

# LAWNDALE KIDS NEWS

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## An Interesting Man

Councilman James Osborne came to talk to reporters on August 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Lawndale Library. Councilman Osborne taught the reporters a lot about the history of Lawndale.

When Lawndale was formed in 1913, a person could buy ten acres of land for just one thousand dollars. There also used to be a train that went right through Hawthorne Boulevard. Also, a long time ago, ceramic production was very popular in Lawndale.

The Lawndale library was founded in 1913. Councilman

Osborne's grandmother was the first librarian of the Lawndale library, founded in 1913. In addition to the history, Mr. Osborne also explained to the reporters the differences between growing up during the time period when Mr. Osborne was a kid and the time period now.

One difference was his legos came in only three colors. His toys were also much more hands on than they are today. It was a fun day learning about so much history!

*by William U.*

## A Music Man

Mariano Velazquez spoke at the Lawndale Library on Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013. He started playing the violin when he was twenty-three-years-old. He also started a children's orchestra in Lawndale.

In the children's orchestra, there are four different kinds of instruments. There are flutes, violins, violas, and cellos. All of them are made from wood, except for the flute. Some types of wood are better than others.

Mr. Velazquez has a violin that is one hundred years old.

It was donated to him. His orchestra receives a lot of donations from nice people.

A student just learning an instrument can play well in just three months of practice, but to play like a professional, it takes five to ten years.

Mr. Velazquez demonstrated his musical talents at the library for the reporters, and then he performed afterwards in the concert to celebrate the library's anniversary.

*by Luis S.*

### Lawndale Kids News Reporters - Summer 2013



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## The Justice League

In *The Justice League* comic books, Superman and the Justice League try to stop the dark side from destroying Earth and the universe. These books take place in many places, including the planet of Akropolis in the future.

Other characters in these

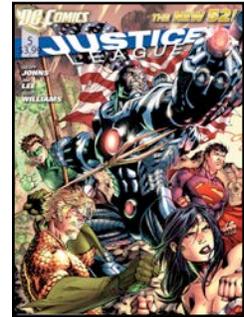
books are Mr. Miracle and Big Bardon. One really likeable character in the books is Batman because Batman is really cool. Batman is the best crime fighter and helps keep Gotham City safe.

Another good character is Wonder Woman because she is

very strong. She is also good at defeating Lex Luther and Giganta.

These stories are fun and exciting to read because they have a lot of action in them. They also are suspenseful. Boys over ten-years-old will like these books.

by William U.



## Puddle Poodle

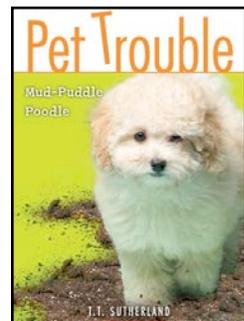
The book *Pet Trouble: Mud Puddle Poodle* is an awesome book. The book is written by T.T. Sutherland. The book is about a girl who gets

a dog, but the dog likes mud.

The story takes place in the house during the day. One of the best characters is Rosie. Kids will like this book because it is

about dogs and has a happy ending.

People will think it is good because it is exciting, adventurous, and interesting. Girls ages 7-11 will like this book.



## Different Points of View

*The View From Saturday* is a book written by E.L. Konigsburg. This story is about teacher Mrs. Olinski and four of her sixth grade students.

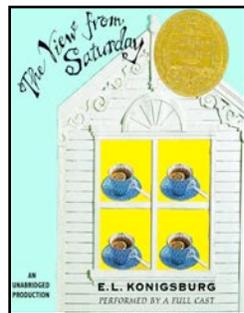
Mrs. Olinski and her four students attend an Academic

Quiz Bowl. Each chapter is narrated by one of the main characters. This makes the book very interesting.

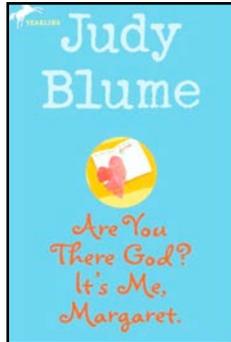
Mrs. Olinski is the best character in the book because she is very nice and a good

teacher. This book may even surprise you by teaching you new things. People who like funny and crazy books should check this book out.

by Samiah D.



## The Funny But True Story



The name of the book is *Are You There God, It's Me Margaret*. This book is written by Judy Blume.

