



LIBRARY HAPPENINGS

To inform & serve Library users

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Behind the Desk.....



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The library staff is happy to say good bye to 2008 and hello to 2009. There were a lot of ups and downs in 2008 for us; however, we hope some of the issues the library dealt with in 2008 are truly behind us.

We started 2008 and ended 2008 with a flooded library. On January 5, 2008 we were flooded with 1,200 gallons of water flowing in through the front door. The good news is that drainage improvements have been made. New drain lines, sump pumps and an entry way concrete pad that slopes slightly away from the front door were installed in October. We know that they work because of the November 26 flood. The front entry improvements performed as expected. Unfortunately, some drainage issues related to the construction of the expansion did not. 12,000 gallons of water flood into the library from the north side of the expansion through the emergency exit, into the children's room and out onto the main floor. Those problems have since been repaired. We appreciate the patience of our library patrons during the closures that were required in order to clean up the library.

We celebrated the groundbreaking for the new expansion to the children's room June 16, 2008. Construction started June 30th and was completed by the end of December. The expansion will be used for story times, crafts, events and meetings. The room is beautiful! On the west wall are lovely metal sculptures of California oak trees with the hands of community members adorning the trees as leaves. Local artist Conrad Brazzel created the trees and hands, and donated his labor for this fundraising project to benefit our children's department. Once you see it, you may want to add your hand to one of the trees- there is still time to participate and it is tax deductible.

Mirroring the larger environment, the library did feel the economic impact of recession in 2008. Fundraising income was down, the library's general fund budget was reduced and open staff positions were frozen.

Use of the library's services and programs increased this past year however, following a national trend. We are glad you did take advantage of what we offer! As taxpayers, you support your public library and we are there for you when you need us-in good times and in tough times.

So make a New Year's Resolution to come and check out what's happening at your Glendora Public Library. Check out our website www.glendoralibrary.org; give us a call: 852-4891; pick up one of our library newsletters or see a listing of events on cable channel 3 or on the city hall's reader board located on Foothill Blvd. Information, Imagination and Inspiration @ Your Library. And it's Free!

Library Hours:

Mon.—Wed. 10 am—9 pm Thurs.—Sat. 10 am—5:30 pm Sun. Closed
www.glendoralibrary.org

January—February 2009

Calendar of Events

January 1

Library Closed - New Year's Day

January 10

11 am-1pm "Scrapbook Workshop"

January 12

11 am & 7 pm "Books Alive!"

Adult Book Discussion

January 12 - February 28

"Bookmark Contest" grades K-12

January 15

4 pm "Books n' Brownies"

Teen Book Discussion

January 19

Library Closed - MLK Day

January 26

7 pm Library Board Meeting

January 31

1-8 pm "Family Game Day"

February 3 - March 31

6:30 - 8:30 pm "Quilting Class"

February 4

3 pm "Chocolate Fantasy"

February 5

4 pm "Book Buddies"

Children's Book Discussion

February 7

10 am-12 pm "Teen Toastmasters"

February 11

2-4 pm "Romantic Guitars"

February 12

4 pm "Ravenous Readers"

Children's Book Discussion

February 14

11 am-1pm "Altered Books Workshop"

February 16

Library Closed—President's Day

February 23

7 pm Library Board Meeting

February 25

7 pm "Novel Idea" Adult Book Discussion

February 28

10 am-3 pm "SAT Workshop"

February 28

10 am - 5 pm "Dr. Seuss Birthday"

Children's Programs

These events are all FREE to the public courtesy of the Glendora Public Library Friends Foundation

Children's Storytimes

Join us for stories, poems, songs, and participation activities that are designed to help children develop language skills, and a love of reading. Parents/adult caregivers must accompany and participate with their children in the activities.

"Time for Tykes" ages 3 - 5

Tuesdays & Wednesdays at 10:30 am

"Family Storytime" ages 2 - 5

Saturdays at 10:30 am

One Saturday each month will be a special craft day - Day & craft to be announced

"Family P.J. Storytime" ages 3 - 5

Wednesdays at 7 pm

"Family Craft Night"

3rd Wed. of the month after PJ Storytime

"Mother Goose Storytime" Infants & Toddlers

Thursdays at 10:30 & 11:30 am



A SEUSSATIONAL BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION!

Saturday, February 28, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
Children's Room

Children can participate in this celebration by reading Dr. Seuss books, have fun with coloring or activity pages and enjoy birthday refreshments.

PHOTO RELEASE POLICY:

Attendance at any library program constitutes granting permission for you or your children to be photographed for Glendora Public Library publicity purposes. If you do not want you or your children to be photographed, please inform a library staff person in charge. Names of individuals will not be used in photo captions.

Be Creative

@ the Glendora Public Library

Bookmark Contest

January 12 thru February 28

- ♦ If you are in grades K - 5th,
- ♦ if you live or attend school in Glendora,
- ♦ then you may participate in the bookmark contest at the Glendora Public Library. There will be winners chosen from each grade level. The winning bookmarks will be printed and handed out during the 2009 Summer Reading Club programs. Entry forms are available on the library's web page at www.glendoralibrary.org or in the Children's Room at the Glendora Library. For more information, call the Children's Room at (626) 852-4891.

