

CULVER CITY FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Newsletter

March 2005

President's Message

By Sharon Zeitlin, Ph.D.

The Culver City Julian Dixon Library is one of our city's most important institutions. It is a place that has something to offer everyone. Whatever your reading interest, look for it at our Library. The Library also has a collection of videos, DVDs, CDs, and audiocassettes available to check-out. In addition, you will find children's programs, programs featuring well-known speakers, and musical performances. I am very pleased to serve as President of the Friends of the Library, a group dedicated to supporting the Library.

I would like to introduce our continuing and new executive board members for 2005: **Alan Corlin** (Vice President), **Monica Granados** (Secretary), **Bill Heagy** (Treasurer), **Wayne Pulliam** (Book Sale Chair), **Karen Maggio** (Fundraising Chair), **Dr. Janet Hoult** (Membership Chair), **Diane Rosenberg** (Program Chair), **Gary Walker** (Publication Chair), and **Herb Rosenberg** (Publicity Chair). This is an energetic, hard-working group of volunteers with several innovative ideas for this coming year. Thanks to outgoing board members: **Pearl Herrera**, **Scott Malsin**, **Gino Petrella**, and **Camille Steverson**. We look forward to their continued involvement with the Friends.

As a Board, we have several goals for 2005. They include: Increasing public awareness of the Friends; Building membership; Raising money to enable the Library to better serve our community; and Working with community members to ensure the Library is meeting the needs of our community.

Following are some highlights for the coming quarter. In April, communities across the country celebrate "National Library Week", reminding the public about the valuable contribution of our Libraries and that there is something for everyone at your Library. In May, we kick off our "Get Caught Reading" program. June is "Vision Research Month" and we will be holding a General Membership Meeting, the theme being "Vision for the Friends."

The first quarter of 2005 was very successful. We raised over \$2,300 at our Installation Dinner, over \$1,300 at our book sale, and almost \$300 at our Red Brick Pizza Fundraiser. Several exciting events are planned for next quarter and we hope to see you there. You are also invited to attend our Executive Board meetings held the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM in the Community Room of the Library. With your help, we will have a very productive year. I welcome you to get involved!

Installation Dinner photo on the right. Pictured from left to right: **Councilmember Alan Corlin**, **Dr. Sharon Zeitlin**, **Monica Granados**, **Dr. Janet Hoult**, **Evelyn Udenyi**, and **Karen Maggio**. Photograph by Valerie Perez.

Friends Hold Successful Installation Dinner

By Gary Walker

A brand new year means more programs, projects and an increased level of excitement for the Culver City Friends of the Library. It also includes new members, both to our roster of civic-minded citizens and our executive board.

San Gennaro Café in downtown Culver City was the site of the Culver City Friends of the Library Installation Dinner on Tuesday, January 30, where 62 attendees met the new board, mingled with friends old and new and celebrated the beginning of an exciting new year.

Over \$2,300 was raised at the dinner, and it is a testament to all the hard work put in by the Friends and those who helped organize and attend our celebration. We would like to give special thanks to **Jay Handel**, owner of San Gennaro Café. His staff was courteous and helpful, and San Gennaro once again demonstrated their dedication to the community action groups in Culver City.

In addition, thanks to Culver City Chief Administrative Officer **Jerry Fulwood** who installed our new Executive Board. We also thank **Dr. Richard Corlin**, our guest speaker. Dr. Corlin, who is past president of the American Medical Association, gave a frank and interesting talk on the state of health care. It provided an insightful and fascinating element to the program. Finally, thanks to all who attended and made the night even more special. Your support is greatly appreciated.

