The library has seen a lot of change recently. Library Director Jan Sanders retired this summer after 11 years of service and Deputy Director Jennifer Addington has departed for a new position at the Palos Verdes Library District. With these changes come new beginnings and new faces to the Pasadena Public Library family. PLEASE JOIN US IN WELCOMING ...

Robert Karatsu - Interim Director
Recently retired Rancho Cucamonga Public Library Director Robert Karatsu will serve as Pasadena’s Interim Library Director until a permanent Director is hired. Under his leadership, Rancho Cucamonga won the 2013 National Medal for Museum and Library Services, the highest honor that can be bestowed upon a U.S. library or museum. Robert is a three-term mentor for the Eureka Leadership Institute, was named the 2014 “Local Hero” for the Returned Peace Corps Volunteers L.A. and served as the 2015 President of the California Library Association. Robert and his wife, Vinita, are proud residents of Pasadena. Their local branch is Lamanda Park.

In his free time, Robert enjoys playing the guitar and learning to play the piano. His Facebook page features a stream of food photos, most of which he actually made in his effort to become a better cook.

Mike Shea - Manager, Lamanda Park/San Rafael Branch Libraries
Mike Shea started at the Pasadena Library System in late April as Branch Manager for the Lamanda Park and San Rafael branch pairing. Mike earned his MLIS degree from San Jose State University in 2006. Prior to coming to Pasadena, he spent 8 ½ years with the Glendale Public Library, where he oversaw the Local History Collection and worked in the Reference Department. “With the help of the great staff I inherited, it’s my job to make sure our branches are safe, welcoming environments with collections and programs that encourage learning and foster a sense of community,” he said. In his free time, the proud Crown City resident enjoys sports, cooking, riding his bike and spending time with his family.

Erik Hernandez - Public Information Specialist
Erik Hernandez began working for the library in early June as our Public Information Specialist. He can usually be found at Central Library, but from time to time you will see him at our branches taking photographs of various programs and events. As the Public Information Specialist Erik will be developing and implementing the library’s community relations and outreach efforts. A graduate of Cal State Los Angeles, Erik is currently taking classes at UCLA. He lives in Chinatown and enjoys live music, spending time outdoors and watching sports in his free time.

Tim McDonald - Interim Deputy Director
After 11 years with the award-winning Las Vegas-Clark County Library District, Tim McDonald joined the Pasadena Library System as Library Services Manager in late April. He was recently promoted to serve as the Interim Deputy Director of Libraries and Information Services. Under the supervision of the soon-to-be-hired Director, he will plan, direct and manage the activities of the library system. “I’m very excited to be a part of this wonderful organization and the positive impact we have within the Pasadena community,” he said. An adventurer at heart, he has traveled around a bit, earning degrees from Swarthmore College and DePaul University, and his master’s degree in Library Information Services (MLIS) from the University of North Texas before making his home in Southern California. Outside of work, Tim enjoys outdoor activities, reading and music.
The friendship of two study partners blossomed over the course of their many study sessions at Central Library. With the help of supportive siblings, Joseph Gamarian arranged a surprise proposal for Ella Smbatyan in their favorite study area, the Genealogy Room, on June 17, complete with flowers and twinkle lights. And Ella’s answer was yes! Congratulations and best wishes to the happy (and studious) couple!

**Special Events**

**Mental Health Resource Center Reception**
Saturday, Sept. 3 • 4 p.m. • Central Library/Teen Central

Join us as we celebrate our Teen Mental Health Initiative!

Our goals this year are to:
1. Increase awareness and discussions around topics of mental health
2. Provide free specialized services and programs for teens, family and friends
3. Provide training for staff and those working with youth
4. Maintain a well-stocked, vetted, mental health resource center

Come join in the discussion, collect highly useful information, and bring your questions or share your resources. Refreshments provided.

**Pasadena Loves YA 3rd Annual Teen Book Festival**
Saturday, Sept. 17
noon-4 p.m.
Central Library

Meet 19 Young Adult authors as they present a series of panels and book signings. Swag, giveaways and light refreshments will be provided, including free tote bags for the first 300 attendees. The event starts in the auditorium.

