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Celebrating National Library Workers Day

By Sarah Jones, Director

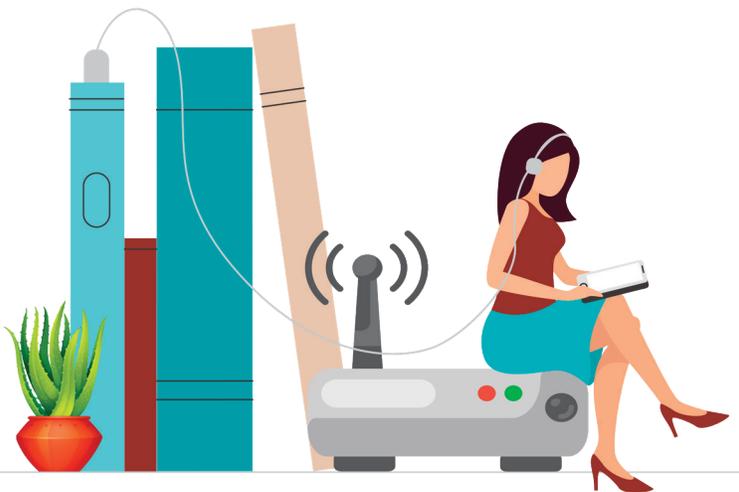
Tuesday April 5th is National Library Workers Day. Our library works because of my hard working staff members. The last two years have been hard, but my staff handled every transition with a smile and desire to serve our community. We would not be where we are today without them.

National Library Workers Day is a day established for library staff, users, administrators and

Friends of the Library groups to recognize the valuable contributions made by all library workers. It is a time to recognize library professionals for their expertise and leadership skills in transforming lives and communities through their hard work.

Library workers play a critical role in meeting the needs of our community, from connecting patrons to local social and health services, to career

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A Season for Change

By Alexis Ramirez, Library Clerk

Spring is the season of change and renewal, and there's no better way to celebrate the coming of spring by going to your public library.

Depending on a person's interest, we have a variety of genres in the nonfiction section. There are self-help books, domestic arts books (i.e. cooking) and many other

types of books to learn new skills! We also have multiple genres of fiction books if a person just wants to change up what they read.

Our main genres are fiction, mystery, fantasy, and science fiction. Within those main genres are sub-genres that can help us fine tune what a person would specifically like to read.

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FAMILY

TOUCH-A-TRUCK

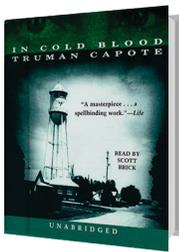
April 9 • 10 a.m.
Library Parking Lot

Come learn about the many emergency vehicles, transport vehicles, tow trucks, public health and safety trucks, buses and more that make our community great!

EASTER EGG HUNT

April 4 – 22

The Easter Bunny hopped by early this year! Starting Monday Apr. 4 through Friday, Apr. 22 stop by the Library to find one of the eggs our Easter Bunny has hidden throughout the library. Who knows, you may even get a prize!



ADULTS

BREWS & BOOKS

April 20 • 6:30 p.m.
Milton's Brewing

Join us at Milton's Brewing (213 Mermod Street in Carlsbad) for a fun group book discussion about "In Cold Blood" by Truman Capote.



TEENS



TEEN ART

April 13 • 6th - 12th grade
4:30 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

Come and enjoy a creative art project. This month we will be painting a beautiful fox mural.

POETRY WRITING

April 4 – 30

Calling all Poets! Let's see those creative skills. Check out our poetry-writing activities for kids and Teens this month in our children's department. Poetry submissions will be displayed on the poetry wall in the library during the month.

KIDS

*All events take place
in the Children's Library*

MOTHER GOOSE

Ages 0-2
April 5, 12, 19 & 26
10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Our 'Mother Goose' activities are fast-paced and designed to stimulate babies' language learning, motor skills, We use rhymes, baby games, short books, music, and more!

