Items of Interest to the Commission and Announcements

Recommended Action:

Commissioners or Library staff may make announcements regarding the Library Commission and Library or Friends group activities of interest to other Library Commission members.
The Board of Supervisors of
Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of Recognizing the Contra Costa County Library for Receiving the 2012 Institute of Museum and Library Services National Medal

WHEREAS, the Contra Costa County Library endeavors to bring people and ideas together in unique and innovative ways; and

WHEREAS, the library demonstrates the many ways libraries build strong communities and provide opportunities for individual success; and

WHEREAS, the Contra Costa County Library has furthered its mission by ensuring how residents access library services on the go; and

WHEREAS, the library has been recognized nationally for its program known as Library-a-Go-Go, which includes neighborhood-based learning machines in the community; and

WHEREAS, the library has again been recognized nationally for its program known as Library-a-Go-Go, which includes neighborhood-based learning machines in the community; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors hereby honors the Contra Costa County Library and its staff for their outstanding work in improving the community and extending its reach, contributing to the success of the library's mission.


JOHN GIOIA
District 1 Supervisor

CANDACE ANDERSEN
District 2 Supervisor

CEDAR MITCHELL
District 3 Supervisor

FEDERAL D. GLOVER
District 4 Supervisor
Library earns national award

County Librarian Barbara Flynn accepts highest honor conferred on libraries in nation

By ERIN CLARK
Martinez News-Gazette

The Contra Costa County Library was recently awarded the National Medal for Museum and Library Service, the nation's highest honor conferred on museums and libraries for service to their communities. Library and county representatives traveled to Washington, D.C., for the awards ceremony, along with one very special guest, who County Library Director Barbara Flynn says was "the star of the show.

"Paul, the Institute of Museum and Library Service, awarded Contra Costa County Library for its success in serving the community and making the library a place where people feel welcome and valued," said Flynn. The community member of choice, Gladys Leaks, who turned 82 last month, was selected for her dedication to library service.

Leaks, who was honored at the ceremony, says all aspects of her life have been enhanced by her reading skills.

"I no longer have to look at pictures to understand movies or music, I can read now, to my grandchildren," Leaks said at a ceremony held at the Eisenhower Executive Office Building near the White House.

Leaks said she landed her dream job because of her literacy skills, and has since successfully advanced within her company.

"I am an excellent spokewoman," said Flynn. "I am watching [as she gave her speech] and I saw tears coming to the audience's eyes. At the end of the ceremony when we had the reception, people were gathered around her, congratulating her, applauding her bravery," Flynn continued. "It's a very brave thing to do when you didn't know how to read for almost all of your life."

"[This award] is not just an honor for the library," Flynn said, "it's an honor for the community and for each and every city and town where we have a library. It really says as much about library services here in Contra Costa County, and the way that we try to meet the needs of the community."

In addition to the work Project Second Chance is doing to aid literacy, the library is also expanding its technology services by offering downloadable books, music and other content through a new app called "Contra Costa Library.

"We will celebrate 100 years of operation on July 21, 2013, and we're planning several events leading up to the anniversary. We'll be coming out to each community in the county to talk about the library and find out from community members what their needs are," said Flynn. The Martinez Library will host a kick-off event at 10 a.m., where presentations will be made. Former county librarians and library staff will be present.

In the meantime, the library is planning events throughout Contra Costa County to continue to serve the community with their various programs and services.

For more information on the many libraries within the county and the services they provide, visit http://cccLib.org.
December 5, 2012

Ms. Barbara L. Flynn
1750 Oak Park Boulevard
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523-4497

Dear Ms. Flynn,

Congratulations on the Contra Costa County Library being chosen for the 2012 National Medal for Museum and Library Service. It is extremely impressive that Contra Costa will be one of only five public libraries in the Country receiving this distinguished honor.

The programs that the Contra Costa County Library provides for children, teenagers and families are quite remarkable. You should be very proud that these programs are not only being recognized nationally, but more importantly, they are changing the lives of young people throughout Contra Costa County.

Again, congratulations on this good news. It is an honor to serve you in Sacramento.

Sincerely,

Nancy Skinner
California State Assemblymember, 15th District
December 5, 2012

Contra Costa County Library
 c/o Barbara Flynn, County Librarian
 1750 Oak Park Blvd
 Pleasant Hill, California 94523-4412

Dear Ms. Flynn:

I send my sincere congratulations to the Contra Costa County Library on its receipt of the 2012 National Medal for Museum and Library Service by the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

The National Medal is the United States’ highest honor for museums and libraries, and recognizes the profound impact that these institutions have on our communities and the lives of our citizens. This award honors the hard work that the library has done to provide the people of Contra Costa County with innovative and enriching programs and services.

