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HERMOSA BEACH FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY
550 Pier Avenue
Hermosa Beach, California 90254

V.I.D. December 10. VERY IMPORTANT DATE. Mark your calendar. Friends of the Library will sponsor a pre-holiday sale of used books. Book donations and volunteer salesmen are vital. Offer your services by calling Evy Belasco, FR 4-3132. Book donations may be dropped at the library.

Sale to be held in front of the library, starting at 10 A.M. Come for bargains, conversation, impromptu book reviews from your friends.

Our book sales have proved popular and profitable. Chairman Belasco reports a net of \$249 from the sale on September 17. A pre-Christmas effort should prove rewarding.

The board and interested members met Wednesday, November 2, at the library, to set the date for the book sale and to plan Christmas presents for the readers of Hermosa Beach.

A selection of classical and musical comedy records and/or cassettes will be purchased and we hope some will be on hand in December for the pleasure of library users. Music chairman, Carl Fleming, was authorized to spend \$50 for this addition to the F. W. Flake Memorial Record Collection. Further expenditures are planned for the future, in order to meet the suggestions of the staff.

Funds were allocated for art books, additions to the California Collection and "How To" books.

Two new bean bag chairs (so popular with the youngsters that they wore out two !) were also authorized.

COACHING VERY YOUNG SOCCER PLAYERS, a frequently requested title, is already on order for TWO copies.

Great news: The Woman's Club of Hermosa Beach has authorized \$100 donation for record gifts to the library.

Frequent requests voiced at the library by patrons are for travel books, titles from the Historic Cities series and for Beatrix Potter titles in foreign languages. Librarian, Shari Petresky reports that Fodors, Fielding, Waldos, of any vintage, are highly desirable.

No doubt you are aware that SB 792 was passed; allocating \$5.3 million for library system improvements (less than the amount requested). This includes funds for system referral grants, universal borrowing and interlibrary loans. What it means to Hermosa readers is that we can locate and request ANY title in the California systems (which include city, metropolitan, state and university library systems ! Try it !)

Have a busy, happy, safe holiday season.

Merrily yours,

Patricia A. Gazin
President