TODDLER TIME

Ages 0-3
April 6, 13, 20 & 27
11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Join us for some music, educational toys, and books during our fun-filled social time. Parents or caregivers are required to accompany their children to this class.



PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Ages 3-5
April 7, 14, 21 & 28
9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Calling All Explorers! Come and enjoy stories, crafts, and activities as we explore selected themes and topics appropriate for young children. Parents caregivers are required to accompany their children in this class.

PEACEFUL PLAY

Ages 2-10
April 7, 14, 21 & 28
4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Children may explore a variety of toys designed to stimulate imagination and creative play. This less-structured program allows children to enjoy an unhurried library experience.

LEGO CLUB + CRAFTAFTERNOON

Ages 4+
April 6, 13, 20 & 27
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Kids and families are invited to attend this come-and-go after school program. All LEGO bricks and supplies will be provided. Come explore and create with us!



STEM CLUB

May 7 • 1st - 5th grade
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Pre-Registration Required

This club is designed to stimulate young minds and open a world of possibilities in science, technology, engineering and mathematics fields of study. Each month we feature a different STEM project kit that participating students will get to keep. Space is limited. Sign-up, by calling 575.885.6776 or stop by the Circulation Desk at the library. ♦

Monthly Reads for Teens: Animal Books

By Beth Nieman,
Youth Services Librarian



Max: Best Friend. Hero. Marine, by Jennifer Li Shotz. When Justin's older brother Kyle is killed in Afghanistan, Justin can't believe that his brother is really gone. Except there's one thing that Kyle left behind. Max is a highly trained military canine who has always protected his fellow soldiers. At first Justin has no interest in taking care of his late brother's troubled dog. However, the two learn to trust each other and start to unravel the mystery of what really happened to Kyle, they find more excitement- and danger- than they bargained for. But they might also find an unlikely new best friend- in each other.

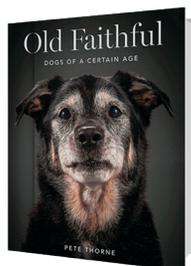
Ellie's Story, by Bruce Cameron. Ellie is a very special dog with a very important purpose. From puppyhood, Ellie has been trained as a search-and-rescue dog. She can track down a lost child in a forest or an injured victim under a fallen building. She finds people. She saves them. It's what she was meant to do. But Ellie must do more. Her handlers-widowed Jakob, lonely Maya-need her too.

People can be lost in many ways, and to do the job she was born to do, Ellie needs to find a way to save the people she loves most.

The Ultimate Dog Treat Cookbook: Homemade Goodies for Man's Best Friend, by Liz Palika. Nonfiction. With 50 canine-tested, veterinarian-approved recipes, including-Peanut Butter-Honey Nut Cheerios Balls, Taco Treats, Birthday Blueberry Pupcakes, Halloween Treats, Frozen Magic Meatballs, and more. There are even delicious doggy delicacies for pets with special needs, Including Turkey Jerky, and Salad Bar Bones.

Drawing and Painting Imaginary Animals: A Mixed Media Workshop, by Carla Sonheim. Nonfiction. Through fun and creative exercises, Carla Sonheim teaches you to draw a variety of fun animals and creatures, including dogs, cats, birds, elephants and more. You'll also find a variety of unique mixed-media techniques to help you bring your creatures to life, resulting in a

unique finished art piece. Improve your drawing skills, expand your creativity, learn new art techniques-and have loads of fun doing it!



Old Faithful: Dogs of a Certain Age, by Pete Thorne. Photography, nonfiction. A stunning and indelible collection of portraits and stories that capture dogs of a certain age in all their patchy, scruffy, jowly and devoted glory-an homage to man's best friend, based on the popular international photography project. The dogs in Old Faithful are well worn, well loved, and well on in years. Dog lover/photographer Pete Throne found himself taking photos of elderly dogs. In their aged, imperfed faces, he saw a depth of life, joy, and wisdom missing from more youthful subjects.