I commend the administration, staff, and volunteers of the Contra Costa County Library for the work that you have done to earn this remarkable distinction. I hope that this award inspires you all to continue pursuing excellence on behalf of the communities that you serve.

Sincerely,

Barbara Boxer
United States Senator

BB:jq
December 3, 2012

Barbara Flynn  
Contra Costa County Librarian  
1750 Oak Park Boulevard  
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

Dear Barbara Flynn,

Thank you for the invitation to participate at the Institute of Museum and Library Services ceremony where the Contra Costa County Library received a 2012 National Medal for Museum and Library Service last month.

I look forward to future events with your group.

Please call me at 925.252.4500 if there is anything I can do to assist you.

Best regards,

Mary Nejedly Piepho  
County Supervisor, District III

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Congratulations again for all the hard work you did.  What fun we had together.  Please share photos when you can.
Office of the Mayor
City of Martinez

Proclamation

Contra Costa County Library
National Award Recipient - 2012

WHEREAS, Contra Costa County Library has received the nation's highest honor conferred on libraries and museums, the 2012 National Medal for Museum and Library Service; and

WHEREAS, the Contra Costa County Library was one of only five (5) public libraries nationwide to receive this award for 2012; and

WHEREAS, this award was conferred on the Contra Costa Public Library for service to the community and to celebrate the Library's making a difference for individuals, families and the communities served; and

WHEREAS, the Institute of Museum and Library Service notes that museums and libraries serve as community anchors and that the 2012 recipients demonstrate the many ways libraries and museums build strong communities and provide opportunities for individual success; and

WHEREAS, the National Medals were presented in Washington, D.C. on November 14, 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Rob Schroder, Mayor of the City of Martinez, on behalf of the Martinez City Council, do hereby congratulate and commend:

Contra Costa County Library
Recipient of the National Medal for Museum and Library Service - 2012

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Martinez to be affixed hereto this 21st day of November, 2012.

Rob Schroder, Mayor
The Board of Supervisors of
Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of Recognizing the Contra Costa County Library's 100th Birthday Celebration and Proclaiming 2013 the "Year of the Library"

RESOLUTION NO. 2012/513

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors established the Contra Costa County Library on July 21, 1913; and
WHEREAS, Mrs. Alice G. Whitbeck was appointed to serve as the first County Librarian on August 14, 1913; and
WHEREAS, the Walnut Creek Library became the first County library on October 9, 1913; and
WHEREAS, the Library quietly grew, accommodating community libraries and fostered 31 school libraries by 1918; and
WHEREAS, the Library has been key in providing critical information to the public during World War II with an Information Center established in its headquarters; and
WHEREAS, the Library enabled distance learning by initiating Project Second Chance: the successful adult literacy program in 1984; and
WHEREAS, the Library expanded its public library volume in 1985; and
WHEREAS, the Library converted all the computer programming to centralized systems in 1996; and
WHEREAS, the County Library Board recommended the Library as a Department of the County in 1997; and
WHEREAS, the Library received the California State Association of Counties Challenge award in 1997 for its efforts to enhance the quality of service to communities in the County and the implementation of the 24-hour automated Self-Check-In service in November 2011 for the 18 branches; and
WHEREAS, the Library received the American Library Association's, Library Journal's, and Library Technology Magazine's 2010 Library of the Year Award for excellence in technology and the 2012 Library of the Year Award; and
WHEREAS, the Library has continued the growth of its 20 libraries in the community library system; and
WHEREAS, the Library has received the California Library Association with the P.E. Reed Award for Outstanding Service to the Library Profession and the 2011 CALA President's Award for service to the library community; and
WHEREAS, the Library has enjoyed over 100 million transactions and over 50 million visits in 2011; and
WHEREAS, the Library has received the American Library Association's Librarian of the Year award and the Gold Customer Service Relations Award in 2012; and
WHEREAS, the Library was recognized and selected to receive the 2012 Outstanding City Life Award for its achievements; and
WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors wishes to recognize the County Library's 100th Birthday Celebration on July 21, 2013, and proclaim 2013 as the "Year of the Library."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims the Contra Costa County Library's 100th Birthday Celebration on July 21, 2013, and proclaims 2013 as the "Year of the Library."

Passed a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors present on 11th day of December 2012.

