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## Manuscripts & Munchies at McCormick & Schmicks

Looking for something fun to do after work? Why not meet your fellow Friends at Happy Hour and meet an author at the same time? We have put together a series of "Manuscripts and Munchies" events that will feature a local author speaking a few minutes about their latest book at a local establishment

(McCormick & Schmicks at Gainey Ranch) for no host bar and hors d'oeuvres from 5:30pm until 7:00pm. Each time there will be a "theme" starting on **February 26th** with the obvious "Romance" theme. Meet local author **BETH KENDRICKS** who will talk about her latest books, including "The Pre-nup", "Everything

I Needed to Know About Being a Girl I Learned From Judy Blume" and "Grey's Anatomy 101". Her books will also be on sale and she will be available to sign them as well. Suggested donation for this event is \$5. Bring a friend and come join us for a great evening of fun with your fellow Friends while hearing a great author.

## FALL 2008 RECAP

### SPIRIT OF LITERACY

The Friends of the Scottsdale Public Library honored two individuals and one organization with 2008 Spirit of Literacy Awards at a breakfast held Nov. 6, 2008 at the Scottsdale Civic Center Library. Sue Jenkins accepted an award given in memory of her late husband Bill Jenkins, former Mayor of Scottsdale, long-time Scottsdale High School teacher and noted local historian, who was an ardent champion of reading and life-long learning. Joann Hamilton-Selway, former collections manager of the Scottsdale Public Library System, was

honored for her local and national involvement in literary groups that enhanced the reputation of the Scottsdale libraries and its programs. Cactus Shadows High School history teacher Barbara Hatch and her students who are involved in the Arizona Heritage Project were recognized for their extensive work to produce four volumes (with a fifth in the works) of "Since You Asked..." which chronicles the war and peace-time service of local veterans. Former Mayor Mary Manross and Director of the Scottsdale Public Library System Rita Hamilton presented the awards.



*Spirit of Literacy Recipients—Students from Cactus Shadows High School and History Teacher Barbara Hatch with Mayor Mary Manross*



*Spirit of Literacy Recipient Sue Jenkins, Mayor Mary Manross, Library Director Rita Hamilton, Friends Past Board President Martha Green*

## FALL 2008 RECAP continued

The Palomino branch of the Scottsdale Public Library hosted an exciting Christmas event for children & parents in December.

The Cowboy Claus event was attended by over 45 parents with small tots to see this singing, dancing & 'joke-telling' lovable horse called Dusty.

His owner, Gary Sprague sang Christmas carols, told memorable stories from the Gene Autry days of old while his horse, Dusty performed several tricks for the

young children.

At the end of the performance, the children were allowed a get acquainted session with Gary & Dusty. Several of the parents had brought their cameras & video cams to take pictures of the children saddled onto Dusty.

Melinda Schechner, a Friend of the Scottsdale Public Library, assisted Gary as his welcoming elf!

A great time was enjoyed by both parents & children!



## Support Your Libraries, Save the Earth, Spend No Money! By Joan Fudala

Hard pressed to make a cash donation these days? Never fear, you can still support your Scottsdale Public Libraries by making "in-kind" donations that clean out your house or garage, save the earth and benefit youth and adult programs at Scottsdale fabulous four (soon to be five) public libraries!

Since Earth Day 2001, residents and businesses have been encouraged to **recycle their printer ink cartridges** in special, free postage envelopes available at all Scottsdale Libraries. For each cartridge received at the recycling broker, the Friends of the Scottsdale Public Library receives a donation of \$1.50. During 2008, the Friends received a total of \$237.50 from the ink cartridge recycling program...talk about a no-brainer way to raise funds from what could be

trash! Even if you re-use/recharge your cartridges, they eventually need to be discarded, and we're happy to have them. Find the green plastic mailing envelopes in the lobby of all the libraries, or ask at the information desk. Keep one by your computer, fill it, then drop it in a mailbox or at the box at each library. Thanks in advance for recycling!

Another great way to support Scottsdale library programs is to **donate your new or gently used books**, magazines (current month or within the last three months), videos, CDs, DVDs, computer games and software (including manuals). These donated items are sold through the Book Corrals, with funds raised put into a special account that is administered by the Library Advisory Board to provide additional programs

and services for library customers. Some donated materials may also be added to the library's collections. For more information on donating materials, see <http://library.scottsdaleaz.gov/local/donations.cfm>

One additional no-cost way you can benefit your library, community history and researchers of all kinds (from authors to genealogists) is to donate Scottsdale historical photographs, digital images, high school yearbooks, documents, pamphlets, old maps, city directories pre-1950, rare out-of-print local history books and biographies, etc. to the Scottsdale Room at the Scottsdale Civic Center Library. See <http://library.scottsdaleaz.gov/local/swcollections.cfm> for more information, or call 480-312-READ.