Available throughout April while supplies last!

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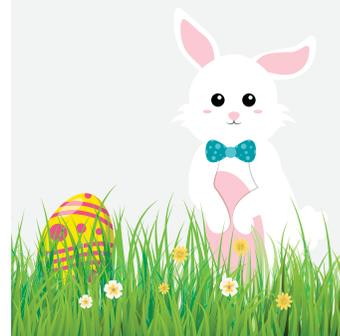
and small business development assistance and free access to tools that transform lives through education and lifelong learning.

Do you have a staff member that you want to be recognized? You can nominate them as a shining star. The American Library Association has created a galaxy of stars. Follow this link to nominate a staff member as a shining star:

<https://ala-apa.org/nlwd/>

You can provide a testimonial about a favorite library employee to honor deserving library workers for the work they do throughout the year.

I encourage everyone to take a moment and thank you library workers for the services they provide and to remind all who depend on them that our city works, because our Carlsbad Public Library workers do! ♦





KID'S CORNER



Handprint Butterfly Project



SUPPLIES

- 1 sheet construction paper (any color)
- 1 pipe cleaner (any color)
- 1 popsicle stick
- 4 pom poms (1/2 inch)
- 1 pom pom (1 inch)
- 2 googly eyes (3/16 inch)

EQUIPMENT

- Scissors
- Markers
- Glue

DIRECTIONS



1. Fold construction paper in half and trace hand along fold. Cut out the hand shape.



2. Open hand shape up to reveal the "wings". Decorate as you like!



3. Cut a 4" length of pipe cleaner and fold in half. Curl the ends and glue to the top of the popsicle stick. This will be the antennae



4. Glue big pom pom to the top of the pipe cleaner, at the bottom of the antennae. Glue small ones for the body. Glue on the eyes.



5. Glue pipe cleaner to the fold of the hand shape cutout to create your butterfly. By waving the bottom of the stick, you can make it "fly"! ♦

March program schedule for kids:

Tuesdays:

10:00 - 10:30 a.m. Mother Goose

Wednesdays:

11:00 - 11:45 a.m. Toddler Time
2:00 - 3:30 p.m. LEGO Club

Thursdays:

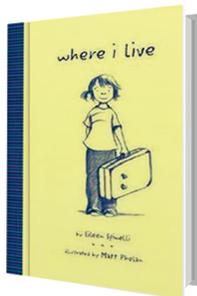
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Verse Novels Are Good Choices for Youth Readers

By Beth Nieman,
Youth Services Librarian

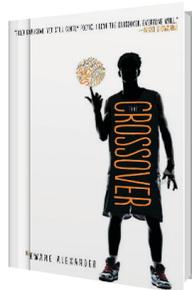
Novels written in free verse instead of prose have potential to make a big impact on students. For reluctant readers, the large amount of white space on each page can be less intimidating than a full page of single-spaced type. The poetic form also slows down the reading pace, allowing readers to focus on a few well-selected words to create impressions, convey emotion, and carry the story along.

Here are some novels in verse to consider borrowing during your next trip to the library:

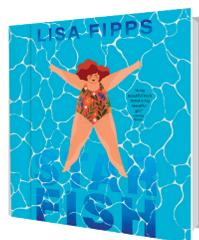


Where I Live, by Eileen Spinelli, with illustrations by Matt Phelan, is a story about change for elementary readers. Diana is a girl who loves her yellow house, her best friend (Rose), astronomy, and writing poems. Her life is about to change because the family is leaving their home and moving in with Grandpa

Joe. Will Diana love her new house as much as her old house, and will there be new friends? Will the stars shine as brightly? Will there be anything to inspire new poems?



Crossover, a novel in verse by Kwame Alexander, won the Newbery Medal in 2015. The book is about twin 8th-graders Josh and Jordan ("JB") Bell. The brothers excel on the basketball court, but JB broadens his interests beyond the game when a girl catches his eye. Their father places so much importance on basketball that JB's seeming loss of focus causes tension. When tragedy strikes, can the brothers become close again? The follow-up story to this bestseller is *Booked*.



