



INSIGHTS

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THE PREZ SEZ... *KATHY RUDD, PFOL PRESIDENT*

Spring is here and exciting things are happening at the Paradise Library. The board voted to allocate \$3,000 to pay for Envisionware software that will allow patrons to schedule computer time from off-site at any of the library branches and monitor timed sessions. This will free up the library staff from having to oversee the public use of the computers.



This year is Paradise Library's 100th birthday and a big celebration is planned in the Blackburn Memorial Community Room of the library on Saturday, October 11. There will be essay and poster contests with prizes as well as lots of fun activities. Attendees are encouraged to dress up as their favorite book character. I've heard tell that Emma Blackburn will also be in attendance. The whole community is invited, young and old, so mark your calendar and stand by for

further information about this fun event.

Paradise Friends had an information booth at the Gold Nugget Days celebration and the Chocolate Festival with the help of volunteers, library staff and Oliver Allen, our Library Outreach Coordinator. Can you guess who Willie Wonka & friend are?



FYI, we've added a Business category to our membership form and we will mention business members in our future newsletters and on our Facebook page.

Happy Spring! Kathy Rudd, PFOL Prez

CALL OUT FOR LOCAL AUTHORS



The Friends of the Library would like to include local authors and their works in our Paradise Library's Centennial Celebration October 11, 2014. If you are a local author or know of any local authors who might like to participate in our celebration, please contact board member Pam Mortensen at 533-3331 or email her at 2wildturkeys@gmail.com

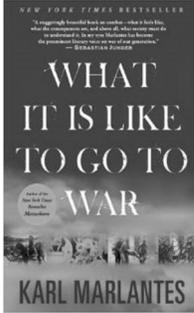
LIBRARY TRIVIA

- Ben Franklin established the first public lending library in America.
- 2 out of 3 Americans own library cards & use them.
- Libraries have more locations than McDonalds.
- 80% of public library funding comes from local taxes.
- Children who grow up loving to read get into less trouble.

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CA READS INITIATIVE—*WAR COMES HOME*



The California Reads Initiative will use *What It's Like to Go to War* as an impetus for dialogue between vets and their communities

The Butte County Library is one of 43 libraries participating in the California Reads Initiative, *War Comes Home*. The Paradise Friends of the Library applied for the grant on behalf of the library.

Californians will be encouraged to read *What it is Like to Go to War* by Vietnam Veteran Marine Sergeant & Rhodes Scholar Karl Marlantes who will do a statewide speaking tour in the fall on 2014.

In keeping with the goal of the CA Reads Initiative, *War Comes Home* - to bring people in communities together to think and talk about what it means to come home from war and what it is like to be a veteran - The Paradise Friends of the Library, in partnership with the Butte County Library, plans to host eight informational forums and community book discussions at four of its branches from September 1 through

November 30, 2014.

In addition to promoting a community read, the overarching goal is to establish the local library as a helpful, no or low cost information source to veterans, their families and friends and to help veterans reconnect with their community. Local service providers will also be present at the 8 forums.

Stay tuned for more information about local forum.

“ZIP” HOME DELIVERY OF BOOKS

“ZIP BOOKS FOR RURAL LIBRARIES IS AN INNOVATIVE, COST EFFECTIVE METHOD FOR BUTTE COUNTY TO DELIVER ITEMS PATRONS WANT, THAT THE LIBRARY DOESN'T CURRENTLY OWN.”
MEL LIGHTBODY,
COUNTY LIBRARIAN

Butte County Library has received a \$21,000 grant for “Zip” home delivery of books and recorded books. Requests for materials not owned by the Butte County Library will be ordered through the Amazon network of resellers and mailed directly to the patron’s home free of charge. Patrons will have up to six weeks to use the item before returning the

item to library staff at any Butte County Library location. Users will be asked to fill out a short survey upon return. When the item is returned, the Branch librarian will determine if the material should be added to the library collection.

Oliver Allen, library staff, said “The Zip grant is an outstanding opportunity for

Butte County to explore new public and private service models in order to deliver faster, cheaper methods of fulfilling patron requests.”

What a great idea and much cheaper than the cost of having books sent intrastate from library to library.

Library staff will do their best to get you the books you request if not available locally.

STAYING IN TOUCH



Check us out on Facebook!

It’s been great mailing out our quarterly newsletter *Insights* to keep our Friends’ members informed of our organization’s activities but we now have new ways of keeping you up-to-date. PFOL now has a Facebook page that contains recent PFOL news. To access it, if you have a Facebook account, go to Facebook.com and type

Paradise Friends of the Library in the search window. Once at our FB page, click on the “like” button. That will ensure that you get any new postings to our site.

We’ve also made some additions to our website so that you can pay your membership dues or make a donation online from www.pfol.org

You can also access and print out the Paradise Library’s monthly Calendar of Events from there.

If you’d prefer to receive our newsletter via email, please send your email address to info@pfol.org

We plan to send out occasional emails to keep you up-to-date as well.

BOARD MEMBERS & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Paradise Friends of the Library Board of Directors could use a few more members who love the library and would like to be of service. We need someone willing to learn how to do online book sales, someone else to oversee membership, someone to write our newsletter and another enthusiastic member to do advocacy presentations in our community. If interested, please come to our next board meeting that meets at

the library in the Community Room the first Thursday of the month at 10 am.

Friends of the Library plays a vital role in keeping our local library well stocked with the latest in books, audio books, equipment and special programs. We appreciate your membership dues and donations from the community but we need willing hearts and hands and bright ideas to ensure we can continue helping out as we have been, and

hopefully increase our services to the library. We need members who are willing to volunteer a few hours a week or a month to help out with our used book sales, to help with special events we host, and to man our information booth at local celebrations and events. If you'd like to volunteer, please email us at info@pfol.org or call the library at 872-6320 with your contact information.

“THE GREATNESS OF A CITY IS MEASURED BY THE QUALITY OF ITS LIBRARY.”

BEN FRANKLIN

A LITTLE BIRDIE TOLD ME....

Rumor has it Paradise Friends of the Library is considering offering an annual

scholarship to a local high school senior starting in 2015. Details to come.

Did you notice? The library has a new roof. Now if we can just work on new carpet!



SIGN ME UP!

I'D LIKE TO BE A FRIEND OF THE PARADISE LIBRARY!

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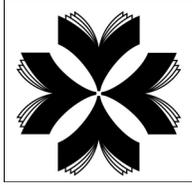
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USED BOOK SALES

Paradise Library
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10 am—3 pm

May 31

June 14 & 28

July 12 & 26

August 9 & 23

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