Doors open at 11 a.m. Book sales will be provided by Vroman’s Bookstore. No registration required. Co-sponsored by Bridge to Books and the YA Book Council. Visit [www.pasadenateenbookfestival.com](http://www.pasadenateenbookfestival.com) for updates.

**FEATURED AUTHORS:**

- Aija Mayrock, *The Survival Guide to Bullying*
- Cecil Castellucci, *Stone in the Sky (Tin Star #2)*
- Charlotte Huang, *Going Geek*

**Roald Dahl Day**
Tuesday, Sept. 13
3-6 p.m.
Central Library/Children’s Story Room & West Patio

Celebrate Roald Dahl’s 100th birthday with crafts, a musical revue on film, a quiz to test your Dahl novel knowledge, a special presentation about Roald Dahl’s life, a “golden ticket” giveaway of fun Roald Dahl prizes and a slice of birthday cake!

- 3 p.m. - Musical revue of songs inspired by Roald Dahl books
- 4-6 p.m. - Craft, presentation, quiz, prizes and cake

**Government Info at Your Fingertips**

For many years official government documents were accessible only through depository libraries. Now, the United States is moving to electronic formats. A full 95 percent of information from the Government Publishing Office (GPO) is available in digital form, which you can access 24/7 through your Pasadena Public Library. Here are some links to check-out …

- American FactFinder ([factfinder.census.gov](http://factfinder.census.gov)) provides access to data (population, economic, housing and geographic information) about the United States.
- MedlinePlus ([medlineplus.gov](http://medlineplus.gov)) offers reliable, up-to-date health information from the world’s largest medical library, the National Library of Medicine.
- Occupational Outlook Handbook ([www.bls.gov/ooh](http://www.bls.gov/ooh)) provides career information, profiles, education and training, salary and outlook for hundreds of occupations

Questions? Ask your friendly library staff.
September Event Listings

FAMILIES

CLAY PLAY
Bring your imagination and have fun working with clay. Make imprints of leaves or flowers, and then decorate your creation with a string of beads and hang it in your home. All materials provided.
Thursday, Sept. 15 • 3:30 p.m. • Hill Avenue

Back to School Games Party
Join us for an afternoon of games, laughs and fun as we say goodbye to summer and hello to fall!
Thursday, Sept. 15 • 4 p.m. • Hastings

Board Game Day
Enjoy playing board games with friends and family.
Friday, Sept. 30 • 3–5 p.m. • Villa Parke

BY THE BOOK
For book selections, contact the branch libraries listed.

Great Literature and Discussion Group
Mondays (except Sept. 5) • 11 a.m. • Lamanda Park

Book Chit Chat
Will discuss The Big Sleep by Raymond Chandler.
Tuesday, Sept. 6 • 6:30 p.m. • Hastings

Allendale Book Discussion Group
Will discuss Midnight Alley by Miles Corwin.
Saturday, Sept. 10 • 10:30 a.m. • Allendale

Pasadena Readers
Led by Dr. Merry Pawlowski, Emeritus Professor of English, California State University, Bakersfield. Will discuss The Day of the Locust by Nathaniel West.
To sign up, email creeder@cityofpasadena.net.
Monday, Sept. 19 • 3 p.m. • Central Library/4th Floor Conference Room

West Pasadena Book Discussion Group
Will discuss The Secret Life of Frida Kahlo by F.G. Hagenbeck.
Saturday, Sept. 24 • 11 a.m. • Linda Vista

Films for All Ages

Featuring Famous Movie Couples

Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium
Wednesdays • 1 p.m.

Presented by The Friends of The Pasadena Public Library
The film will be cancelled if The Friends of the Library volunteers are unable to show the movie.

