

DIAMOND BAR FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

May 2012

2012 Wine Soirée



The 19th Annual Wine Soirée and Benefit Auction to support the Diamond Bar Library was held Sunday, April 29th, at the Diamond Bar Center, and all who were there agreed it was a huge success! Hundreds of guests enjoyed food provided by 16 local restaurants and wines donated by the New World International Wine Competition; entertainment was provided by DJ John Jewell and by hula dancers and musicians led by Kawika Viloria of Diamond Bar's Da' Hula Studio; Master of Ceremonies Richard Malooly kept the program going while recognizing distinguished guests, including Congressman Ed Royce, Assemblyman Curt Hagman and Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe; auctioneer Larry Smith once again worked his magic with the bidders on the live auction and Miss Diamond Bar and her Court circulated through the crowd selling raffle tickets. And all the while the many volunteer staffers poured the wine, monitored the auction tables, staffed the reception desks and worked the cashier tables.

Perhaps the highlight of the Soiree – other than the hula dancers – was the ceremonial presentation by the Friends Board to members of the Diamond Bar City Council, Supervisor Knabe and representatives of the County Library System of an \$80,000 check for the construction funding of Diamond Bar's new Library. This donation was made possible by the cumulative success of the annual Wine Soirée fund raisers. The Board of the Friends would like to extend a heartfelt "thank you" to the many guests who attended the Soirée and contributed to its success through their purchase of tickets, their participation in the auctions and their donations. And, finally, please join us and raise a glass in a salute to the dedicated work and support of the members of the Wine Soirée Committee and those members of the Friends that worked so long and so well to make the 19th Soirée the fabulous event it was! Aloha!



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At Basically BOOKS, our non-profit used book store, we are building our volunteer team in anticipation of opening an additional store in the new Diamond Bar Library in July 2012. Come join us in our bright, friendly used book store as we prepare for the opening. 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 BasicallyBOOKS in person, call and leave info at (909) 396-9954, or email at BasicallyBOOKS@aol.com.

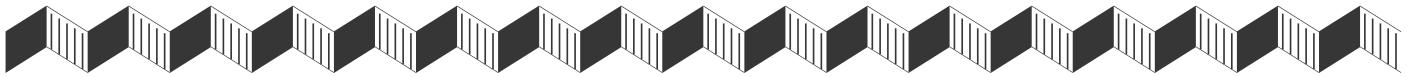
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Book discussions are held at 7 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month, 7 p.m. at Basically BOOKS. The May 22 book will be *The Tipping Point* by Malcom Gladwell and June 27 book will be *All the Flowers in Shanghai* by Duncan Jepson. New members are always welcome and encouraged to attend. For more information, email to BasicallyBOOKS@aol.com.



Fifth Annual Inland Valley Regional Spelling Bee



On March 24th, the Friends of the Diamond Bar Library conducted their 5th Annual Inland Valley Regional Spelling Bee at Mt. San Anto-

nio College. The Inland Valley Regional Spelling Bee program is open to schools in select cities within Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties. The final local bee is modeled after the national finals. School champions advance to the preliminaries which consist

of two rounds: a 40-word written test and an oral spelling round. After the preliminaries, the 31 highest scoring spellers advanced to the finals, a traditional oral spelloff. During the first year of the IVRSB, 34 schools participated in the Inland Valley Regional Spelling Bee. This year, school participation tripled to 101 schools. The IVRSB committee attributes the increased participation to visiting or contacting every school district office within their sponsorship area, where they aggressively marketed the Spelling Bee program to district level officials. Thirteen-year-old Justin Chuang, a 7th grader at Chaparral Middle School in Diamond Bar will represent the Friends of the Diamond Bar Library at the national finals in May.



