Mark Twain Library Association
112th Annual Meeting
June 17, 2020
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of the
Mark Twain Library Association

Agenda

Call to Order

Approval of the Minutes of the 2019 Annual Meeting

Report of the President of the Board of Trustees

Report of the Treasurer

Report of the Library Director

Report of the Nominating Committee

Election of Trustees

Old Business

New Business

Adjournment

This meeting is being held virtually through Zoom
Mark Twain Library Association

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Remarks from the President

During last year’s meeting we spoke of the overall greatness of the Library and how, together, we could help the Library achieve even further successes. And, as you will read on the pages that follow, the Library has continued to make great strides in just about every measurable category. By and large, this was because we stood on the shoulders of our predecessors, as they did on theirs. And, we had good fortune as well. Indeed, the Library’s performance metrics – circulation per capita, pairs of feet through its doors, level of donor support – place it in the top tier in the nation. That is a powerful statement on what makes our community so special. This is especially something given the times that we faced and may continue to face for some time. For if these are not challenging times, they’ll do until the real thing comes along.

Difficult times sometimes make for difficult discussions. There is much to be sad for and angry about. We recognize the hardships of others. As a nation, we are confronting many difficult issues, including the racism – and institutionalized racism – that morally threatens the best among us. We face challenging times with the current pandemic, and how it has impacted our daily lives, including how this library continues to provide services and help to the community. We have the specter of difficult economic times for perhaps quite a while. None of these are distant echoes, they are here, at our doorstep. None can be ignored, not without great risk to our community and ourselves.

Libraries evolve. Libraries can be advocates for that which is impeccably just. We are part of a larger community and our nation is once again being morally compelled to confront racism and the tyranny that helps perpetuate it. To remain silent, to not take action, risks the ideals upon which this nation and this Library were founded. Your Library resolutely and without qualification condemns all forms of racism and discrimination of any sort against any group or individual and the horrors that these continue to bring. No community is immune from being impelled to do better and the Mark Twain Library chooses to be among those that wish to lead the discussion. We have initiatives in progress and will keep you posted throughout this coming year on these matters. Few issues, if any, carry such demand for urgent, meaningful, transformative action as this one.

Although we face great uncertainty right now, perhaps some of the most uncertain times in generations, the Mark Twain Library has carefully built its financial strength over the years and honed its sharp fiscal management. With the Town’s support through its annual grant, the crucial support that the Library has through deep-rooted volunteerism, and donations from hundreds
upon hundreds of households in Redding, the Library has the reserves and, more importantly, the resolve to weather these times while continuing to build for the future. But how we will look at things, and how we approach opportunities, will by necessity have to change.

The Mark Twain Library will continue to look for more and better ways to provide services and offerings to all in this community. We can protect the financial position of the Library. This is achieved by broad support and involvement in the Library’s affairs: superb management and staff, strong volunteer and donor support, and informed and engaged Town leadership. Your library continues to prosper and the Town is better for it; the Town is smarter for it. As the children’s writer and artist William Joyce wrote, “The best of the old, the best of the new, the best that is yet to be.”

The following pages of this report chronicle, in various ways, the Library’s performance during this past year. As stewards of the Library, we have collectively agreed that it is essential to promote the values of knowledge, diversity, and openness in a nonpartisan space that is available to all. And, without the Library’s Friends most of this would not be possible.

Thanks to all,
Eric A. Rubury
Library Board President
As I write this report, I am alone in the Library Meeting Room looking at the empty chairs and missing everyone. The only one keeping me company is the portrait of Mark Twain. He’s great company, but uncharacteristically silent right now.

I felt it was important to share my report from this room with its rich history – a room that is the location for so many wonderful programs, hundreds of meetings a year, the setting for story times for the youngest set and coding workshops for older children – among so many other things.

Right now, like most of you I suspect, I’ve divided the library’s year into COVID and Pre-COVID. Back in the old days (less than four months ago), library services were proceeding along a steady path. Our programming for all ages was robust and use of our circulating and downloadable collections showed excellent use of the library resources. Then, the path took a steep turn and we were forced to close our doors on March 13th.

