

BOOKMARKS

News, Events & Etceteras

La Selva Beach Book Fair 📖

July 18th, 10 am – 4 pm

We have another great book sale coming your way! Join our chapter at La Selva Beach for a fair including live music, and organic farmers market, and of course great deals on books.

Festival of the Book 📖

July 26th, 1 – 4 pm

Come join us at the Festival of the Book, the culminating event of the Summer Reading Program. There will be music, crafts, and a Kids Only Book Sale! More information inside.

Garfield Park Party 📖

July 11th, 12 – 4 pm

Come help us celebrate the birthday of our branch on the West Side!

Join your library and Tannery World Dance at these events for the Ethnic Dance and Music Festival! 📖

Experience the Dance and Music of Puerto Rico with Luna Rhythms!

August 29th, 11am

Capitola Library

Join Ali Luna as he demonstrates the congas, barriles, maracas and more! Children can participate in call and response style singing, creating traditional drumming rhythms and learning the movements of Bomba!

Magdalena Vega teaches rhythms and movements of Folklorico!

September 5th, 11 am

Scotts Valley Library

Learn Hawaiian Music and Dance with Kumu Leolani Lowry!

September 12th, 11am

Downtown Library

Grab your 'ukulele, kick off your shoes and have some fun! Kumu (Master Teacher) Leolani demonstrates Hawaiian instruments and hula (Hawaiian dance). Children can learn Hawaiian songs, basic hula steps and how to speak with their hands!



Bayview Elementary visits Garfield Park Library

There will be face painting, and crafts for children and young teenagers. Mav'Riks, our Santa Cruz Warriors mascot will be joining the fun as well.

Adults won't miss a beat—the Ron Kaplan & Friends band will be playing their tunes, along with some ukulele musicians. So be sure to put on your dancing shoes, as you will be wanting to spin your feet round and round the dance floor.

Even the Mayor will be coming out to give a proclamation!

If the fun in the sun has got you feeling parched, never fear, for there will be some cool treats to enjoy! There will be lemonade for all, and Mission Hill Creamery will be donating their delicious ice cream. Just Cake is designing a specialty cake for the occasion, along with a sheet cake that is sure to please the palate.

There will be parking available at the Community Church, and for those that will be cruising in on their bikes, Bike Santa Cruz County will have a bike station set up, where they will watch and monitor your bicycle while you have fun at the party.

So don't forget to shimmy those feet on down to the Garfield Park Block Party on Saturday, July 11th and be prepared for some timeless fun!

A History of the Garfield Park Branch Library

The Garfield Park Branch Library opened in July 1915, after a generous grant from the Carnegie Corporation. The Carnegie Corporation, which is a foundation who's vision is to promote the advancement and diffusion of knowledge and understanding, funded the first library that was built in the City of Santa Cruz in 1903. The Garfield Park Branch Library was the second library that the Carnegie Corporation helped to bring into fruition for the area.

The building was designed in a mission style, with an assembly room, a large reading room and a large fireplace. It was a tiny place, yet a cozy one, and has since been remodeled and added on to. The space increased by 1,000 square feet, which included an addition of public restrooms, a staff work room, an office for the branch manager, and a break room.

Originally the Garfield Park Branch Library serviced a population of about 11,000 people in the City of Santa Cruz in the 1910's. The patrons were generally white, and of the working middle-class. Since then though, the population in Santa Cruz has increased to nearly 60,000 people and now caters their services to that of the diverse,

You're invited to Garfield Park's Birthday Block Party!

The Garfield Park Block Party is upon us! Come join the fun on July 11th from 12 pm to 4 pm to celebrate the Garfield Park Branch Library's 100th year of being open!

Fun will be had by all ages. For the youngsters, there is a children's parade, which features the history of the area through use of play trolleys for the kids to cruise along in. Imaginations have no bounds—from parade to park, there is much for children of all ages to enjoy.

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young adult population. The Garfield Park Branch Library is a real asset to the community in that it provides computer access to those who do not have a computer at home, which is especially important for the youth in the community. The branch has even rearranged their limited hours so that they can better serve the neighborhood's youth after school and on Saturdays.

The Garfield Park Branch Library was opened a century ago with the intention of bringing more knowledge and understanding to the community. I think it would be safe to say that it has gone beyond the expectations of its founders in how it is helping the youth of today, and the joy that it brings to those who visit it.

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Message from the President

Aaron Brandt, President of the Friends of the Santa Cruz Public Libraries

Dear Friends,
I am pleased and honored to begin my term as president of the Friends of the Santa Cruz Public Libraries. It is especially gratifying to be working with an extraordinary Board and countless volunteers that have enormous energy and passion for our Libraries. The Friends have been doing outstanding work for nearly 40 years and I pledge to do everything I can to continue to build on that work.

This is a time of change, both for the Friends and the Libraries, as two key individuals have transitioned to new undertakings. I would like to acknowledge our past president Pete Cullen for the tremendous efforts he gave to the Friends during the past four years. Thank you very much for your contributions and we wish you the best in your new endeavors. Concurrently, Teresa Landers retired from her position as Director of the Libraries after 6 years of helping guide the Libraries through some of the most difficult financial times in recent memory. She and her husband have joined the Peace Corps and will be serving in Botswana beginning in August. We wish the two of you success as you continue to serve and support communities in need.

The Peace Corp and Botswana are both lucky to have you. Thank you again for all the work you've done to help the Santa Cruz Public Libraries.