We would like to recognize our auction donors, who, without their generous gifts, the evening would not have been complete. They include (in alpha order): **21st Century Security Systems**, **Alan Corlin**, **Althea and Bill Heagy**, **Batteries Plus**, **Bistro De L'Hermitage**, **Boulevard Music**, **Café Laurent**, **Cantalini's**, **Center Theatre Group**, **Coco's**, **Culver Center Florist**, **Culver City Fire Department**, **Culver Ice Arena**, **Diane Giarraffa**, **Double Dutch**, **El Pollo Loco**, **Freesia**, **Golden China**, **Dr. Janet Hoult**, **La Ballona Restaurant**, **Monica Granados**, **Pavilions**, **Primaforce/Scivation**, **Raintree Cleaners**, **Ralphs**, **Red Brick Pizza**, **Robin Turner**, **San Gennaro**, **Santa Maria Barbecue**, **Dr. Sharon Zeitlin**, **Sorrento's**, **Stellar Hardware**, **Surplus Store**, **The Lakes at El Segundo**, **Vicki Daly Redholtz**, and **Wendy Zeitlin**.



Goals - We Need Your Help To:

Increase Public Awareness of the Friends

Tell a friend. Please consider sharing your newsletter with someone who is not a member of the Friends or bringing someone to one of our book sales or programs.

Build Membership in the Friends

Please encourage someone to join. If each of our members gets one person to join, we double our membership. If you haven't renewed your dues, please take a moment right now to do so. Membership is low cost and the benefits are numerous.

Raise Money to Enable the Library to Better Serve our Community

Given current economic and budgetary concerns, it is essential that we raise money so the Library can continue to provide the types of resources, services and programs that it does now. Please renew your dues and attend our book sales and other fundraising activities. Donations, in any amount, are also most appreciated.

Ensure the Needs of our Community are Met

Over the next year, we will be reaching out to local groups to increase our connection with the community. If you have an idea about how the Library can better serve our community, please tell us. For example, would you like the Library to expand its DVD collection? Are you interested in special types of books that aren't currently available at the Library? Is there a particular program in which you would be interested? Do you know an author or celebrity who might be interested in performing at a Friends' sponsored program? Would you like to see improved parking? Are you satisfied with the Library's size? Are you a local group that would like to collaborate on a project with us? For example, we are holding a special drive seeking donations of large print books on behalf of our senior citizens.

Email your suggestions to Sharon.Zeitlin@comcast.net.

Programs

In response to community input, the Friends have several new programs planned for the third Saturday of each month from 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM. This quarter we are trying some new things, including a musical performance by a fabulous musician who has never appeared at the Library before, a presentation by a community leader, and a program featuring a well-known speaker. All these programs are geared to both adults and children. We would also like your input and suggestions. Do you have contacts with interesting people who might like to put on a special program? Please contact **Sharon** with your suggestions (Sharon.Zeitlin@comcast.net).

City Council Proclamation

On Monday, April 11, 2005, the City Council will present a proclamation to the Culver City Julian Dixon Library in recognition of National Library Week. Library staff and Friends of the Library members are encouraged to attend the Council Meeting to receive the proclamation. The meeting will begin at 7:00 PM in the Mike Balkman Council Chambers at City Hall, 9770 Culver Blvd. Public parking is available in the City Hall parking structure from Duquesne Avenue.

April 10–16: National Library Week

Throughout April, the Friends will sponsor several events to recognize National Library Week, including a special reading to the children by Friends President **Dr. Sharon Zeitlin**, a membership drive, a county-wide book sale, a "dessert fest" to honor our librarians and volunteers, and a performance by guitarist **Robby Longley**.

Membership Drive

In support of National Library Week, **Allan Goldman**, of **Batteries Plus**, is sponsoring the Friends Membership Drive. April 3 is "Check your Battery Day", a day to remind you to replace the batteries in your smoke detectors. Allan will give a 9V battery to the first 50 Friends members who visit his store (5437 S. Sepulveda Blvd.) from April 9-16. If you are a current Friends member, simply show the cashier your Membership Card. If you want to join the Friends, you can complete an application there and receive your free battery. Thank you Allan for your continued support of the Friends. Remember, only the first 50 members will receive a FREE battery so hurry in! *Recharge your batteries! – Join the Culver City Friends of the Library!*

Books! Books! Books!