Sept. 7
Naughty Marietta (1935) NR
Starring Jeanette MacDonald & Nelson Eddy

Sept. 14
The Road to Morocco (1942) NR
Starring Bob Hope & Bing Crosby

Sept. 21
Mrs. Parkington (1944) NR
Starring Greer Garson & Walter Pidgeon

Sept. 28
The Odd Couple (1968) PG
Starring Jack Lemmon & Walter Matthau

Family Fun Films
For movie title, call (626) 744-6510.
Thursdays • 3:30 p.m. • Villa Parke

Teen Anime Afternoon
Enjoy this month’s special edition of the Anime Club, with Japanese snacks and the newest manga in the library’s collection. We will be showing episodes of a series called Utawarerumono, a historical fantasy anime which began life as a computer game.
Saturday, Sept. 10 • 2–4 p.m.
Central Library/Children’s Story Room

SC Anime Club
Teens, go crazy over the latest anime! Join us for a special screening.
Tuesday, Sept. 27 • 3:30 p.m.
Santa Catalina

The Friends of the Pasadena Public Library

Bookstore
Open Monday – Friday (except Sept. 5)
11 a.m.– 4 p.m. • Central Library

The Friends of the Pasadena Public Library
Book Sale
Second Saturday of each month
9 a.m.–noon • Central Library/East Patio

WE’VE GOT A NEW WEBSITE!

Check us out!
www.pasadenapubliclibrary.net

• All Pasadena Public Library programs and events listed in this newsletter are free and open to the public.
• Our programs and events are extremely popular. Space is limited and registration may be required. Check program and event listings for details.
CREATIVE ARTS

Art a la Carte
Artist Lorrie Shriner teaches drawing, watercolor and collage techniques. Beginners welcome. Wednesdays • 2 p.m. • San Rafael

Emerging Urban Poets
Featured and open poetry readings with facilitator Don Kingfisher Campbell. Saturdays, Sept. 3 & 24 • 3 p.m. Santa Catalina

Perkins Alley Poets
A poetry writing and critique workshop with facilitator Carl Stilwell. Saturdays, Sept. 10 & 17 • 3 p.m. Santa Catalina

Expressive Flower Painting in Watercolor
Learn watercolor techniques and create a painting of a flower using what you’ve learned. Presented by local artist, Janell Mithani. To sign up, call (626) 744-7264. Saturday, Sept. 24 • 10:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Hill Avenue

FINANCES

Building a Proper Financial Foundation
Learn how to consolidate debt, manage expenses, protect against loss of income, prepare for unexpected expenses, outpace inflation and minimize taxation. Presented by Mary Li. Wednesdays (except Sept. 28) 2–4 p.m. Central Library/4th Floor Conference Room

GARDENING

Landscaping with Mediterranean Climate Plants
Do you know what South Africa, parts of Australia and Southern California have in common with the lands that surround the Mediterranean? The same climate! The wildly diverse plants of these places can easily adapt to planting in Southern California, giving your yard a spectrum of potential. Join Debi Garrison, a local expert and horticultural professional, for a talk on gardening with "Mediterraneans." - Note the special afternoon meeting time! Saturday, Sept. 10 • 1:30 – 3 p.m. • Hill Avenue

Pasadena Grows:
Community Seed Lending Library
Stop by, select and check out seeds for your garden. Enjoy planting, watering and watching them grow, and help create a sustainable future. Monday – Thursday & Saturday (except Sept. 5) 10 a.m.–6 p.m., Friday • 9 a.m.–1 p.m. Hill Avenue

Book Us! For Help with your NEW eReader Device
Would you like to learn how to check out eBooks for your new eReader? Make a BOOK US! appointment, at http://cityofpasadena.net/library/reference_research/bookus. Skip the line and meet with reference staff when it is most convenient for you. The service is available at Central Library to Pasadena Public Library card holders who live or work in Pasadena.

Digital Literary

Digital Literacy

Open Computer Lab Time
Teach yourself Mango Languages, FC Search Online and the 2010 Microsoft Office Suite. Research the Foundation Directory Online and apply for jobs and government programs. Computer time may be limited based on demand. Monday - Friday (except Sept. 5) 9 a.m.–2 p.m. • La Pintoresca

Computer Pals
Learn how to use Word and the Internet for homework projects. Saturdays, Sept. 10 & 24 10–11:30 a.m. • La Pintoresca

Tech M@de Easy
You’ve got tech questions, we’ve got tech answers! Whether it’s your computer, laptop, Microsoft Office, eBooks, smartphone or tablet, we can help you.

