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WELCOME TO THE Placentia Library

Recently Added: Quiet Nook Privacy Pods

Work on a homework assignment, take a job interview or Zoom call, or get lost in a book in our new Quiet Nook Privacy Pods!

Stop by the Information Desk to reserve one of these ADA-accessible rooms to recharge, relax or study. Plus, we also have our Group Study Rooms for groups of 1-6 as well, all free to reserve same-day at the Information Desk with your library card.

Featured Service: Zip Books



ZIP BOOKS
...Your Library. Delivered.

Get books or audiobooks mailed directly to you! It's free and books ship directly to your home from Amazon! To learn more or request an item, scan the QR code or visit placentialibrary.org/tell-us-what-to-buy.

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Zip Books is a grant project supported in whole or in part by funding provided by the State of California, administered by the California State Library.

Get a Library Card

Stop by the library to apply for a regular library card, or apply for a Virtual Library Card online! Visit placentialibrary.org/library-card to access eBooks, digital audiobooks and more.



Item Loan Limits & Policy

- 5 items out at a time (for the first 30 days)
- 25 items out at a time (after the first month)
- 3 week loan period for books, audiobooks, and Parks Passes
- 2 week loan period for Library of Things (LOTs) collection
- 1 week loan period for video games, movies and lucky passes
- 5 new video games and new movies out at a time

Library Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Friday - Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Catalog, renewals and library info available 24/7 on our website, catalog or app! Access your account with your library card number and PIN, which is usually the last 4 digits of your phone number.

Passport Hours

Monday - Friday:
Walk-in Service: 11:00 a.m. - until capacity is reached.

Saturday - Sunday:
By APPOINTMENT ONLY
Appointments: www.placentialibrary.org/passports



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Library Director Article

Celebrating National Library Week and an Exciting New Chapter

As we celebrate National Library Week, April 6 through 12, 2025, it is a wonderful time to reflect on the essential role libraries play in our community. Libraries are more than just buildings filled with books—they are vibrant centers of learning, connection, and inspiration. This year's theme, "Drawn to the Library," speaks of the library and how it has something for everyone. The theme perfectly encapsulates the magic and allure of libraries – a space where people of all ages and walks of life gather to learn, explore, and connect.

California State Librarian, Greg Lucas, reminds us that a little reading goes a long way. Did you know reading:

- Reduces stress by 68% after just six minutes
- Increases empathy
- Improves sleep quality
- Strengthens mental focus and concentration
- Increases exercise time (Bring a good book to read or listen to and see how much longer trudge-time is logged on the treadmill)
- Slows cognitive decline and lowers the risk of Alzheimer's

Whatever draws you to the library, you get to chart your next literary adventure! Whether you're nostalgic about holding a book in your hand, sharing your favorite audiobook with your carpool friends, or catching up on your favorite author's latest release on your tablet, check out a book and continue your reading adventure! At Placentia Library District, we are proud to serve as the community space where every community member can find resources, pursue lifelong learning, and connect with others.

This year, National Library Week holds special significance for us as we prepare to unveil our new outdoor space, a milestone achievement for our library and the community of Placentia. Scheduled for its grand opening later this spring, this beautiful outdoor area will offer a unique venue for programs, events, and quiet relaxation amidst nature. Imagine storytimes under the open sky, book clubs meeting in the fresh air, or simply enjoying a good book surrounded by the warmth of our California sun. This space represents our commitment to expanding the ways we serve our community.

Our community's belief in the District's mission inspires us daily, and this project is a testament to what we can achieve together. The outdoor space will not only enhance the library experience but also create opportunities for collaboration, creativity, and joy. During National Library Week, we invite you to explore everything Placentia Library District has to offer. Stay tuned for the announcement of the grand opening date for our outdoor space—we can't wait to celebrate this exciting moment with all of you.

Thank you for making Placentia Library District a cornerstone of our community, and a destination for your family's adventures. Together, let's continue to be "drawn to the library" as a place where imagination, growth, and community flourish.

I look forward to seeing you all in April for the grand opening of our outdoor space!

Warmest regards,

Jeanette Contreras
Library Director



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Library Director

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Library Closure/ Holiday Dates

Sunday, April 20, 2025
Easter

Monday, May 26, 2025
Memorial Day

Friday, July 4, 2025
Independence Day

Community Events



Read around the World 2025 Reading Program

January 1 – December 31, 2025
placentialibrary.beanstack.org
 or the Beanstack App



Discover a new world, learn about a new culture, or find stories close to home with the Placentia Library District's 2025 reading program. We encourage you to explore diverse stories and characters featured in the library's monthly selections, or find your own from the library's books, audiobooks, graphic novels and digital materials. Visit the Beanstack app to get started!

