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Dear Friend Of The Hermosa Beach Library:

Thank you for your generous support this year. The Membership Drive (\$170) and the Libations For The Library party (\$135) were so successful that we were able to add to library services even more than planned. In addition to the 20 volume set of the 1965 World Book Encyclopedia (\$132.26), we have purchased a 2 volume set of World Book Encyclopedia Dictionary (\$33.46) and a used Burroughs adding machine (\$41.08) for the use of the library staff.

Speaking of the staff, as many of you know, Mrs. Dorothy Olney retired in September. Past and present board members of THE HERMOSA BEACH FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY honored her at a luncheon on September 17. At its monthly meeting the Hermosa Beach Chamber of Commerce presented her with a plaque inscribed: "Dorothy Olney: gentle of speech and beneficent of mind". To that we will add that her warmth and helpfulness will be missed.

Mrs. Kathryn Dittmar will receive her pin for 30 years of library service on November 27. Her 30 years haven't dimmed her zest and interest in the library. She is most enthusiastic about the Photo-Copy machine installed by the L.A. County on a loan basis. For 25¢ one can copy anything: book text, map, photograph, legal document, check, even a painting.

A new book of special interest to local sailors is "The Ashley Book of Knots" by Clifford W. Ashley. The volume was donated by Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence B. Powers in memory of Mr. Paul Webster. It covers every practical knot---what it looks like, who uses it, where it comes from, and how to tie it. Fanciers of fine furniture will be interested in "Furniture Treasury", a 3 volume set by Wallace Nutting, and "The Gentleman and Cabinet Makers' Director" by Thomas Chippendale, gifts of H. W. Grieve.

We also wish to acknowledge the books donated by Mary Jane Fenton in memory of Mrs. Linna Edwards: "The Heritage of Music" by Shippen and "Exploration of Africa" by T. L. Sterling. We are most appreciative of all gifts to the library.

It seems early, but plans have already been made for our Annual Christmas Party. It's to be on Wednesday, December 16, 7-9 P.M., at the library. The Pier Ave. School Glee Club, directed by Miss Marian Wilson, will sing Christmas carols. Coffee, punch and cookies will be served. Incidentally, anyone wishing to donate 2 dozen cookies, please contact Mrs. Willa Rogers, FR 29475.

Hope to see you on December 16,

Charlotte Malone