Central Library/Studio on 4th
Drop in at one of the following times or to schedule an appointment, call (626) 744-4224. Tuesday, Sept. 13 • 10 -11:30 a.m.

Linda Vista
Saturday, Sept. 24 • 3 p.m.

Digital Library 7 Overdrive for Kindle Devices
Do you have a Kindle device? Are you tired of buying books online? Did you know that the library has a digital collection accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week? Learn how to access and utilize this amazing collection of downloadable material that includes audio eBooks, eMusic, eFilms and eBooks.

Saturday, Sept. 24 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Hastings

GAMES

American Mah Jongg Club
Are you a Mah Jongg player? Then join us for an afternoon of gameplay! A variation of the Chinese game of Mahjong, American Mah Jongg is distinct in several ways. It utilizes racks to hold each player’s tiles, jokers and “Hands and Rules” score cards. It also has several distinct gameplay mechanics, such as “The Charleston.” Beginning lessons will start again in October. Thursdays • 1-3 p.m. Central Library/Studio on 4th Conference Room

Lip Reading and Memory Enhancement
Wednesdays (except Sept. 7) 1-3 p.m. • Lamanda Park

Free Health Screenings
Registered nurses from Huntington Hospital provide free blood pressure and blood sugar screenings, referrals and health education. Wednesday, Sept. 7 2:30–4:30 p.m. Central Library/Great Hall

Zumba Class
Zumba is a great way to lose weight, tone up, increase cardio strength, improve coordination, gain self-esteem and feel happy! Beginners are welcome. Saturdays, Sept. 10 & 24 11 a.m. Lamanda Park

Chair Exercises
Learn new non-impact exercise routines performed while seated or standing next to or behind a chair. For ages 55+. Saturdays, Sept. 10 & 24 11 a.m. • San Rafael

HISTORY

Pasadena African-American Genealogy Group
Search out your heritage and recover the past with this dynamic genealogy group. Saturday, Sept. 3 • 2-5 p.m. Lamanda Park

LAW

LA Law Librarian in Law Room
Free weekly service with legal research specialists (not attorneys) to help you answer legal questions. Provided by LA Law Library. Thursdays • 1–5 p.m. Central Library/Law Room

Facing Eviction
One-on-one consultation with an eviction defense attorney. Learn what to expect the day of the trial. Assistance limited to eviction cases filed in the Pasadena Courthouse. To sign up, call (213) 385-2977 x 402. Thursdays • 3–7 p.m. Central Library/4th Floor Conference Room

QuickLook: Sell Help & Litigation Resources on the California Courts Website
Presented by the LA Law Library. Thursday, Sept. 15 • 1 – 2 p.m. Central Library/Law Room

Business Services

SCORE Small Business Counseling
Free one-on-one counseling provided by business professionals to anyone operating a small business or thinking of starting one. To sign up, call (626) 744-7351. Tuesdays • Central Library/4th Floor Conference Room

Pasadena Small Business Owners Networking Group
Increase your business knowledge, meet other local business people and practice your 30-second “elevator introduction.” Sign up at www.meetup.com/Pasadena-Small-Biz-Network.

Thursday, Sept. 1 & 15 noon–2 p.m. La Pintoresca
Collegebound

College Essays: Stand Out and Get In!
Discover what admissions committees look for in a candidate. Pick up tips on selecting your essay topic through self-reflection and brainstorming exercises. Learn how to structure your thoughts in an interesting and well-organized way and how to revise your essay to create sophistication and depth. Presented by C2 Education. To sign up, email Jane Gov at jgov@cityofpasadena.net or call (626) 744-4246.
Thursday, Sept. 29 • 6:30 p.m. • Central/Children’s Story Room

Teen Scene

BOOKS & MORE
Teen Spectrum Book Club Meet and Greet
High functioning teens with Autism and Asperger’s are invited to learn about the Teen Spectrum Book Club, where we will read and discuss books in a relaxed social setting. For ages 12+.
Saturday, Sept. 10 • 11 a.m. • Linda Vista

