



Diamond Bar Friends of the Library

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Four Seasons Book Group for Winter 2023

Saturday, January 28, 2023

11 a.m.

The Friends invite everyone to read ***The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*** by Rebecca Skloot for the **Winter Four Seasons Book Group**. We will meet in the Diamond Bar Library Windmill Room on Saturday, January 28 at 11 am. to discuss and also view the film based on this book.

Her name was Henrietta Lacks, but scientists know her as HeLa. She was a poor Black tobacco farmer whose cells—taken without her knowledge in 1951—became one of the most important tools in medicine, vital for developing the polio vaccine, cloning, gene mapping, in vitro fertilization, and more. Henrietta's cells have been bought and sold by the billions, yet she remains virtually unknown, and her family can't afford health insurance.

Made into an HBO movie by Oprah Winfrey and Alan Ball, this *New York Times* bestseller takes readers on an extraordinary journey. All are welcome and encouraged to join us on Saturday, January 28 at 11 a.m. in the Diamond Bar Library Windmill Room. Refreshments will be served.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY HEROS RECOGNIZED

In early December 2022 volunteers for 2019, 2021 AND 2022 were recognized for their work and dedication to the goals of the Diamond Bar Friends of the Library. Because of COVID we were not able to gather together to celebrate our many outstanding volunteers. Below is the list of the people recognized for the last three years. They are some of the dedicated people who staff our Friends of the Library Bookstore and organize and produce many Friends' activities. Stop by the Diamond Bar Library and look for the plaques found outside the bookstore with the names of Friends' volunteers over many years.

1. Henri Lee, 2022 Friends of the Library Bookstore Volunteer of the Year
2. Mary Hackett, 2021 Friends of the Library Bookstore Volunteer of the Year
3. Jim Hackett, 2021 Friends of the Library Bookstore Volunteer of the Year
4. Helen Lin, 2022 Friends of the Library Volunteer of the Year
5. Dr. Wei Li, 2021 Friends of the Library Volunteer of the Year

6. Betty Martinez, 2021 Friends of the Library Volunteer of the Year
7. Susan Pantages, 2020 Friends of the Library Volunteer of the Year
8. Linda Headlee, 2019 Friends of the Library Volunteer of the Year
9. Pantages & Associates, 2022 Friends of the Library Business of the Year
10. Walnut Valley Unified School District, 2021 Friends of the Library Business of the Year
11. Waste Management, 2020 Friends of the Library Business of the Year
12. Valley Vista Services, 2019 Friends of the Library Business of the Year
13. Paula Block, Outstanding Service for 8 years as Executive Board Secretary

PRESIDENT'S AWARDS

Dana Cox, MaryKay Nichols, Elaine Mickle and Rosette Clippenger

Friends of the Library Bookstore News

Located in the Diamond Bar Library

Each book and item sold in the bookstore supports the Diamond Bar Library to enlarge their reading and media collections. Improving literacy in our community one book at a time.

Bookstore hours are:

Monday through Saturday 11 am to 5 pm

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Thank you to all our customers who support our Friends of the Library Bookstore!

Congratulations to Danielle Alcala, the winner of our Holiday gift basket.

Look for the free Opportunity Basket in the Bookstore. Each customer is entitled for one free ticket per transaction. Friends' board member MaryKay Nichols makes these beautiful baskets.



FROM THE BOOK NOOK

“WE LOSE OURSELVES IN BOOKS. WE SOMETIMES FIND OURSELVES THERE TOO.”

Do you have books that you are reading that you would like to share? We would love to hear from you for our upcoming e-newsletters.

From Cynthia Yu, Interim Community Library Manager
***A Rover's Story* by Jasmine Warga**

A Rover's Story is a great combination of imagination and science that takes young readers on an unexpected and heartwarming journey. The story is told from the perspective of a fictional Mars Rover, Resilience and how he is created at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory and his missions in Mars. Besides all the science facts, there's an abundance of emotions in the story as Resilience explores the ideas of perseverance, friendship, loss and home! Ages 8-12.

From: Janet Ramirez-Manchan, Teen Services Librarian

***Five Survice* by Holly Jackson**

New York Times bestseller Holly Jackson, author of *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder*, is back with a new nail-biting mystery. Red Kenny and five of her best friends are traveling in an RV when an apparent accident leaves them stranded. They quickly realize that their isolation was orchestrated by someone that wants one of them dead. Now they must try to solve the mystery before it's too late. Will they survive the night? Is the killer out in the dark or among them?

Here are a few of the many interesting programs at the Diamond Bar Library this month:

✳ **Bullet Journaling for the New Year**

Wednesday, January 18, 2023, 3:30 to 4:30 pm

Make 2023 your most intentional and mindful year yet! Learn about the benefits of bullet journaling and then design and craft your personalized bullet journal. Minimal, decoratively hand-lettered, part-scrapbook, or filled with detailed illustrations, it's up to you! All supplies will be provided just bring your creativity.