The story is about a girl who is

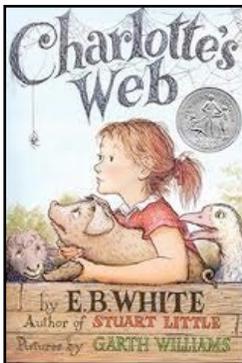
new in middle school and does not have any friends.

She has a hard time dealing with teachers and bullies at school every day.

Readers will like the main character Margaret because she is funny and kind. This book is a great book to read!

by Nasreen K.

## Clever Animals



*Charlotte's Web* is written by E.B. White. This book is about a pig named Wilbur who lives in a barn and makes new friends there.

Kids will like the character Charlotte,

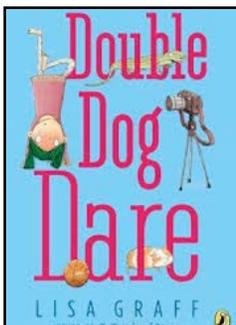
who is a spider. Charlotte is very nice and clever.

This book is okay because it's really long, but it's still a nice and sweet book, and it keeps you interested.

A kid might like this book because it has animals in it, and it's a good story. Girls will especially love the book's sweet ending!

by Samara P.

## The Adventurous Dog



*Double Dog Dare* is written by Lisa Grass. *Double Dog Dare* is about a deaf boy named Joey. Joey finds a dog, but his mom won't let him have the dog because it is a stray.

The characters in the story are: Joey, Mandy, James, Mrs.

Appleyard (Joey's mother), and Scruff (the dog that Joey found).

The best character in the book is Joey because he's so interesting. One reason this story is good is because it teaches a lesson about

friends helping each other.

People will also like this book because it talks about animals and it talks about people with disabilities. Boys and girls of all ages will enjoy this book!

by Cimone M.

## Greg's Days in Love

A lot of people search for love in their life. The book *Diary Of A Wimpy Kid: Dog Days*, by Jeff Kinney, tells about Greg's search for love.

The book is about Greg trying to find love during the school year. Greg decides to like a girl named Abigail.

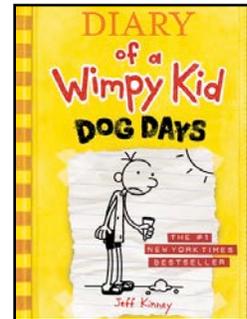
He really likes her and thinks he is falling in love. One night Abigail, Greg, and Rowley go to dinner and then to the school dance. Greg and Abigail dance for a little while, but then Abigail and Rowley start to dance.

This makes Greg sad seeing his best

friend dancing with the girl that he likes. Read the book to find out who Abigail choses, Rowley or Greg?

The characters' actions add so much suspense that you will want to read this book again and again.

by Martha D.



## Stink Shrinks

Megan McDonald is the author of *Stink the Incredible Shrinking Kid*. This book is about a boy named Stink who tries to find out why he is shrinking.

A funny character in this book is Judy

because she is very fussy. You will like this book because it is funny and very exciting.

This is a good book to read because the author does a good job of describing things

and the characters in the book are very likable. Boys and girls, ages six and up, will enjoy this book.

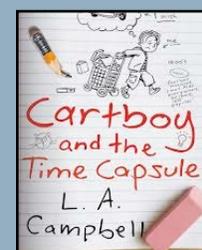
by Jordan S.



## Check these books out!

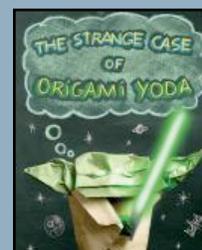
### Cartboy and the Time Capsule by L.A. Campbell

Sixth-grader Hal gets a year-long journal-keeping assignment in his least favorite class, history, much to the delight of his history buff father.

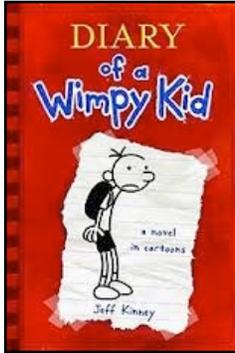


### The Strange Case of Origami Yoda by Tom Angleberger

Sixth-grader Tommy and his friends describe their interactions with a paper finger puppet of Yoda, worn by their weird classmate Dwight, as they try to figure out whether or not the puppet can really predict the future. Includes instructions for making Origami Yoda.



## Stay in School



In the book *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*, by Jeff Kinney, a boy named Greg goes to middle school. He has a lot of problems. One of them is an incident with the stinky cheese. Another problem is that he thinks that he will never get a girlfriend.