YA Book Club
Join us for a discussion of Static by Eric Laster. For ages 13+. To sign up, call (626) 744-4246.
Monday, Sept. 12 • 6 p.m.
Central Library/Teen Central

CREATIVE ARTS
Magical Fairy Garden
Create your own miniature, magical fairy garden. All materials provided. For teens only. Presented by artist Janell Mithani. To sign up, call (626) 744-6510
Wednesday, Sept. 28th • 3:30-5 p.m. • Villa Parke

GAMES & MORE
Smash Bros. Club
Settle it at the Library! Super Smash Bros. for WiiU has arrived, and the battles are heating up! Every Monday you can challenge your friends, make new rivals and learn new tricks! Pick up a GameCube remote and prepare to send foes flying! For ages 13+.
Mondays (except Sept. 5) • 3:30–5:30 p.m. • Hastings

Super Smash Bros. Tournament
Stop by for an afternoon of epic battles and a whole lot of fun with the Super Smash Bros. for WiiU. The winner will win an awesome prize! For ages 12+.
Tuesday, Sept. 6 • 3:30 p.m. • Santa Catalina

Undertale Fest
Undertale fans unite and spend the afternoon playing and creating all things Undertale.
Tuesday, Sept. 20 • 3:30 p.m. • Santa Catalina

Discovery Day
Will you build something? Will there be a game-a-thon? Will it be an exciting, fabulous, creative experience that you have never had before? A fun adventure awaits – don’t miss it! For teens only.
Thursday, Sept. 29 • 3 p.m. • Alendale

Tweens

BOOKS & MORE
Kids’ Book Club
Love to read and talk about books? Join us for this special edition of Kids Book Club – we won’t be talking about one book, but a whole lot as we decide what to read for the rest of the year! Bring ideas of books you would like to suggest. For grades 3-5.
To sign up, call (626) 744-4066 option 4, or sign up at the Central Library Children’s Desk.
Wednesday, Sept. 14 • 4:30–5:30 p.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room

Mother/Daughter Book Club
Join us as we discuss books that inspire compassion, self-esteem and courage in the face of social pressure and explore what it means to be a strong, confident young woman! For girls 10+, their mothers or an adult guest of their choice. This month’s selection is Rules by Cynthia Lord. To sign up, call (626) 744-4066, option 4.
Wednesday, Sept. 21 • 7 p.m.
Central Library/Children’s Story Room

Kids’ Writing Workshop
Are you a dreamer? Do you love to write? It’s never too early to start writing your own stories. You don’t have to be an expert – you just have to love stories and have a great imagination of your own. For ages 8–12. To sign up, call (626) 744-4066, option 4.
Friday, Sept. 23 • 4:30 p.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room

Tween Book Club
Read great books and make new friends in this special book club just for tweens. For ages 9–12.
To sign up, call (626) 744-7262.
Tuesday, Sept. 27 • 4:30 p.m. • Hastings

CREATIVE ARTS
Shadow Boxes
Discover the art of collecting and create your own shadow box. Bring your own “collections” to display in your box. Boxes and some materials provided. For ages 9-12.
To sign up, call (626) 744-7262.
Thursday, Sept. 22 • 4 p.m. • Hastings

TECHNOLOGY & MORE
STEAM Team Club
Explore the STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) concepts through creative, innovative projects based around various fun STEAM-related challenges. For ages 9-12.
To sign up, call (626) 744-7262.
Wednesday, Sept. 14 • 4 p.m. • Hastings
**Library Kids**

**BOOKS & MORE**

**Barks and Books**
Children read a book to a gentle, well-trained dog. Presented by Pasadena Humane Society volunteers. **Saturday, Sept. 3 • 11 a.m. • Linda Vista**