I am so glad for the resiliency shown by staff, board and volunteers. We barely missed a step before starting up virtual programming. It took a bit of experimentation, but within a week virtual story times, book clubs, discussion groups, wine tastings, coding workshops, and an evening with “Mo + Michael” became the new normal. Staff quickly adapted to working at home, answering questions, renewing over 100 library cards and issuing many new ones. Our necessary business continued and our communications to you numbered 40. We adapted our website to reflect the new virtual world we have become accustomed to working in and accessing information from.

We have noted a tremendous increase in the amount of usage of our downloadable resources, almost 50% over the previous 12-month period. In addition, we began offering new digital resources such as ACORN, which airs popular British TV shows, and within less than a month we saw close to 50 users sign up. We also added access to Indie Flix and a fun concert database. For children, we added the read along series Tumblebooks. And, for those who now have more time to research their family history, we added at home access to Ancestory.com.

On May 29th we took the significant step of opening the book drops for returns and all fines were, of course, forgiven. Returned items were put in quarantine for three days before being put back into circulation. We did this in preparation for curbside pickup which began on June 9th.

Let me now turn from our recent triumphs, despite challenging times, to our plans for the near future.
June 17th marked the day the Governor’s Reentry Task Force said libraries might open, but none in Fairfield County plan to do so until we can put all the rules for libraries in place and assure safety for staff and you. What else would this library do but go for a gold star?! We will have all plans approved by the Redding Health Department and get certified by the state to reopen. I hope we can open around the first week of July, which will be on the early side for libraries in our area. When we do, it will be after a careful plan is put in place. The Library will look different. Social distancing will be in place. The number of patrons that can come in at one time will be reduced considerably. Masks will be the fashion statement in vogue. Furniture will be removed to make way for the recommended 6 feet of separation. Even our puppet theater and toys will have to be hidden away for a while. Some browsing collections will be moved to different spots and long stays will not be possible. We will continue to provide curbside services and home delivery for those who are not yet comfortable coming to the library due to health considerations. We will even have special early morning times for anyone 60+ and late afternoon family time by appointment with our children’s staff. Our popular summer reading program, which is about the fun of reading outdoors, will also run a little differently. But some things will be the same. Although the rules say we must have sneeze guards at our circulation desk, behind those unattractive plexiglass walls will be our friendly staff. As always, we will welcome you and be glad to help in any way we can. New books will still be purchased and past titles will be ready for check-out once again.

In past years, I’ve always expressed my thanks to the wonderful men and women who work at the Library. This year I offer a special shout out to the rock stars of the library world – the Mark Twain Library staff. You will find them listed in the front of this report.

And, of course, thank you to the Board and volunteers who all work so hard behind the scenes. There are way too many to mention by name, but all are so appreciated.

I look forward to seeing you in person soon.

With much appreciation,
Beth Dominianni
Library Director
# Library Use & Collection Statistics

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Financial Summary
(unaudited)

OPERATING REVENUES
2019-20

- Town Appropriation: 60.0%
- Fundraising / Contributions: 33.7%
- Restricted Income: 2.2%
- Library Services: 2.0%
- State Grant: 0.1%
- Investment Income: 2.0%

OPERATING EXPENSES
2019-20

- Compensation: 66.0%
- Books, Media, Serials and Online Services: 10.2%
- Program Supplies: 1.2%
- Maintenance: 7.6%
- Utilities: 5.0%
- Computer Services / Technology: 2.9%
- Insurance: 3.1%
- Association Expense: 2.0%
- Development: 2.0%

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Programs & Events

Art & Photography @MTL
Art Show Gala and Week Long Art Show
Art Show Closing Reception with Barlow Chamber Singers
Photography Exhibit and Book Talk with Xiomaro
A Photographic Safari to Tanzania with Larry Untermeyer and Bill Balch

