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President's Message



Welcome to the March Newsletter of the Diamond Bar Friends of the Library. I would like to introduce myself, I am Susan Pantages, and your new President for 2019/2020. I am honored to represent this wonderful group of volunteers who give of themselves on a regular basis to promote and help fund our Diamond Bar Library's services and needs. Much gratitude and recognition must be given to our Past President Glendy Chiang, who throughout the past two years brought new ideas, new community participation and much excitement and encouragement of literacy in our community.

This year we would like to reach out to our community and invite you to consider joining the Friends of the Library. This organization can only become stronger with new community servants who enjoy the satisfaction of giving of themselves. Let me invite you personally, young and old, to help us continue the job, started 41 years ago, and continue to bring exciting community programs involving literacy to Diamond Bar.

Programs currently in the works include our annual Wine Soiree and Benefit Auction, celebrating its 26th year and to be held on Sunday, April 14, 2019 at the Diamond Bar Center. Every year this event becomes more popular with an afternoon of wine and food tasting, music, silent, live and book auctions with all proceeds benefiting the Diamond Bar Library. The 2019 theme, Lights, Camera, Auction guarantees to be our best Soiree to date.

The Diamond Bar Library offers many interesting and enjoyable programs and activities throughout the year which the Friends support with our fundraising. The ever popular Summer Reading Program for children, teens and adults is right around the corner.

October brings our month-long program, Read Together Diamond Bar, where everyone in the community is encouraged to read the same book and then participate in many activities structured around the book's theme. The 2019 selections will be announced shortly.

Our ongoing monthly sidewalk Buck A Bag sale held at Basically Books, 23447 Golden Springs, is run entirely by volunteers and managed by Peggy Murphy. A variety of book and media genres are available. Reading enthusiasts bring their own reusable (grocery size) bags and fill up for \$1!

The list of activities managed by the Friends of the Library continues to grow, please consider donating your time and talent. Our organization is a family all working for the same goal: improving and increasing library programs and services in Diamond Bar. Please contact our Membership Chairs, Elaine Mickle at Elamickle@aol.com or Susan Webb at susanhwebb@yahoo.com for more info. Board meetings are held monthly on the 2nd Saturday at the Diamond Bar Library, Windmill Room at 8:30 am. Meetings are open to the public, you are always welcome!

Meet KAREN TANNER - A Volunteer at Basically Books

Hello. My name is Karen Tanner. I am a third generation Californian, born January 22, 1939 in Whittier, California. After graduating high school I went to work for Bank of America as a Bookkeeper posting A to C accounts. At 20 I became a Teller for the same bank. When I turned 40 I went to work for the Walnut Valley School District, starting with Maple Hill School in 1980 and in 1990 transferring to Evergreen Springs School as an Instructional Aide working with teachers. I retired in 2006 after working for 26 years for the district.



My husband and I bought a house in Diamond Bar in November 1965. We have 4 children, 4 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. My youngest granddaughter is a sophomore at Whittier College.

I have been a volunteer for the Friends of the Library for 7 years, working every other Friday at BB4 (the Friends' used book store located inside the Library). I enjoy meeting people so I will continue volunteering. I like reading all kinds of books, but my favorites are by authors Debbie Macomber, Catherine Anderson, Linda Lael Miller, Nora Roberts, and Danielle Steel.



L. A. COUNTY LIBRARIAN SKYE PATRICK NAMED LIBRARIAN OF THE YEAR



Los Angeles County Library Director Skye Patrick has been named Librarian of the Year by *Library Journal*. Patrick joined the Los Angeles County Library in February 2016, having previously served as the Library Director of the Broward County Library and in leadership positions with the San Francisco Public Library and the Queens Public Library in New York. The Los Angeles County Library is one of the largest library systems in the United States with 87 library facilities serving over 3.4 million people.

Since being appointed as Library Director, Patrick has implemented many programs to break down barriers and increase access to library services for the diverse community it serves. As just one example of her outreach efforts, she created a Marketing team – which was awarded Marketer of the Year by *Library Journal* in 2018 - with the goal of improving the Library's promotional efforts and creating awareness of the many services the Library offers. Patrick's efforts to eliminate barriers and increase access to services for L. A. County residents have had a huge impact.

Congratulations, Skye Patrick! For more information, visit www.libraryjournal.com or www.lacountylibrary.org/aboutus.



26th Annual Wine Soirée and Benefit Auction

Sunday, April 14, 2019

*Fabulous Food from Local Restaurants, Wines from around the world to Sip and Savor,
Silent and Live Auctions to get your Excitement Level Up, Raffles, Music and Friends*

At the Diamond Bar Center
1600 Grand Avenue
4-7 pm

For ticket information visit www.dblibraryfriends.org or the Diamond Bar Library

All Proceeds Benefit the Diamond Bar Library!

THANK YOU TO OUR WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS!

The Friends hosted our annual Volunteer Appreciation Reception on Saturday, January 26th at the Diamond Bar Heritage Park Community Center. This happy event is where we publicly thank all our volunteers for their dedication and service, and present special awards to those whose efforts during the prior year were exceptionally noteworthy. This year we also officially installed our new President, Susan Pantages and those new Board officers who will be doing much of the administrative work throughout this year.

Our Basically BOOKS bookstore Volunteer of the Year for 2018 is Harold Pressman. Harold has been an outstanding volunteer at Basically BOOKS on Golden Springs for several years. He is always ready to help out with any tasks that need doing and he always has a ready smile when welcoming customers. Whether finding a special book, hauling in donations, setting up tables and carrying boxes of books during our monthly Buck A Bag sales or helping customers to their car with their purchases, Harold's always cheerful demeanor and willingness to help made him our Bookstore Volunteer of the Year.

Our 2018 Jack and Eileen Tillery Organization of the Year is St. Denis Catholic Community in Diamond Bar. We were honored to have Administrator Pro-Tem Father John Palmer with us to accept this award. St. Denis generously offered to provide a spot for our book storage bin when we were anxiously looking for a new home for it. We are eternally grateful to Father John and all the St. Denis parishioners for their generosity and support of the Friends and the larger Diamond Bar community.

Our Jack and Kathleen Newe Volunteer of the Year for 2018 is Helen Lin, our tremendous Treasurer! Before she retired Helen was a bank auditor, and she says that she appreciates the opportunity to work with the Friends as it helps to keep her skills honed, and that she enjoys the social interaction. However, we are truly the ones who benefit from having Helen on our Board and keeping us on the straight and narrow with our finances. In addition to her technical skills and attention to detail, Helen is noted for her wry sense of humor and friendly personality.

Outgoing President Glendy Chiang presented President's Awards to Teresa Wang, Paula Block, Rosette Clippinger and Rachel and Roger Kirk. All five are long-time board members who are always ready to take on any task in support of the Friends. Teresa brings much-needed expertise in social media, and was instrumental in establishing a database that combined our various contact lists into one easy-to-manage document on Google docs. Paula and Rosette have chaired the Volunteer Appreciation Reception for many years along with many other events. Rachel has been the Chair of our popular Read Together Diamond Bar program while Roger has been our Parliamentarian, and both have for many years organized our very successful Wine Soirée silent book auction.

It is our volunteers who make possible all the Friends' activities supporting the Library and literacy in the community - our thanks to every one of our *amazing volunteers!*



Left to right: Rosette Clippinger, Paula Block, Teresa Wang, Helen Lin, Fr. John Palmer, Harold Pressman, Rachel and Roger Kirk

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Lifetime Membership	\$150.00
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Membership envelopes are available at:

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or

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Or you may mail your membership dues or donation to:

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Thanks for being “A Friend!”