Star Fish, by Lisa Fipps, is the story of Ellie, who is often

bullied at home and at school because of being overweight. In a heartfelt way, Fipps shares Ellie's feelings, her experiences, and how, with the help and support of trusted friends and adults, Ellie begins to realize her own value.



Teen readers enjoy verse novels, too. Author Ellen Hopkins has written several bestselling novels for young adults in verse; her latest is **What About Will?** Younger brother Trace narrates the story about his older brother,

Will, whom he looks up to; following a sporting accident, Will becomes addicted to painkillers to deal with the after-effects, and Trace must decide how to respond. ♦

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STEM club

imagine the possibilities
For kids in 1st - 5th grade

Join our next club on May 7 @ 1 p.m.
pre-register at the circulation desk or call 575.885.6776

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Our information desk can help a person locate the books for them in the library shelves.

If we don't have a certain book that the person would like to read we also have two services that can fix that. We have the InterLibrary Loan (ILL) service which is where a person would fill out a form and we would send a request out to different libraries to find a copy however, the ILL service is only available to people that have been patrons with the library for 3+ months. The other service is our request service where a person can request the library to get new materials for the library to keep. Unlike the ILL service, the request service only requires that a person have a library card.

If a person isn't able to make it down to the library we also have electronic sources. The electronic resources also include automotive texts, language learning and other various learning opportunities to help change a person's life. These electronic resources also have the normal nonfiction and fiction selections to read. ♦



Starting April 4 through April 22 stop by the library for an Easter Egg Hunt! Each day eggs will be hidden inside the Library for patrons to find. If you happen to find an egg with a Golden Number, bring it to the circulation desk to collect an extra special prize!

We are also starting a community survey. We are encouraging ALL PATRONS who wish to have a voice in the services and programs offered at the our local library to fill it out. This is your chance to help us grow! The survey can be found at the following link:

<https://forms.gle/roRDHCFBpNkvSd2w8>

A graphic for a "Brews & Books" event. At the top, "Brews & Books" is written in a white, serif font on a red background. Below this is a smartphone displaying the cover of the audiobook "In Cold Blood" by Truman Capote. The cover features a water tower and a house, with a quote from Life magazine: "A masterpiece... a spellbinding work." The audiobook is labeled "UNABRIDGED". Yellow caution tape with the word "CAUTION" is wrapped around the phone. At the bottom, the event details are listed: "Wednesday, April 20 @ 6:30 p.m." and "Milton's Brewing - 213 Mermod St." on a red background.

National Poetry Month

By Laura Hughes,
Information Specialist

The week of April 3-9 is National Library Week with this year's theme "Connect with Your Library." The month of April is also National Poetry Month. To cover these two themes, I wrote you an acrostic poem:

Come
Over
Now to the library, we
Need
Everyone to
Come
Together

With
Inspiration
To
Help
You all find
Out your
Unique
Reading interests where there is

Literature found
Inside
Brick and mortar buildings for
Reading
And
Relaxing
Year-round

Which
Enriches
Everlasting
Knowledge

Coming of Spring

It escapes everyone's notice,
Despite their attempts to focus.
The change from winter to spring,
Even as the birds start to sing.
The sun constant even in the winter,
Is now like an eye splinter
Suddenly it's warm and jackets are shed,
Kids no longer run out to sled.
The kids that stayed inside for warmth,
Now watch the birds fly north.
Winter festivities are now changed,
For summer pools that were maintained.
Parents fill the stands in support,
To watch kids play in a sport.
Winter evenings of warmth and relaxation,
Turns into summer heat and exhilaration.
Another year passes as the kids play,
Another year the parents wish they'd not gray.
Another year, another spring, another day.

by Alexis Ramirez