Mark Twain Initiative @ MTL
Alan Gribben, Mark Twain Scholar – Research Visit and Book Talk
A Virtual Community Read and Discussion Series: The Tragedy of Pudd’nhead Wilson

Authors, Poets & Dramatists @MTL
Norco ’80 – Peter Houlahan
Family of Origin – CJ Hauser
Soldiers of a Foreign War – Charles McNair, MD
Gifford Pinchot and the First Foresters – Bibi Gaston
The Revolution Comes to Redding – Bruce Nelson and Brent Colley
The Grotesque 10: Amazing Architectural Sculpture from Ten American Colleges and Universities – Matthew Duman
Ghost Hunter – Barry Pirro

Books @MTL
Book Buzz Annual Summer Reading Kick-Off Event
History Book Club monthly meeting
Classics Book Club monthly meeting
Food Lit Book Club monthly meeting

Special Book Events @MTL
Virtual Mo + Michael Live! 2 Guys Reliving Great Lives
The Making of a Racist – Charles Dew: Series of Talks and Discussions (co-sponsored with the League of Women Voters, Joel Barlow High School, and First Church Congregational)
Books and Brew – Beer Tasting at the Redding Beer Co.
Business @MTL
Small Business Circle: Behind the Business Card Quarterly Meetings
Small Business Circle: Meetup Monthly Gathering at The Redding Roadhouse
Small Business Circle Summer Pop-up
Small Business Circle and Community Assets Network Open House

Forums & Talks @MTL
Great Decisions – an ongoing moderated discussion on current events
World Affairs Forum
Merritt Parkway Conservancy – Laurie Heiss
(co-sponsored with the Drum Hill DAR chapter)
Grounded Goodwife – The Not-So-Golden Life of the Gilded Age Wife
Mark Twain in Russia – Brent Colley
Conversations in a Brave Space Series: Bias, Oppression, Privilege, and Change
(co-sponsored with the League of Women Voters)
Successful Aging: Your Long-Term Plan

Education Forums @MTL
Reimagining Our Schools – Dr. Tom McMorran
The Many Paths to College – Parent Panel
College Application Timeline Workshops
It’s Not Your Homework: A Workshop for Parents
Liberal Arts Education: Relic of the Past or Resource for the Future with Sean Kelly

Sustainability @MTL
Bibi Gaston – Gifford Pinchot and the First Foresters
Backyard Birding with the Connecticut Audubon

Film @MTL
Food Truck and a Movie Night – La La Land
Food Truck and a Movie Night – The Hundred Foot Journey
Big Picture Film Series: Let the People Decide
(co-hosted with the Redding League of Women Voters)
Big Picture Film Series: One Woman One Vote
(co-hosted with the Redding League of Women Voters)
Pandemic 101: A Presentation by Dr. Nils d’Aulaire
Get Creative @MTL
Hook-in – local rug hooking group workshop
The Artist’s Way series
Creating Unique Holiday Centerpieces with Flower Girl Florist
Holiday Clay Ornament Workshops
Weaving History with Community: A Weaving Workshop with Susan Jackson
“Bling is the Thing” Earring Workshop
A Trio of Treasure Boxes: A Creative Workshop with Deb Owen
The Creative Tribe weekly gathering
Drop-in Knitting Circle weekly gathering

Technology @MTL
Weekly 3D Printing Training Sessions
Quarterly MakerSpace Open Houses
Downloadable Days

HealthyU @MTL
Meditation with Jackie Delise
Tool Box for Pain Relief with Janet Schroder
Compassion to the Core with Alexa Owen
Ayurveda Medicine with Dr. Somesh Kaushik
iHunch: How Technology Use Affects Posture, Mood and Overall Health

Community Partners @MTL
A Community Pop-up Market: The Collective @MTL
Georgetown Day
Earth Day
Concert on the Green Supporter
Wit & Wisdom Award – Joel Barlow High School
RES, JRMS and JBHS visits
Meadow Ridge – weekly visits by librarian and special events
# Children's Programs

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MakerSpace Open House August 1
JRMS Summer Reading Open House August 19