Janis O'Driscoll is serving as the Interim Director and she and her staff are running full steam ahead. The HOMEGROWN SoundSwell benefit on June 14th at the Kwummba Jazz Center helped to raise awareness for this one of a kind program in California. You won't want to miss Garfield Park celebrating its 100th year with a community birthday party July 11th. The Summer Reading Program is also in full swing, concluding July 26th with the Festival of the Book.

Most recently the Friends had our Spring Book Sale, raising \$9000. It was an exciting day, seeing the crowds fill the parking lot from 10-4, buying up nearly every book we had available. Thank you to Cordelia Neff, our Executive Director for organizing the event.

Finally, I would like to recognize all of our members and volunteers for their dedication and commitment in supporting the Libraries. None of this would be possible without your continued efforts.

Sincerely,

Aaron Brandt



Director's Cut

Janis O'Driscoll, Interim Director of Libraries

There are a lot of reasons to be in a party mood at the Library these days. The Joint Powers Board adopted the FY 15/16 Library budget on June 8, 2015 and we will continue to provide excellent library service to our community with a budget that is the most robust it has been in seven years. We'll be expanding our popular Minecraft Mobile Lab schedule to include Aptos, Garfield Park, La Selva Beach, Scotts Valley, Felton, Boulder Creek, Live Oak, and Barrios Unidos at Pacific Collegiate School. A new MOU with the Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office will be implemented bringing a new model of public library service to the Main Jail, Blaine Street Women's Facility, and Rountree Men's Facility. Plans are to begin updated service in September.

During past budget years, the Library established and contributed to a Vehicle Reserve Fund. In FY 5/16, we will use this money to buy a new bookmobile. The new bookmobile will be slightly shorter, will have a bio-diesel engine and a solar-powered generator, and be wired to be a "hot-spot" so it can offer wi-fi in the way our brick-and-mortar branches do.

It will be built to last 15-20 years and we hope to see it roll into the County around June 2016.

But in the meantime...we really are going to have a party. Our Garfield Park Branch will be 100 years old in July. Naturally we'll have cake and ice cream... thank you to Mission Hill Creamery and Just Cakes. And we'll have music and crafts topped off by a parade around the neighborhood that everyone can join. Rowdy, GP's Tales to Tails canine listener, will be available to hear your stories about the branch and there will be just enough speeches to make the occasion official...but not boring.

You and your family will be able to remember the occasion by having your portrait taken in front of the fireplace under the painting that has hung over the mantle for 100 years. Join the fun on Saturday, July 11 from noon - 4pm. Valet bike parking will be available.

After July 11, don't put your party hats away. The Capitola Branch is planning a Sweet 16 party for its birthday later this summer. Next year the Felton Branch turns 60 and the Live Oak Branch will celebrate 10 years in its current location.

Party on!

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Celebrating Our Awesome Library Staff!

"A couple of years ago, a girl about 8yrs old came with her father. The year before her father showed her a Harry Potter popup book, but she hadn't read the books so she wasn't interested. She had now read the books and was a big HP fan. She asked her dad if he thought the book would still be there. Of course, it was not. But he told her he would ask if maybe it was tucked away somewhere. She was so disappointed and on the verge of tears. I told her I knew exactly what book she was talking about because I had one at home. I bought it for a display at the library and only used it once so it was like new. I told her she could have it and a HP poster book also. I left them at Downtown for her and got a wonderful thank you card from her that is still on display on my desk."

The Festival of the Book is Around the Corner

The Friends hope you're having fun with our "Read to the Rhythm" Santa Cruz Public Library Summer Reading Program, or know someone who is! There are still a few weeks left to earn Book Bucks and attend the programs provided at your libraries. At the end of next month, help say goodbye at the Festival of the Book on July 26th at Harvey West Park from 1-4 pm.

At the Park Clubhouse you will find the "Kids Only Book Sale", where kids, teens, and adults with children can browse our large selection of books. Proceeds help the Friends fund Library Youth Services provided throughout the year. Children and teens with at least one Book Buck can receive a free book from the sale and hot dog lunch.

Following the theme of "Read to the Rhythm", musical Watsonville Taiko drumming group will perform during the Festival. Staff and participants have been looking forward to their routine, and it's sure to be one of the many highlights of the day. Expect exciting crafts like face painting and bubbles, as well as the appearance of Tales for Tails therapy dogs!

Don't forget all the excitement of the Summer Reading Program is made possible by the Friends and your donations. Please help continue and expand the programs provided by donating today!



Jungle James, one of the many programs offered during the Summer Reading Program, wows his audience with live animals.

Thank You Computer Coach Collin

"Collin taught me so much and I learned so much. He made it fun and he made it like I could learn it. I had a great time. I left feeling tall and great and like I could face the world enthused."

-An excited patron

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Boulder Creek	Closed	Closed	11-6	11-6	11-6	11-5	12-5
Branchforte	Closed	Closed	10-6	11-7	10-6	1-5	1-5
Capitola	Closed	Closed	11-7	11-7	11-7	11-5	11-5
Downtown	1-5	10-7	10-7	10-7	10-7	10-5	10-5
Felton	Closed	Closed	1-6	1-6	1-6	11-5	10-2
Garfield Park	Closed	10-5	2-7	11-5	2-7	1-5	Closed
La Selva Beach	Closed	Closed	10-5	1-6	10-5	1-5	1-5
Live Oak	1-5	11-7	11-7	11-7	11-7	11-7	Closed
Scotts Valley	Closed	11-7	11-7	11-7	11-7	11-5	11-5

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