## SOCIAL MEDIA—ARE YOU IN? FRIENDS HOSTS A FACEBOOK GROUP, by Andrea Allen

If you're like me, I rely on my computer to keep me up-to-date on what's happening in the Valley as well as with my friends and family around the world. FACEBOOK has been a fun and painless way to do this. Social networking is the latest and greatest way to stay connected.

In an effort to spread the word about Friends of the Scottsdale Library, I've created a group on my profile to help my friends learn more about the wonderful things we do at the Scottsdale Library. I'd like to invite all of you to join! If you are already a member of

FACEBOOK, then you know how to join. Just do a search and I'll see you there. If you don't have an account, follow these simple steps to get connected and join in discussions, keep up with what the Friends are doing, and let us share with you.

1. Go to [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com)
2. Fill out the short form on the page and click on the SIGN UP button
3. You will be walked through a registration process
4. Click on HOME
5. Click on GROUPS under APPLICATIONS in the

upper right hand portion of the screen

6. Do a search for FRIENDS OF THE SCOTTSDALE LIBRARY

7. Click on JOIN THIS GROUP that is located under the FOL logo

That's it! You will receive updates in your email when a new entry about an event is posted. So, come join us in this exciting social networking revolution and enjoy this fun way of finding out what's happening at the



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Get a Friends Discount in the BOOK CORRAL of any Scottsdale Library, just cut out this coupon

**20% DISCOUNT ON ANY ITEM IN THE SCOTTSDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOK CORRAL—SPONSORED BY THE FRIENDS OF THE SCOTTSDALE PUBLIC**

## Scottsdale: Many Cultures: Many Stories:

Three programs remain in this educational and popular series that focuses on the rich cultural heritage of Scottsdale.

Each program introduces you to the cultural groups that have had and continue to define the development of Scottsdale.

**March topic:** African Americans in Scottsdale history;

**April topic:** Asian Americans in Scottsdale History;

**May topic:** Jewish Americans in Arizona history.

Check [www.scottsdalelibrary.org](http://www.scottsdalelibrary.org) for dates, times and locations.



## Mustang Library Renovation Complete!

Renovation of the Mustang Library is now complete, giving it a more open, user-friendly atmosphere. Be sure to stop by to see the new look.

Speaking of new looks for libraries, if you happen to be near the intersection of Scottsdale and Pinnacle Peak roads (the former site of Rawhide), you can see that the **Appaloosa Library** is majestically rising from its foundation. *It's set to open in Fall 2009.*

## Grayhawk Donation Funds Story Time

The **Grayhawk Classic Residents Foundation** recently presented a \$20,000 donation to Library Director Rita Hamilton and the Scottsdale Public Library Board.

The donation will be used to fund the story time room at the Appaloosa library, which is under construction at Silverstone. *(Information taken from Scottsdale Update Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> emailed to subscribers by the City of Scottsdale)*

## Library Receives the Gordon M. Conable Award

The library received the **2008 Gordon M. Conable Award** from the Public Libraries and the American Libraries Association. The library won the award because of an innovative series of programs on the Middle East that were presented last April.

In order to receive this important award a library must have demonstrated a commitment to intellectual freedom and the Library Bill of Rights. For more information on the award, visit:

<http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/pla/plaawards/gordonmconableaward/index.cfm>

*(Information taken from Scottsdale Update Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> emailed to subscribers by the City of Scottsdale)*



## Scottsdale Remembers—Recollections of Our Past:

The Scottsdale Public Library has partnered with the Scottsdale Charros, Scottsdale Jaycees and the Scottsdale Historical Society for a nostalgic look back – through photos and artifacts – at the impact these three organizations have had on the development of Scottsdale. See great photos of Parada Del Sol, Spring Training, former resorts, first families and the history of our beloved Little Red Schoolhouse/Scottsdale Historical Society Museum. In the gallery at the Civic Center Library, 3839 N. Drinkwater Boulevard March 1-30; at Mustang Library April 1-30, 2009. Opening reception at Civic Center Library gallery Wed., March 4, 5:30 – 7 p.m.

## ABOUT THE FRIENDS OF THE SCOTTSDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Friends of the Scottsdale Public Library, founded in the 1950s and re-energized in the 1980s, is a nonprofit, all-volunteer community organization whose board and members support Scottsdale's public library system through a variety of awareness-building and fund-raising activities. Money raised by the Friends funds a variety of public programs at the four Scottsdale libraries, with special emphasis on youth and teen programs. Friends-funded programs are much needed, but not covered in current, or future, City of Scottsdale library budgets; for example, the Summer Reading and the Book Buddies programs. The Friends also sponsor author/book release events throughout the year as well as other events that introduce new people to the libraries. The Friends annually honor individuals and organizations with their Spirit of Literacy Award that recognizes library and literacy advocates.



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