**Thursday, Sept. 8 • 4 p.m. • Central Library/Children’s Story Room**

**Saturday, Sept. 10 • 1 p.m.**
Santa Catalina
Mondays, Sept. 12 & 26 • 3 p.m. La Pintoresca

**Tuesday, Sept. 13 • 3:30 p.m. • Hastings**

**Wednesday, Sept. 14 • 4 p.m. • Villa Parke**

**Thursday, Sept. 22 • 3:30 p.m. • Lamanda Park**

**Tuesday, Sept. 27 • 3:30 p.m. • Hill Avenue**

**Creative Writing for Beginning Readers**
Do you love reading and making up stories? Would you like to write stories of your own? We will help you create some new characters and stories. Just bring your imagination. **For ages 5–8. To sign up, call (626) 744-4066, option 4.**

**Tuesday, Sept. 6 • 4:30 p.m.**
Central Library/Children’s Story Room

**Lucha Libros Information Night**
Second and third graders, get ready to do battle in a reading competition like no other! Can you be a reading warrior, a Lucha Libros Luchador? Join us to make your own luchador mask and take photos. You’ll get all the info about this year-long reading program and receive a copy of our first book. Then return the first Wednesday of October to answer questions about the book and win prizes! **For grades 2 & 3 and their families. Register at least one week in advance with AnnMarie Hurtado at (626) 744-4725.**

**Wednesday, Sept. 7 • 6:30 p.m.**
Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

**CREATIVE ARTS**

**All Day Coloring for Labor Day**
Let your creativity shine through. Join us for an all-day coloring event then check-out books to enjoy over the Labor Day Weekend. All materials provided. **Friday, Sept. 2 • 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. • Villa Parke**

**WEEKLY STORYTIMES FOR INFANTS/TODDLERS**
**THURSDAYS (Sept. 1 & 8 only)**
10:30 a.m. • Lamanda Park

**FOR PRESCHOOLERS**
**TUESDAYS**
10:30 a.m. • Hill Avenue
10:30 a.m. • Lamanda Park (Sept. 6 only)
10:30 a.m. • Villa Parke

**WEDNESDAYS**
10:30 a.m. • Allendale
10:30 a.m. • Santa Catalina
10:45 a.m. • Hastings
11 a.m. • San Rafael

**THURSDAYS**
10:30 a.m. • La Pintoresca
10:30 a.m. • Linda Vista (Sept. 1 & 8 only)

**Saturdays**
10 a.m.
Central Library/Children’s Story Room

**FOR FAMILIES**
**MONDAYS (except Sept. 5)**
**Marvelous Mondays**
7 p.m. • Hastings

**Infants & Toddlers**

**Baby Gym**
Spend an hour playing with your child at the library! Meet other parents and have fun with We’ll have different activities set up to stimulate motor, visual and language skills. **For ages up to 24 months. Monday, Sept. 12 • 10 a.m. Central Library/Studio on 4th floor.**

**Storytimes**

**Central Library**
**Infant and Toddler Storytime**
**Fall Session • Oct. 11 – Dec. 13**
Register on Tuesday, Oct. 4

Each Central Library storytime is limited to 25 children and 25 adults. Children can be registered for one program time only. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. No proxy registrations are allowed.

**9 a.m. PRIORITY REGISTRATION** in person for Pasadena residents. Please bring your Pasadena Public Library card or a driver’s license to verify your Pasadena address and receive priority registration.

**11 a.m. OPEN REGISTRATION** in person.

**noon OPEN REGISTRATION** by telephone at (626) 744-4066, option 4.

**WEIGHT STORYTIMES FOR INFANTS/TODDLERS**
**THURSDAYS**
10:30 a.m. • Lamanda Park

**FOR PRESCHOOLERS**
**TUESDAYS**
10:30 a.m. • Hill Avenue
10:30 a.m. • Lamanda Park (Sept. 6 only)
10:30 a.m. • Villa Parke

