

# INSIGHTS

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### PARADISE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

# THE PREZ SEZ... PAMELA TEETER, PFOL PRESIDENT



Spring is here, the sun is shining and flowers are blooming. I look forward to all the changing seasons however, I think that spring is my favorite. I'm always excited to get my hands dirty in the yard and enjoy all the wonderful fresh produce from our local farmers market.

For those that know me, I'm a list maker and a planner. I always have multiple *to-do* lists with me at all times.

Part of my spring planning is pouring over gardening, landscaping or cook-

books that I find at my local library for inspiration and education. There is always a certain amount of joy when I find a wonderful book in the library catalog that I can't wait to get my hands on.

Along with spring, we are jumping into our 2015 Calendar of Events. Please make sure to stop by and say "Hi" to us at our booth at Gold Nuggets Days & Chocolate Fest.

We are also kicking off our local Authors Night on April 16<sup>th</sup> along with our April Poetry Contest for National Poetry month April 29<sup>th</sup>.

Please check out our website or Facebook page for more information. We have a lot of events planned for 2015 for which we need volunteer help. If you or someone you know would like to become a member and help volunteer at our events please let us know!

Pamela Teeter, PFOL President

### **LIBRARY TRIVIA**

- Libraries have more cardholders than VISA.
- Libraries have more locations than McDonalds.
- Two out of three Americans own library cards and use them.
- You can get digital assistance for iPad, Nook, Kindles, etc., at the Paradise Library twice a month on Wed at 11 am.
- "Library Book Group" meets the last Wed of the month at 3pm in Paradise.

### PFOL & CHOCOLATE FEST 2015

Celebrate the 2015 Paradise Chocolate Fest, an annual benefit for non-profit youth organizations on the Paradise Ridge! The Paradise Friends of the Library is a beneficiary on behalf of the Junior Teens for the benefit of the Youth Summer Reading Program and books for youth. Check out the Paradise Chocolate Fest website for details about the event and join in one of the many events such as the Chocolate Chase, the Chocolate Thunder Motorcycle Run and new this year the Tour 'de Chocolate Bike Ride to beautiful Paradise Lake!



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# What's New! Author's nights, poetry contest, Vet Resource Center

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

#### **APRIL**

2nd - Board Meeting

4th - Book Sale

16th - Local Authors night Kickoff

18th - Book Sale

25th - Gold Nugget Days

29th Poetry Night

#### MAY

7th - Board Meeting

9th - Chocolate Festival

16th - Book Sale

21st - Local authors night

30th - Book Sale

### JUNE

4th - Board Meeting

11th - Party in the Park

18th - Local Authors night

27th - Book Sale

### "POETS OF PARADISE" CONTEST

April is National Poetry Month!

To celebrate National Poetry Month the Friends of the Library is sponsoring a poetry contest.

Submit an original poem to the Paradise Library by April 23, 2015, along with your name, phone number, age group (K-12, adult, or professional writer) and style of your poem. All submissions will be entered in the contest & may be displayed at the library through the month of April.



Winners will be announced and prizes given at a Poetry Reading in the Library Community Room, Wednesday, April 29th, 6-7 pm. All contestants will have an opportunity to read their poem to the audience. For more information call 872-6320.

# VETERANS RESOURCE CENTER Chico Branch

Trained volunteers are available during the following hours to help veterans and their families connect to **benefits and services**.:

Mon & Wed: 9am -1pm & 2 - 4pm Tues & Thur: 9am - 12 noon Fridays 9am -12 noon and 2 -5pm Hey! The Paradise Friends is seeking persons who have a bit of spare time and a desire to serve the community. The board meets once a month in the community room of the library for about two hours. Do you have clerical skills, ideas about the library, artistic imaginings? ... we could use a few more board members, an editor for the newsletter, special events coordinator and volunteers for the Saturday book sales. If you have a yen, we can fit you in! Look for our online calendar of events.

# E-Z <u>Ways to donate</u>

- DONATE your books to the book sale! Join Friends by mailing in your application (see page 3) or joining online at www.pfol.org. You can use PayPal from the website to pay your membership dues or to make a one-time donation.
- Pick up a SHARES card at the library. A portion of your purchases made at Save Mart will be donated to PFOL.
- Amazon shoppers! Designate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to PFOL via the Amazon Smile Foundation. Go to http://org.amazon.com and choose
   Friends of the Library, Paradise as the non-profit you'd like to benefit.

### STAY IN TOUCH

- "Like" us on Facebook if you'd like to stay up-to-date about Paradise Friends of the Library's activities between quarterly newsletters. The library's monthly Calendar of Events is also posted on our Facebook page.
- Go Green! If you prefer to receive your PFOL newsletter via email rather than "snail" mail, email your email address to: info@pfol.org
- Copies of our newsletter are available at the library, 'Ohana Health on Fir St, and the Chamber of Commerce on Skyway.

### ...AND NOW A WORD FROM OUR LIBRARIAN...



Susie Serrano, Librarian's Corner Spring 2015

Does the library look a little different to you? The reference area has been rearranged to grant more access to reference materials and the forthcoming Paradise Seed Lending Library. This will also create future space enhancements for the public computer area that give everyone using our public computers comfortable friendly atmosphere. Other space

enhancements include the space in the children's and teen rooms. Kimberlee is incorporating new STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) style learning and is mentoring several teens with their senior high school projects as local teens have chosen to complete their projects at the Paradise Library. We continue to partner with the Paradise Grange and Community Garden volunteers, housed on the Grange property, to help with seed packing preparations for opening at the Paradise Library April 2015.

Child development specialist, advocate for family play and musician Jim Gill will be visiting Paradise in May, thanks to a grant from our local First5

Commission, Butte County Library Literacy Services and the Strengthening Families Network. The Paradise free workshop for caregivers, teachers, and librarians will be Thursday, May 14th 4:00 PM at the Paradise Branch Library Conference Room. The free Family Concert Thursday, May 14th 6:30 PM at the Table Mountain Masonic Lodge (Next door to the Paradise Branch: 5934 Clark Rd. Paradise, CA). Parents with children going into kindergarten this fall can enjoy our second year of KinderGo Monday, June 15th, 2015. KinderGO! explores Kindergarten readiness skills with special attention to Early Literacy. Discover the many resources available at your library to support and encourage a love of learning in your child. Any child enrolled to start Kindergarten in fall of 2015 is invited to attend. One or more family members are required to attend the full session. Sign-ups begin April 28th. Families are encouraged to sign-up together.

I would love to hear from you! If you have an idea for a program or would like to volunteer to help plan any of our events or programs please feel free to contact me at the Paradise library.

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## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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### **USED BOOK SALES**

Paradise Branch Library Community Room Saturdays 10 am—3 pm

April 4 & 18 May 16 & 30 June 13 & 27

Book donations welcomed!

**Paradise Library Hours** 

Tues & Wed

11 am—6 pm

Thurs, Fri & Sat

10 am—5 pm

Sunday

1 pm—5 pm