Ages 0-13

Children ages 0-13 can earn a completion prize for reading and completing activities, while supplies last! Pick up at the Information Desk, supplies are limited.

Ages 14+

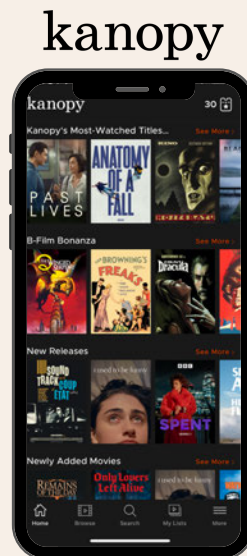
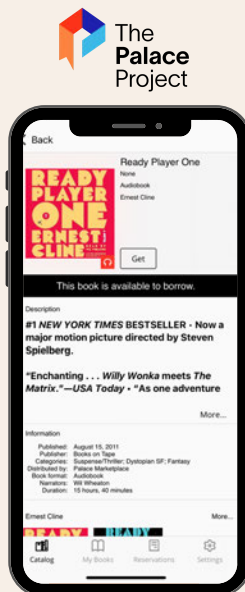
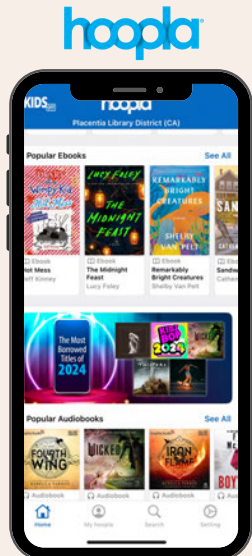
Teens and adults can earn a \$5 Golden State Coffee Roasters gift card completion prize for reading and completing activities, while supplies last! Pick up at the Information Desk, supplies are limited.

National Library Week Scavenger Hunt: Drawn to the Library

April 6-12
 Information Desk

This spring, stop by the library during open hours for an all-ages scavenger hunt to explore what you can create, imagine, learn and become with your library! From arts and crafts programs in the Hangar Makerspace and children's graphic novels, to monthly book clubs as well as yoga and meditation classes in our new Outdoor Learning Experience (OLE) space, there's something for everyone at the library!

Plus, complete the scavenger hunt to be entered to win a Children's Art Kit (ages 0-13) or a Teen and Adult Art Kit (ages 14+).



Digital Resources

Check out eBooks, audiobooks, digital graphic novels and more on the Libby, Hoopla or Palace apps, or watch a movie on Kanopy!

Scan the QR code or visit ebooks.placentialibrary.org to get started with these & more, free with your library card!



Adult Literacy

Meet Our Tutors and Learners

Lindy and Emily

Emily was inspired to pursue Digital Literacy tutoring after she decided she wanted better computer skills and more technical knowledge of digital tools. Throughout the duration of their tutoring, Lindy and Emily have been working on a myriad of skills, beginning with typing and basic digital literacy, developing over time to work with programs like Google Sheets, email access, and other online work resources. "I'm better at typing as well as feeling much more comfortable



Learner Achievements

- Jane passed the Citizenship interview.
- Sandy, Nhu, Flora and Jina got a job.
- Peter is able to use greetings more comfortably at his job.
- Teresa was able to order from a menu.

using the computer," Emily shared. The pair meet at least twice a week to work on continued success in digital literacy training, and Emily has aspirations to apply to a new job in the future with her newly trained skills. Lindy was grateful for the opportunity to work with such a driven student and, "to see her growth each week was inspiring to me and our work together." Emily and Lindy both agree that they feel so lucky to have the opportunity to work together, and it has been an incredibly enriching experience for the both of them to share at the Placentia Library Adult Education Program.

Literacy Reads Book Clubs

Join us for Literacy Reads, book clubs for beginner to intermediate readers and English language learners! Practice your reading, discuss interesting books, learn new words, and meet others in these fun and informal book clubs. Reading selections will be chosen for beginning to intermediate reading levels.

Beginner Readers

Every Wednesday

Contact us for details

Intermediate Readers

Every Tuesday

Contact us for details

Free Tutoring for Adults

We offer one-to-one and small group tutoring for adults ages 18 or older.

