



# ROOSEVELT TIMES

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## Lawndale's New Library

*The Roosevelt Times attended the grand opening celebration for the Los Angeles County Library District's newly expanded library branch.*

Roosevelt Times editors, Brenda and Jazmin, interview Young Readers' Librarian, Michelle Call, and head Librarian for the Lawndale Library, Melissa McCollum.

**Roosevelt Times:** Is the library always quiet.  
**Ms. Call:** We have a lot of different programs, so it's not quiet all the time. For example, during story time, we like to dance and sing.

**Ms. McCollum:** We have video gaming the first Tuesday of every month, where you can play with a Wii. We also have separate places where kids can do homework in a quiet place.

**Roosevelt Times:** What is different about the old library and new one?

**Ms. McCollum:** The old library was only 3500 square feet and new one is 17,000 square



Librarian, Michelle Call, RAP editors Brenda and Jazmin, and Head Librarian Melissa McCollum

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## Upcoming Events

- DEC. 12 —NO SCHOOL
- DEC. 18—FREE WINTER FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT—5:30-8 PM
- DEC. 19—"CELEBRATIONS AROUND THE WORLD" CULMINATING EVENT
- DEC. 22-JAN. 2—WINTER BREAK. RAP IS OPEN FOR WINTER SESSION.

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## Superintendent Trivia

*Superintendent, Dr. Joe Condon, meets the Roosevelt Times*

**Roosevelt Times:** What kind of music do you listen to?

**Dr. Condon:** I like Hawaiian music and holiday music.

**Roosevelt Times:** How old are you?

**Dr. Condon:** I am 29 (with a smile)

**Roosevelt Times:** Do you have children?

**Dr. Condon:** Yes. I have 5 children and 8 grandchildren. ❖



Dr. Joe Condon with the 2008-09 Roosevelt Times newspaper staff

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## Josefa Salinas: Hot 92.3 DJ, Author, and more

By Marcus P., Reyna A., and Luz F., co-Music Editors

**Roosevelt Times:** What kind of music do you like?

**Ms. Salinas:** I enjoy all types of music.. it really depends on what my mood is. Music is such a large part of my life, I use it for every occasion..Every mood.. every pain.. every joy! I love hip hop, r & b, jazz, alternative, rock . . .

**Roosevelt Times:** What is your favorite song?

**Ms. Salinas:** Ohhhhh. That is a hard one. Depends on the hour. In the morning, I love *Ain't No Stoppin Us Now*.... In the middle of the day I like Britney . . . *Womanizer*.... In the car, give me some smooth jazz for the ride home . . . In the gym, a little "milkshake" or TI helps with weight lifting . .

**Roosevelt Times:** What do you do as a DJ for 92.3?

**Ms. Salinas:** I am the morning show news anchor, so I read five newspapers a day looking for stories that I think people will be interested in. I also have a talk show called the Community Review; it runs on Sunday morning and is kind of like a cross between "60 Minutes" and Oprah.

**Roosevelt Times:** What do you like best about being a DJ?

**Ms. Salinas:** I love touching and affecting people's lives.

**Roosevelt Times:** How did you get started in the music business?

**Ms. Salinas:** It truly is a Cinderella story. I just walked

into a radio station one day.

**Roosevelt Times:** How long have you worked in the music business?

**Ms. Salinas:** I have been in the business for 20 years. . . in radio as a DJ . . . also, I used to manage recording artists. Coolio was my client for ten years. I started with him before *Gangsta's Paradise*. It was not fun being a manager; it is way more fun being a DJ! ❖



## Do You Want to Be a Doctor?

By Jazmin A., Careers Editor



**H**ave you ever wondered what you want to be when you grow up? Well here are some fantastic ideas from a few of you fellow classmates. Ilsi B. wants to be a fourth grade teacher. Reyna A. wants to be a doctor. Hajazi wants to be a pediatrician.

Since Reyna and Hajazi are interested in being doctors, I interviewed Dr. Karen Black, MD, an internal medicine doctor who practices in Torrance, about choosing to become a physician.

**Roosevelt Times:** Why did you decide to become a doctor?

**Dr. Black:** I decided I liked science and also wanted to help people . . . the perfect fit.

**Roosevelt Times:** What do you like best about being a doctor?

**Dr. Black:** I love talking to people and getting to know all aspects of their lives. I then add the physical info and lab results together and come up with the problem and plan.

**Roosevelt Times:** What do you have to do to become a doctor.

**Dr. Black:** To become a doctor takes many years of schooling and then many years of hospital and clinic training.

Isn't it great that students are thinking about their future, now? It is never too early to plan today for your life later. ❖





## Save Up Those RAP Bucks!

By Destiny F., RAP Editor

RAP is going to start giving out RAP bucks for RAP students who do what they're supposed to be doing. For example, good behavior and using manners such as saying "please" and "thank you," can earn you RAP bucks. Remember to

finish your homework and do your best to earn even more!

RAP bucks look like real money. It is the size of real money too. But you have to remember to be good and be the best you can be! Impress your RAP teacher. All RAP teachers will be passing out

RAP bucks. Be good to impress Ms. Mariya, Ms. Maggie, and the other RAP staff.