The best character is Holly; she is the girl that Greg likes. She is a very nice and pretty girl. She was not grossed out when Greg said he ate “the cheese.”

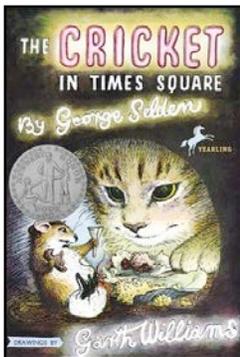
It was funny when Greg became friends with Fregly because Fregly is a weird kid

who does not have any friends.

Some people may like this book because it relates to average middle school life. It is a funny and awkward book. Both boys and girls will like how funny the book is.

by Joy U.

## Cricket in Times Square



This is a summary of the book *The Cricket in Times Square*, by George Selden. In this story, a boy named Mario finds a cricket named Chester who is lost in Times Square.

Mario wants to keep Chester as a pet, but his mom and dad do not want him to

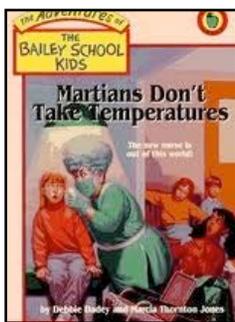
because they think Chester has too many germs.

Chester meets two friends named Tucker the Mouse and Harry the Cat. His two friends take him on adventures in Times Square. The three friends have a lot of fun together.

Mario’s mom keeps trying to get rid of Chester, especially after he ate the two dollar bill from her newsstand, but Tucker saves him. Boys and girls of all ages should read this book to see more about Chester in Times Square!

by Louis S.

## Martians Attack



*The Bailey School Kids: Martians Don't Take Temperatures* is written by Debbie Dadey. This book is about kids who try to discover why their nurse acts very strange. For example, the nurse acts crazy when she sees

water. This story takes place at the Bailey School. Eddie is a great character in the book because he is really funny.

People will like this story because it’s funny, interesting, and has a good plot. This

book is also very entertaining.

Both boys and girls will like this book. If you like mystery books, this is a great book for you!

by Rufus B.

## Music to Your Ears

Mariano Velazquez came in to talk to the reporters about violins and orchestras. He owns a few violins. He told reporters that violins are made out of different kinds of wood.

Mr. Velazquez taught reporters that there are four different instruments in the Lawndale Youth Orchestra: violin, violas, cellos, and flutes. He also taught reporters

that fiddles and violins are the same thing; fiddle music, however, is a certain style of music.

If you are interested in learning to play the violin, remember this: it takes two to three months to be able to play easy music, but if you stick with it, in four to five years you'll be able to play like a professional!

*by Samara P.*

## Life of Mariano Velazquez

Mariano came to talk to the reporters about his interest in orchestra. The four instruments in his orchestra are violins, violas, cellos, and flutes. Mariano plays the violin. He played "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star," "Mary Had a Little Lamb," and pieces of French music.

He has a wife and two kids and said, "I don't have time to practice." Violins are made

from different types of wood. He started playing at age twenty-three but wished he had started playing at a younger age.

He created a children's orchestra and encouraged Lawndale reporters to join an orchestra or play an instrument. It was a good and interesting experience learning about Mr. Velazquez.

*by Ndifor G.*

## What An Orchestra Is Like

A small orchestra has four instruments. A big orchestra has up to fifteen instruments! Orchestras can include flutes, tubas, violins, violas, and cellos.

A conductor is the person who directs the orchestra by waving a stick. Now you know all about orchestras!

*by Madeleine P.*



## About the Violin

Mr. Velazquez came to the Lawndale Library and talked about his orchestra. He teaches some kids how to play the violin. He played songs for the reporters on his violin, and then said how he could teach people easy songs.

He played the violin at El Camino when he was twenty-three. Mr. Velazquez said that in the Lawndale Youth Orchestra there are flutes, cellos, violins, and violas.

*by Mya S.*



## Violin Music

Mr. Velazquez teaches kids how to play the violin. Violins are all made of different kinds of wood. Mr. Velazquez's violin was made in Czechoslovakia.

There are four different instruments in the Lawndale Youth Orchestra: violin, viola, cello, and flute. It takes two to three months to teach

someone to play easy music on the violin.

With practice, it can take someone four to five years to play like a professional. The tradition of playing violin comes from Europe. Mr. Velazquez has a few violins. The design of the violin is 500- years-old.

