



President Chris Ko's Message

Hello everyone and welcome to our June 2016 newsletter. It's been a busy three months for the Friends! Of course the biggest thing that's happened since the March newsletter was our fabulous Wine Soirée. The 23rd annual Wine Soirée and Benefit Auction was held April 24th and was a great success! We had more auction items than ever for our guests to bid on and we also had more guests than ever. The net result was the BEST SOIRÉE EVER. I wish to thank our many donors, food hosts, volunteers and guests and especially Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe and his wife Julie for serving as our honorary co-Chairs. The Soirée is our primary fund raiser and its success enables the Friends to continue providing support to Diamond Bar's Library. Many thanks to all who made this year's Soirée such a success!

Besides the Soirée the Friends also helped support the City of Diamond Bar's annual Birthday Party on April 16th by hosting the Beer & Wine Garden. The Birthday Party is an all-day event held in Pantera Park, and for the 4th year in a row the Friends were there! Hats off to co-Chairs Camille Jones and Dennis Giardina; they and their team did a great job.

And between the City Birthday party on the 16th and the Wine Soiree on the 24th the Friends co-sponsored the "Rosie the Riveter" presentation at the Library's Windmill Room on April 19th (didn't I say we had been busy?). The Friends partnered with the American Association of University Women and the San Gabriel District Covina Womens Club to produce an entertaining and informative evening focused on the experiences of women participating in the labor force during World War II. Friends Board members Rachel Kirk and Rosette Clippinger took the lead on making this happen, with able support from several other Friends.

Coming up in August is our annual Blow-Out Book Sale. Save the date – it will happen Saturday, August 20, 2016.

Please see inside this newsletter for another special article by our Board member Gordon Van De Water as well as additional information on Friends' and Library activities. I've said it before and I'll say it again, the Friends of the Library are the hardest working, the most productive and have the most fun of any community service group in Diamond Bar. It's all due to our wonderful members! Please consider joining us - *we are always happy to welcome new people*. And finally, have a GREAT summer everyone!



Thank you all,

Chris Ko



A Message from Librarian Pui-Ching Ho

Read for the WIN!



Fill your appetite with good reads! Sign up to participate in the County of Los Angeles Public Library Summer Reading program this June. The focus will be a celebration of sports and achievement: *Read – For the Win!*

Enhance your reading skills this summer months and win prize incentives for tracking reading efforts. Enjoy art activity workshops and performances by magicians, puppeteers, storytellers, and musicians.

Sign up is easy: visit the Diamond Bar Library or register online at www.colapublib.org/libs/diamondbar. You will also see a list of programs and activities!

Come read with us!



ANNUAL BOOK SALE AUGUST 20TH



Save the date! Saturday, August 20th is the day of our annual Blow-Out Book Sale. This is when we clear out our storerooms and book shelves to make room for new donations. **The sale will be held in the Windmill Room at the Diamond Bar Library, 21800 Copley Drive in Diamond Bar, and will start at 9 am** and end at 3 pm. This only happens once a year - come early for best selection! There will be thousands of books in all genres at ridiculously low prices, and when they're gone, they're gone. Don't be late - see you at the Windmill Room at 9 am.



Another Message from Librarian Pui-Ching Ho

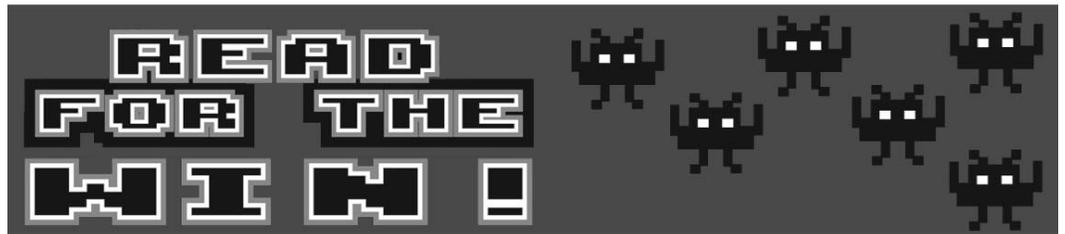
Diamond Bar Library's 1,000,000th Customer!