The RAP store is going to have pencils, folders, toys and other fun goodies. Save up and keep your money in a safe place. ❖



## In-N-Out Popular with Roosevelt students

By Steven G. Restaurant Editor

In-N-Out seems to be the fast food restaurant that is one which is favored by most of the people in our school.

After surveying a number of students, many said they would prefer to go to In-N-Out instead of to other fast

food places. Even though In-N-Out is a little bit more expensive, people still love it! ❖



## Healthy Eating

By Dejon H., Food and Art Editor

To have perfect fitness you should try eating healthy foods. For example, pasta is healthy and can be good for you when you choose the right sauce. Red marinara sauce is healthier than a cream sauce.

Same goes for appetizers. Salads and light soup can be healthy. If you ask

for dressing for your salad, make sure to ask for it on the side.

Some people eat salad dry too. Actually, if you eat salad dry, it is healthier than with salad dressing. But most people like to put a little dressing on their salad to add taste; just don't use too much.

And now for dessert. Try an Italian ice, fresh fruit, or, for adults, a skim milk cappuccino. Hold off from fat in desserts and other dishes.

To get healthy recipes, watch Food Network, where you can learn how to cook the dishes and see what they should look like. ❖



## Weezer at the Forum

By Marcus P., co-Music Editor

Weezer played at the Forum last month with the bands Angels and Airwaves and Tokyo Police

Club. My favorite of those three bands is Angels and Airwaves. I liked how the lights were set up in their

concert. There were thousands of people at the concert. It was a long concert and very loud! ❖

### A Night in a Museum

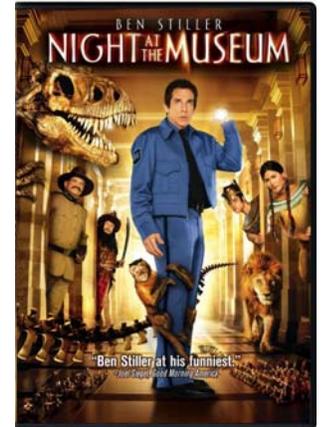
By Carlota R., Entertainment Editor

I heard about a movie called “Night at the Museum,” and it sounds like a lot of fun. The movie is about a man (played by Ben Stiller) who needed a job and found a job working at a museum as a night watchman.

While he’s at work, strange things happen during the night. Things start coming alive, like the wax figures of dinosaurs and Teddy Roosevelt.

At first, the night watchman thinks of it as a job, but later thinks of his job as

night watchman as something more. If you want to find out more, you should see the movie. Find out what other weird things could happen at the museum. The movie is rated PG, so most elementary kids can see it. ❖



### Beverly Hills Chihuahua

By Ogechi H., Pet Editor

Have you gone out to see the movie *Beverly Hills Chihuahua*? Here is some information to help you decide whether or not you want to go see it. *Beverly Hills Chihuahua* is about a princess puppy named Cloe. There is another puppy named Papi that Cloe is not

interested in being friends with. Cloe wanders off and gets lost, then she gets dog-napped. Cloe’s dog sitter, who is also Papi’s owner, sets out with Papi to find Cloe. Papi sends out a call to all animals to sniff everything everywhere to help him find Cloe. Cloe ends up getting

into a fight, but she is eventually rescued by Papi, and there’s a happy ending back in Beverly Hills. ❖

If this storyline seems like it would interest you, I urge you to go out and see it. If you know someone who would be interested in seeing it also, take them with you. ❖



### The Jonas Brothers

By Luz F., Music Editor

The Jonas Brothers are one of the most popular bands out! The Jonas Brothers are three brothers from Wyckoff, New Jersey. Kevin was born in New Jersey, Joe was born in Arizona, and Nick was born in Texas.

In 2006, The Jonas Brothers released their first debut album “It’s About Time.”

In 2007, the Jonas Brothers released their second album “Jonas Brothers” with their hit songs “S.O.S”, “Hold On” and “When You

Look Me In The Eyes”.

The most recent album by the Jonas brothers, “A Little Bit Longer,” was released in this year.

These three brothers continue to keep their fans interested. ❖





## Lego Power

By Miguel R., Community Editor

If you like Legos, you might want to form a Lego Club. It's a cool way to have fun with Legos and your friends.

Our Lego Club started when I was checking in the Lego magazine and saw Lego sets I liked. I went to

Toys R Us and bought a cool Lego set, then told my friend Anthony to meet me. We picked up Marcus as a new member too.

We get Lego ideas everywhere. Sometimes we watch T.V. and see the Lego commercials.

My friend Anthony and I went to the Lego Imagination Center in Downtown Disney. It was awesome, and I bought a Lego set there.

If you are into Legos, you would really enjoy the Lego Imagination Center in Downtown Disney ❖



## Chivas beats América 2-1 in El Clásico

By Jose C., Sports Editor

Did you see the game between Chivas de Guadalajara and Club América in El Clásico on October 26th? I'm going to tell you a little bit of the game.

