

Friends of the Redwood City Library Newsletter

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Spring 2012

Traveling Storytime



Penguin-Themed Thank You Sign to Friends from Traveling Storytime Volunteers

The mission of the **Traveling Storytime** program is to promote early literacy by presenting themed story times that include books, flannel board stories and fingerplays to children ranging in age from birth to five years. This winter we distributed 1,300 copies of Penguins, Penguins, Everywhere! by Bob Barner, funded by the Friends of the Redwood City Public Library. It is amazing to witness the joy on the volunteers' faces as they present the book, the look of excitement on the children's faces when they realize that they get to keep the book and the gratitude from the caregivers' who know what a positive difference a book in the home can make on

the future literacy of the children in their care.

The Traveling Storytime volunteers picked up their books at a workshop where they made penguin flannel board sets and received penguin finger puppets to enhance their book distribution presentations.

This year, the **Friends have expanded their support** of the Traveling Storytime program by funding the purchase of an additional book, One Rainy Day by Tammi Salzano which will be given to the children in the spring.

~Jan Pedden, Librarian

Kindergarten Super Saturday A Huge Success

On Saturday, 3/3, Kindergarten Super Saturday drew **1747** people into the Downtown Library. Every kindergarten child in Redwood City was invited to the library to get a card and check out some books! There were crafts, balloon animals, two magic shows and prizes! The Friends funded this event and sold children's books in the lobby.

RWC Library 5 Star Rated

The 2011 Library Journal Index of Public Library Service national ratings for all public libraries have been released, and once again your Redwood City Public Library received the highest "**5 Star**" rating! Ours is the highest-rated library of any size in the state and this ranking includes every city and county library system in California!

Amazon Sales

To maximize our revenue, the Friends continue to focus on and expand selling books and DVDs through Amazon.

Please shop our **Amazon store**:
www.amazon.com/shops/friendsofrwclibrary

Friends Website

http://www.redwoodcity.org/library/friends_of_the_library.html

Bookstore



Pictured above – The Dog and Cat feature sale display in the Friends' bookstore. One of our rotating feature sales.

Have you visited the bookstore lately? We constantly change our feature sale, sale carts and inventory.

Recently we remodeled a bit to create a display of very new fiction hard backs. If you are looking for the latest book from your favorite author, check our store first. The new books are in alphabetical order by author and very easy to peruse!

Our prices are the **BEST** deal for nice quality books - we often have the newest best seller at a fraction of the retail price. Plus, the store is always staffed by a friendly, helpful volunteer.

The bookstore is located in the lobby of the Main Library at 1044 Middlefield Road. The store is the major source of funding for all the RWC library's programs so every purchase is most appreciated.

Please Support Your Library!!!

When you join the Friends, you demonstrate your support for our Public Library, and for everything its librarians, library workers, volunteers and pages do to help ensure you and your family have a wonderful Library experience.

The Friends fund all RWC library programs – your support is much needed!

Levels of Support

- Individual Support - \$10
- Family Support - \$20
- Friend Support - \$25
- Associate Support - \$50
- Professional Support - \$100

Send your support to

Friends

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Annual fees of support are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law

2012 Board

All active Friends members are invited to our **May 2012 Board Meeting** on Tuesday, May 15 at 4:30 p.m. in the Administration Meeting Room to vote on the slate of 2012 Board Members. The proposed slate is:

- Mary Scavarda, Chairman
- Lee Blake, Vice Chairman
- Marsha Jackson, Recording Secretary
- Frank O'Neill, Treasurer
- Maggie Streets, Volunteer Coordinator
- Mike Turturici, Membership
- Reina Barragan, Corresponding Secretary.

RWC Farmers Market 2012

From April through November, the Kiwanis Club of Redwood City sponsors the **Saturday Farmers Market** at 850 Middlefield Road from 8 am to 12 pm. The Friends host a booth that sells a wide array of books including many bins of children's books. Please stop by, say 'Hi' and buy an armful of books!



Children enjoying Craft Day in the Children's Room at the Main Library. Crafts and all Activities are funded by the Friends.

Thank you to Jessica Silver-Sharp for the photo.