*by Senara S.*

## The Violin

Mariano Velazquez visited the Lawndale reporters to speak to them about the violin and his love for music. The best part of his visit was the songs that he played. He played "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star" and "Mary Had a Little Lamb."

He has a violin that is one hundred-years-old and made out of wood. There are different types of wood that can be used to make a violin, including Redwood. The

violins last for a long time which means that the wood is very strong.

Mariano founded a youth symphony in Lawndale. There are about fifty kids and four different instruments in it. The flute, violin, viola, and cello are played in his symphony. He teaches kids how to play music because he said that music can make your life richer.

*by David C.*

## Mr. Velazquez and the Violin

Mr. Velazquez is an active volunteer in the Lawndale community. He started an orchestra for kids who wanted to learn to play music.

Mr. Velazquez is good at teaching kids how to play easy songs on the violin. He teaches around fifty through seventy-five kids. He likes music because he says it can enrich someone's life.

Mr. Velazquez is good at playing violin and plays in orchestras. He taught the Lawndale reporters that violins are instruments that can be made out of different kinds of wood.

*by Nasreen K.*



## Mr. Velazquez's Music

Mr. Velazquez has a violin that he plays. He is in charge of an orchestra that has fifty kids in it. Mr. Velazquez wants to share his music with the community by teaching music to kids.

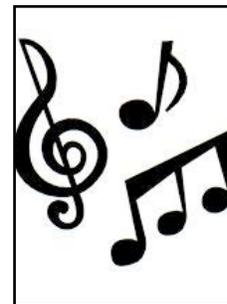
In his orchestra there are four different kinds

of instruments. There are violins, violas, cellos, and flutes. Mr. Velazquez played for the reporters the *Star Wars* theme song, songs from the *Pirates of the Caribbean*, and many more.

He started playing the violin when he was

twenty three. He does not get to play as much as he would like to, but he plans on playing and teaching for a long time.

*by Martha D.*



## The Orchestra

Mr. Velazquez visited the Lawndale Kids News reporters and spoke to them about music and orchestras. Mr. Velazquez has a wife and two kids. He started playing the violin at twenty three years old.

He told the reporters that the orchestra he started has four kinds of instruments: flutes, violins, cellos, and violas. The orchestra has up to fifty kids.

In order to be good at an instrument, you need to practice it a lot. It helps to start

learning at a young age.

Mr. Velazquez played songs for the reporters. The best song he played was "Mary Had a Little Lamb." He was a very inspirational speaker!

*by Samiah D.*



## The Man Who Played the Violin

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There are four different instruments in

the youth orchestra in Lawndale, violin, viola, cello, and flute. It takes two to three months to teach someone to play easy music on the violin.

With practice, it can take someone four to five years to play like

a professional. Violin playing tradition comes from Europe. Mr. Velazquez has a few violins. The design of the violin is 500 years old.

*by Senara S.*



## A Cool Violinist



Mariano Velezquez plays the violin. He can play “Mary Had a Little Lamb,” “Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star,” and some French music. He started to play the violin at the age of twenty-three, but wishes he would have

started at a younger age.

He started a children’s orchestra in Lawndale and encourages the *Lawndale Kids News* reporters to join his orchestra.

The violin that Mariano plays is one hundred years old. It

was donated to him and he has had it for about two or three years now. Mariano enjoys playing the violin when he has the time, but it is hard to find time because he has two children.

*by Adam G.*

## What Violins Are Made Of



A violin is made up of all types of wood. One type of wood that violins can be made of is pine wood. Violins can be 500 years old because the wood used to make them is so strong!

Violins are also made with strings that make the sound. Many violins are made in China. Cellos are a

bigger violin. They are made the same way. They use strings and wood, too.

If you play the violin or cello and keep practicing, you will get better and better! Mariano Velazquez said that playing music makes your life richer.

He has been practicing the violin since he was twenty

three and even started a children’s orchestra in Lawndale. In his orchestra, some kids play the violin while some play the cello.

Instruments that are made of wood like the violin and the cello make good music!

*by Melanie G.*

## Violin Day



On Saturday, a man named Mr. Mariano Velazquez came to the library to talk to the Lawndale reporters. Mr. Velazquez was born in Mexico.

He spoke about the four instruments that are in the children’s orchestra he

started. They are the violin, viola, flute, and cello. He even played the violin for the reporters.

The first song he played was “Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star.” The next one was “Mary Had a Little Lamb.” The last

song that he played was a French song.