Marilyn Pietro
Chair
District III Supervisor

John Gioia
District I Supervisor

Karen Mitchell
District IV Supervisor

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District II Supervisor

Federico Glover
District V Supervisor
CPLA exists for you!
Take It, Teach It! Over 115 library boards have been trained! Several boards have had sufficient turnover to request the training a second time. Have you had a turnover on your board? Request the training again.

Library Board Effectiveness Training - FREE
This training is available now, presented at your library, on a date of your choosing on a Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon. Experienced trustees/commissioners have been trained in a curriculum developed by Carla Lehnh, consultant in board training, California State Library. In order to be more effective, each session is tailored to the specific needs and issues of the board or commission being trained.

By the end of this session participants will be able to:
- Articulate the significant role and contribution of volunteer trustees to Library success, including CPLA's role.
- Understand the various Library Board structures in California, and recognize the type on which they serve.
- Identify legal obligations of library board members, and know steps to take to reduce personal and Board liability.
- List the role and functions of a Library Board, and articulate some success strategies for accomplishing them.
- Develop and/or enhance a productive working relationship with their Library Director.
- Identify next steps for addressing their own current issues in this area.

Agenda
- CPLA questions? Doris Lau
- Website questions? Contact Richard K. Moore
- Introduction
- Why Do We Have Library Boards?
- Types of Library Boards in California
- What Library Boards Do
- Legal Duties and Liabilities of Library Board Members
- Success Strategies for Boards
- Working Toward Good Board/Library Director Relations
- Next Steps -- What Can We Do To Help Our Board Be Effective?
- Additional Resources Available to Help

Email Jane Jones to arrange for this FREE training >>

http://www.caltac.org/resources/training.php
We are pleased to be able to provide this service as part of our goal to educate California library trustees and commissioners to better carry out their duties and responsibilities.

**Become a Trainer**
The Board Development Committee is always looking for a few great trustees/commissioners who would like to be workshop trainers. You must have some experience training adults, experience on a California library board, a California driver's license, and membership in CPLA (or willingness to join). The commitment is for one year with the likelihood of each trainer doing two to three workshops. Our trainers have stated how much they enjoy presenting the workshop and how much they learn, too.

Please send your comments about this or any other trustee/commissioner needs to Jane Jones.
Welcome All TRUSTEES, FRIENDS and FOUNDATION Members to CPLA Workshops

2013 CPLA Workshop in Library Leadership

Guerrilla Advocacy – It’s a Jungle Out There!

North Section Greetings:

BEN OCÓN, City Librarian

DAVID LIM, San Mateo Mayor introduced by DR. ALBERT ACENA, Library Board President

JOHN CHRASTKA, KEYNOTE, founder of EveryLibrary.org

Presenters:

JOE SIMITIAN, Santa Clara Co. Supervisor

ANN MILLER, Community Relations Coordinator, Solano County Library

South Section Greetings:

OWEN NEWCOMER, Whittier Mayor

PAYMANEH MAGHSoudi, Library Director

JOHN CHRASTKA, KEYNOTE, founder of EveryLibrary.org

Panelists:

MARY HOUSEL of Santa Maria, Guadalupe

DAN ROBLES of Santa Paula, Blanchard

SUE PAUL, Human Resources Director, Pomona

Greetings from Interim State Librarian, Gerald Maginnity
And Derek Wolfram, President, California Library Association

New views on advocacy for Library Trustees, Commissioners, Friends and Foundations.

Saturday, March 2, 2013 : Whittwood Branch Library, Whittier
Saturday, March 16, 2013 : San Mateo Public Library

PROGRAM

NORTH SOUTH

8:45 - 9:00AM Registration

9:00 to 9:15AM Greetings

9:15 - 9:30AM Gerald Maginnity, Interim State Librarian

9:30 - 10:15AM Keynote Speaker – John Chрастка

10:15 - 10:45 Joe Simitian, Supervisor Mary Housel, Dan Robles, Sue Paul

10:45 - 11:00 Q&A

11:00 - 11:15 Break

11:15 - 11:30 Ann Miller

11:30 - 11:50 Derek Wolfram, CLA President

11:50 - 12:30 Break out groups

12:30 - 12:45 Groups report -- finish.
Registration Form for NORTHERN WORKSHOP
San Mateo Public Library.---- Saturday, March 16, 2013
55 West 3rd Avenue San Mateo, CA 94402 (650) 522-7802

Name: _______________________________ Library System: _______________________________
Address: _______________________________
City, State, Zip: ________________________ Phone: ____________________ Fax: __________

Are you a CPLA Member? yes no
Do you wish to share your email address with other workshop attendees? yes no

Registration Fee (due by 3/2/13) Make checks payable to CPLA and mail to:
CPLA Member $18 Alan Smith (925) 825-5575
Non-member 20 4823 Boxer Blvd.
                                      Concord, CA 94521

TOTAL _____ NO REFUNDS

Early Bird registration fee $18 when post marked by March 2, 2013; otherwise $20.