New Library Building Update

Construction continues to be going well in the library space on the ground floor of the new combined City Hall and Library Building at 21810 Copley Drive. At this time, the drywall has been completed and walls are beginning to be painted. The ceiling, which will feature recessed, circular graphics with whimsical sky motifs in the Children's and Teen Areas of the library, is nearing completion. The art tile mural, originally installed in the current Diamond Bar Library in 1977

and removed earlier this year, is being painstakingly restored by an art conservator, and is scheduled for installation in the new Diamond Bar Friends of the Library Reading Garden later this month. Furniture and shelving have been ordered, with delivery expected in May. We look forward to seeing the Diamond Bar Library moved into its new, larger, beautiful space, with an opening expected sometime in late summer.

From the Librarian's Desk



Congratulations to the Friends of the Library on the excellent 19th Annual Wine Soirée and Benefit Auction! Once again, this year's Soirée was a truly first-rate event. We at the

library would like to sincerely thank all of the many Friends who generously lent their time and talent to make the Wine Soirée possible, to the many volunteers who worked so hard to make the evening run smoothly, and to the entire Diamond Bar community for attending the event and having a terrific time while supporting the library.

It is a very exciting time for the Diamond Bar Library. The construction of the library space at the new City Hall and Library building is well under way. By the time you read this, the carpet will have been laid, the walls painted, and the ceiling finished, just in time for the first deliveries of shelving and furniture. The Reading Garden is also well under way. The 1977 art tile mural that graced the entrance of the current library building has been restored and is currently being reinstalled in that space. As this exciting progress continues, we are looking forward to our new, larger, beautiful library being open in late July.

Though we are busy getting ready for our move to the new building, at the Diamond Bar Library we've also been busy with a new series of programs this spring. The Diamond Bar Library piloted an anti-bullying and anti-cyberbullying program for teens and tweens. These programs were inspired by the teens themselves. When we asked teens to think about programs and services they'd like to see in the library in focus groups held last fall, they indicated a desire for self-defense classes and other programs that could help

them more effectively deal with bullying. This spring at the library we took a varied approach to this important topic and held teen self-defense classes with instructors from Red Dragon Karate, life skills drumming workshops with the Drumming for Your Life Institute, book discussion groups led by library staff, workshops on cyberbullying for teens and parents with expert Dr. Elizabeth Brewer, art workshops with the Theatre of Hearts, and even a anti-bullying puppet show with Rich Woloski for younger children. This anti-bullying project was generously supported by the Diamond Bar Friends of the Library, as well as by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, administered in California by the State Librarian. We're very proud of this important program held at the Diamond Bar Library, and hope that it will serve as a model for other libraries.

Finally, as summer approaches it is time once again for the Diamond Bar Library Summer Reading Program for people of all ages. Each year we hold this program to encourage kids, teens, and adults to keep reading, learning, and thinking over the summer months. Our children's program, *Dream Big—READ*, will feature art activities and special performances including magic shows, magicians, and musicians, to take place in the Windmill Community Room on the first floor of the new City Hall and Library building. By joining our Summer Reading Program, teens and adults earn chances to win great prizes with each book that they read. Readers of all ages can join our online program at www.colapublib.org for even more great incentives and prizes. As always, we would like to thank the Diamond Bar Friends of the Library for their generous support of these and all of our programs here at the Diamond Bar Library..

-- Jesse Lanz, Community Library Manager

New Library Gala!

Save the Date to Celebrate the Grand Opening of Diamond Bar's New Library! Planning, preparation and construction of Diamond Bar's new library have been in the works for almost two years, and the grand opening is scheduled for July

2012. The Friends of the Library are planning a festive celebratory gala to mark this significant event! Plan to join us for an evening of tours, music, dinner and wine.

Message from the President...



Rosette Clippinger
President

Wow! It was a great party and Da Hula Dancers were fabulous. It seemed like everyone at this year's Wine Soirée caught Island fever and really enjoyed themselves. Thank you so much to all of our volunteers, without you, we never would be able to pull it off. The decorations set the perfect mood and of course, without the terrific wines that are so graciously donated by Eileen Tillery, Jody Tillery Gmeiner and the New World International Wine Competition there would be no Soiree. Thank you all.

This really has been quite a year. We've accomplished so many wonderful things and we still have so much to look forward to.

