

# Culver City Friends of the Library



News from the Friends of the  
Culver City Julian Dixon Library

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## National Library Week Celebrate April 12-18, 2009

National Library Week is an annual celebration of the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians. All types of libraries - school, public, academic and special - participate. National Library Week 2009 will be celebrated with the theme, "Worlds connect @ your library." Below is an American Library Assn press release:

"This week, schools, campuses and communities across the country celebrate National Library Week, a time to remind the public about the contribution librarians, librarians and library workers make to their communities everyday.

In today's economy, libraries offer free resources to help people find jobs and learn new skills. Worlds connect @ your library, with people of all ages and backgrounds finding entertainment, self-help or their place in the community. With free resources like books, magazines, DVDs and computer and wifi access, do better in school, tackle projects and learn new ways to improve their health. What makes the library unique is access to trained professionals - librarians - to help people find and interpret the information they need to make a difference in their lives. Our libraries also help keep us connected, providing a space for people of all ages, classes and races to come together, while keeping us connected to events and people around the world. It's where people can keep up with world events or research where to volunteer locally."

Upcoming Book Sale is Sat. April 18 9:00-3:00!



## Congratulations

to all of our **Edible Book Festival winners** and thank you to all of our participants, judges, and special thanks to Scott Malsin!  
You're all winners!

### And the winners are ...

**People's Choice-** If You Give a Mouse a Cookie- Judy Blake

**Most Artistic-** The Fountainhead- Linda Shahanian

**Most Inspired-** Oliver Twist- Paula and Tom Wilson

**Most Creative-** Paradise Lost- Paula Wilson

**Most Delicious Looking-** If You Give a Mouse a Cookie- Judy Blake

**Best Kids' Book-** The Hundred Dresses- Lise Friedman

**Best Use of a Condiment-** Salt- Sophia and Annalivia Martin-Straw

**Honorable Mention-** The Little Engine that Could- Lise Friedman

**Honorable Mention-** A Wrinkle in Time- Erika Hoekstra

**Best Last Minute Entry-** Nidaa Sahu (age 10)

Visit [www.ccfol.org](http://www.ccfol.org) for additional pictures of edible books and winners!

**Partner with the Friends**

We are seeking additional businesses in the community that would like to partner with us to provide discounts to our members. If you are a business owner or know of a company that might be interested in working with us, please email Kevin at [info@ccfol.org](mailto:info@ccfol.org).

**Friends of the Library Business Partners**

Being a member of the Friends of the Library has its perks! Use your Membership Card to get great discounts at the following local businesses:

**Avon Independent Sales Rep. Brooke Powell**

(310) 836-0003 [www.youravon.com/brookepowell](http://www.youravon.com/brookepowell)  
10% discount on orders over \$25.00 placed directly with representative, or online using the personal delivery option. 10%, excluding sales tax, will also be donated to the Friends. (May not be combined with any other offer.)

**Batteries Plus in Culver City**

10% Discount off regularly priced merchandise

**Borders Express in Culver City (Fox Hills Mall)**

20% Discount off regularly priced merchandise

**Szechuan Restaurant in Marina Del Rey**

10% Discount on food purchases (not valid with coupons, on deliveries, or on specials)

**San Gennaro Café in Brentwood**

Buy one entrée, receive the second entrée of equal or lesser value FREE. Maximum value \$12. Valid Sunday - Thursday only. Not valid holidays or with any other offer.

Note: You must renew your dues to receive your Membership Card! All memberships expire in December annually.

President's Message

Dear Friends,

I recently attended the annual convention of Los Angeles County Friends of the Library groups. The mood is always upbeat and enthusiastic, but there was an underlying current of concern this year as County staffers spoke of budget cuts and belt-tightening in light of the State's economic problems.

But, as Margaret Donnellan Todd, the County Librarian, pointed out, the library has survived economic downturns in the past, including the Great Depression of the 1930s, and it will come through this one too. But maintaining our library is more important now than ever.

Luckily, the Culver City Library has always enjoyed vigorous support by the community, a fact mentioned, with envy, by several people from other Friends groups. Your membership in the Friends is an important part of keeping the library an integral part of Culver City. The CCFOL Board thanks you sincerely and hopes to see you at the many functions we have planned for the rest of 2009.

Sincerely,

Kevin Commins  
President -- CCFOL

# Book Room Dedication

## honoring Wayne Pulliam April 18

The Julian Dixon Library conference room was lined table to table with books March 21, all edible of course. Last minute artists (all under age 13) rushed to get the last gummy worm, animal cracker, pretzel, and candied hearts just in the right spot. After the judging, guests and contestants were allowed to eat their way through each book, much like the very hungry caterpillar did. Thank you again to everyone for making the Edible Book Festival a huge success!

**The International Edible Book Festival** is held annually around the world. To date, the following countries have held this festival: Australia, Brazil, Canada, England, France, Germany, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, United States of America, Russia. Hong Kong has just announced its participation in 2007.

**AWARD RECIPIENTS!**

The Friends are extremely grateful for the wonderful contributions that keep our programs and events going! This year, the Friends will be honoring the following individuals and corporate sponsors for their outstanding contributions in 2008:

**Community Volunteers of the Year:** Judy Blake, Cathy Barry and Jozelle Smith

**Youth Volunteer of the Year:** Ethan Friedman

**Board Member of the Year:** Wayne Pulliam

**Business Partners of the Year:** Sony Pictures Entertainment and Culver City News

We were honored to have your support in 2008 and look forward to many more years of productive partnership!

