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Everyone Loves a Good Mystery!

HLF Cuts the Annual Check from the Sally Upatisringa Mystery Fund



HLF Board Member Kathy Murphy presents \$1,300 from the Sally Upatisringa Mystery Books Fund to HCL Acting Director Chris Cooper

The Humboldt Library Foundation recently presented a check for \$1,300 to the Humboldt County Library to expand the popular mystery collection. The funds will purchase new materials to be circulated across the county library system.

“There used to be a radio program called ‘I love a mystery’ -- it’s long gone, but the sentiment is still going stronger than ever,” said Michael Logan, Director of Acquisitions and Technical Services at the Humboldt County Library. “Sally Upatisringa loved a mystery, I love them, and thousands of Humboldt County readers love them. Whether you like them cozy or hardboiled, we’re honored to be able to add a little mystery to life thanks to this generous endowment from Sally’s family and the Humboldt Library Foundation.”

The Sally Upatisringa Mystery Fund was established in 2013 by Vis Upatisringa to honor his late wife. From early childhood Sally loved mystery books; as an adult she especially enjoyed the genre for nuance of place and history and reading pleasure. She checked them out of the library with such ferocity, that he endowed the fund to keep the books coming. This annual disbursement brings the total for this purpose to over \$5,000.

The Humboldt Library Foundation (HLF) was formed in 1996 to build financial support for the Humboldt County Library system, which includes the Main Library, ten branches and a bookmobile that serves fourteen rural communities. HLF raises funds in the community and makes direct annual grants to the library to help purchase new materials add programming and provide technology upgrades. Since its inception, HLF has provided over \$1.4 million in grants to the library.

Donations of any size are welcome. If you wish to create a donor advised fund or want more information on the Humboldt Library Foundation and how you can give, visit our website www.humboldtlibraryfoundation.org, 'like' us on Facebook, or call the HLF office at (707) 269-1991.

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