Tutoring services provided:

- Literacy - Basic reading and writing instruction.
- Beginner ESL - Speaking and listening instruction.
- High School Equivalency (HSE) - GED/HiSET preparation.
- Citizenship.



Volunteer with our Literacy Program!

Volunteer with the Adult Literacy Program and make a life-changing impact on someone's life! Tutoring offers a deeply rewarding opportunity to assist individuals in achieving their goals. No prior teaching experience is necessary; a genuine passion for helping others is what truly matters. Join us today and make a positive impact in your community.

• Training and materials are provided

• Flexible schedule based on your availability

Scan the QR code or email literacy@placentialibrary.org for more information.



Read, Write, Speak Club

Placentia Library Community Meeting Room Drop-in Class (no registration required)

No class: April 18, May 23, July 4, August 29

The Read, Write, Speak Club is an opportunity to chat with other English language learners in a relaxed and comfortable environment. Learn new vocabulary, improve reading and writing, and sharpen your pronunciation skills.

Grupo de Conversación en Inglés

Gane confianza y practique habilidades de habla diaria como: Comer en un restaurante, visitas al médico, ir al banco, conferencias de padres y educadores, y otras conversaciones casuales. Para más información, contacte a nuestro personal.

Need help with the Citizenship exam? We have a class for you! For more information ask at the Information Desk.

The Hangar

Where imagination and inspiration take flight!

Makerspace



Create, tinker and craft in our all-ages makerspace!

Take chances, make mistakes, and get messy in our Hangar Makerspace. Enjoy a variety of themed holiday crafts, open-ended/general crafting time, sensory play, and more! Each week features something new for all ages. Materials will be provided for themed crafts, and general crafting times will have a select number of materials available for patrons to use.

Specialized items and tools are available for use in-house upon request, under adult supervision (e.g. hot glue gun, sewing needles, heat gun, utility blades, etc.). Please see list of items available for more information.

Also, take a look at our upcoming Hangar programs below and let your imagination and inspiration take flight!



Questions? Contact us!
www.placentiallibrary.org/makerspace
Email: hangar@placentiallibrary.org
Phone: (714) 528-1906

Hangar Hours:
Mondays: 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesdays: 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Saturdays: 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

It's-a Mario Time at the Library!

All
Ages

Photo Op: All Day March 10-16

Hangar Crafts: During Hangar Hours

- **Monday, March 10 and Wednesday, March 12, 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**
- **Saturday, March 15, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Join us Monday March 10th and all week long as we celebrate Mario Day! Bring the whole family for Super Mario-themed crafts that are fun for all ages. Plus, strike your best power-up pose at our photo op with Mario-inspired props! Whether you're a seasoned gamer or just love the Mushroom Kingdom magic, this is your chance to level up your week. Don't miss out—let's-a-go!

Wire & Wonders: Jewelry Creations

Ages
14+

Teens and Adults

Saturday, March 8, April 12, May 17

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Community Meeting Room

Join us for a fun and creative jewelry-making program! From earrings to bracelets and more, each month features a new and exciting project for you to work on. Whether you're a beginner or have some experience, we'll provide all the materials and guidance you need to craft beautiful, personalized accessories. Bring your creativity and leave with a wearable masterpiece! Space is limited. Entry tickets will be issued starting at 12:30 p.m. the day of the program. Open to teens and adults.

Cross Stitch Creating

Ages
14+

Saturday, April 26

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Teens and Adults

Community Meeting Room

Learn basic cross-stitching techniques and let your creativity flow! Join us as we complete a seasonal Spring-themed project. Supplies will be provided. Open to Teens and Adults. Seating is limited, first come, first served.



Tech Help Fridays

Ages
14+

First Fridays in March, April and May

March 7: Digital Literacy

April 4: Resumes and Cover Letters

May 2: Canva, Excel and AI: Utilizing resources for home, school and work

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

The Hangar

Get assistance for technology and computer questions with our librarians. Learn how to format a resume, get started on the computer, create an email account, use Chat GPT and other AI services, and more. Stop by with your device, or learn about a selected topic. Ages 14+.

Hangar Hours:

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Wednesdays: 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Saturdays: 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

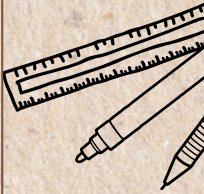
[placentialibrary.org/makerspace](http://placentiaLibrary.org/makerspace)



The Hangar

Where imagination and inspiration take flight!

Makerspace



Sewing 101

**Children and Adults:
Saturday, March 15**

**Adults and Teens:
Saturday, June 28 &
Saturday, July 19**

**1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. and
3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
The Hangar**

Get started with this hands-on overview of the sewing machine, including winding a bobbin, sewing a straight line, and other stitches. Materials will be provided for a starter project. Space is limited – preregistration is required for entry into the event. Please visit placentialibrary.org/makerspace one week prior to the program to register.



All
Ages

Creating with Cricut

**Teens and Adults
Sunday, July 13 &
Saturday, August 10
2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
The Hangar**



Ages
14+

Unlock your creative potential with our Creating with Cricut program! Perfect for beginners who want to learn how to use a Cricut machine and Design Space, but don't know where to start. Each class will feature a new project as we work with different materials to get you started on your Cricut journey. All materials will be provided. Space is limited. Entry tickets will be issued starting at 1:30 p.m. the day of the program. Open to Teens and Adults.

Maker Labs! Cosplay Corner

**Third Saturday of the Month
April 19, June 21
1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
The Hangar**

Join us for a series focusing on the basics of creating your very own cosplay props using EVA foam! Learn the materials, tools, and techniques needed to create your very own cosplay props as we recreate some of your favorite props from movies, video games, and pop culture. Materials will be provided. Space is limited. Entry tickets will be issued starting at 12:30 p.m. the day of the program. Open to ages 12 - 18.



Ages
12-18

Adult Craft Night

**Last Tuesday of Every Month
March 25, April 29, May 27, June 24,
July 29, August 26
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
The Hangar**

Ages
18+

Join us for our monthly adult craft nights in The Hangar! This new and exciting program will explore different crafts each month and you can learn a new craft skill or improve on your crafting skills! Materials will be provided.

Get Hooked! Crochet and Knitting Circle

**Last Sunday of Every Month
March 30, April 27, May 25, June 29, July 27,
August 31
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
The Hangar**

Ages
18+

Do you love knitting and crocheting or would you like to learn? Whether you are a beginner or an expert, come join the fun as we knit, crochet and learn patterns together. Everyone is welcome. Please bring your own needles, crochet hooks, and yarn. For Adults.

Stay up to date with our Hangar activities by following us on Instagram or Facebook, or visiting placentialibrary.org/makerspace or scanning the QR code:



Dig into Reading

SUMMER READING PROGRAM



Explore your library this summer with these 3 steps!

1

Participate in the all-ages Summer Reading Program on Beanstack!

Register Here! Scan the QR code, visit our website, or download the Beanstack App



Summer Reading Program Details

June 14 - August 9

placentialibrary.beanstack.org
or the Beanstack app

This summer, let your family Dig Into Reading and discover the magic of dinosaurs, reptiles, mysteries, and thrilling adventures! Join us for 8 fun-filled weeks of weekly performances and chances to win wonderful prizes just for reading! The more you read, the more chances you earn to win! Swing by the library's lobby in June to see the prize display. Prize winners will be notified the week of August 11.

Ages 0 – 13: For every 60 minutes you read (or are read to), you'll earn a chance to win one of the Children's Grand Prizes. Register on the Beanstack App and keep track of your reading online. Paper reading logs are also available at the Information Desk.

Ages 14+: For each book you read, you earn a chance to win one of our Teen or Adult Grand Prizes.

2

Join us at the Summer Reading Celebration!

Saturday, June 14, 5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Civic Center Plaza

Dinosaurs, Digs, and Daring Adventures Await! Dive into the pages of an unforgettable summer! Our Summer Reading Celebration kicks off with life-sized dinosaurs, hands-on digging activities, and Raptor Event's incredible reptile and bird show. Family fun awaits—don't miss it!



3

Check out books, manga, sewing machines & more at the library, or access digital eBooks, eAudiobooks & movies online!

Get started at ebooks.placentialibrary.org

This summer, read an eBook or listen to an audiobook on Libby, Palace Project, or Hoopla, get your child ready for kindergarten with ABC Mouse, enjoy movies on Kanopy or discover your next great read on Novelist Plus! Placentia Library offers a variety of online resources for all ages.



Volunteers Needed!

Are you an adult or teen interested in volunteering at the library? We would love your help! If you are interested in assisting with our Summer Reading Celebration on Saturday, June 14, please email volunteers@placentialibrary.org for more information by June 1, 2025.

LUNCH AT THE LIBRARY

Show: 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
Virginia and Norman Haussman Storytime Alcove

Lunch: 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Community Meeting Room

June 18: Hey Hey Entertainment - Puppet Show
June 25: Billy Bonkers Magic – Magic Show
July 2: Annie Banannie – Balloon Show
July 9: Doodlebugs – Radical Reptiles Show
July 16: Noteworthy Puppets – Puppet Musical
July 23: Radical Rudy – Rudy's Radical Science Show
July 30: Dave Skale – Magic Show
August 6: SoCal Reptiles – Reptile Show
Performers are subject to change, check website for current details

Come watch a show and eat lunch at the library! Free lunches at the library for children and teens 18 years and under. Lunch will be served on a first come, first served basis until supplies last.

The library offers these healthy meals in partnership with the Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District, through the USDA Summer Food Service Program. We hope you will come for healthy lunches, summer reading, and free activities to help young minds and bodies grow and thrive!

This institution is an equal opportunity provider. The Summer Food Service Program is a program of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, administered in California by the California Department of Education. Lunch at the Library is a project of the California State Library, supported with funds from the State of California.

Esta institución es un proveedor que brinda igualdad de oportunidades. El Programa de Servicios de Alimentos en el Verano es un programa del Departamento de Agricultura de los Estados Unidos, administrado en California por el Departamento de Educación de California. El Almuerzo en la Biblioteca es un proyecto de la Biblioteca Estatal de California y respaldado con fondos del Estado de California.



Sign up for our all-ages Summer Reading Program: Dig into Reading!

Scan the QR code, visit placentialibrary.beanstack.org or download the Beanstack App to get started, and register to win prizes all summer long!



END OF SUMMER READING PROGRAM FINALE

Saturday, August 9
10:00 a.m.
Virginia and Norman Haussman Storytime Alcove
Magic Show with John Abrams!

Join us for this final Summer Reading Program performance by John Abrams, magician extraordinaire, who will entertain everyone with a super fun magic show – with a game show twist!

Children's Services

Read Across America

Saturday, March 1

10:00 a.m.

Virginia and Norman Haussman
Storytime Alcove

Join us for a special storytime as we read, sing, work on a craft, and have fun celebrating the joy of reading!



Read to the Dogs

First Monday of the Month, 6:00 p.m.

Virginia and Norman Haussman Storytime Alcove

March 3, April 7, May 5, June 2, July 7, August 4

Open to children of all ages! Read to a trained, furry friend from The Bright & Beautiful Therapy Dogs, Inc. – because even dogs like to hear a good tail-chasing tale now and then!

Luna, Luna! Bilingual Pajama Storytime

Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

Virginia and Norman Haussman Storytime Alcove

March 5, 12, 19, 26; April 2, 9, 30; May 7, 14, 21, 28
June 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23; August 13, 20, 27

Put on your coziest pajamas, grab your favorite stuffed animal, and join us for our bilingual storytime on Wednesday evenings. Enjoy sweet stories and fun songs, in English and Spanish!

Ponte tus pijamas más cómodas, agarra tu peluche favorito, y únase a nosotros para nuestros cuentos bilingües los miércoles por la noche. ¡Disfruten de cuentos y canciones divertidas, en Inglés y Español!

STEAM Labs!

Special programs featuring STEMup4Youth
Second Thursday of the Month, 4:15 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
April 10, June 12, July 10, August 14
Placentia Library Community Meeting Room

Join us for a series of STEAM programs presented by STEMup4Youth. Enjoy fun, hands on activities each month as we explore the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math. Each month features a new project! Space is limited and seats are available on a first-come first-serve basis. Open to children ages 7 – 12.

Baby Giggles and Wiggles Storytime

Fridays, 10:00 a.m.

Virginia and Norman Haussman Storytime Alcove

March 7, 14, 21, 28

April 3, 11

May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

June 20, 27

July 11, 18, 25

August 15, 22, 29



Join us for a storytime filled with delightful stories, playful bounces, and engaging songs. Perfect for little ones and their caregivers, this is a wonderful opportunity to bond, explore, and set the stage for building early literacy skills! Open to children 0-3 years with a caregiver.

Morning Meet Ups

Fridays, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Crossroads Corner

*No Meet Up on April 18,

April 25, June 6, June 13, July 4

Explore the Crossroads Corner area for play time and a chance to meet other families at the library! We will have toys, books, and learning materials available for your children. Encouraged for children 0-4 accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

Family Storytime

Saturdays, 10:00 a.m.

Virginia and Norman Haussman Storytime Alcove

March 8, 15, 22, 29

April 4, 12

May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

June 21, 28

July 5, 12, 19, 26

August 16, 23, 30



Get ready to kick off the weekend with Family Storytime! All families are invited to join us on Saturday mornings. We'll read aloud fun stories, sing and dance to favorite tunes, learn new rhymes and fingerplays, and make silly crafts. All ages are welcome!

Teen Services

Placentia Teen Action Crew (PTAC)

First and Third Thursday of Each Month
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Community Meeting Room

March 6, 20
April 3, 17
May 1, 15
June 5, 19
July 3, 17
August 7, 21



The Placentia Teen Action Crew is open to all high school students interested in gaining community service experience, volunteer hours, and leadership skills through planning and supporting library events.

For more information, contact volunteers@placentialibrary.org or (714) 528-1906.



Teen Review crew



Placentia Teen Review Crew

www.placentialibrary.org/teen-review-crew
Are you a teen between the ages of 14-18 who likes to read? Are you looking for community service hours? Then the Teen Review Crew is for you! Read books and write reviews for your fellow teens and receive volunteer hours for doing so.

Approved reviews will be posted on the library's website. For more information, visit www.placentialibrary.org/teen-review-crew or contact volunteers@placentialibrary.org or (714) 528-1906.

Volunteer at the Placentia Library! Now Accepting New Volunteers

www.placentialibrary.org/volunteering

Placentia Library volunteers make meaningful contributions to the library and our community while learning new skills and having fun. An active library card, volunteer application, and online volunteer orientation are required. Current volunteer opportunities include Placentia Teen Action Crew, Teen Review Crew, Craft Prep, Hangar Makerspace Open Hours support, and Sorting and Shelving. Please see our website for more information or contact 714-528-1906 or volunteers@placentialibrary.org.

Get Started!



Adult Services

Yoga at the Library

**Saturdays in April and May,
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

Community Meeting Room

Discover yoga for your body and mind with Good Moodra Yoga.

Space is limited, no registration needed. Bring your own mat. Check website for notices. Ages 14+.

Spring 2025 Schedule:

April 5, 12, 19, 26
May 3, 10, 17, 31*
(*No session on May 24)

Meditation at the Library

Wednesdays in May, 6:30 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.

Outdoor Learning Experience Space

May is Mental Health Awareness Month! Join certified meditation instructor Amy Rutledge in a meditation series learning the power of mindfulness and its positive impact on all aspects of life. These science-backed tools can help release anxiety, tension, and stress; cultivate compassion, focus, and concentration, and promote connection and peace to all.

Sessions will be 45 minutes and include guided practice suitable for both beginning and returning meditators. Space is limited, no registration needed. Ages 14+.

Spring 2025 Schedule:

May 7: Basic Science and Mindfulness of the Breath
May 14: Sound Bath (bring a yoga mat and blanket)
May 21: Self Care Workshop
May 28: Relax, Reflect, and Recharge: A Stress Relief Workshop (bring a journal)



Adult Book Club

Second Tuesday of Each Month

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Community Meeting Room

You're invited to our monthly book club! Our group is always open to new members, so stop by to share or listen! Selections include a robust mix of fiction and nonfiction genres, and selected titles are available for checkout at the library. Ages 18+.

March 11: *The Lost Bookshop* by Evie Woods
April 8: *If We're Being Honest* by Cat Shook
May 13: *The Seed Keeper* by Diane Wilson
June 10: *A Town Called Solace* by Mary Lawson
July 8: *The Paris Novel* by Ruth Reich
August 12: *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhorn



Sci-Fi, Fantasy & Graphic Novel Book Club

Second Thursday of Each Month

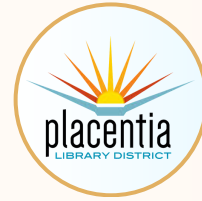
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Community Meeting Room

Discover a classic graphic novel or a trending fantasy, dystopian or science fiction epic with our evening book club. Explore intricate sub-genres, like cozy fantasy or magical realism, which invite readers to bundle up with a cup of tea, or hard sci-fi, featuring trips to faraway planets suitable for a summer blockbuster. Find these titles at the library or on our digital platforms on the Libby, Hoopla or Palace apps. Ages 18+.

March 13: Intro to Sci-Fi: *Ready Player One* by Ernest Cline
April 10: Post-Apocalyptic and Dystopian: *Station Eleven* by Emily St. John Mandel
May 8: Cozy Fantasy: *The Teller of Small Fortunes* by Julie Leong
June 12: Sci-Fi Film Adaptations: *Project Hail Mary* by Andy Weir
July 10: Superheroes and Graphic Novels: *All-Star Superman* by Grant Morrison
August 14: Magical Realism: *Water Moon* by Samantha Sotro Yambao

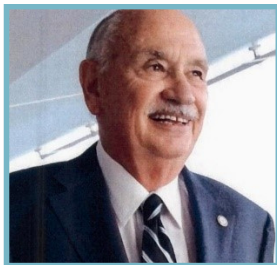
Honoring the Legacy of Two Cherished Library Supporters



It is with deep gratitude and heartfelt remembrance that we honor the lives and legacies Ginny Sanatar and Norman Haussman, two extraordinary individuals whose generosity and commitment to our library have left a lasting impact.



Ginny Sanatar was a steadfast advocate for literacy and lifelong learning, supporting countless library programs that enriched our community. Ginny was an avid reader of mysteries and introduced the sci-fi adventure reading genre to her late husband, Pat. A longtime Orange County resident and active member of the Placentia Library Friends Foundation, Ginny joined the Placentia Library Friends Foundation board in 2001 and was elected to the position of financial secretary in 2002, a role she continued to serve through 2018. She also served as Author's Luncheon chairwoman in 2014. Ginny was well respected and lovingly admired for her dedication to the Placentia Library District and touched many lives through her smiles and warmth. Ginny passed away on January 2, 2025.



Norman Hausmann and his late wife, Virginia, believed in the power of books to inspire and transform lives. Through their generous contributions, the Placentia Library District was able to continue to provide excellent programs and learning opportunities more accessible to all who walked through our doors. Norman lived in Placentia since 1975 until he and Virginia moved to Kissimmee, Florida in 2015. Virginia was an active member of the Placentia Library Friends Foundation and served as a member of the PLFF board starting in 2007. Norman generously donated \$20,000, in honor of Virginia's memory, toward the Placentia Library District's renovation. The Virginia and Norman Haussmann Storytime Alcove honors them both. He is also honored on the Placentia Veterans Monument located in the Placentia Civic Center for his naval service. Norman passed away on November 28, 2024.

While they are no longer with us, Ginny and Norman's legacy lives on in the programs they supported, the books they helped bring to our shelves, and the countless lives they touched through their kindness and vision. We are forever grateful for their contributions and will continue to honor their memory through the work they made possible.

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Upcoming Events

Saturday, March 1
Authors Luncheon

Placentia Library Friends Foundation



A Season of Growth and Community Engagement

Dear Friends and Supporters,

As spring unfolds around us, I am delighted to share the latest updates and happenings at the Placentia Library Friends Foundation (PLFF). This season symbolizes renewal and growth, much like the flourishing programs we have in store for our cherished community.

October 2024 was a busy month for PLFF. I want to give a shout out to all our members who were able to join us at our 'Fiesta Thank You Party!' It was an evening filled with great food provided by B & C Burgers, wine, beer and extraordinary company! We wouldn't be able to accomplish what we do without your support!

We also participated in the 'Heritage Days' event where a number of PLFF members stopped by our booth to take advantage of some fun activities and give aways! Excitement was in the air when this lucky patron won a \$50 Target gift card!



Upcoming Events and Programs

31st Authors Luncheon, Saturday, March 1st, at Alta Vista Country Club!

We are thrilled to announce Naomi Hirahara as our featured speaker at this year's annual Authors Luncheon! Naomi is an Edgar Award-winning author of multiple traditional mystery series and noir short stories. Her first historical mystery, *Clark and Division*, which won a Mary Higgins Clark Award, follows a Japanese American family's move to Chicago in 1944 after being released from a California wartime detention center. Her follow-up to *Clark and Division*, *Evergreen*, was on the USA Today bestseller list for two weeks upon its release.

Reservations for this event are \$75 each and can be made by using the QR code, online at placentialibraryfriends.com, or at the library.

Where Stories Grow: Our New Outdoor Library Oasis!

I'm excited to share updates on our ongoing library renovation project, Placentia Library's Outdoor Space! Thanks to the generous support of our donors, we are making significant progress in creating a welcoming garden oasis. The new design will feature expanded reading areas within a garden environment accessible to all in our community.

Consider donating to our 'Outdoor Space' online at placentialibraryfriends.com or at the library.

Children's Storytime and Activities

Our beloved Children's Storytime sessions continue to be a cornerstone of our programming. This spring, we have lined up a variety of engaging and educational activities designed to spark young imaginations and foster a love for reading.

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Celebrating Our Volunteers

Our foundation is fortunate to have an incredible team of dedicated volunteers who give their time and talents to support our mission. This season, we are pleased to highlight the contributions of Melissa Teeling, a longtime volunteer who has managed the operations of our beloved and very successful Bookstore. From classic literature and contemporary bestsellers to DVDs & CDs, we have something for everyone at unbeatable prices.

Thank you, Melissa, for your commitment and passion to the Bookstore's success!

Please visit the Friends Bookstore during regular library hours, and be sure to note the upcoming sale dates!

Follow us on Instagram at [PlacentiaLibraryFriends](#) to view our current Silent Auction.

Support and Donations

As a nonprofit organization, we rely on the generosity of our community to continue offering valuable programs and services. There are many ways to support the Placentia Library Friends Foundation, from making a monetary donation to volunteering your time. Every contribution, no matter the size, makes a difference.

Become a Friend

Joining the Placentia Library Friends Foundation as a member is a wonderful way to show your support and stay connected with our activities. Members of all levels receive exclusive benefits, such as special event invitations and bookstore discounts to name a few. Check us out at [placentialibraryfriends.com](#) or at the library.

Looking Ahead

As we look forward to the warmer months, I am filled with optimism and excitement for the future of our library and community. The Placentia Library Friends Foundation remains committed to fostering a love of reading, lifelong learning, and community engagement. I encourage you all to take part in our upcoming events, volunteer your time, and spread the word about our programs.

Thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm. Together, we are creating a brighter future for our library and the community it serves.

Warm regards,

Gaeten Wood
President, Placentia Library Friends Foundation



Bookstore Sales



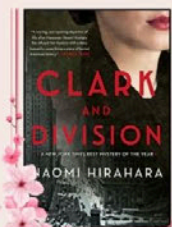
February 22
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August 2
November 8

Visit us for our quarterly book sales for deals on hardbacks, paperbacks, children's books, movies and more! These Saturday book sales will be 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

All proceeds benefit the Placentia Library.

The Placentia Library Friends Foundation
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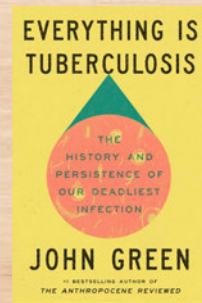
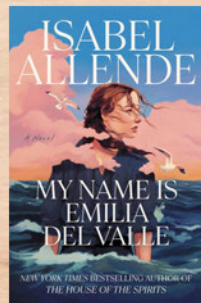
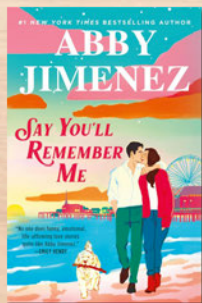
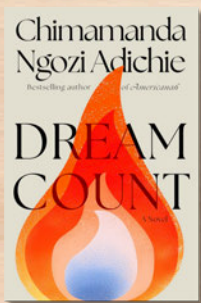
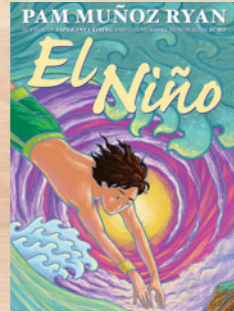
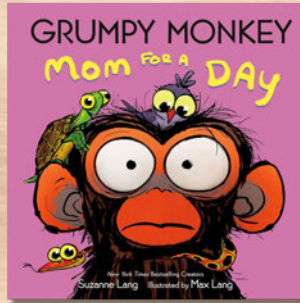
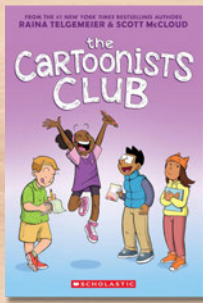
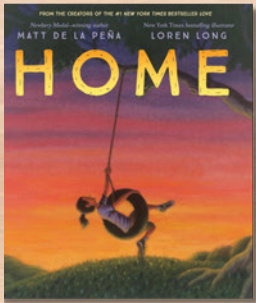
Can't attend?
Consider making a donation in your absence.
Proceeds benefit the Placentia Library District programs and services.

Saturday, March 1, 2025
Door opens at 10:00 am

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