**2009 BOARD MEMBERS**

|                   |                 |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| President         | Kevin Commins   |
| Vice President    | Steven Wieber   |
| Secretary         | Wanda Anesh     |
| Treasurer         | John Kuechle    |
| Book Sale Chair   | Wayne Pulliam   |
| Program Co-Chair  | Nancy Kuechle   |
| Program Co-Chair  | Elaine Hirohama |
| Membership Chair  | Alan Corlin     |
| Publication Chair | Aileen Zeidman  |



# Upcoming CCFOL Events

## April-June 2009



Join the Friends in any or all of these exciting, free events:

**April 7 (Tuesday)  
7:00 PM – 7:50 PM**

Spring Opener: Story Time and Craft at the Library: Join Librarian Laura Frakes reading “A Very Hungry Caterpillar” and find out what it transforms into. Arts and crafts immediately after. Don’t Miss It!

**April 18 (Saturday)  
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM**

Friends’ Quarterly Book Sale at the Library: Another all-day book sale with thousands of titles to choose from. Volunteers wanted! We would love to have your help at any of the book sales: set up starts around 7:30am and we start breaking the sale down at 2:30pm. See you then! At 2:00p.m. join us for a special Book Room Dedication as we honor Book Sale Chair Wayne Pulliam with a special plaque for his countless hours of volunteer hours.

**May 5 (Tuesday)  
7:00 PM – 7:50 PM**

Story Time and Craft at the Library: Join school board member Scott Zeidman reading *Casey at the Bat* and other baseball stories. Score big with a baseball inspired craft project. It’s sure to be a home run! Come dressed in your favorite baseball jersey or hat!

**June 2 (Tuesday)**

Story Time and Craft with some very special teachers. Details to follow.

**July 7 (Tuesday)**

Story Time and Craft. Details to follow.

For more information about these or any of our activities and events, please look for flyers or check out the display cases in the Library, call 310-559-1676 or visit [www.ccfol.org](http://www.ccfol.org)!

**County Library Programs:**

For more story time fun, remember that the library also offers loads of exciting programs: With **WE TELL STORIES**, actors unfurl imaginative costumes and props from an old steamer trunk and the fun begins. Audience members participate from their seats, then join actors on stage to play an integral part in the performance. Parents and kids delight in this family activity that is both entertaining, as well as culturally enriching. WE TELL STORIES promises yet another year of fantastic storytelling, literacy & laughter:

**April 15 (Wednesday) at 11:00 am:** “Pint-Sized Plays” (for ages 3-5) - To commemorate National Library Week

**May 2 (Saturday) at 2:00 pm:** “Cinco de Mayo” – A special cultural celebration

**May 30 (Saturday) at 2:00 pm:** “Feast From the East” – To celebrate Asian American Pacific Heritage Month

The **DEFINIENS PROJECT** will present a series of interactive musical concerts for young school-age children on the **2nd Tuesday evening of the month at 7:00 p.m.** from February through May. Each concert will provide a story-based, interactive musical adventure, consisting of a main program, which will be both introduced and followed by a short musical piece performed by the musicians.

**These performances are made possible in part by a grant from the City of Culver City Performing Arts Grant Program Fund with support from Sony Pictures Entertainment.**

**For more information about these and other County Library programs offered pick up a flyer or talk to one of the friendly and knowledgeable staff members at the Culver City Julian Dixon Library.**

**CCFOL BOARD MEETINGS**  
Monthly board meetings are every third Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. (Subject to changes)

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### JOIN THE CULVER CITY FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY!

The Culver City Friends of the Library is a non-profit group comprised of volunteers dedicated to supporting the Culver City Julian Dixon Library. The Friends strive to heighten public awareness of the Library's resources, services and needs, enrich the Library's resources through funds derived from memberships, donations and special projects, and stimulate gifts to the Library of books and other materials. The support provided by the Friends enables the Library to enrich its resources, enhance its services, and expand its programs to maximize the Library's role and usefulness in the community.

Please join us! Just complete the form below (please print!) and mail in your dues today. With membership you receive a Friends membership card that will entitle you to various benefits at local businesses. You will also receive the Friends' quarterly newsletter.

**NAME(S) TO BE PRINTED ON MEMBERSHIP CARD:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP/ DUES:**    \_\_\_ New    \_\_\_ Renewal

**Check one:**    \_\_\_ Individual: \$10.00/year    \_\_\_ Family: \$20.00/year  
                  \_\_\_ Senior (over 55): \$5.00/year    \_\_\_ Student (under 18): \$5.00/year  
                  \_\_\_ Business/Organization: \$100.00/year    \_\_\_ Lifetime: \$200.00

**DONATION:**    \_\_\_ Supporting Member: \$50/year    \_\_\_ Sustaining Senior(over 55): \$15/year

I wish to donate \$ \_\_\_\_\_ In memory/honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL ENCLOSED TAX-DEDUCTIBLE PAYMENT OF \$ \_\_\_\_\_** in \_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_ Check payable to Culver City Friends of the Library

I wish to receive the Friends newsletter via: \_\_\_ U.S. Mail \_\_\_ Email

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