History was made on Monday, May 16, 2016 when the Diamond Bar Library received its 1,000,000th customer. Diamond Bar resident Nicole Fung and her mother walked through the doors at about 3:20 in the afternoon. Nicole is in the second grade and has been a loyal Diamond Bar Library user for three years. Congratulations, Nicole! The Diamond Bar Library, which first opened its doors in 1977, is one of the five busiest libraries in the entire Los Angeles County Library System. The Library staff extends a big thank you to all the Library patrons for letting us be part of your lives. We look forward to providing services to our next million customers.







Summer Reading Programs for Teens

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Super Bouncy Balls

Tuesday, June 7, 2016

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Use chemistry to create your own super bouncy ball to take home.

Marble Magnets

Tuesday, July 5, 2016

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Create a set of marble magnets with old magazines.

Lemon Clock

Tuesday, June 14, 2016

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Build a lemon clock and see how citrus fruit conducts electricity. Registration required.

Circuit Lab

Tuesday, July 12, 2016

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Play with circuitry and build fully functional electronic devices. Registration required.

Cupcake Decoration*

Tuesday, June 21, 2016

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Have fun decorating cupcakes with your choice of icing and décor.

DrawBot

Tuesday, July 19, 2016

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Design and build a robot that draws! Registration required.

DJ 101

Tuesday, June 28, 2016

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Learn the art of beat mixing and scratching from professional DJs.

Scrabble Zipper Pull

Tuesday, July 26, 2016

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Personalize a scrabble tile zipper pull for your backpack.

*Parents: Please be aware that food items will be used in this activity. A list of ingredients will be available.

Ages 10-17. All supplies will be provided, while supplies last.

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A Collection of Bibles

BY

Gordon J. Van De Water

It didn't start out to be a collection, but there are a large number of bibles on my shelves. It should be mentioned at the outset, that I am not a religious person in a conventional sense, and though I do believe that people should be good and honest with each other, one does not have to be a churchgoer to attain those ends.

However, I am a collector of books and the bible is an important book to have on my shelves. Probably the most useful and common volume at hand, and one that a person would take with them to a place of worship, is published by the World Publishing Company. It is a leather-bound King James Version, with printed pages of onion skin, and weighing in at just short of 19 ounces. I might say here that almost all of the bibles in my collection are the King James Version – the account I read as a boy when going to Sunday school and church. This version has been understood and read by the faithful for well over 300 years – long before what are now considered to be archaic words, such as “ye”, “thee”, “shalt”, and “thou”. I do have a *Good News Bible* which is published in current English vernacular, especially intended for those where English is an acquired language.

In the collection there are also *family bibles*. Generally speaking these volumes are larger and heavier than a book taken to church. One of these is a beautiful creation, published by Thunder Bay Press, San Diego in 2000. This is an illuminated edition with illustrations or decorations on every page by medieval artists and is based on the fifteenth century Latin Vulgate Bible commissioned by the Duke of Urbino (1422-1482). This King James Version is five and a half pounds, and as in most Family Bibles, contains many pages to show births, marriages, and deaths as well as space to record genealogical information.

The *Washburn College Bible* (1979) weighs in at almost nine pounds, features the KJV text, and 66 full-color reproductions. Introductory material tells us that the Gutenberg Bible with paper of over 500 years suffers only from worm holes and humorously continues on that the pages in this particular edition lack any ingredients tasty for worms. Features of this bible are the illustrations, one for each book of the Bible, selected from the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C.

My favorite family-type bible is the only one of the 20th century designed and illustrated by a single artist, Barry Moser. The copy is the Viking Studio edition (1999) of the *Pennyroyal Caxton Bible* and weighs just over six pounds. Here are 232 engravings printed as black-and-white line art. Moser spent four years handcrafting these haunting and indelibly beautiful engravings, each inspired by lines of scripture. My KJV trade edition is indeed a handsome volume!

FACSIMILE BIBLE

In my collection is a facsimile edition of the bible used at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential inauguration in 1861. The same bible was also used by Barack Obama at his first and second inaugural ceremonies. It is the King James Version, published by the Oxford University Press in 1853.

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Both locations provide a nice, air-conditioned place to browse through and purchase books during these hot summer days. In addition, the BasicallyBOOKS on Golden Springs also provides the location for the Friends' Book Discussion Group. The Group meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 pm. The Tuesday, June 28th meeting will feature *Istanbul Passage* by Joseph Kanon. The July 26 selection will be *Die Laughing* by Carol Dun. New members are always welcome!

