

# Friends of the Redwood City Public Library Newsletter

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## Summer Learning Program



By Jacky Averill, Librarian

Summer Reading Clubs help prevent that “summer slide” in learning experienced by kids over the summer months. And children who do not read proficiently by third grade are four times more likely to drop out of high school than confident readers. The Friends of the Redwood City Public Library has always strongly supported all efforts to help kids discover the love of reading and learning – especially in the summer!

This year we are stepping up the effort to combat summer learning loss by launching a **Summer Learning Program** (SLP). Kids must still read but to complete the Summer Learning Program, they also must participate in various “learning experiences” geared to their age-group. Pre-readers may be asked to attend library storytime, or visit a new park; readers might be encouraged to read to a dog in the library, or make a puppet and use it to tell a story; older readers are encouraged to visit a museum, download and read an ebook, or attend a library craft program.

The Friends of the Library is supporting summer learning by funding the traditional weekly array of professional children’s entertainers at all Redwood City libraries. This summer’s slate includes internationally loved singer José-Luis Orozco, a great white shark Ocean Experience, and live animals from Wild Things, Inc., among other great programs.

To support the broader scope of SLP, the Friends has provided additional funding for Science Camp, featuring a variety of hands-on science activities, and a series of Jump into Writing classes, offering fun activities to keep writing, spelling and computer keyboarding skills current.

Signups for the **Summer Learning Program** (this year’s program is named **Paws to Read**) will continue all summer long at all Redwood City libraries. Check the library’s website for the full schedule of activities: [www.redwoodcity.org/library/kids](http://www.redwoodcity.org/library/kids)

## Summer Learning Kickoff Party

For the second year, the library is hosting a **Summer Learning Program Kickoff Party** to get children registered and excited for summer reading and learning. This event is sponsored by the Friends.

Date: **Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>**

Time: 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Where: Downtown Library Lawn

Join us for a very fun event. Register for Summer Learning’s **Paws to Read** program, get a free book, participate in a variety of games, crafts and activities brought to by the Parks and Rec department and enjoy performances by the very popular Daffy Dave.

The Friends will be selling books at our awesome bargain prices. Children who have easy access to books read more books. Visit us at the Kickoff Party or visit the bookstore to stock up for the summer!

## Bookstore

The Friends’ 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. We offer a terrific selection of books, in lovely condition, at very low prices. Please visit us soon!

## Email List

Keep updated on all things Friends! Send an email to [friendsofrwclibrary@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofrwclibrary@gmail.com) to be added to our distribution list.

## RWC Farmers Market



From April through November, the Kiwanis Club of Redwood City sponsors the **Saturday Farmers Market from 8 a.m. to Noon**. The Farmers Market now is located on Arguello St between Marshall and Brewster (across the train tracks from Peet's coffee). Parking is available at the train parking lot.

The Friends host a booth that sells books for 50¢ - \$1, including many bins of children's books. Please stop by, say 'Hi' and buy an armful of books!

If you are interested in working at our Farmer's Market booth, please email us at [friendsofrwclibrary@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofrwclibrary@gmail.com). We need extra volunteers to staff our booth.

### S.H A.R E.S. Cards

The Friends has enrolled in the **SHARES Reward Card** program.

If you shop at Lucky Supermarket, just scan the card when you check-out. The Friends will receive a small part of the sale as a donation. (This does not interfere with any points you receive for purchase on your credit/debit card.)

Pick up a card at the Bookstore or at Farmers Market. An easy way to help us out!

## Join the Friends of the Redwood City Public Library

- Junior member, under 18 years old \$10
- Friends \$15
- Patrons \$25
- Librarian's Circle \$50
- Benefactors \$100 or more

If you wish to make the gift in remembrance of a friend or loved one:

Magnets with our logo sent to all Patrons and above donors. We will acknowledge Librarian's Circle and Benefactor donors in our Spring newsletter. Please check the box if you prefer your name listed as Anonymous.

- I wish to remain anonymous

Please make checks payable to: Friends of the Redwood City Public Library or **donate at our website** ([friendsofrwclibrary.org](http://friendsofrwclibrary.org)). A Membership Card will be sent.

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Friends of the Redwood City Public Library is a 501(c)3 organization. As such, your membership donation is tax deductible as allowed by law.

### Member Benefits

The Friends has expanded its member benefits.

Benefits currently are:

- Magnets with our library logo are sent to all Patrons and above donors.
- Librarian's Circle and Benefactor donors are acknowledged in our Spring newsletter.

Just added: for a Librarian's Circle (\$50-\$99) renewal, you will receive

1 gift certificate for 50% off (one-time use) in our bookstore. For Benefactor member (\$100 or more) donations, you will receive 2 gift certificates for 50% off (one-time use each) in our bookstore.

**Your membership greatly helps to raise money to fund wonderful library and community programs including Summer Learning, Family Author Night, Online Homework Help, Traveling Story Time, Baby/Children/Teens, Arts & Crafts, Museum Access, Cultural Events, Job Seeking, Music & More!**



**Armando Ramirez, Librarian and Angela Dominguez, Author Family Author Night Program in Local Schools, Sponsored by the Friends**