



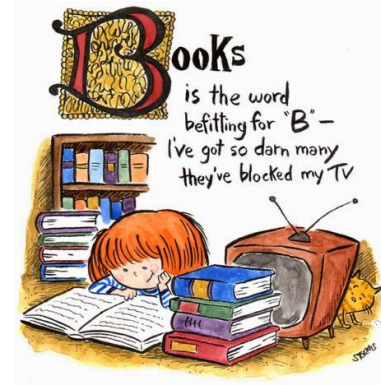
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May 2023

May—Get Caught up Reading Month
May 8—Mother’s Day—every Mother deserves a good book tied with a beautiful bow
May 8 – 15 Second week of May is “Reading is Fun” week. Have a social media campaign to support reading.
May 22—Sherlock Homes Day
May 31—Walt Whitman’s Birthday

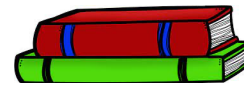


SUMMER FUN

Have you planned a summer project for your ESO club? How about a Summer Reading Program? If you have a club house you have your location, if not coordinate with your local library. About 95% of libraries in the United States have such programs and I am sure they can use your help and creativity. Search the internet for ideas. What about a reading program for adults? Many seniors might enjoy discussing the books they have read and learn about more books they might enjoy reading, plus serve some tea, cookies, and social time always brightens the day. Be creative!

Bookmark Contest

If your club or district has a special event coming up, get your ESO club involved. Sponsor a contest to see who can design a great bookmark to celebrate a club anniversary, a special Christmas fundraising event, or Spring Tea. Give a prize! