



Celebrate National Library Week April 8-14, 2012

Bookmark Contest April 1 – 13 / Youth Services Dept.

The theme of the contest is You Belong @ Your Library, which is the theme for National Library Week 2012. Entries will be accepted beginning April 1st through April 13. Winners will be notified by April 17. Bookmarks will be displayed and distributed beginning April 18th through April 30. There will be one winner from three categories: 1st-2nd grade, 3rd-5th grade, and 6th-8th grade. Winners will receive a gift card and a framed copy of their bookmark. More Info: Contact Youth Services, Dawn Cummins, Youth Reference Librarian, (847) 546-7060 ext. 138

REUSE-A-SHOE (Athletic Shoe Recycling & Shoe Reuse Program) / Adult Services Dept.

During the entire month of April, the library is partnering with SWALCO and Nike to recycle old athletic shoes. The library will be a drop off site during the month of April for individuals or families who have just a few athletic shoes they'd like to recycle from their home. We will be collecting any number of athletic shoes, as well as gently worn shoes of all types for donation. SWALCO directs this shoe recycling and reuse program for Lake County. Last year they collected and transported more than 30,000 athletic shoes for recycling.

Old athletic shoes of any brand, are collected, processed and recycled into a material called "Nike Grind". This material will then be used to create sports surfaces like basketball courts, tennis courts, athletic fields, running tracks and playgrounds that will be enjoyed by children of all ages, for many years to come. Now that's creative recycling!

Additionally, thousands of gently worn shoes of all types were donated to local charities. The library will also be accepting gently used shoes (of all kinds) for the Heart and Sole organization, which unites bare feet with shoes they very much need. Last year this organization provided shoes to the victims of the Joplin tornado, and before that to the victims of the Haiti earthquake. If you have shoes you can donate to this program, please also drop them in the same box in the lobby. Everyone can take part. More info <http://www.swalco.org/Programs/Reuse-A-Shoe>
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Food for Fines Amnesty Program / Circulation Dept.

During National Library Week April 8-14, patrons with late charges on their library accounts will be able to reduce or eliminate the fines, and help replenish a local food pantry serving the community's less fortunate, the library announced today. "We invite the public to join us in this time of giving by donating to someone in need," said Elena Lara, Public Relations Coordinator. "We want to encourage our patrons to come back and use the library's resources." Food for Fines will enable patrons to donate items in exchange for their fines. Each item donated will allow a \$1 reduction in fines.

Patrons are advised that food items are being accepted for fines only and not for lost or replacement materials. When a patron returns lost materials, food may be donated in lieu of the fines for that returned item. Food may not be used to pay for any collection fees. All items must be in good condition, non-perishable (can/box), including toothpaste, shampoo, and soap. Your donations will benefit the Avon Township Pantry.

More info: Circulation Department (847) 546-7060, prompt 3

100th Anniversary R.M.S.Titanic Display / Youth Services Dept. – April

April 15 marks the 100th Anniversary of the sinking of the RMS Titanic. The Round Lake Area Public Library will have a display which will include books and activity sheets, special trivia jar, and a bookmark design contest called You Belong @ your library®. Special National Library Week bookmarks will be available for everyone! Visit the display beginning April 9 through the end of the month.



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