

Junior Friends of the Library

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

Presence of the President

Hello all! My name is Jodi Davis, and I am the current President of the Jr. Friends of the Castroville Public Library. This is our first edition of our new Newsletter. We all hope you enjoy! Within the newsletter you'll get to experience several unique and interesting articles written by members of the Jr. Friends of the Castroville Public Library. Our writers will share book and video game reviews. Experience the power of writing and enjoy some of the well-written works by these young, talented authors. Upcoming events for both the library and the Jr. Friends will be shared, and information will be provided about how to join the Jr. Friends. Relax, and enjoy!

Taylor's Timeline

Hi, I'm Taylor, a Junior Friend of the Library, and here is an overview of upcoming events that I think are important to our Library and the whole Castroville Community:

Well, spring is upon us and it's time to clean out those closets! A great place to take your used clothes is the "Blessed Threads free Clothing Ministry" every Friday from 10:30AM to 1PM. They are located at 2035 HWY 90W.

Now, what to do with that extra space? Maybe you could visit Market Trail Days at Houston Square. Booths with all sorts of arts, crafts, food and clothing are available every second Saturday from 9AM to 4PM.

After spring, comes summer and if you're worried about vacationing and skyrocketing gas prices, consider staying close to home. Come take a "staycation" with us at the Castroville Public Library! We're planning all sorts of healthy, fun, and educational activities. It's the best deal in town!

To kick off the season, come to "planting day" for the new Community Garden, March 12th at 9:30AM between the Police Dept. and the Zion Youth Bldg. We're hoping to create our own homegrown, homemade salsa to sell at future events. Join us and get your hands dirty!

Chelsea Chats

Being a Junior Friend is not like being a student; you most likely will not go home with homework due the next day. This group is also not like school in another way; it is not run by adults but rather by you and your peers. In other words, it is not hard to have your voice heard. If you have an idea you can say it and not be shot down just because you're a kid.

Spending your summer in a library is not what most kids expect to do during their summer vacation, but being a Junior Friend is more than spending your time at the library; it is about having a fun time!

Ollie's Ocean of Books

The Chronicles of Narnia

The Voyage of the Dawn Treader

By C. S. Lewis

You may have seen the movie, but have you read the book? Step into the real world of Narnia like C. S. Lewis meant it to be. Although both are an adventure, there are some differences that make the book worth reading. Like different scenes and character scripts. And, what about Aslan? So, read the book, watch the movie and compare. Be the judge, book or movie? By "the Lion's Mane", I choose the book!

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Interested in becoming a Junior Friend? Call (830) 931-4095 or www.castrovillelibrary.org for more information! Next meeting will be Friday, February 24, 2012 at 5:30 PM!

Keenan's Korner - The Power of Writing

Hi, I'm Keenan. In this section of the newsletter, I discuss anything I read online or anywhere else that I find interesting. Readers can e-mail me if they want to suggest a topic or have any questions. I'm open to anything you want to talk about, so e-mail in at keenanw.smith@gmail.com!

Since this is a library newsletter, I would like to begin this first edition by discussing the power of writing.

Writing holds a deeper meaning than just recording information. In 1839, a popular English author named Edward Bulwer-Lytton coined a now well-known saying- "The pen is mightier than the sword." Bulwer-Lytton meant that a simple agreement between two forces, signed with a pen, would solve any problem better than violence, armed with a sword. In this way, writing acts as a peacekeeper or negotiator, uniting two foes to find a universal consensus, and allowing them to advance forward together. For me, writing is more than fulfilling some school assignment. It's a way to put into words all the things I have imagined in my wildest dreams.

Austin's Outlook

Batman: Arkham Asylum

Review- Overall good gameplay. Nice controls. Nice variety with a good large map and no loading screens. Difficulty increases as the game progresses, as it should. Generally good plot, although it is slightly slow at parts. Slightly disappointing ending, not due to lack of epicness, but to lack of difficulty. Awesome game. Two thumbs up (more if I had them)!!!!

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