**WEDNESDAYS**
10:30 a.m. • Allendale
10:30 a.m. • Santa Catalina
10:45 a.m. • Hastings
11 a.m. • San Rafael

**THURSDAYS**
10:30 a.m. • La Pintoresca
10:30 a.m. • Linda Vista (Sept. 1 & 8 only)

**SATURDAYS**
10 a.m.
Central Library/Children’s Story Room

**FOR FAMILIES**
**MONDAYS (except Sept. 5)**
**Marvelous Mondays**
7 p.m. • Hastings

**WEDNESDAYS**
**Leeme un cuento**
Spanish Storytime/Hora de cuentos en español
4 p.m. • La Pintoresca

**THURSDAYS (Sept. 1 & 8 only)**
**Family Storytime**
3:30 p.m. • Lamanda Park

**MONTHLY/SPECIAL STORYTIMES**

**Mandarin Storytime**
Sunday, Sept. 4 • 3 p.m. • Hastings (bilingual Mandarin & English)

**Wednesday, Sept. 28 • 3:30 p.m. • Hastings**
(Mandarin only)

**Baby Storytime**
Introduce your baby to the joy of language and reading at this early literacy-based storytime.

**Saturday, Sept. 10 • 3 p.m. • Linda Vista**

**Around the World Storytime**

**Wednesday, Sept. 14 • 11 a.m. • San Rafael**

**Armenian Storytime**

**Saturday, Sept. 24 • 11 a.m. • Santa Catalina**

**Chocolate Storytime: Tales & Candy Treats for Children**
Join us for an afternoon of storytelling and village building, featuring stories authored by and/or about African-Americans, followed by a chocolate treat! Led by Dr. Ayesha Randall. **For ages 3+. Friday, Sept. 30 • 4 p.m. • La Pintoresca**

**Technology & More**

**Lego® Club**
Join us for our Lego® Club! Make stuff! Fun stuff! Science stuff! Create awesome projects based on our themes. Lego® parts provided. **For ages 6–12. To sign up, call (626) 744-7268. Monday, Sept. 19 • 4 p.m. • La Pintoresca**
Special Events

Orange County Guitar Orchestra
Thursday, Sept. 15 • 7 p.m. • Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

The Orange County Guitar Orchestra (OCGO) presents classical guitar music from around the world, including music from Mexico, South America, Greece and France, under the direction of David Grimes. Join us for an evening with a unique and colorful repertoire.

The Gamble House & the Arroyo Culture Movement
Saturday, Sept. 17 • 11 a.m. • Linda Vista

The Arts and Crafts movement in England and Scotland revived hand craftsmanship and art inspiring Southern California artists and architects who incorporated these ideas in the Arroyo Culture movement. Join us and learn more about this important part of our cultural history and the living landmarks such as the Gamble House that still endure today. Presented by the Linda Vista Associates.

Donuts, Cambodians & Los Angeles
Lecture and Discussion with Erin M. Curtis
Saturday, Sept. 17 • 2 p.m. • Allendale

At the turn of the 21st century, the five-county greater Los Angeles area boasted more donut shops per person than any other place in the United States, and a populace crazy for the fried confections. Cambodian refugees, survivors of the brutal Khmer Rouge regime, owned and operated between 80 and 90 percent of these small businesses.

In her lecture, Dr. Erin M. Curtis connects the history of this urban ethnic community to the broader story of automated donut production in the United States, explaining how L.A.’s Cambodian donut entrepreneurs reinterpreted technologies developed for the U.S. donut industry during the early 20th century, creating an alternative donut industry uniquely suited to Southern California.

A Los Angeles-based public historian and curator with a decade of experience in museum projects, Curtis holds a Ph.D. in American Studies at Brown University. The program is presented in conjunction with the Allendale Branch Library’s Culinary Book Collection.

Author Talks

Helen, The Wine Dark Sea
Presented by authors Phoebe Conn and E. Gary Stickel
Thursday, Sept. 22 • 7 p.m.
Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

The willful daughter of Zeus and a mortal queen, Helen is the beautiful wife of the Spartan king. But her great love for the lost Trojan prince will beget bloody devastation, and spill her tears into the Wine-Dark Sea.

“New York Times bestselling author Phoebe Conn and noted archaeologist E. Gary Stickel, Ph.D., combine their talents and imaginations to create Helen as a vibrant woman who knows both sorrow and great joy in a story you will long cherish.” The authors will discuss their book and answer questions from the audience. Books will be available for sale and signing.