Attendance is limited and advance registration is required. Registration open one week before this program. To sign up, see library staff, or register online at Visit.CACountyLibrary.org/Events and filter by location or event.

✳ **Goal Setting in a Jar**

Pick up a take-home activity kit

Do you have goals you would like to achieve but don't know where to start? Learn simple steps for creating personal goals and create a goal setting jar so you can tackle them one at a time. For teens ages 13-17.

✳ **Winter Reading Club**

December 15, 2022 to January 15, 2023

Calling readers of all ages! Read for 400 minutes for a chance to win prizes, and help us reach our shared goal of one million minutes read! Cozy up to your favorite books this winter!

Join the club at LACountyLibrary.org/Winter-Reading

✳ **Basic Clothes Mending Techniques**

Pick up a take-home kit

When your favorite shirt has a rip or hole, don't toss it—mend it! Repair your own clothes by learning how to sew a button, fix a hem, and mend a hole in a sock and shirt. Available while supplies last. For Adults

Looking at the library offerings above you can truly see that there is something for everyone at the library.

- * **Congratulations to Cyclone Services in Diamond Bar** on their 40th anniversary in serving Diamond Bar. Jon and Marla are assets to our community and are great supporters of the Diamond Bar Library and literacy. Check out their colorful Free Little Library at Cyclone, 23545 Palomino Drive.
- * Do not forget to check out all the great programs available through the Los Angeles County Library and at the Diamond Bar Library.
- * County Librarian Skye Patrick offered a wonderful quote from poet T.S. Eliot: “The very evidence of libraries affords the best evidence that we may yet have hope for the future”.....T. S. Eliot

A BIG
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you
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*to our library friends for their donations
for the support of the Library Programs.*

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SPECIAL THANKS THIS MONTH TO ALL OUR DONORS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR 2022. THE TIMES HAVE BEEN CHALLENGING AND WE GRATEFUL TO EVERYONE WHO SUPPORTED THE DIAMOND BAR FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY'S MISSION TO KEEP OUR DIAMOND BAR LIBRARY THE VERY BEST IT CAN BE FOR OUR COMMUNITIES.

Checks can also be made out to “Diamond Bar Friends of the Library”

and mailed to: **Diamond Bar Friends of the Library**
23535 Palomino Drive #232 Diamond Bar, Ca. 91765

*The true meaning of life is to plant trees
under whose shade you do not expect to sit.*

Nelson Henderson

Thank You to our library friends for their donations for the support of the **2022 Library Programs**. In 2021 over \$29,000 was donated by the Friends to the Diamond Bar Library for needed programs and materials for adults, teens and children. For 2022 the Friends have promised at least \$43,000 to the Diamond Bar Library.

As we were unable to produce our famous Wine Soiree in 2020 and 2021, we appreciate all the support our Friends have shown

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| Diamond Bar Library 21800 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765 | | Diamond Bar Center 1600 Grand Avenue Diamond Bar, CA 91765 |
| The Diamond Bar Friends of the Library monthly board meeting is open to the public. The meetings are usually held on the second Saturday of the month starting at 8:30 a.m. Some meetings will remain on zoom, and some will be held live at the Diamond Bar Library Windmill Room. | | |
| Date | Event | Notes |
| Ongoing | Diamond Bar Friends' non-profit bookstore at the Diamond Bar Library | We are now open six days a week with an all-volunteer staff. |
| Saturday, January 28, 2023 11 a.m. | Four Seasons Book Group quarterly meeting | Diamond Bar Library Windmill Room |
| Saturday April 22, 2023 11 a.m. | Four Seasons Book Group Spring meeting <i>A Man Called Ove</i> by Fredrik Backman | Diamond Bar Library Windmill Room |
| Saturday, July 22, 2023 11 a.m. | Four Seasons Book Group Summer meeting | Diamond Bar Library Windmill Room |
| October 2023 | READ TOGETHER DIAMOND BAR | Our month-long celebration of community and reading. What book would you like to read together? |
| November 4 9 am to 3 pm | Friends' Holiday Craft Fair | Diamond Bar Library Windmill Room |

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About LA County Library

Founded in 1912, LA County Library is one of the largest and most innovative library systems in the US. It offers free public resources including books, music, multimedia materials, computer and internet access, and educational and recreational services to 3.4 million residents across 3,000 square miles through its eighty-seven libraries and mobile fleet of eighteen vehicles, including 3 Bookmobiles, 10 MāK Mō maker mobiles, and 5 Reading Machines. LA County Library is dedicated to reducing barriers and increasing access to and equity of public services for all. To learn more, visit [LACountyLibrary.org](https://www.lacountylibrary.org) and follow [@LACountyLibrary](#) on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).



