopes for our public libraries. Our office is always open, and my direct line is (916) 264-2990.

April L. Butcher, Executive Director, Sacramento Public Library Foundation



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Borders Annual Book Drive

A special thank you to Borders book store. The Sacramento Public Library has been selected as the recipient of Borders annual Book Drive which could bring more than 3,000 books to the library, during August. Library book selectors compiled a wish list of titles making sure each donated title would complement the library collection. Throughout August, Borders customers will be encouraged to purchase a book for the library. The Library Foundation will receive five percent of the proceeds. So, tell your friends to visit a Border's book store this August.

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Sacramento Room Endowment

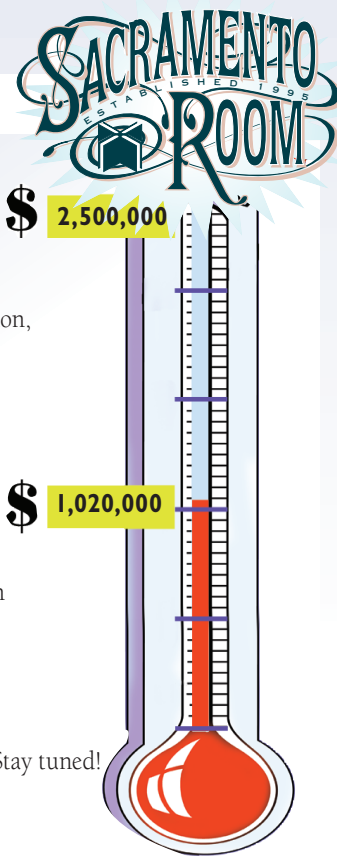
The Sacramento Room, at the Central Library, is a unique resource for the Sacramento region and is filled with valuable and fascinating materials. In an effort to maximize access to this history archive, the Library Foundation is committed to raising the capital needed to "open the doors of history."

On June 21, the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Public Library Foundation voted to establish a \$2.5 million endowment for the Sacramento Room. The Sacramento Room became a reality in 1995 when the Library Foundation completed the largest capital campaign in the library's history. In addition, an endowment was established, now at \$270,000. More than \$750,000 additional dollars have already been dedicated to the endowment, due to three generous bequests received this year from the estates of **Marjorie K. Cohan**, **Ralph E. Oaks**, and **Margaret C. Preston**, and because of the tremendous support of the **Friends of the Sacramento Public Library** who gave \$150,000 as a lead gift to the endowment campaign.

Over the next 18 months, the Library Foundation will raise the balance to reach the \$2.5 million dollars. The process for developing an action plan is underway and preliminary ideas include:

- Digitizing segments of the Sacramento Room collection, including old and rare photographs, which will give customers access from branches, homes and businesses through the Internet.
- Extending open hours of the Sacramento Room.
- Preservation of materials.
- Acquisition of pertinent materials to complement the existing collection.

This is an exciting project and we will be updating you on its status in each issue of this newsletter. Stay tuned!



Gifts from Estates

The Estate of Marjorie K. Cohan
The Estate of Ralph E. Oaks
The Estate of Margaret C. Preston
The Estate of Willis A. Young

Founder's Circle (\$1,500)

Stephen A. and Edith Brandenburger
Collected Works – Gifts
Brad and Ann Davis
Elizabeth L. Dreher
James S. and Ann Triplett Fish, Jr.
Mike Namba, Jr.
Michelle Odell
Jeanne Peterson and J.R. Flanigan
Greg L. Re, Jr.
Patrick Sabelhaus
The Sacramento Bee
Mary Ellen Shay and Roger King
Thea Stidum
Karen and Paul Valentine
John P. and Bella M. Wagner
Lisa Woodard-Mink
Karen and Bill Ziebron

Director's Circle (\$1,000)

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The Dimick Family Fund
Janene Duchscherer
Deirda Thorpe
Jim and Mary Jo Streng

Laureates (\$ 500)

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Russell and Deborah Godt
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Susan Westaby
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Bibliophiles (\$250)

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Phyllis Foster
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Patricia Carroll Lowney Gregory
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Alanson Kleinsorge
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Mel and Lois Ann Raption
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T. Richard and Anne S. Tsukuda