He said that he does not practice that much. Mr. Velazquez was in the concert to celebrate the 100 year anniversary of the library on Saturday. Thank you, Mr. Mariano for coming!

*by Joy U.*

## Musical Word Search

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CHORUS

DRUM

EIGHTH

FOLKSONG

FORM

GLOCKENSPIEL

HALF

HARMONY

INSTRUMENT

MALLETT

MELODY

MUSIC

NOTE

PARTNER SONG

PIANO

QUARTER

REST

RHYTHM

ROUND

SCALE

SIXTEENTH

SYNCOPIATION

TRIANGLE

WHOLE

WOODBLOCK

XYLOPHONE

## The Life of Mr. Osborne



Mr. Osborne's grandmother lived for ninety-eight years. He showed reporters a badge from the first Lawndale fire station. The first firefighters were volunteer firefighters, which

means they were not paid.

They risked their lives for other people. The first library was a shack. Mr. Osborne's grandmother was the first librarian there. He brought in a soda that

was made in Lawndale seventy years ago.

Mr. Osborne also brought in a history notebook that belonged to his grandmother. Mr. Osborne is a very interesting man!

*by Ndifor G.*

## All About Lawndale's History



Councilman Osborne came to the Lawndale library to talk about what Lawndale used to be like and how his grandmother was the first librarian at the Lawndale Library.

It was founded in the year 1913. His family has been a part of Lawndale for a long

time. His mother went to Smith School.

Back then things in Lawndale were very different. There were only ten cars in Lawndale. A man named Mr. Hutchinson owned the very first car in Lawndale. The street Hawthorne used to be called Railroad Avenue.

Many different things were also made in Lawndale. For example, Rancho's Soda was made in Lawndale in the brick building that is now the Auto Shop. Mr. Osborne brought a soda bottle that was more than seventy-years-old.

*by Melanie G.*

## A Fascinating History



Councilman Osborne came to the library on Saturday to explain how things used to be when Lawndale was first founded. He showed what the lamp was like and how it was powered by gas.

He also showed the books that his grandmother wrote in.

She was the original Lawndale librarian and wrote in a composition book to keep track of who checked out books. This was before computers were used in the library. He showed the reporters an old soda that was made by Rancho's business a long time

ago. This company was in Lawndale. He showed a firefighter badge from one of the first Lawndale firefighters. It was really old.

There were cars that look different from the cars today. There were so many changes from things back then to today.

*by Adam G.*

## James H. Osborne's History

Councilman Osborne came to Lawndale Library to talk about the first librarian. The first librarian was his grandmother.

When people checked out books, she wrote it down in a small journal. In 1908,

people used gas lights. Tubes were in the walls to get gas to the lamps. When people wanted more light, they would turn a little knob to make the flame bigger.

Councilman Osborne had toys like legos, wooden toys, and more when he was

little. Legos came in a cylinder box, and there were only 3 colors, red, black, and white.

There used to be a building next to the library, but it was torn down.

*by Mya S.*



## Fire Lamp

James H. Osborne came to the Lawndale library to talk about the first Lawndale library where his grandmother was the librarian. The most interesting part was when he talked about the gas lamp.

This was interesting because gas lamps are

not used anymore so not a lot of people know about them. These lamps were used because there was not electricity until 1912.

The lamps had a knob that you turned to make gas come out. Then you would use a lighter to make a flame. He brought an

old gas lamp to show, where it looked a little bit like the lamps look today, but the way to turn it on was different.

Back then TV was black and white, lamps were fire not electricity, and the library was very different than it is today.

*by David C.*



## Life Back Then

Lawndale Kid Reporters had the chance to listen to Mr. Osborne talk about the city of Lawndale's history. He talked about the differences between what they had back then versus what people have now.

One difference is electricity. During the time when people didn't have electricity, they used gas lamps.

Mr. Osborne also talked about the history of the library. Mr. Osborne's grandmother was the

very first librarian. It was amazing to listen to Mr. Osborne talk. He had some very interesting things to tell the reporters.

*by Jordan S.*



## A Changing Lawndale

On August 3<sup>rd</sup>, Councilman Osborne came to Lawndale Library to talk to Lawndale reporters. He talked about his grandmother. His grandmother lived almost to be ninety-nine. His grandmother was the first librarian of the Lawndale Library.