When I started watching the game it was 1-1. My brother said, "Oh man!" Then I said the "SWEET!"

Then we thought that América was going to score, but América missed because the ball was bouncy, and my dad said "How did he miss it?" I was laughing with excitement.

I was going to go to the park, but got to see Chivas score again. It was nice. One of the Chivas players passed

it to a teammate, which an América player tried to block with a bodyslide, but the Chivas player kicked to the side, kept going, and then kicked it in the corner. It was a golaso. That last goal by Chivas was the best goal in the game. I was happy that Chivas Guadalajara won 2-1 in the end. ❖



## Ronaldinho

By Jose C.

Did you ever wonder how Brazilian soccer star with AC Milan, Ronaldinho Gaúcho, got his name?

He was born Ronaldo de Assis Moreira and got the

nickname Ronaldinho to distinguish him from fellow Brazilian soccer star Ronaldo.

"Gaúcho" was added when the other Ronaldo be-

came known as Ronaldinho. But when Ronaldinho Gaúcho moved to Europe, he dropped the "Gaúcho" and now goes by only the name Ronaldinho. ❖

### Lawndale's New Library

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feet—almost five times bigger than the old library. The old library had 50,000 books, and for the new library, we've ordered 35,000 new.

In addition, we only have six computers in the old library, and there will be over 30 computers in the new library.

The new library will also have a homework center, teen center, and meeting room.

**Roosevelt Times:** What new chapter books did you get?

**Ms. Call:** A lot of stories you might be interested in. We get new books almost every day for every age level.

**Roosevelt Times:** Do you have books for kids?

**Ms. Call:** Books to help kids learn to read, like Dr. Seuss and chapter books, fantasy, historical fiction, non-fiction, and science fiction—Goosebumps is one of the most popular right now.

**Ms. McCollum:** We also have special activities for kids on most days— such as story time, art activities, and special parties when new books or movies are released.

**Roosevelt Times:** Do you have joke books?

**Ms. McCollum:** We have a lot, including Captain Underpants and Sponge Bob too.

**Ms. Call:** We also have books for , and we have a great database that gives you full text access to hundreds of newspapers.

**Roosevelt Times:** Do you have audio books?

**Ms. McCollum:** We have audio books for both kids and adults.

**Roosevelt Times:** Do you have books about music?

**Ms. McCollum:** Yes we do. We also have CDs, DVDs and videos, and we have

board games for use in the library.

**Roosevelt Times:** Can you check out the CDs?

**Ms. McCollum:** You can get a free library card with the permission of a parent or guardian. You can check out up to 50 items at a time. 3 weeks for books, 7 days for DVDs and CDs.

**Roosevelt Times:** How do we get a library card?

**Ms. McCollum:** There is an application that is quick for your parent to fill out. There is a separate form that they need to fill out if you want to use the computers. Takes less than five minutes to set up.

**Roosevelt Times:** Can you use old library cards?

**Ms. McCollum:** Yes, any county library card; but remember that they need to be renewed every 3 years. ❖



Lawndale Librarians Michelle Call and Melissa McCollum with the 2008-09 Roosevelt Times Staff



## Realizing Amazing Potential in our future journalists

*Hi FDR/Carson Students and Staff!*

I am so excited to have our first newspaper issue published! I would like to say thank you to everyone who collaborated in making our first issue possible: To the students from Palos Verdes for mentoring our students

from FDR, Tia Dwyer, Ms. Debora Chan, Ms. Mariya, and last but not least our FDR students who were patient and worked so hard in creating their first articles for our first issue. We hope everyone enjoys the first issue of "RAP Times"! We encourage you to speak to the Newspa-

per Editors if you have any comments you want to share and ideas you want published in future issues. Everyone is welcome to share ideas with our students to make future issues even more exciting.

Thank you once again and please enjoy!!

*Ms. Maggie*

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## Reaching New Heights with RAP

**C**ongratulations to the Newspaper Club on your first edition!!

We are so happy that you all were able to recognize and live out your potential in the

RAP program by starting the first student lead publication in the RAP Program at FDR.

We are looking forward to reading your articles and interviews in upcoming pub-

lications and wish you all the best with future issues.

Proudly,

*Tia Dwyer*

Dir. of Extended Day Services

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## Letter from Our Principal

**A**s principal of the largest elementary school in the school district, I am particularly proud of the successes of teachers at both Roosevelt and Carson.

Teachers continually modify their strategies to make the teaching "just right" for our students. The teachers are like Goldilocks, and the strategies are like the bowls of porridge. Sometimes one

strategy is "too hot" for one student and he/she doesn't understand; and then another teaching method is "too cold," and still one more student doesn't understand. Our teachers work so hard until they find a strategy that is "just right" for every student. I saw this "just right" strategy at work just the other day when I saw a fluency assessment where stu-

dents set goals and "race" against themselves to not only read faster, but understand more. They were so motivated to learn.

Now you might ask me if the teachers are Goldilocks and the teaching strategies are the bowls of porridge, what am I? Well, I am the "just right" chair.

Much love,

*Dr. Dayla Sims*

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