San Mateo Public Library
55 West 3rd Avenue, San Mateo, CA 94402 (650) 522-7802
http://tinyurl.com/9weq7c4
From Highway 101: Take the 3rd Avenue exit. Go west about one mile. The library will be on the left side after you cross El Camino Real.
Free parking in Library garage; free street parking with 2-hr. limit on Saturdays.

CPLA MEMBERSHIP IS OPEN TO ALL LIBRARY ADVOCATES!
Name______________________________
Address____________________________
City State ZIP_______________________
E-Mail______________________________
Phone_________________________ Fax_____________________

New____ Renewal____ Individual Membership: $25

Group Membership $23 each (Board = 5 or more members. Fill out a form for each member identifying the library or system, including Library Director).
Please mail this form with payment to: CPLA c/o CLA
248 East Foothill Blvd, Ste. 101, Monrovia, CA 91016-5525
For questions, please contact CPLA President Doris Lau: dkigov@yahoo.com

Whittwood Branch Library
10537 Santa Gertrudes Ave., Whittier, CA 90603 (562) 567-9950
http://www.cityofwhittier.org/depts/library/whittwood.asp
East of the 605, South of Whittier Blvd. — Parking available all around the library

Registration Form for SOUTHERN WORKSHOP
Whittwood Branch Library, Whittier ---- Saturday, March 2, 2013
10537 Santa Gertrudes Ave., Whittier, CA 90603 (562) 567-9950

Name: _______________________________ Library System: _______________________________
Address: _______________________________
City, State, Zip: ________________________ Phone: ____________________ Fax: __________

Are you a CPLA Member? yes no
Do you wish to share your email address with other workshop attendees? yes no

Registration Fee (due by 2/16/13) Make checks payable to CPLA and mail to:
CPLA Member $18 Doris Lau (626) 991-7822
Non-member 20 c/o P.O. Box 609
                                      Long Beach, CA 90801

TOTAL _____ NO REFUNDS

Early Bird registration fee $18 when post marked by February 16, 2013; otherwise $20.
Implementing Cost-Effective Assistive Computer Technology

Jane Vincent

with a foreword by Rhea Joyce Rubin
Implementing Cost-Effective Assistive Computer Technology

Don't worry about the budget just yet. Keep in mind that assistive technology implementation should be an ongoing process, not a one-time event. If there is a unique and desirable product that is too expensive or incompatible with your computer setup at this time, put it on the wish list and defer its purchase until funds can be secured or the technical issues are resolved rather than simply eliminating it from consideration.

If possible, add a wish list item for reserve funding to accept new and appropriate requests. This can eliminate the need to wait until a new budget cycle or to scramble for external funding before making new purchases on a timely basis.

Selection and Budgeting in Action

Interview with Members of the Contra Costa County (CA) Library Accessibility Committee

The Contra Costa County Library has put a commendable amount of effort into developing a thorough and thoughtful assistive technology strategy. The following representatives of the Accessibility Committee, which meets monthly and includes librarians from multiple branches, IT staff, and administrators, generously agreed to be interviewed about their equipment selection and budgeting process: Himan Brown, Rob Cima, Susan Cantor-Haring, Kathy Militz, Victoria Sacco, Susan Weaver, and Gene Worthy.

What sources of information (including your focus groups, if applicable) did you use to make decisions about your equipment purchases?

Besides the feedback we got from our focus groups, the Accessibility Committee received a tremendous amount of information on the latest trends in assistive technology from BADSL (Bay Area Disability Services Libraries), a local consortium of librarians charged with implementing accessibility services. The Committee learned about equipment from BADSL by attending its meetings and subscribing to its e-mail list.

Several Accessibility Committee members visited the UCSD library, and the AADP coordinator at the Oakland Public Library; to receive a tour of the library's assistive technology services and solutions. The Committee gathered information on sources for future staff training and received a demonstration of the Oakdale Public Library's CCTV and Karusell software for people with learning disabilities.

All the Contra Costa County community libraries are now equipped with a "low-tech kit" made up of accessibility tools that were researched by the Accessibility Committee and recommended by BADSL. Each kit contains a wide set of tools to assist people with visual, hearing, and cognitive disabilities.