On Saturday, April 9 from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM, we will join all Libraries across Los Angeles County for an annual one-day book sale. Come out and help the Culver City Friends raise the most money across L.A. County! We will have a huge selection of books as well as videos, DVDs, CDs, and audiocassettes. If you are interested in helping out, please feel free to show up anytime throughout the day; we especially need help with set-up (7:30 AM – 9:00 AM).

Thank You Dessert Fest

On Saturday, April 9, the Executive Board of the Friends of the Library will hold a "Thank You Dessert Fest" to celebrate National Library Week (2nd week of April) and National Volunteer Week (4th week of April). This will be at 2:30 PM at the Library. We will be honoring our Librarians and Volunteers. Invitations have been sent to our Friends who have volunteered over the past year. If you did not receive an invitation and have volunteered, contact **Sharon** (Sharon.Zeitlin@comcast.net). If you have not volunteered, but are interested in helping out, please join us on April 9 (before 12:00 PM) to assist us at the book sale; you will also be welcome to attend the dessert fest. We cannot thank our Librarians and Volunteers enough for all they do!

Guitarist Robby Longley

April is International Guitar Month. We are thrilled to welcome **Robby Longley**, a "remarkable guitar sensation", who will perform on Saturday, April 16 from 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM at the Library. This is a wonderful opportunity to see what's sure to be an amazing performance! Check out Robby's website (www.robbylongley.com) and hear a sample of music from one of his 8 CDs! Special thanks to **Gary Mandell** of **Boulevard Music** in Culver City for arranging for such a talented musician to perform for us. Please join us and bring your friends!

May: Get Caught Reading Month

In May, the Friends kick off our "Get Caught Reading" Program, where each month different, influential people "Get Caught Reading". **Herb Wesson**, California State Assembly Speaker Emeritus, and **John Montanio**, Culver City Police Chief, Get Caught Reading in May. Be sure to come to the Library and check out the Friends display case to see who "Gets Caught Reading" each month.

Herb Wesson Reads to the Children

The Friends of the Library are honored to have **Speaker Emeritus Herb Wesson** participate in the Friends monthly reading program. On Tuesday, May 3 from 7:00 PM – 7:50 PM, Speaker Wesson will read to the children. This is a special opportunity for you and your children to meet Speaker Wesson in a fun and informal setting.

National Children and Police Day

On Saturday, May 21 from 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM, the Friends welcome **Culver City Police Chief John Montanio**. In recognition of "National Children and Police Day", Chief Montanio will give a brief presentation and read to the children. This is a wonderful opportunity for you and your children to meet the Chief. **Scout**, the Tibetan Terrier police mascot, other Culver City police officers, police cars and motorcycles may also be on hand. What a great way for your children to learn that, like books, "the police are their friends." Special give-aways will be provided to each child in attendance compliments of the Culver City Police Officer's Association. A program you don't want to miss!

June: Vision Research Month

On Saturday, June 18 from 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM, the Friends will hold a General Membership Meeting, the theme being "Vision for the Friends." We will hear from past presidents of the Friends about their vision and would also like to hear from you. Our special guest speaker will be **Dr. Steve Levin**, an internationally known JPL Astrophysicist, who will discuss his groundbreaking research on the Search for Extra-Terrestrial Intelligence. Each child in attendance will be given a cool "outer space" bookmark. Everyone from the community is welcome to attend what's sure to be a fascinating program.

National Dog Appreciation Day (June 5)

The Friends are pleased to welcome **Vicki Daly Redholtz**, Chair of the Friends of the Culver City Dog Park, to read to and do crafts with the children. Due to a previously scheduled meeting, Vicki is unavailable on the first Tuesday of the month, but she will join us on Tuesday, June 21 from 7:00 PM – 7:50 PM. Please bring your children to this event. Sorry, no dogs allowed.