Darko Dawson Mystery Series
Presented by author Dr. Kwei Quartey
Saturday, Sept. 24 • 3 – 5 p.m.
Central Library/Donald Wright Auditorium

Darko Dawson, Chief Inspector in the Ghana police service, returns in this atmospheric crime series often compared to Alexander McCall Smith’s The No. 1 Ladies’ Detective Agency novels.

A 2011 nominee for Pasadena Public Library’s One City, One Story program, Dr. Quartey will talk about his mystery series, read from his latest book Gold of Our Fathers, share information about Ghana and answer questions from the audience. Books will be available for sale and signing.

A Pasadena resident, Dr. Quartey has practiced medicine for more than 20 years while simultaneously working as a crime writer. Attaining noteworthy achievements in both fields, Dr. Quartey balances the two professions by dedicating the early morning hours to writing before beginning a day in his clinic.

SEPTEMBER EXHIBITS

Central Library

National Library Card Sign-Up Month
North Entry

September Author Talks
North Entry

100th Birthday of Ronald Dahl
Great Hall

Constitution Week – Celebrate the U.S. Constitution
The U.S. Constitution with posters, pictures and descriptions. Presented by The Daughters of the American Revolution - Martin Severance Chapter
Centennial Room, Humanities & Reading Wings
Central Library - 285 E. Walnut Street
(626) 744-4066
Mon–Thurs • 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Fri & Sat • 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Sun • 1 – 5 p.m.

Allendale Branch - 1130 S. Marengo Ave.
(626) 744-7260
Mon–Thurs & Sat • 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Fri • 2 – 6 p.m.

Hastings Branch - 3325 E. Orange Grove Blvd.
(626) 744-7262
Mon–Thurs • 10 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Fri & Sat • 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Sun • 1 – 5 p.m.

Hill Avenue Branch - 55 S. Hill Avenue
(626) 744-7264
Mon–Thurs & Sat • 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Fri • 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Lamanda Park Branch - 140 S. Altadena Drive
(626) 744-7266
Mon–Thurs & Sat • 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

La Pintoresca Branch - 1355 N. Raymond Avenue
(626) 744-7268
Mon–Sat • 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Linda Vista Branch - 1281 Bryant Street
(626) 744-7278
Mon–Thurs & Sat • 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Fri • 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

San Rafael Branch - 1240 Nithsdale Road
(626) 744-7270
Mon–Thurs & Sat • 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Fri • 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Santa Catalina Branch - 999 E. Washington Blvd.
(626) 744-7272
Mon–Thurs & Sat • 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Fri • 2 – 6 p.m.

Villa Parke Branch - 363 East Villa Street
(626) 744-6510
Mon–Fri • 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Sat • 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Banned Books Week
Sept. 25-Oct. 1
Banned Books Week is an annual event celebrating the freedom to read and highlighting the value of free and open access to information. Banned Books Week brings together the entire book community – librarians, booksellers, publishers, teachers and readers of all types – in shared support of the freedom to express ideas, even those some consider unorthodox or unpopular.

4th Annual Author Fair
Calling all local authors from the San Gabriel Valley! Come and participate in the Pasadena Public Library’s 4th Annual Author Fair during ArtNight Pasadena, Friday, Oct. 21 from 6-10 p.m. To participate, sign up at pasadenapubliclibrary.net. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Celebrating Constitution Day
Join the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) - Martin Severance Chapter as they celebrate Constitution Day with the ringing of bells at 1 p.m. marking “Bells Across America,” a national commemoration started in 1987 by the late Chief Justice Warren E. Burger. DAR members will also distribute free pocket copies of the American Constitution.

Saturday, Sept. 17 • 10 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Central Library/Great Hall

In Memoriam
This summer we lost three wonderful library colleagues and friends. They were each an integral part of our library family and will be missed enormously.

Garo Kourjian
Technical Specialist
Central Library

Eric Bergren
Page
Lamanda Park Branch

Rosalie Jaquez
Librarian
La Pintoresca Branch & Central Library

FREE Weekend Parking For CENTRAL LIBRARY Patrons
Additional free parking is available on Saturdays & Sundays at the adjacent University of Phoenix underground parking structure.
To access the lot, enter the driveway near the corner of Garfield & Corson streets.