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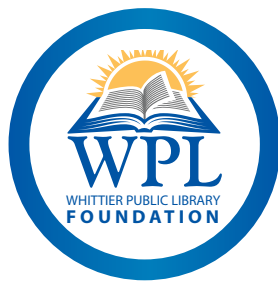
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# News

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### *Our Next Chapter...*

As we progress on the renovation of our beloved Central Library, the Whittier Public Library Foundation is working faster on our campaign to add all the special features Whittier deserves. As members of the Foundation, you will be receiving regular updates on our campaign.

#### **Here are a few highlights from this month:**

We are offering you an opportunity to participate in a **BEAM SIGNING** at the Central Library. **From March 1st through 6th** you will have a chance to sign one of the five columns in the library. By appointment only, you will be allowed into the building to sign your name which will be hidden from the public eye, but you will always know that your name is there. See the information in this newsletter.

We plan to raise enough funds during our Renovation Campaign to equip our Library with the very best! We are excited to offer you a chance to contribute and have your

donation matched by a generous contributor. It will be announced in May. Please let me know if your employer has a matching donation fund, or if you know of any organizations who would be open to offering us a grant. We are also looking for someone who is interested in spending some time at a computer to help us research grant opportunities.

We knew you would be missing “Whittier Reads” this year so starting in April, we will be presenting local chefs in virtual programs called “What’s Cooking at the Library?”

We look forward to your participation in all these ways. Please contact me with any questions at [suesettlage@gmail.com](mailto:suesettlage@gmail.com).

Looking forward to an exciting event filled year,

**Sue Settlage**  
*Vice President, Fundraising Chair,  
Our Next Chapter*

## Honoring Rose Mary Yetter



We are saddened to report that Rose Mary Kimble Yetter, a WPLF board member from its inception, passed away on December 27.

Rose Mary was a graduate of St. Paul High School and UCLA with a B.A. in Sociology. She worked at the LA County Department of Public Social Services and in public relations and research in the entertainment industry, editing still photography for MGM/United Artists. She also worked for Teledyne Inc. as editor and project manager.

Rose Mary married Bill Yetter in 2003. Bill and Rose Mary enjoyed traveling locally and going to art venues. Rose Mary became known for her beautiful, one-of-a kind jewelry which she sold at the Whittier Art Gallery, every February at the Hillcrest Festival of Fine Arts, and at a month-long exhibit at the library.

Rose Mary was a member of the Assistance League of Whittier, American Association of University Women (AAUW), Whittier Historical Society, P.E.O. Chapter CU, Whittier Bruin Club (UCLA Alumni), Whittier Chamber of Commerce, Whittier Art Association and Gallery, and became a volunteer for the Hillcrest Festival of Fine Arts at Hillcrest Congregational Church.

## From Our President:

### Greetings to our Library Supporters

As you recall, the City is embarking on a long-awaited project to retrofit the infrastructure of the 60-year-old Central Library. Funding contributors include over \$8,000,000 from the City of Whittier, a \$2,000,000 pledge through Supervisor Janice Hahn approved by the LA County Board of Supervisors, and a \$4,400,000 grant championed by State Senator Bob Archuleta.

We are excited to reach out to our community to join in **Our Next Chapter** to add the special features to our library. Beginning in March you will be invited to join us in a variety of funding opportunities you'll not want to miss. Be sure to look for our emails and mailings to keep you up-to-date.

I am pleased to report that Troy and Debbie Silva, owners of **Orchard's BBQ & Grill**, notified WPLF that they wanted to run a two-week Christmas holiday promotion to raise funds for the renovation of the Central Library. The Silvas donated \$5 for every \$50 purchase to either the Whittier Public Library Foundation or the Boys & Girls Clubs of Whittier. Guerra Gutierrez Mortuaries matched that donation. As a result of their generous promotion, WPLF and the Boys and Girls Club each received a \$1,000 donation. Thank you to **Orchard's BBQ & Grill** and **Guerra Gutierrez** for each donating \$500 to the

Whittier Public Library Foundation! If you would like to help us out by running a promotion to raise funds for the Renovation Campaign, please let me know!

### On to library news... We have several programs in February that may be of interest:

The Library's Curbside hold pickup service is still available Monday-Friday 10am-4pm. Please call the Depot (the temporary Uptown Library location) at 562-567-9900 or Whittwood Branch Library at 562-567-9950 to schedule a time to pick up your book holds.

During the Month of February the library is featuring "Blind Date with a Book" where you can check out one of the library's wrapped books from the genre of your choice. You can win a delicious surprise by completing a "Rate your Date" form. A "Play Date with a Book" program will also be offered for children!

### The Library is offering the following Zoom Programs:

- For Teens, there is the "Among Us Party 2" on February 24th at 3:30pm
- For Children 5th-8th grade, Branch Bookworms is online on February 12th at 3:30pm

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# BE A PART OF HISTORY!

We are beaming with pride as we celebrate the long-awaited remodeling and improvement to our Central Library.

The Whittier Public Library Foundation Board is inviting you to participate in the "BEAM SIGNING" tradition. You can sign one of the five columns in our Central Library by donating \$100 to WPLF "BEAM SIGNING" and be a part of the shared history of our beloved Library.

### Your support is critical to our success in this fundraising campaign.

If you are unable to participate in person to sign, you can sponsor a friend, family or community member. Children under the age of 14 must be accompanied by an adult.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions and to follow the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health order, you will need to make an appointment for the week of March 1-6 between the hours of 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. and on Saturday, March 6, 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. Please contact Diane Hara at [dhara@whittierlibrary.org](mailto:dhara@whittierlibrary.org) or by calling 562-567-9922.

You can make your donation after securing your appointment by going to the WPLF website at [whittierplf.org](http://whittierplf.org) or by mailing your check to:

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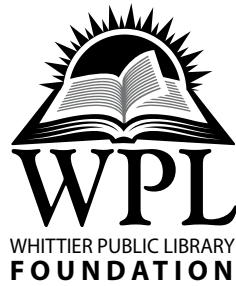
- For Adults, the library is presenting a virtual screening of **And Then They Came For Us**, a documentary by filmmaker Abby Ginzberg from February 12th-19th. The film documents the forced relocation of 120,000 Japanese Americans as a result of Executive Order 9066. It features actor and activist George Takei and other internees, as well as newly rediscovered photographs by Dorothea Lange. Panelists discuss activism, American ideals, and constitutional freedoms in the Q & A that follows.
- For everyone, on February 17th at 6:30pm the library will be hosting a program on dealing with pandemic fatigue and burnout. Our speaker will be offering tips and tricks on what to do when you are emotionally, physically and mentally exhausted by months of excessive and prolonged stress.

You can check out these programs at [whittierlibrary.org/events](http://whittierlibrary.org/events). Please register in advance for the programs.

"See" you at one of our Zoom programs!

**Norm Kirschenbaum, President**

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