

# Junior Friends of the Library

The Library – A Portal for Past, Present and Future Knowledge

## Presence of the President

Greetings all! I hope you enjoy the second edition of our newsletter! I'm proud to announce that over Spring Break, several Jr. Friends gathered in Castroville to help plant our new community salsa garden. The Jr. Friends have also been working hard not only on the newsletter, but also on summer camp programs. I'm proud if all of the hard work that had already been put in towards this summer, and all of the Jr. Friends, myself included, are looking forward to the camps. We would greatly appreciate families coming out to support us, not only at our summer camps, but also at other library functions that will be shared in a separate part of this newsletter. Hope to see you soon, and happy reading!

## Taylor's Timeline

It's something that only comes once a year. That's right, National Library Week (April 9<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup>) is almost here and the library will be hosting some fun and exciting events. The entire week will be filled with activities open to the public that everyone will enjoy. Here are the activities and the dates to go along with them (these dates may change):

Get ready to pass the popcorn! The library will be showing a movie for everyone's amusement on Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup>.

On Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> the Friends of the Library will be holding a bake sale for the public to raise money for the library. Yummy!

Get out of your house and come to ours! The library will have its open house on Wednesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> and everyone is welcome. It is a great way to learn about the library, meet a friend, come see what we have to offer for this year's summer camps, and just to have fun.

Come on and show us what you got! Open Mic Night will be held April 4<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> at the library. It is a great way to share your talent for songs and poems.

It's party time! Join us at the library for video games, popcorn, cookies, and soda. This last day of fun will be held on Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup>.

## Chelsea Chats

Have you ever wondered how to get volunteer hours while school is going on? With all the things going on during the school year, sometimes you just cannot find time to do volunteer work. Did you know that the library is open on Saturdays? It does not take a lot to volunteer an hour each week or maybe you can volunteer two hours every other week, either way you could get four hours a month. If you can get four hours a month you could get twenty-four hours in six months; forty-eight hours in a year. Think about it.

## Ollie's Ocean of Books

### An Enola Holmes Mystery

### The Case of the Missing Marquess

### By Nancy Springer

Do you love mysteries? How about secret codes? Or Sherlock Holmes mysteries? The Case of the Missing Marquess is about two mysteries that involve Enola. You may ask who is Enola? Well, you're going to have to find out yourself! I will decode some things about her: she has two older brothers (Mycroft and Sherlock); her mother has run away (find out why); and she runs away herself! See how she gets money from her mother, how she finds Lord Tewsbury, and how she lives her life in freedom of "hairpins, corsets, dress improvers" with the Gypsies on the moors!

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## Keenan's Korner - Saint Patrick's Day

On March 17, the United States celebrated St. Patrick's Day, often associated with leprechauns, shamrocks, and wearing green. However, little is known about how these traditions originated.

Let's start with some history. Sometime around the fifth century B.C., the young son of two British Christian priests was kidnapped by a band of Irish slavers. At this time, Britain was a part of the Roman Empire, which had just recently converted to Christianity. However, Ireland was populated by hundreds of native tribes practicing hundreds of native, polytheistic religions. During his captivity, the boy, who would later become St. Patrick, had a dream, in which he fled captivity, returned to Britain, and became a priest. He took this dream as a message from god, and escaped.

In the year 432, St. Patrick received another message, telling him to return to Ireland and convert the Irish to Christianity. In this time, he became famous for explaining the Holy Trinity using the Irish, three-leaved Shamrock as a sort of visual aid, and for wearing his signature green robes. On March 17<sup>th</sup>, 461, St. Patrick died, and was buried at Downpatrick, an ancient town in northern Ireland.

## Austin's Outlook

### *Batman: Arkham City*

Review- A VERY fitting sequel. More enemies=better combat. Improved with a much larger world. Better boss battles, though they are a little button-mash heavy. Exciting plot, with a much less disappointing ending. Nice side missions. Overall good game. Two thumbs up.

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