



A chapter of the Friends of Seattle Public Library

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Southwest is a Magnet for Spanish Language Materials

by Sandra Sinner

The Southwest Branch magnet collection has fiction and nonfiction books in Spanish for all ages. Some of the children's books are in both Spanish and English. Spanish language books on CD, photonovelas, magazines, and newspapers are also included in the collection. This collection is located in the southeast corner of the building. The area, which also has tables, chairs and artwork, is a popular spot for Wi-Fi users.

The Southwest Branch has CDs and DVDs in Spanish in both the children's and adult's areas of the library. The Southwest Branch has recently received new English as a second language materials especially for Spanish speakers.

The magnet plan is a serious attempt to improve the quality of our services to the public. The magnet plan was designed on the basis of objective circulation and demographic data, with the intent of placing deeper, more satisfying, useful, and browsable collections of materials at locations where our target audiences live and use the library in greatest numbers, and are most likely to conveniently find these collections.

Fall Book Sale

by Sarel Rowe

We need volunteers! Help the SWT Friends glean used books on Sept. 30th, after the sale closes at 4pm. Contact Sarel at 206-937-3499.

Otherwise, come buy cheap books or volunteer at the Friends of the Seattle Public Library's Fall Sale Sept 28-30 (Friday is members-only).

See www.splfriends.org for more details.

***To Kill a Mockingbird* Dramatic Reading**

by Sandra Sinner

Members of the public are invited to join professional actors to read from "To Kill a Mockingbird" at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29 at the Southwest Branch, 9010 35th Ave. S.W. There are many ways to participate - read, watch, or listen. After the reading, join a lively conversation about personal, social, and political issues.

This free program is presented with Intiman Theatre and its American Cycle, which connects the community through art and activism. Intiman is sponsoring a series of intimate, informal dramatic readings from Harper Lee's classic book in neighborhood gathering spots and public institutions.

For more information, contact the Southwest Branch at (206)684-7455 or visit www.spl.org or www.intiman.org.

Co-sponsored by us, the FOSWTBL.

Books Donated to Roxhill

In April, through SWT Friends' fundraising, we donated \$200 of used books from the Spring Book-sale to Roxhill Elementary School. Roxhill's school librarian helped us choose books that she and the other teachers would most appreciate.

Thanks to your support, the Roxhill Elementary library becomes better-stocked every season, as we donate more Booksale books.

Grant to Southwest Teen Area

Southwest's Teen Librarian, Jane Gibson, recently requested support from the SWT Friends for the Collage Mural project that took place on August 17th. A \$50 grant from SWT Friends was used to buy materials to make this interactive art project. Local teens designed and created a collage mural with artist Lene Sangster for the library teen area, and created projects to take home.

Our Informational Kiosk

Don't miss out! We, the Friends of SWT Library, have a kiosk by the checkout desk where we post recent newsletters, announcements, and sell leftovers from the "Big Friends" Book Sale to raise money for future grants and events. Books for sale will return to our kiosk in late September!

by Alice Enevoldsen



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Get involved!

Friends of Southwest Branch Library

2007 Event Calendar

Date	Day	Time	Location	Event
September 17	Mon	6:30-7:45pm	Southwest Branch	Monthly Meeting
Sept. 28-30	Fri Sat Sun	6:30p-9:30p 9:00a-5:00p 11:00a-4:00p	Building #30 at Warren G. Magnuson Park	Friends of SPL Fall Book Sale Friday is Friends' Preview
September 29	Sat	2:00pm	Southwest Branch	To Kill a Mockingbird Dramatic Reading
October 8	Mon	6:30-7:45pm	Southwest Branch	Monthly Meeting
Oct 29 - Nov 17			Southwest Branch	Community Artists' Showcase
November 10	Sat	2:00-3:00pm	Southwest Branch	Artists' Reception
November 10	Sat	3:00-5:00pm	Southwest Branch	Annual Membership Meeting
November 12	Mon	6:30-7:45pm	Southwest Branch	Monthly Meeting

Friends Recommend . . .

The Sparrow by Maria Doria Russell
(from Jason Gift Enevoldsen)

Amazing book - the author has a real talent for writing a book that just sweeps you away. It seems strangely realistic, like the writer didn't have a plan for the plot. The book is rather sad, and not to be read by the faint of heart.

In the House of the Seven Librarians by Ellen Clage
a short story in the "Best Science Fiction and Fantasy of 2006" collection

(from Julie Enevoldsen)

This story is a lot of fun, about a community that builds a new library, but the old librarians have a plan of their own...

The Brothers Gwynedd Quartet by Edith Pargeter
(from Dennis Gruenig)

A historical fiction retelling of Welsh history during the reign of Richard I. Interesting, beautiful historical detail, and wonderful language.

The Flying Circus of Physics by Jearl Walker
(from Keith Enevoldsen)

This is my favorite book. It's tidbits about everyday physics: motion, fluids, heat, electricity, and optics. It's not a textbook - it's fun "kitchen physics" things. For instance: the wake left by a duck paddling through water, and the wake left by a battleship sailing through water both are 39° across.