Additional information came from a variety of other sources:

- Committee members reviewed local college libraries to see what assistive technology they offered.
- Representatives from the Hearing Loss Association of North America (HLAA) and the Deaf Valley Chapter recommended a portable hearing loop (technology that helps hard-of-hearing people).
- Committee members attended workshops presented by the InforPeople (a California training initiative) and the East Bay Hearing Disability Association.
- Jane Vincent from the Center for Accessible Technology provided input during our meetings.

Funding came from both sources:

- The Contra Costa Library prioritizes the funding for the following at all 25 community libraries:
  - Modifying with a 20" screen
  - Large print keyboard
  - Trackball mouse

- One CCTV (closed-circuit television, used to magnify printed materials)
- Magnification software
- Assistive listening systems and earphone viewers
- T-Cell loop hearing assistance systems, including a portable unit kept at the children's desk that can be checked out for in-school programs
- A headphone at the first floor information desk
- The Friends of the Lafayette Library and Learning Center funded one CCTV.
- Holder for picturebooks (see Chapter 5, p. 8) were funded by local-sponsor sources
- Sun Ramone Library—funded by a Pacific Library Partnership Easy-Add Grant
- Antioch Library—funded by the Friends of the Antioch Library
- Lafayette Library—funded by the Friends of the Lafayette Library and Learning Center

Did you choose to work with multiple vendors or just one? What influenced this decision?

For the purchases recently made (CCTV, hearing loops, and low-tech tools), the Library worked with multiple vendors. County purchasing requires the Library to request bids from multiple vendors for purchases over a certain dollar amount. The Automation Department contracted multiple vendors before making purchasing decisions.

How did you create a budget for non-library items, such as training?

We didn't create a separate budget for these items, although Library administrators were open to asking us to exceed normal Library expenditures. The Committee provided substantial training through the Library's Staff Training Enrollment program, which was set up by our Virtual Library staff. Staff Training will continue to provide the common area for us to learn the most recent changes in delivering library services.

Prior to this, individual Committee members identified and shared findings on the costs of products and services we might provide for people with varying disabilities. For example, we put together lists of low and high technology products for use by people with development, speech, hearing, and vision disabilities.

Included in the County budget are opportunities for accessibility training through InforPeople workshops and webinars, ALC, and CLA (California Library Association) workshops, or other resources. Members and nonmembers of the Accessibility Committee can take advantage of these training opportunities.

Staff Training for Library accessibility does not always require a line in the budget and can be accomplished by a variety of means. All staff can be included in internal communications such as StaffNet e-mail, and small groups and individuals can attend training or share a summary with other staff. We hope to have an accessibility-themed All Staff Day in our future, the ultimate training opportunity.

(Based on wide discussion of staff, December 18, 2012.)

BUDGETING

Getting assistive technology into the Library's budget is obviously important as a funding strategy. However, it conveys a larger message as well: assistive technology is important to the Library's mission and will be considered on an ongoing basis, at least on a par with other services.
Diablo Valley Chapter

Advocates at Library
A public library ideally is where people of all abilities and backgrounds gather to take advantage of community resources, but many libraries still do not have available services for people with hearing loss. In 2005, HLAA's Diablo Valley Chapter initiated a project to change that.

Chapter members have participated in a library disability focus group, which resulted in a new library becoming looped; hosted an Information and Assistive Listening Device (ALD) demonstration table at ACCESS@your library; and distributed DVDs about hearing loss Learn About Hearing Loss (HLAA), Teamwork for Hearing Loss Awareness (HLAA), and Conquer Silence: Restore "Hearing with Cochlear Implants." This year they hope their libraries will subscribe to Hearing Loss Magazine and add the 2012 Consumer's Guide to Hearing Aids to their collections.

Los Angeles Chapter Advocates for People with Hearing Loss
If you ever have attended one of the college football annual championship game parades, you know how difficult it is to participate fully because of a lack of captioning. The Hearing Loss Association of Los Angeles wants to change that. Rose Bowl staff met with several of the main users of the Bowl and discussed captioning public announcements on the Bowl's Jumbotron and the various contract, financial, and policy matters that are connected to captioning everything that goes on over through [the] public address system. Chapter members are guardedly optimistic that everything might be in place for UCLA's first football game at the Rose Bowl in early September.

