



DIAMOND BAR FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

March 2012

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner



Thank You to all the Basically BOOKS store Volunteers

On January 22 the Friends celebrated our wonderful volunteers who make the Friends and Basically BOOKS such outstanding organizations. Basically BOOKS Manager Mary Hackett and Mayor Pro Tem Jack Tanaka announced the bookstore volunteer of the year as Opal McKinsey. Opal is always there with a cheerful smile and a helpful nature to welcome people to Basically BOOKS.

President Rosette Clippinger announced the Jack and Eileen Tillery Business of the Year as Ilse and Jerry Boykin who have shared their financial and organizational skills to the Friends for over 19 years in many different jobs. They are presently our treasurers and do an outstanding job. The award was presented by Eileen Tillery.

Rosette also announced the Jack and Kathleen Newe Volunteer of the Year as Rae Duncan, another long-time Friends member. Rae is an outstanding artist and has lent her talents to the Friends for over 24 years. Kathleen Newe presented this annual award to Rae.

Library Manager Jesse Lanz and Mary Hackett presented each Basically BOOKS volunteer with a certificate and a new book added to the Diamond Bar Library collection with a bookplate in the volunteer's name. City and county officials also presented certificates of recognition to show the community's appreciation for the many hours the volunteers contributed.



(L to R) Councilmember Ron Everett, Rae Duncan, Opal McKinsey, Jerry Boykin, Ilse Boykin, Mayor Pro Tem Jack Tanaka, Rosette Clippinger



March 12

Rae Duncan Art Exhibit Open
Diamond Bar Library
Artist Reception
5-7 pm

March 24

Inland Valley Spelling Bee
Mt. Sac College

March 28

Book Discussion, BasicallyBOOKS
The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks
by Rebecca Skloot
7pm

March 31

Rae Duncan's Wreath Making
Demonstration
at Diamond Bar Library
2-4 pm

April 24

Book Discussion, BasicallyBOOKS
The Women
by T.C. Boyle
7pm

April 29

19th Annual Wine Soiree
Diamond Bar Center
4-7 pm

May 22

Book Discussion, BasicallyBOOKS
The Tipping Point
by Malcom Gladwell
7pm

19th Annual Wine Soirée COMING IN APRIL!

The annual Friends of the Diamond Bar Library Wine Soirée will be held on Sunday, April 29, 2012 at the Diamond Bar Center.

Come and join this festive and exciting afternoon with delicious food from local restaurants, great wine from the Jerry Mead New World International Wine Competition, music, and exciting book, silent and live auctions. Some of the great restaurant food hosts from past years include Aljibani Halal Market, Carbon Grill, Champs Elysees Bakery, Chili's Grill and Bar, Chipotle, Claro's Italian Restaurant, Diamond Bar Golf Course Catering, Diamond Palace, East 180, Graber Olive House, Happy Wok, It's A Grind, Mandarin Taste Restaurant, Round Table Pizza, and The Whole Enchilada.

The Friends have given over \$50,000 in 2011 to the Diamond Bar Library for much needed

materials, programs, books magazines, etc. This would not have been possible without the Wine Soiree and our non-profit bookstore, Basically BOOKS. Those attending the Soiree can feel good about all the fun they are having - the food and wines they taste, the auction items they win, the music they enjoy - as all the proceeds from this great event will go to improve the Library and the quality of life in our community.

The annual Wine Soirée is an institution in Diamond Bar and is a great way to meet new and old friends and neighbors. Tickets are \$50 per person in advance and \$60 at the door. Advertisements are also available in our beautiful annual program. A unique souvenir wine glass and program are included with each ticket. Tickets and program information are available by calling 909 861-2002.