Quote

Outside of a dog, a book is a man's best friend. Inside of a dog, it's too dark to read. (Groucho Marx)

February Book Sale

By **Gary Walker**

Shrugging off the possibility of rain that had drenched the Los Angeles area only days before, hundreds of literary minded citizens attended the Culver City Friends of the Library Book Sale on February 12.

Proving their determination and the power of a few creative minds, members of the Friends and several hard-working volunteers moved a number of tables into the Community Room for the first few hours of the sale. Once the action moved outside, the pace and the energy of the sale and our devoted volunteers picked up.

We are happy to report that there were a number of first-time shoppers, along with a great deal of book sale regulars whose patronage and input is always welcome. Thanks in large part to all of you, our first sale of the year was a great success! We raised a total of \$1,314.10 for the day. We also signed up new members, which is always an added benefit to any event that we are a part of.

Many thanks to all the volunteers who came out to help us. They include: **Lynn Baril, Councilmember Alan Corlin, Charles Deen, Steve Elstein, Carolyn Ferek, Evelyn Fink, Lee Freehling, Dan Gallagher, Emelie Gerard, Diane Giarraffa, Monica Granados, Carole Gustin, Bill Heagy, Dr. Janet Hoult, Patty Krause, Karen Maggio, Ruth Naiditch, Eric O'Neal, Wayne Pulliam, Robert Schrader, Councilmember Gary Silbiger, Jeff Stanton, Erin Walker, Gary Walker, and Dr. Sharon Zeitlin.** Special thanks to the Library staff for their invaluable assistance.



February 12, 2005 Book Sale Photo. Pictured from left to right: **Karen Maggio, Gary Walker, Diane Giarraffa, Eric O'Neal, Dr. Sharon Zeitlin, Councilmember Alan Corlin, Lynn Baril, Dan Gallagher, and Dr. Janet Hoult.**

Red Brick Pizza Fundraiser

On Tuesday, February 15 the Friends held a fundraiser at Red Brick Pizza in Culver City. Owner, **Mehul Desai**, donated 20% of the proceeds of the lunch and dinner sales. Together with new memberships and donations, the Friends raised \$293.00 from this fun event. Thanks to everyone who came out. Special thanks to Mehul and his staff for their hard work and support!

Calendar of Events

STORYTIME WITH FRIENDS PRESIDENT DR. SHARON ZEITLIN AND COUNCILMEMBER ALAN CORLIN

CULVER CITY JULIAN DIXON LIBRARY

TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2005 (7:00 PM – 7:50 PM)

Dr. Sharon Zeitlin and Councilmember Alan Corlin will read stories and participate in crafts with children and their families.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

CULVER CITY JULIAN DIXON LIBRARY AND BATTERIES PLUS

SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2005 – SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2005

Join the Friends! Be one of the first 50 members to receive a FREE 9V battery compliments of Batteries Plus in Culver City.

COUNTY-WIDE BOOK SALE

CULVER CITY JULIAN DIXON LIBRARY

SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2005 (9:00 AM – 3:00 PM)

Come early for the best selection of books.

DESSERT FEST TO HONOR OUR LIBRARIANS & VOLUNTEERS

CULVER CITY JULIAN DIXON LIBRARY

SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2005 (2:30 PM)

Culver City Julian Dixon Library Librarians and Culver City Friends of the Library Volunteers are honored for their dedication to the Library and our community.

CULVER CITY CITY COUNCIL PROCLAMATION

MIKE BALKMAN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2005 (7:00 PM)

The City Council will present a proclamation to the Culver City Julian Dixon Library in recognition of National Library Week.

MUSICAL PERFORMANCE

CULVER CITY JULIAN DIXON LIBRARY

SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2005 (3:00 PM – 4:00 PM)

Performance by Guitarist Robby Longley.