Pudd’nhead Parade September 21

Pizza & Halloween Videos October 10
Baby Toddler Halloween Parade October 28
Cupcake Decorating (2 sessions) October 28
MadScience Halloween Spooktacular October 28
Halloween Story Time October 30

Baby Toddler Turkey Story Time November 14
Thankful Story Time (3s & 4s) November 18
Popup Shop Open House Story Time November 21
After School Snacks & Open House November 26
Checkout Chat & Chew November 26

Winter Holiday Crafts December 3
Gingerbread Story Time December 9
Let’s Get Frozen I December 10
Let’s Get Frozen II December 10
A Hint of Hanukkah Story Time December 11
Edward Leonard Holiday Sing-a-long December 12
Pizza Hot Chocolate & Mini Movie December 16

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Hot Chocolate Story Time January 6

Take Your Child to the Library Day February 8
TYCLD Chat & Chew February 8
TYCLD Al De Cant Performer February 8
TYCLD Snacks & Book Checkout February 8
TYCLD Valentine Crafts February 8
Be Mine, Valentine February 12
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## Teen Programs

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Allen and Helen Hermes Art Series

June 2019
Compton & Newberry

August 2019
Woodstock Anniversary Celebration

November 2019
Open Sesame (Sesame Street Celebration)

November 2019
Kurdish National Dream

Library Rotunda Displays

Summer 2019
Creamers MOO, MOO

Fall 2019
The Book Art Trail

Winter 2019
Treasures from the Library’s Special Collections

Winter 2020
Hooked Rug Exhibit

Early Spring 2020
2020 History of Stormfield

Spring 2020
Elsie Hill of Redding – Woman Suffrage Leader
SAMUEL LANGHORNE CLEMENS SOCIETY
($100,000 and above)

Mr. and Mrs. Jerrold Fine
Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hermes
Jane T. Muhlethaler Foundation

Mr. Michael Kluger and
Ms. Heidi Greene

Messrs. Jack and Richard Lawrence
Ms. June B. Myles
Mrs. Ritta Rosenberg

JEAN CLEMENS CIRCLE
($50,000 to $100,000)

Anonymous
Mr. and Mrs. Michael Colby
Mr. and Mrs. Stuart H. Green
Marie Keese LeLash Foundation

Mark Twain Foundation Trust
Mr. Michael J. Marocco
Meadow Ridge
Retirement Community

Wagging Tail Fund
Mrs. Elizabeth Ruml
Smith Richardson Foundation
Mrs. Ruth Todd

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($25,000 to $50,000)

Anonymous
Robert J. Bauer Family Foundation
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Mr. and Mrs. William W. Bishop, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Callaway
Mr. and Mrs. Jake DeSantis
Mr. Frank Doelger and
Mr. Bruce Harmon
Mr. and Mrs. Michael Erlanger
Dr. and Mrs. Scott Estabrook
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Mr. Robert Mars and
Ms. Brenda Phelps
Mr. and Mrs. Grant Mudge
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Natkin
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Olshan
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Mrs. Lisa Reese
Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Robey
Ms. Mary Patricia Rohman
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rosenman
Mr. and Mrs. Michael Witte
THE CONNECTICUT YANKEE COURT
($10,000 to $25,000)

Mr. and Mrs. Mitch Ancona
AXA Foundation
Mr. James Bacon
Dr. and Mrs. Michael Barberie
Mr. and Mrs. James Barickman
Mr. and Mrs. Neal Barton
Dr. and Mrs. Ramon Batson
Ms. Ginny Beasley
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bedoukian
Mr. and Mrs. David Benedetto
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Benn
Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Berry
Mr. Michael Ian Black and
Ms. Martha Hagen-Black
Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Brooks
Mr. and Mrs. William Brown
Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Carman
Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Coleman
Mr. and Mrs. David Corr
Ms. Marianne Crew
Mr. and Mrs. John Davey
Dr. and Mrs. Edward Davies
Mr. and Mrs. Jan Dorenbosch*

