



CI's Broome Library participates in Snapshot Day: One day in the life of the California libraries

Camarillo, Calif., Sept. 27, 2010 - For all those people who have been dismayed at the serial closures of public libraries, this is your chance to show support for your local library.

CSU Channel Islands (CI), in conjunction with the California Library Association, is planning an event that will not only be enjoyable but will provide valuable data to offer indisputable proof that libraries consistently provide invaluable services to our community.

On Wednesday, Oct. 6, 2010, CI's John Spoor Broome Library will participate in "Snapshot Day: One Day in the Life of California Libraries," a state-wide event sponsored by the California Library Association and held in many different libraries throughout California during the week of October 4-8.

Data collected by CI library staff will be submitted to the California Library Association for inclusion in the complete "Snapshot: One Day in the Life of California Libraries," dataset to be presented at the CLA/CSLA conference in November. All visitors to the library will be tallied, as will the use of library services such as computers, reference interviews, database usage, circulation of library materials and other valuable library services. Comments by patrons will also be recorded. The data will be used in advocacy for library funding efforts in Sacramento and, as always, to improve and enhance the library's collections and services.

Events planned for the day include coffee and doughnuts to be served at 9 a.m. and cookies and tea at 3 p.m. A student photography contest to capture the importance of the library and the library's annual student book collection contest - both with prizes - will be part of the day's activities. Faculty, students and the public are cordially invited to participate in the day's events and be counted, becoming part of the advocacy for California's libraries. Limited parking is available on campus. A daily permit is \$6. Free parking is available at the Camarillo Metrolink Station/Lewis Road parking lot in Camarillo with bus service to and from the campus. Riders should board the VISTA Bus to the campus; the fare is \$1 each way. Buses arrive and depart from the Camarillo Metrolink Station every 30 minutes from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday. For exact times, check the schedule at www.goventura.org.

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