Rae Duncan's Wreath Exhibit



Renaissance, A Collection of Book Page Wreaths by Rae Duncan, will open at the Diamond Bar Library on Monday, March 12 with an Artist's Reception from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sponsored by the Diamond Bar Library and the Friends of the Diamond Bar Library this unique and beautiful exhibit will feature a collection of book page wreaths to show the beauty and fluidity of a simple sheet of paper. The exhibit will run from March 12 to Saturday, March 31. It will conclude with a Wreath Making Demonstration by the artist at the Diamond Bar Library on March 31 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Rae Duncan / Flutter in the Wind / 28" X 28" X 12" / discarded book pages, tree branches, newspaper, dye, color paper and long grain rice / 2012

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March is Spelling Bee Month

The Inland Valley Regional Spelling Bee begins on March 17th at Mt SAC when the preliminary rounds one and two will be held. The event will host 100 spellers from public, private, and parochial schools ranging from Baldwin Park and Whittier on the west, to Fontana, Chino and Ontario on the East. Contestants will take a written spelling test (round 1), and have a single round of oral spelling (round 2). Those spellers who are the top 30 scorers will then be invited to come back on March 24th, to compete in round 3. In that round, spellers will be eliminated until only one remains standing and will be the Champion of the Inland Valley Region. That Champion wins the trophy, the title, and the trip to Washington, DC to



represent the Inland Valley in the Scripps National Spelling Bee.

This year's spellers range in age from 7 years old (2nd grade) to 14 years old (8th grade). The one thing they have in common is that they each won the right to represent their school at the IVRSB, by winning their School Spelling Bee Contest.

The IVRSB is sponsored and produced by the Diamond Bar Friends of the Library, as part of their commitment to support child literacy in this region. The Bee has been operating for four previous years, and this fifth annual IVRSB is the largest yet. Come join us on March 24 and catch the excitement!

Basically BOOKS' Volunteer Opportunity for YOU!

Basically BOOKS a non-profit used book store is building its volunteer team in anticipation of opening an additional store in the new Diamond Bar Library in Summer 2012.

Come join us in our bright, friendly used book store as we prepare for the opening with information meetings and training beginning in March. Volunteers greet customers and assist with book choices, keep the store tidy, and generally enjoy the friendly atmosphere for a 3 to 4 hour shift every other week year round.

Interested in learning more? Leave your contact information with a bookstore volunteer at Basically BOOKS in person, call and leave info at (909) 396-9954, or email at

BasicallyBOOKS@aol.com.

Basically BOOKS is located at 23447 Golden Springs Dr. Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Business Hours:

Sunday Closed

Monday, Wednesday, & Thursdays 10 am to 5 pm

Tuesday, Friday 10 am to 7 pm

Saturday 10 am to 4 pm

Book discussions are held at 7 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month, 7 p.m. at Basically BOOKS. The March 27 book will be *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot. New members are always welcome and encouraged to attend. For more information, please call Alice Moffitt at 909 396-9954 or email to BasicallyBOOKS @aol.com.

Message from the President...



Rosette Clippinger
President

2012 has started out as a very exciting year for our City of Diamond Bar. The Friends Volunteer Appreciation Dinner was held on January 22nd, where we honored Ilse and Jerry Boykin, as our Outstanding Business Leader of the Year, Rae Duncan as Outstanding Volunteer of the Year, and Opal McKinsey as Basically BOOKS Volunteer of the Year. The night was filled with wonderful food and wine, fellowship, and lots of laughs. Above all, we had the opportunity to give a heartfelt thank you to all of our volunteers! I cannot express how much it means to have our volunteers so involved within our community. None of our events and activities would be possible without them.

I am very excited to continue my 2nd year as President of the Friends of the Library. We have so much to look forward to this year. Of course, we are all anticipating our New Library, which will be opening its doors this summer, just in time to enjoy the Reading Garden sponsored by the Friends.

With March just around the corner, it's time for our 5th Annual Spelling Bee. This year I am proud to report that we have over one hundred schools enrolled in this event. The preliminaries will be on March 17th and the finals will be on March 24th. The winner will be sent by The Friends of the Library to Washington D.C. to compete in the Scripps National Spelling Bee.

Our 19th Annual Wine Soiree is on April 29th. This year, we'll be hosting an island-inspired Aloha theme. Be sure to come dressed in your Hawaiian garb, to enjoy a memorable afternoon of tasty foods, and premium wines.

These events are just the beginning of our new year and we will have more to come! The Friends of The Library always welcome new members and would love to have you as part of our team! Friends' members also gain benefits such as our quarterly newsletter, advanced announcements of Special Events and more! Membership applications are available on the Friends' website, Basically BOOKS bookstore, and at Diamond Bar Library. We look forward to meeting new Friends!

Aloha - the 19th Annual Wine Soiree is coming. Save the Date - April 29, 2012

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