STORYTIME WITH SPEAKER EMERITUS HERB WESSON

CULVER CITY JULIAN DIXON LIBRARY

TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2005 (7:00 PM – 7:50 PM)

CA State Assembly Speaker Emeritus Herb Wesson will read stories and participate in crafts with children and their families.

PROGRAM FEATURING POLICE CHIEF JOHN MONTANIO

CULVER CITY JULIAN DIXON LIBRARY

SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2005 (3:00 PM – 4:00 PM)

Culver City Police Chief John Montanio joins the Friends in recognition of National Children and Police Day.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING—VISION FOR THE FRIENDS

CULVER CITY JULIAN DIXON LIBRARY

SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 2005 (3:00 PM – 4:00 PM)

Join the current and former Friends Presidents to hear their vision for the Friends. Special guest speaker will be Dr. Steve Levin, JPL Astrophysicist, presenting his research on the Search for Extra-Terrestrial Intelligence.

STORYTIME WITH CHAIR OF THE FRIENDS OF THE CULVER CITY DOG PARK VICKI DALY REDHOLTZ

CULVER CITY JULIAN DIXON LIBRARY

TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2005 (7:00 PM – 7:50 PM)

Vicki Daly Redholtz will read stories and participate in crafts with children and their families.

All events are free and open to the public.

Is Your Membership Current?

If your membership is current, you will find your 2005 Friends of the Library Membership Card enclosed with this newsletter. If your membership has expired, you have received an insert with this newsletter kindly reminding you to renew your dues. Upon receipt of your dues, you will be sent a 2005 Membership Card. If you have any questions, please contact Sharon (Sharon.Zeitlin@comcast.net).

Please renew your membership dues!

Culver City Friends of the Library

Membership Form

(Please print)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY (check one):

New
 Renewal

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP (check one):

Student (under 18 years of age): \$5.00 per year
 Individual: \$10.00 per year
 Senior (over 55 years of age): \$5.00 per year
 Family: \$20.00 per year
 Business and Organization: \$100.00 per year
 Lifetime: \$200.00

NAME(S) TO BE PRINTED ON MEMBERSHIP CARD:

DONATION:

I wish to donate \$ _____
 In memory/honor of: _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED TAX-DEDUCTIBLE PAYMENT OF \$ _____

Cash
 Check payable to the Culver City Friends of the Library

I wish to receive the Friends of the Library quarterly newsletter via:

U.S. Mail
 Email

I wish to get involved in the Friends of the Library:

Please contact me at: _____

Please mail or bring this form with payment to:

Culver City Friends of the Library
4975 Overland Avenue
Culver City, CA 90230
(310) 559-1676

Thank you!

Culver City to Kaizuka City

The Friends of the Library is an association made up of volunteers dedicated to raising funds to support the Culver City Julian Dixon Library. These funds enable the Library to enrich its resources, enhance its services, and expand its programs. Another purpose of this association is to promote knowledge throughout our community as well as others. We accomplish this by working closely with community groups.

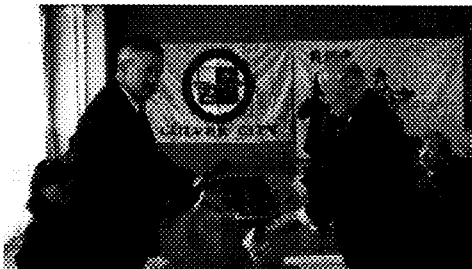
In February 2005, the Culver City Sister City Committee sponsored a trip to Kaizuka City, Japan for two Culver City Police Officers where they ran in a marathon. As part of their journey, **Officer Kirk Newman** and **Officer Sue Sperling** presented two books to Mayor Yoshimichi and the People of Kaizuka City on behalf of the Friends of the Library. The books are entitled "Culver City: The Heart of Screenland" and "Images of America: Culver City". Both books were written by **Julie Lugo Cerra**, our City Historian and a former Friends President. The beautiful meditation garden gracing the front of the Library, which was a gift from the people of Kaizuka City to the people of Culver City in 1974, is a continuing source of pleasure, inspiration and enjoyment for our citizens and visitors. We hope our small gift of friendship will find a special place in Kaizuka City.