Four HLAA-LA Chapter members joined Chapter President Malik El-Amin in testifying before both the Pasadena Accessibility and Disability Commission and the Pasadena City Council. Members came to support the Accessibility and Disability Commission remaining as a separate organization rather than being merged as a subcommittee under the Human Services and Recreation Commission. HLAA-LA opposed this restructuring due to the likelihood that it would have diminished the voice of Pasadena's disability community. President El-Amin believes that their collective public comments helped to sway the opinions of the mayor and members of the city council.

Robert Gotski, accessibility issues coordinator for Pasadena and staff liaison to the Accessibility and Disability Commission, wrote to President El-Amin. "I think council members were enlightened about the Accessibility and Disability Commission and learned a few things about the disability community in Pasadena."

City of Pasadena Accessibility and Disability Commission Chair Thelma Johnson added that the Commission is participating in other projects that promote accessibility in the city: Reese's Retreat at Brookside Park (a playground universally designed for children of all abilities with a play area that has sensory elements) and a fully accessible emergency preparedness video that is audio described and captioned.

Woodland Chapter

Focuses on Children
The HLAA Woodland Chapter continues to help meet children's needs for hearing health care. The Chapter recently honored Don Laplante of the Woodland Lions Club for his efforts to raise $3,000 for the chapter's program to provide hearing tests for preschool children.

The Woodland Chapter's preschool testing program began in 2008 with funds totaling $300 to test 40 children at three schools. The program immediately caught the interest of the community and donations for the program have increased each year. More schools in Yolo County, which incorporates Woodland, are asking for help. In 2010, more than 360 children were tested in 16 preschools throughout the county. Testing revealed that 17 children had a previously unsuspected hearing loss and test administrators advised their parents to seek further help before enrolling these children in public school.

Efforts begin early in the year with visits to preschools to receive permission from school directors and parents for the testing in May, which is Better Hearing and Speech Month. Letters are provided for the parents of every child in the school, in English and Spanish, explaining the importance of good hearing to a child's academic and social development, and the difficulty in knowing when a child does not hear well without a professional hearing test.

The Woodland Chapter is fortunate to be able to contract with the Agency for Hearing (now Center for Hearing Health), a nonprofit organization in Auburn that uses a van equipped for hearing tests at schools which lack the equipment to do their own testing. The testing is done by state licensed audiometrists (hearing instrument specialists) who are bilingual in English and Spanish. The route must be scheduled carefully by chapter members to make the best use of both the test van's travel time and the chapter's budget, with the number of children to be tested and mileage between schools and towns taken into consideration.
Project Second Chance, Inc.
and The Storyteller

Present

The Bookies

The 13th Annual Celebration of Books and the People Who Love Them

Special Guest

Melanie Gideon
Author of

Wife 22 and The Slippery Year

The Bookies Book Club Book of the Year will be announced

Thursday, March 21, 2013

No Host Reception 6 p.m. - Dinner 6:45 p.m.

The Lafayette Park Hotel
3287 Mount Diablo Boulevard

Dinner (Chicken or Vegetarian Entrée), Dessert and Wine - $60 per person

IMPORTANT NOTE: Whether you purchase individual or group tickets, in order to accommodate everyone fairly, we ask that you notify us of VEGETARIAN OR SPECIAL DIETARY REQUESTS by March 15th either when you purchase your tickets or by calling 925-927-3250.

We cannot honor special requests or entrée changes the evening of the event.
The Lafayette Park Hotel thanks you for letting us know your wishes in advance.

Tickets available Monday, February 11th through Friday, March 15th.
By telephone, with a credit or debit card call Fremont Bank at 510-723-5811 (M-F, 10-6)
Cash or check purchases may be made at Project Second Chance, 76 Santa Barbara Road, Pleasant Hill (M-F, 9-5)
(no credit/debit sales here) 925-927-3250
ALL TICKETS WILL BE WILL CALL AT THE EVENT WHEN YOU CHECK IN
At either purchase point, please be sure to specify dietary requests!

This event is sponsored by Fremont Bank and benefits Project Second Chance,
The Contra Costa County Library Adult Literacy Program
For more information call 925-927-3250
Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War

Lincoln comes to the Walnut Creek Library! As part of a traveling exhibit sponsored by the National Constitution Center in collaboration with the American Library Association, this interactive exhibit highlights the Civil War, Lincoln and the Constitution.

Last Updated: Jan 17, 2013
URL: http://guides.ccpl.lib.ca.us/lincoln
Print Guide

Information on the Exhibit
http://www.ala.org/offices/libppl/programming/lincoln

The American Library Association (ALA) Public Programs Office is pleased to collaborate with the National Constitution Center (NCC) in Philadelphia on a new traveling exhibit, Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War. The exhibit will travel to public, research, and special libraries; historical societies; museums; Ohio, community, and heritage organizations; and institutions of higher learning from 2009 through 2015. The traveling exhibition and tour are funded by a major grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) to the National Constitution Center.