At the 19th Wine Soirée, Friends presented a ceremonial check in the amount of \$80,000 payable to the Los Angeles County Library to be used to defray the cost of essential construction of our New Library. This was made possible due to the efforts of the City

of Diamond Bar, The County of Los Angeles, our membership, and countless individuals, who over the years have so generously contributed their time, effort, as well as their money in support of our Library.

For the first time, we will be sponsoring the Wine and Beer Garden at the Diamond Bar Birthday Party. How fun is that? Our Spelling Bee champ, Justin Chaung, will be going to the Scripps National Spelling Bee at the end of May (we hope to see him on TV) and best of all, in July we will be there for the opening of our beautiful new library.

In honor of this miraculous event, we are planning another big party. It's still in the planning stages, but it will be an elegant evening to commemorate the opening. It's been a long time in coming.

Lastly, we value all our members and are always looking for new members and volunteers to help on a committee or at the book store. Feel free to give me a call at (909) 525-8828.

Thank You All!

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Meet a Member

The strength of the Friends of the Library comes from our members, who make possible everything we can accomplish as an organization. Each quarter we will try to introduce members to our readers – a Friend to our friends.

Nancy Lyons



Nancy Lyons is *old enough to know better*. She and her husband (Larry Smith) have lived in Diamond Bar for 32 years. They have two children, Nathan and Alex. Nancy currently has 2 jobs; she is a Professor of Mathematics at Azusa Pacific University

where she teaches a variety of math classes including a class that stresses personal finance that is always "eye opening" for her students. Nancy is also a member of the Walnut Valley Board of Trustees where she is currently serving as Secretary for the Board.

Nancy is not sure how long she has been a member of the Friends, 15 or 20 years. (All that wine at the Wine Soirees can make her forgetful.) Nancy has always been a great user of libraries, both community and university libraries. She enjoys the books, the programs, and the friendly comradery of other DBFOL members.

In terms of why she stays a member... actually she can't get out as she has a life sentence. (Nancy is a lifetime member.) Seriously the DBFOL is one of those rare organizations where everyone

works and participates. Nancy particularly enjoys seeing our kids perform at the Spelling Bee and Read Together Diamond Bar. The Librarian Luncheon is another favorite as she believes school librarians are not recognized enough.

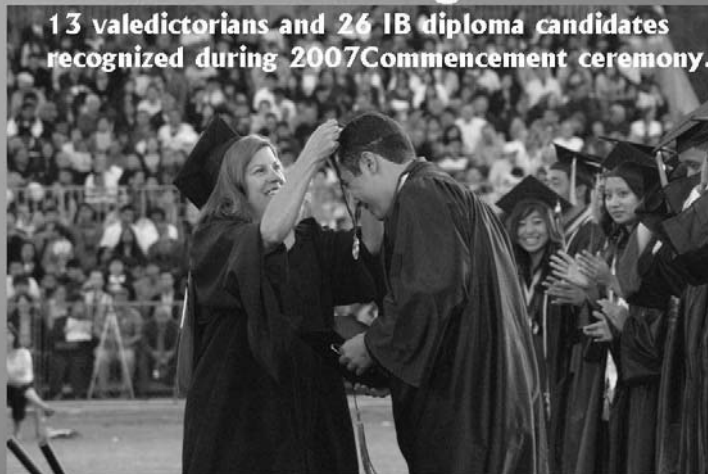
Favorite authors, Nancy enjoys Jody Picoult books. She is currently reading a tremendously interesting book called, *Effective Grading*. When she finishes that book she plans on reading *Hunger Games* and the Steve Jobs biography.

Nancy's favorite magazine is "The Economist," as she loves getting the world news from another perspective. Nancy also reads 3 newspapers daily as she believes she needs to keep up with what is going on in our area from a school/community standpoint.

She would like to tell the membership that she is so excited about the new library. 2012 is going to be a wonderful year! This truly is our moment in the sun!

Diamond Bar High

13 valedictorians and 26 IB diploma candidates recognized during 2007 Commencement ceremony.



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