Special thanks to Officers Newman and Sperling for representing the Friends of the Library on their travels. We presented each Officer with a Friends of the Library T-shirt and book to thank them for their support. We look forward to receiving their book report!

If you are involved in a local group and would like to participate in a special project with the Friends, please contact **Sharon** at Sharon.Zeitlin@comcast.net.



Pictured from left to right: **Mayor Steven Rose**, **Friends President Dr. Sharon Zeitlin**, and **Officer Kirk Newman**. Officer Newman is receiving the books to present to our friends in Kaizuka City.



Pictured: **Officer Kirk Newman** presenting the Friends of the Library books to **Mayor Yoshimichi of Kaizuka City**.

Summary of Financial Activity for 2004

By **Dr. Sharon Zeitlin** (Treasurer in 2004)

As Treasurer of the Friends people often asked me how much money we have, how it's raised, and how it's spent. Following is a breakdown of our 2004 financial activity.

The Friends raised over \$28,000. Approximately \$2,000 came from membership fees, \$3,500 from donations, \$21,000 from book sales, \$550 from sales of Friends merchandise, \$550 from other fundraising events, \$500 from the 2004 installation dinner, and \$200 from interest income.

Last year the Friends spent almost \$30,000. We spent nearly \$10,200 on new books for adults, young adults, and children. We also substantially added to the Library's Spanish, Chinese, and Japanese language materials, its Judaica collection, and its collection of large print books. We spent approximately \$3,000 on DVDs, videos, CDs, and audiocassettes, \$1,500 on musical programs, \$600 on equipment, \$800 on postage, \$4,500 on supplies, photocopying, and the newsletter, \$600 on materials for a new storage shed, \$5,200 for signs to assist patrons, \$250 on various community activities, and \$2,400 for miscellaneous Library expenses. The balance in our bank accounts at the end of 2004 was \$28,572.18.

Donate to the Friends

Do you have videos, DVDs, CDs, and/or audiocassettes in good condition to donate to the Friends for our April 9 book sale? If so, please bring them to the circulation desk at the Library and tell the staff member your donation is for the Friends. We are also seeking donations of large print books, computers, and printers. Please continue to donate your books. You may put these in the Friends of the Library Donation Bin at the back of the Library. Thank you!

Email Addresses

We are in the process of updating our database. If you have an email account, please send your address to Sharon.Zeitlin@comcast.net. Put "Email: Friends of the Library" in the subject line. This will give the Friends a way to communicate with our members about special functions that arise between newsletter printing, such as the event described below. In an effort to save money on photocopying and postage, we offer you the opportunity to read the newsletter online. When you send us your email address, indicate if you want to continue to receive your newsletter by US mail; otherwise it will be sent via email.

The Kirk Douglas Theatre

The Center Theatre Group generously donated a limited number of tickets to the Culver City Friends of the Library for the performance of "The Paris Letter" at the Kirk Douglas Theatre in January. The Friends sincerely thank the Center Theatre Group and Assistant Producer **Susan Obrow** (a new Friends of the Library member) for this donation. Due to very short notice of this wonderful opportunity, Friends members for whom we had email addresses were contacted and offered tickets. If you would be interested in offers like this in the future, email **Sharon** (Sharon.Zeitlin@comcast.net) and let us know.

Friends of the Library Business Partners

Being a member of the Friends of the Library has its perks! Use your Membership card to get great discounts at the following Community Businesses:

Batteries Plus in Culver City

10% Discount off regularly priced merchandise

Red Brick Pizza in Culver City

10% Discount on food purchases

(not valid with coupons, on deliveries, or on specials)

Waldenbooks/Brentano's Bookstores

20% Discount off regularly priced merchandise

Partner with the Friends

We continue to seek businesses in the community who would like to partner with us to provide discounts to our members. If you are a business owner or know of a company that might be interested in working with us, email Sharon at Sharon.Zeitlin@comcast.net.

