



CULVER CITY FRIENDS
OF THE LIBRARY

Spring Newsletter

MARCH, 2012

Book Sale

**Saturday,
May 19
9 AM to 3 PM**

**Culver City
Julian Dixon
Library**

Presidents' Message - Elaine & Nancy

We are looking forward to a great year in 2012. Our goal is to work closely with the library staff to add to the collection of books, but also to try and augment the warm and welcoming atmosphere of the library. We hope to be able to purchase new furniture for the library and to make some improvements in the physical décor of the library.

We are currently planning to hold two book sales in 2012. The first one will be May 19. The second one is scheduled for November 17. We love book sales, and so do you, but we have had increasing difficulty with enough volunteers who are able to assist with the heavy lifting necessary to put on these book sales. We have had good support from high school

students, but the last couple of book sales has seen fewer students able to really help out. Without strong backs to carry books and stock the sales, we will not be able to hold as many sales. If we are able to muster more volunteers at the May sale, we might be able to hold another one in September. We rely on you.

In the meantime, we are rotating stock in the on-going sale in the Book Room at the library. Stop by and check out the new titles that appear every week or so. All books from the book room are \$1 and can be paid for at the circulation desk. We appreciate all donations, and particularly are grateful for donors who drop off books when the library is open. Receipts for tax

purposes are also available at the circulation desk. We are less likely to have donated books "walk away" when they are donated during library hours!

We are hoping to have a variety of fun and informative activities through the year. If you have any suggestions, or would like to offer to help with anything, send an email to info@ccfol.org.

Elaine Hirohama
Nancy Kuechle
Co-Presidents

Weekly Knitting Group

The Thursday afternoon knitting group is entering its sixth year. Started as a way to teach teens and tweens to knit or crochet, it has expanded to work with stitchers of all ages and all abilities. We meet every Thursday from 2:45 to 4:15 in the Community room at the library. Yarn, needles and instruction are all available for free. We always welcome donations of yarn and supplies, which can be dropped off at the library.



For details about this event,
and all our events, go to:

[http://www.ccfol.org/
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Some of the Books
Purchased by CCFOL

Beowulf
Common Sense
Complete Idiots Guide to Nursing
Death of a Salesman
Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass
Piece of Cake
Songwriting for Dummies
To Be a Slave
Xenocide
The Alchemist
Bicycling
Brave New World
Leverage
One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest
Joy Luck Club
Hughes After Howard
Last of the Mohicans
Paradise Lost
Steve Jobs: a Biography
Winesburg, Ohio
Beloved
Christmas Carol
The Crucible
Emma
How to Repair Your Motorcycle
Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks
Mosby's Guide to Nursing Diagnosis
Portrait of a Lady
Slaughterhouse 5
Best Tropical Fishes
Developing Talents by Temple Grandin
Get Healthy Go Vegan Cookbook
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings
Prescription for Natural Cures
Catch 22
Certified Nursing Assistant
Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet
Christopher Durang Explains it All
Martian Chronicles

Principal Pumilia Storytime



March 6 at 7 PM, join El Marino Principal Mrs. Pumilia as she reads her favorite Dr. Seuss Books! Fun Arts and Crafts projects immediately after.



The first Tuesday of the month the CCFOL sponsors a storytime with a featured reader and craft. April 3rd will have an Earth Day theme, and May 1st a Mother's Day theme.



Membership Ice Cream Drive

The first Ice Cream Membership Drive drew about 100 people who enjoyed the ice cream, purchased children's books and joined the Friends if they were not already members. Thank you to Sharon and all her volunteers for making this such a success.

Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers for our May 19 Quarterly book sale, and we need you to sign up now. Email ccfriendspres@gmail.com to confirm your attendance.

We need some good lifters, packers and straighteners!

As always free pizza and drinks are included for our volunteers. 7:30 am-11:30 am and 11:30-3:30 pm. Sign up for one shift or both. Questions? Give us a call. We wouldn't be able to orchestrate this without you volunteers so please sign up! Don't forget your volunteer sheet if you have one.

Used Battery Drop Off

Did you know that you should not throw away batteries in the recycle bin, or even in the regular trash. Batteries should be disposed of properly. Let the library do that for you. Drop off your batteries in the bin by the front door and they will be given to the hazardous waste disposal department.