Using the Constitution as the cohesive thread, "Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War" offers a fresh and innovative perspective on Lincoln that focuses on his struggle to meet the political and constitutional challenges of the Civil War. Organized thematically, the exhibition explores how Lincoln used the Constitution to confront three intertwined crises of the war—the secession of Southern states, slavery, and wartime Civil liberties. Visitors will leave the exhibition with a more complete understanding of Abraham Lincoln as president and the Civil War as the nation's greatest constitutional crisis.

The National Constitution Center is one of the nation's most exciting new museums and a leading provider of constitutionally themed education programs. Created through the Constitution Heritage Act of 1988, the NCC addresses the need to better educate Americans about their Constitution and citizenship rights and responsibilities. Its mission is to increase public understanding of, and appreciation for, the Constitution, its History, and its contemporary relevance through an interactive museum facility and national outreach programs.

Press Releases
- Tour of "Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War" traveling exhibit expanded to include 25 additional libraries (4/20/12)
- ALA announces 25 libraries to host "Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War" traveling exhibit (7/15/09)
- ALA traveling exhibit explores Lincoln and the Constitution (11/1/09)

Related Links
- Tour 1 selected libraries
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- Tour 1 library
- Tour 1 library
- site support notebook for hosting libraries only


Where has it been? Where is it going next?

Most recent stops at:
October 19, 2012 - November 30, 2012
Copy 1: University of North Carolina, Asheville, NC
Copy 2: Coastal Carolina University, Conway, SC
Copy 3: The Norwich Free Academy, Norwich, CT
Copy 4: Howard County Library, Columbia, MD
Copy 5: Culver Educational Foundation, Culver, IN
Copy 6: Southern Illinois University School of Law, Carbondale, IL
Copy 7: California State University Channel Islands, Camarillo, CA
Copy 8: Sulphur Springs Public Library, Sulphur Springs, TX

December 12, 2012 - February 6, 2013
Copy 1: Penn Center National Historic Landmark, St. Helena Island, SC
Copy 2: "Killer Angels" - Michael Shaara
Cell Number: (516) 572-7727

For more info about one city, one book
One City, One Book - Last Updated Jan 2, 2013
One City, One Book programs are designed to foster community discussion about books by encouraging the entire community to read the same book at the same time. 223 ideas this year.

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Others in California:
- In June-July, at Pleasanton, CA. Museum Historical Society
- In 2015, Ben Diego Public Library
- In 2015, Danville, CA Museum

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Learn about Lincoln

Abraham Lincoln 1809-1865

Abraham Lincoln

Lincoln warned the South in his Inaugural Address: "In your hands, my dissatisfied fellow countrymen, and not in mine, is the momentous issue of civil war. The government will not assail you... You have no oath registered in heaven to destroy the Union, while I shall have the most solemn one to preserve, protect and defend it."

Lincoln thought secession illegal, and was willing to use force to defend Federal law and the Union. When Confederate batteries fired on Fort Sumter and forced its surrender, he called on the states for 75,000 volunteers. Four more slave states joined the Confederacy but four remained within the Union. The Civil War had begun.

The son of a Kentucky frontiersman, Lincoln had to struggle for a living and for learning. Five months before receiving his party’s nomination for President, he sketched his life:

"I was born Feb. 12, 1809, in Hardin County, Kentucky. My parents were both born in Virginia, of undistinguished families—second families, perhaps I should say. My mother, who died in my tenth year, was of a family of the name of Hanks... My father... I removed from Kentucky to Indiana, in my eight year... It was a wild region, with many bears and other wild animals still in the woods. There I grew up... Of course when I came of age I did not know much. Still somehow, I could read, write, and cipher... but that was all."

Lincoln made extraordinary efforts to attain knowledge while working on a farm, splitting rails for fences, and keeping store at New Salem, Illinois. He was a captain in the Black Hawk War, spent eight years in the Illinois legislature, and rode the circuit for courts for many years. His law partner said of him, "His ambition was a little engine that knew no rest."

He married Mary Todd, and they had four boys, only one of whom lived to maturity. In 1858 Lincoln ran against Stephen A. Douglas for Senator. He lost the election, but in debating with Douglas he gained a national reputation that won him the Republican nomination for President in 1860.