Thank you Charles & Susan Deen, CPAs

Thanks to Charles and Susan Deen for donating 20 new 2005 US Master Tax Guides (\$50 retail) to the Friends. They allowed us to sell them for \$20 and keep the proceeds. We still have some available. If you are interested in purchasing one, please see the Library staff at the Circulation Desk. We would also like to thank Charles and Susan for preparing our tax return for the third year in a row. They have generously donated their professional services and expertise and we are very grateful!

The City of Culver City Website

Special thanks to John Richo, Information Technology Director, and Valerie Perez, with the City of Culver City for covering our installation dinner/fundraiser in January. Valerie attended the dinner, served as photographer, and wrote a wonderful article which is posted on the City's website (www.culvercity.org). Thanks for your support!

Friends Display Case

The Friends will soon have a permanent display case at the Library to showcase our programs and activities. We hope to have this set up in April. Be sure to check it out for events that may not have made it into the newsletter. Pictures of our Friends who "Get Caught Reading" will also be displayed along with the name of their favorite book!

Recycle Bin

The Friends are pleased to announce the addition of a recycling bin at the Library for paper and cardboard. Like you, we also care about the environment and want to do our part. This bin is for Library use ONLY. There was a recycle bin at the Library in the past, however, some people brought their personal trash to the Library and left it next to the locked bin. The sanitation workers and the Librarians will not pick up your trash. Any abuses will necessitate removal of the bin. We ask for your cooperation.

Friends Website

After a long absence, the Friends will once again have a web presence. Councilmember Alan Corlin has volunteered to serve as our webmaster. This will be Alan's first website and he welcomes any and all suggestions (he asks that you "please be kind"). He anticipates the site will be up sometime late March. Our website address is: www.ccfol.org. You may also find us at www.culvercityfriendsofthelibrary.org. Once the site is up, please be sure to check it often. We will be continually updating it with new information and events.

Name the Bookworm Contest

The Culver City Friends of the Library are having a "Name the Bookworm" contest for children and teens through grade 12. The contest is designed to encourage children and teens to get involved with events at the Library. This newsletter provides full details about the contest and an entry form. Please encourage your children, grandchildren, friends' children, neighborhood children, nieces and nephews, and brothers and sisters (through grade 12), to participate in the contest. Awards will be presented on the community stage at the Fiesta La Ballona to be held in August.

Books for Sale in the Friends Book Room

The Friends' Book Room, located inside the Library, is open during Library hours with great buys and a variety of titles for your reading pleasure.

Library/Book Room Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 10:00 AM-8:00 PM

Friday: 10:00 AM-6:00 PM

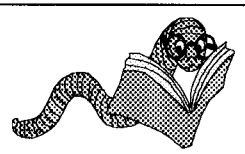
Saturday: 10:00 AM-5:00 PM

Sunday and Holidays: Closed

Thanks to Wayne Pulliam (Book Sale Chair), Dr. Janet Hout (Membership Chair), and Stephen Elstein (Friends member) for sorting through donations and organizing the book room. Your hard work is very much appreciated!

Get Involved

There are many ways you can get involved with the Friends. The newsletter is filled with upcoming Friends events. Please put them on your calendar and plan to attend. Support the Friends by coming to a fundraiser or shopping in our book room. You might also be interested in volunteering. Are you interested in working at a book sale? Helping in our book room? Working on a subcommittee focusing on membership or fundraising? To find out more about the Friends and/or volunteer opportunities, please contact Sharon (Sharon.Zeitlin@comcast.net).



Parking at the Library

Overflow parking is available next door to the North of the Library at 4909 Overland Avenue and one block East of the Library on Virginia

Newsletter Editors

Gary Walker and Dr. Sharon Zeitlin