Annual Installation Was A Mystery

The annual installation dinner took a mysterious twist this year, with the presentation of "Mystery in the Library", with a cast of talented local luminaries. Special thanks go to Paula Wilson, Michael Laase,

Patti Jaffe, Carol Schwab, Jeff Cooper, Alan Corlin, Scott Zeidman, Mike Cohen and director Aaron Blake for their time and creativity.

Their costumes, local humor and enthusiasm made for an entertaining and delightful evening for all who attended and money for the library was raised as well. The Culver Club at the Doubletree Hotel was the perfect venue, and special

congratulations go to Former Councilmember Scott Malsin for winning the prize for correctly solving the crime! Community volunteers Bobbie Abood and Juanita Jepson were honored, as were outgoing President Wanda Anesh and outgoing Treasurer John Kuechle. A special afghan was presented to Librarian Laura Frakes in thanks for all she does to help the library and the Friends



Some of the Books Purchased by CCFOL

Fellowship of the Ring
The Two Towers
Return of the King
Necromancer
Princeton Test Guides
Lolita
Slam
Roll of thunder,
Hear my Cry
Whale Talk
Mrs. Frisby and the
Rats of NIMH
Clifford's Day with Dad
Clifford's Valentines
(other Clifford titles)
David Gets in Trouble
Don't Let the Pigeon
Drive the Bus
Frog and Toad Together
If I Ran the Zoo
Josefina Learns a Lesson
Kaya's Hero
Kit Learns a Lesson
(other American
Girls titles)
Phantom Tollbooth
Trumpet of the Swan
Tuck Everlasting
Fancy Nancy
Harry Potter and the
Goblet of Fire
Little Engine that Could
Pinkalicious
If You Give a Mouse
a Cookie
Diary of a Worm
Are You There, God,
It's Me, Margaret

Edible Book Festival, March 24

The Culver City Julian Dixon Library will be hosting our Edible Book Festival on Saturday, March 24. You can make a "book" for the contest, or just come to judge and taste the entries. We invite people to make their edible books and bring them to the library on Saturday, March 24 between 1 and 1:30. From 1:30 to 2:30, you may admire the displays, vote for your favorite, and cre-

ate your own impromptu edible book from materials that will be provided. At 2:30, we will award the prizes in the following categories: Most Humorous, Most Creative, Best Kids' Book Portrayal, Most Delicious-looking, Most Inspired, and the People's Choice. A special cake will be available for tasting! Come join us, to celebrate books, food and friendship!



What's An Edible Book?

An edible book is anything having to do with books, that is made out of edible materials. You can re-create a picture from a book, a book cover, or a play on words. It's a fun way to combine food and literature in any sort of drama or whimsy that inspires you. You can choose to make a realistic facsimile of part of a book, or use your creativity for a play on words with the

book title and the ingredients. Some examples might range from a plate of Green Eggs and Ham in homage to Dr. Seuss, frowning grapes, for Grapes of Wrath, Alice in Wonderbread, or green-frosted graham crackers for Graham Greene.

Photos and examples of past entries can be seen on our website http://ccfol.org/Images/4-2-2011%20Edible%20Book%20Festival/Edible_Book_Festival_4-2-2011/sf1_thumbs4.htm



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The Culver City Friends of the Library is a non-profit group comprised of volunteers dedicated to supporting the Culver City Julian Dixon Library. The Friends strive to heighten public awareness of the Library's resources, services and needs, enrich the Library's resources through funds derived from memberships, donations and special projects, and stimulate gifts to the Library of books and other materials. The support provided by the Friends enables the Library to enrich its resources, enhance its services, and expand its programs to maximize the Library's role and usefulness in the community. Please join us! Just complete the form below (please print!) and mail in your dues today. With membership you receive a Friends membership card that will entitle you to various benefits at local businesses. You will also receive the Friends' newsletter.

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TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP/DUES: NEW RENEWAL

CHECK ONE: INDIVIDUAL \$10.00/year SENIOR (OVER 65): \$5.00/year FAMILY: \$20.00/year

SUPPORTING \$50/year STUDENT (UNDER 18): \$5.00/year LIFETIME: \$200.00

BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION: \$100.00/year SUSTAINING SENIOR (OVER 65) \$15.00/year

TOTAL ENCLOSED TAX-DEDUCTIBLE PAYMENT OF

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