Children's Book Discussions

Book Buddies

Thursday, February 5 at 4:00 pm
Children's Room

Book discussion for children in grades 1st - 3rd. This month's book is *My Father's Dragon* by Ruth Stiles Gannett. The story begins when Elmer Elevator runs away with an old alley cat to rescue a flying baby dragon. Read how he saves the dragon with his friends.

Ravenous Readers

Thursday, February 12 at 4:00 pm
Children's Room

Book discussion for children in grades 3rd-6th. This month's book is *The Boy's Start the War* by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor. It's not the Hatfield's vs. the McCoy's but a feud nonetheless when the four Harfield brothers square off against their new neighbors, the Malloy sisters. Read about the battles of quick wits and inventiveness on both sides.

Teen Programs

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EXPRESS YOURSELF @ THE GLENDORA PUBLIC LIBRARY Bookmark Contest January 12 thru February 28

- ◆ If you are in grades 6th –12th ,
- ◆ if you live or attend school in Glendora,
- ◆ then you may participate in the bookmark contest at the Glendora Public Library. The winning bookmarks will be printed and handed out during the 2009 Summer Reading Club programs. Entry forms are available on the library's web page at www.glendoralibrary.org or in the Children's Room at the Glendora Library. For more information, call the Children's Room at (626) 852-4891.

Teen Toastmasters February 7, 10:00 to 12:00 pm Bidwell Forum

Professional speech skill building for teens presented by Toastmasters. This is the first in a series of workshops. Call the library at (626) 852-4891 or check the web site www.glendoralibrary.org for specific topics.

BOOKS n' BROWNIES

Thursday, January 15 at 4:00 pm
Main Floor

Book discussion for teens. *The Angel Experiment* by James Patterson is the first book in the Maximum Ride Series. This story is about a group of genetically enhanced kids who can fly and have other unique talents. They are on the run from part-human, part-wolf predators. One from their group is kidnapped and the others must rescue her.

SAT WORKSHOP

Saturday, February 28 10:00 am to 3:00 pm
Bidwell Forum

This **FREE** workshop will cover techniques for achieving a better score on the SAT. You will learn about the verbal and essay portions, as well as the math and writing sections. Refreshments will be provided. Space is limited. Pre-register at the library or call (626) 852-4891.



Save the Date



The Glendora Public Library Friends Foundation Presents

Great Trivia Challenge 17

Saturday, March 28 at 6:30 pm

Felix Event Center, Azusa Pacific University, West Campus

This eagerly anticipated annual event is a fundraiser for the Glendora Library Friends Foundation, where local businesses and service clubs participate in friendly competition. If you would like more information, call the Foundation Office at (626) 852-4894. Tickets will go on sale in March at the Friends Plaza Book Loft.

NEW DAY
NEW PLACE

Adult Programs

These events are all FREE to the public courtesy of the Glendora Public Library Friends Foundation

"Learn It & Do It"

Scrapbook Workshop

**Saturday, January 10, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm
Bidwell Forum**

Learn how to create lasting memories at this Scrapbook workshop taught by Kathy Janicki. Materials will be provided. Call (626) 852-4898 to register. Space is limited.



**Monday, January 12 at 11:00 am & 7:00 pm
Main Floor**

Adult book discussion on *Hope In Hell: Inside the World of Doctors Without Borders* by Dan Bortolotti. The book describes the early history of Doctors Without Borders. Most of the drama in the book appears in interviews with the group's field workers, including doctors, nurses, project coordinators and can-do logisticians.

Family Game Day

**Saturday, January 31, 1 to 8 p.m.
Bidwell Forum**

Drop in at this popular "Game Day" event and bring your favorite game, puzzle, or brain teaser to share. You will have fun learning new games or sharing yours. Pizza will be served at 5 pm.

Quilting Class

**Tuesdays, February 3 thru March 31
(no class March 3)
6:30 - 8:30 pm, Bidwell Forum**

This eight week Quilting class is open to beginners and experienced quilters. Come and learn to quilt or learn new techniques from instructor Sandy Janicki. Class is free. Students must provide their own materials. Call (626) 852-4872 to register.

Chocolate Fantasy

**Wednesday, February 4 at 3:00 pm
Main Floor**

Learn how to create your own fanciful chocolates for that special Valentine in your life.

Linda Hermann owner of "A & J Cake Decorating", will wet our appetites with a fingerlickin' demonstration.

Romantic Guitars

**Wednesday, February 11, 2:00 to 4:00 pm
Main Floor**



Michael Ryan

Classic guitarists Michael Ryan and Ken Souderlund will enchant us with their music. Join us for an afternoon of "romance", prizes and refreshments.

"Learn It & Do It"

Altered Books

**Saturday, February 14, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm
Bidwell Forum**



Learn a new craft of altering old books into something new and unique. Supplies provided. Register by calling (626) 852-4898.

A Novel Idea

**Wednesday, February 25 at 7:00 pm
Main Floor**

Adult book discussion on *The Maltese Falcon* by Dashiell Hammett. Sam Spade's partner is murdered on a stakeout; the cops blame him for the killing; a beautiful redhead with a heartbreaking story appears and disappears; grotesque villains demand a payoff he can't provide; and everyone wants a fabulously valuable gold statuette of a falcon. Who has it? And what will it take to get it back?