

Library Manager's Report 8/10/2016

With the help of program partners Nipomo Recreation, SLO County Food Bank, SLO Children's Librarian Margaret Kensinger-Klopfer, and the Friends of Nipomo Library, the entire village raised programs for our children to enjoy in July as our Summer Reading program continued. Each week we offered a Tuesday Craft, Wednesday Spectacular Summer Reading Event, and Thursday Science activity. In addition, we offered free lunches to children 0-18 years old three days a week serving 251 lunches. The first week of the month, we also offered bags of breakfast foods to 25 families. The breakfast and lunch programs help local school students meet nutritional needs normally available in the free lunches in schools. Schools are closed in the summer, so students receive breakfast and lunches through a variety of community programs like ours.

Local Newspaper cartoonist Leigh Ruben, illustrator for the nationally syndicated Rubes cartoon, entertained 19 teens and adults on Saturday July 30th with stories of what inspires his cartoon humor.

SLO SeedSavers volunteer Elizabeth Johnson, assisted Nipomo Library in gathering fall and winter seeds to offer in our seed library. We gathered Approximately 70 new varieties of seeds to add to the Spring/Summer collection already in the collection. In seed sorting parties, volunteers packaged 15 packets of each variety to supplement seed collections for the Nipomo, Arroyo Grande and Los Osos Seed libraries. Arroyo Grande and Nipomo are stocked with seeds for all four seasons now and when a cabinet is ready for Los Osos, they will join the SLO County Library Seed Library program.

We look forward to some terrific educational and entertaining programs in the fall. The programs are described below.

Nipomo Library Fall-Winter programs September – December 2016

Reader's Historical Theatre: The Dunites: Mystics, Misfits and More

Friday, September 23 at 2:30 - 3:30

Three colorful Dunite characters recall life in the Oceano Dunes with friends, fanatics, and foes during the 1930's, 1940's and 1950's.

Introduction to Watercolor Painting:

Saturday, October 1 at 1:30 – 4:00

Local artist Jerry Smith will demonstrate basic watercolor techniques as you paint your own masterpiece. Materials will be provided. Please call the library at (805) 929-3994

Nipomo Controversial Film Series: Dan Burstein's The Secrets of Mary Magdalene

Thursday, October 13 at 3:00 & 6:00

Experts in religious studies piece together the real Mary Magdalene from myths, literature, sacred writings and Dan Brown's The Da Vinci Code. Discussions will follow each viewing. Approx. 2 hours.

Second Annual Nipomo Library Pumpkin Decorating Contest

October 15 through 29

Bring a decorated pumpkin between 10/15 and 10/21. Display until 10/28 to win prizes.

Pumpkin Decorating Workshop Saturday 10/15 from 10 - 2. Vote on your favorite pumpkin 10/22 – 10/26 . Awards posted 10/26, People's choice Award posted 10/27. Best of show awarded in 4 categories: Pre-school / Elementary, Middle School / High School, Adults, and Family or team project.

Monday Morning Painters Watercolor Exhibit

November 1 through 26

Monday Morning Painters in association with the Nipomo Arts Commission, and the Central Coast Watercolor Society will exhibit their art in the Nipomo Library Program Room. Come and enjoy the colorful variety of paintings.

International Games Day

Saturday, November 19 at 10:00 – 2:00

Join us for board games and activities including the second annual decorated piggy bank races.

Allegría Winds Quintet Concert

Saturday, December 10 at 3:00 – 4:00

Enjoy the beautiful instrumental music of this popular quintet. Wind instruments included are: flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon and French horn.