As President, he built the Republican Party into a strong national organization. Further, he...
Veterans

Critical information to meet the needs of our county’s 72,000 veterans and their family members.

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Veteran Resources

Veterans Contacts

County Veterans Service Office
10 Douglas Drive, Suite 100
Martinez, CA 94553
925-313-1481
(Website)

VA Martinez Outpatient Clinic
150 Muir Road
Martinez, CA 94553
800-382-8387
925-372-2000
(Website)

Concord Vet Center
1333 Willow Pass Road, Suite 106
Concord, CA 94520-7931
925-680-4526
877-927-8387
(Website)

VA Oakland Regional Office
Federal Building
1301 Clay Street
Oakland, CA 94612
(Website)

Library Books

The Wounded Warrior Handbook

Federal Benefits for Veterans, Dependents and Survivors 2012

New York Times - Veterans

The New York Times

- Kansas: Missing Money, Scutless Trips for Veterans
- The Paperwork Mountain at Veterans Affairs
- A ‘Party Drug’ May Help the Brain Cope With Trauma
- Violence and Veterans: A Psychologist’s Perspective
- Tests Show Ticks Worried About ticks are more aggressive

Google - Veteran News

- What Veterans May Need More Than a Wartime Job - ABC News
- Homeless Veterans Can Gain Meals, Clothing and Medical Referrals at Morristown, - The Star-Ledger - NJ.com
- Puerto Rican Veterans Seek Recognition - Fox News
- Hupp to lead review of social services benefits for veterans - Dallas Morning News (blog)
- JULIETTE KAYYEM
  - Wharton’s veterans program to temporary relief - Boston Globe

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Salud

Buenos lugares donde uno puede encontrar recursos sobre la salud.

- Medline Plus
  Uno puede encontrar los diferentes temas de salud, sobre la medicina, y también ver videos y multimedia.

- Woman's health.gov
  Un Proyecto de la Oficina para la Salud de la Mujer en el Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos de los E.E.U.U.

- Alimentando a las mujeres a vivir vidas más sanas,

- Healthfinder.gov
  Guías y recursos de salud.

- Instituto Nacional del Cáncer
  Recursos de mucha información sobre el cáncer.

- Agencia para Investigación Salud y Calidad de la Salud
  Boletines e información de las publicaciones disponibles en Español.

- Centros para el Control y la Prevención de Enfermedades
  Temas de toda la salud

- Instituto Nacional de la Salud Mental
  Información en publicaciones sobre la salud mental

Otros Recursos

- La Casa Blanca
- Información Oficial de Los E.E.U.U. en Español
- Departamento de Educación
- Agencia para la Protección del Medio Ambiente
- La Comisión Federal de Comunicaciones
- La Comisión de Elecciones Federales
- Agencia Federal para el Manejo de Emergencias
- Recursos de NASA
- Departamento de Trabajo
  Contiene información sobre HIPPAA, COBRA y más recursos sobre el trabajo.

Información Legal

- Departamento de Inmigración (INS)
  Ciudadanía Americana, Tarjeta de Residencia Permanente, Asilo Diferido

- Corte Suprema de los Estados Unidos
  Certificación de inmunización de los jueces.
  Información de empleo.
  Reglamento de la corte.

Programas Sociales

- Seguro Social
  Tiene información de los programas de Seguridad de Ingresos Suplementario, Seguro Social y los beneficios de Medicare.

- Su acceso a los beneficios del gobierno
  Informa a los ciudadanos sobre los beneficios para los cuales podrían ser elegibles.

- Proporciona información sobre cómo solicitar asistencia
  Asegura más sobre dinero y becas graciosas

- Viviendas y Comunidades - Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de E.E.U.U. (HUD)
  Creación de oportunidades de acceso a la vivienda propia.
  Asistencia de vivienda para personas de bajos ingresos.
  Ayuda a las personas sin hogar.

- Medicare
  - Buscar sollos de anclares
  - Encontrar hospitales
  - Buscar centros de diálisis
  - Encontrar planes de salud y medicamento

Impuestos, Dinero, y el Consumidor

- Servicio de impuestos Internos (IRS)
  Servicio de Impuestos Internos

- Departamento del Tesoro

- La Comisión de Seguridad de Productos del Consumidor

- La Oficina de Educación y Asistencia a los Inmigrantes
  Información para los inmigrantes

Servicio de Correo

- Servicio Postal de Estados Unidos (USPS)
  - Búsqueda de oficinas de correo
  - Búsqueda de teléfonos
  - Calcular el precio de una carta
  - Comprar estampillas, cajas y otros productos del correo