When his grandmother was librarian, an overdue book only cost someone a penny. Councilman Osborne brought in some books from when his grandmother was in

elementary school. He also brought in a gas lamp, seventy-year-old soda, and the first fireman badge.

Councilman Osborne grew up in a house in Lawndale that is made from Redwood trees and still stands today. It is the oldest house in Lawndale.

*by Cimone M.*

## A Great Council Member

Councilman Osborne came to talk to the Lawndale reporters about things back then in the sixties compared to now: cars, toys, electronics. His grandma was the original Lawndale librarian. Now the toys are electronics but back then they were more hands on.

Toys like Lincoln Logs. His legos were only white, black, and red. Also, things back then

were cheaper. One thousand dollars could buy a person ten acres of land. If someone was to turn in a book late it would only cost him or her a penny a day. Now it is twenty-five cents a day.

The soda he brought in was seventy years old. Cars ran on steam, unlike today where they run on gasoline.

*by Jadan I.*

## Mr. Osborne and Lawndale

Mr. Osborne is a teacher at El Camino College. His grandmother was the first librarian at Lawndale Library. Back then there was no electricity, so people used gas lamps.

Mr. Osborne's mom went to Lucille Smith school. When more people came to Lawndale,

Mr. Hopper bought it and then sold the land to people. Back then there was also a soda called Rancho Cola that was made in Lawndale.

*by Senara S.*

## Council Member Osborne

Council member Osborne came to talk about the city of Lawndale. His grandmother was the original librarian of the Lawndale Library.

Back when the Lawndale Library was founded, there was no electricity so people used gas lamps.

Councilman Osborne brought in a soda that was seventy-years-old. He also brought the first fire department badge to show Lawndale reporters. When the first fire department was created, people didn't work there; they volunteered at the fire station.

*by Nasreen K.*

## Lawndale's Past

Councilman James Osborne visited the Lawndale Library to talk to the reporters about the town's history. One thing he talked about with the reporters was his grandmother.

His grandmother was the first librarian in Lawndale. You can

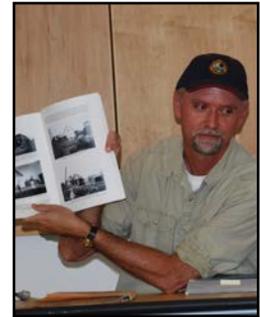
find pictures of his grandmother in the Lawndale Library. Mr. Osborne brought in many artifacts to show the reporters.

One artifact was a badge from the first fire house. Another artifact was a gas lamp that was used

back when people didn't have electricity.

The reporters found Mr. Osborne to be an interesting speaker. Everyone who listened to him learned something new that day!

*by Rufus B.*



## Happy 100th Birthday to the Lawndale Library!



*Steps of the Lawndale Library, September 1916*

## Save the Date!

Lawndale Library's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party  
Thursday, December 26 at 4 PM

There will be a photo exhibit, music, treats, and free books for kids!

## A Letter From the Lawndale Library



Thank you PressFriends reporters and mentors for helping celebrate the Lawndale Library's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday. The County of Los Angeles Public Library has loved being a part of Lawndale for the past 100 years – promoting reading, lifelong learning, and community engagement.

It's wonderful how this issue of *Lawndale Kids News* highlights both the rich history of the Lawndale Library as well as the library's current programs and partners. We believe in the value of both looking back to honor past success as well as focusing on the future.

*by Melissa McCollum*

### It's going to be a great 101<sup>st</sup> year at the Lawndale Library. Why?

- Our beautiful, well-used library and our fabulous customers – 828,000 library visits since the new library opened in 2009
- Current, comprehensive collection of books, music, and movies in a variety of formats, including free digital downloads of books, songs, magazines, and video
- Programs for all ages, including multilingual storytimes, Book Clubs, Family Place Parent/Child Workshops, Computer Classes, Instant Recess, gardening, yoga, Summer Reading Program, Friends of the Library, Teen Friends of the Library, Library Fiesta, and more
- Technology, Homework Center, Family Place, Play and Learn Island, Study Room, Conference Room, and Meeting Room available for use by library visitors
- Free online learning interactive classes, led by expert instructors
- Library staff, including Teen Librarian David Johnson, Children's Librarian Julie Broyles, and Library Assistants Yolanda De La Cruz and Marcia Scott
- Partnerships with the City of Lawndale, Lawndale Elementary School District, Network for a Healthy California, Lawndale Youth Orchestra, South Bay One-Stop Business and Career Centers, PressFriends, and many other community organizations

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