Mr. and Mrs. F. Bowie Duncan
Mr. Michael duPont and
Mrs. Connie Deans
Mr. Albert Fenster and
Ms. Gail Sanger*
The Fishkin Family
Ms. Charlotte Milholland Friedman
Ms. Karen Gifford
Mr. and Mrs. James Grashow
IBM Corporation
Mr. Ken Jennings and Mr. Al Messina
Mr. John Jessep
Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Karraker
Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair Korman
Mr. Jeremy Kramer and
Ms. Becca Davies
Mr. and Mrs. John Kuczo
Mr. and Mrs. Dale Kutnick
Dr. and Mrs. Gil Lancaster
Mrs. Nancy Lutz
Mr. and Mrs. Neil Marcus
Mr. and Mrs. Daniel McLaughlin
Mrs. Janice Meehan

Melissa & Doug, LLC*
Mr. Marc Mellon and
Ms. Babette Bloch
Mr. Gary Miyashiro and
Dr. Rose Tamura
Mr. and Mrs. Andreas Nonnenmacher*
Mr. Ray Noren
Mr. Kurt Raschi and
Ms. Catherine Riordan
Raytheon Technologies
Mr. and Mrs. Simon Rich
Mr. and Mrs. A. David Russell
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Mr. and Mrs. Michael Shinall
Mrs. Katherine Shute
Mr. and Mrs. Albert P. Stauderman
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Swank
Ms. Sally Trippe
Mr. and Mrs. Jean-Paul Valles
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wastrom
Mr. and Mrs. Steven L. Yurman

THE STORMFIELD SOCIETY OF LEGACY GIVING

Julia Andrews Estate
Ms. Susan Clark
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Flagg
Estate of Donald Gibson*
Ms. Karen Gifford
Mary Anne Guitar Estate
Diane Hack Estate
Hollinghurst Estate
Katherine Hueyber Estate
Mr. Grady E. Jensen
Mary Ellen Klein Estate
Jack and Richard Lawrence Estate
Beatrice Mangin Estate

Ms. Diane Daniels Manning
Rosamond Mikkelsen Estate
Lucille and Ernest Smith Estate
Hugh B. Sweeney Estate
Mrs. Jeanne A. Sweeney
Marjorie and Geoffrey Webb Estate

*Asterisk denotes new members of the Leadership Society 2019-20
President Eric Rubury called the 111th Annual Meeting of the Mark Twain Library Association to order at 6:10 pm on June 14, 2019.

Approval of the Minutes of the 110th Annual Meeting
Motion made by Eric Rubury. Seconded by Bob Morton. Unanimously approved.

Report of the President of the Board of Trustees
See report on file.

Report of the Treasurer
See report on file.

Report of the Library Director
See report on file.

Report of the Nominating Committee and Election of Trustees
Vice President / Nominating Chair Katharine Dusenbury gave the report of the Nominating Committee. The following slate of Trustees was proposed:

Term ending 2020: Betsy Higgins, Amy Nonnenmacher, Joey Davey, Pam Robey
Term ending 2021: Mike Rigby, Joan Beutler, Dick Hawkes, Mike Shinall
Term ending 2022: Katharine Dusenbury, Dick Emerson, Eric Rubury
Three new Trustees for their first term ending 2022: Brien O’Reilly, Catherine Riordan and Jennifer Wastrom.

There were no nominations from the floor. Secretary Rochelle Williston moved to cast a unanimous ballet for the slate seconded by June Myles.

New Business
Vice President Katharine Dusenbury announced the new slate of officers to be elected by the Board: President – Eric Rubury; Vice President – Mike Shinall; Treasurer – Betsy Higgins; Secretary – Melissa Wright.

Old Business
President Eric Rubury acknowledged Tom Hauser, Midge Loery and Rochelle Williston, who completed their terms of service for the library’s Board of Trustees, and announced that two emeritus trustees have been appointed: Terry Flagg and Grady Jensen.

The Annual Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm on June 14, 2019.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rochelle Williston, Secretary
Mark Twain Library Board of Trustees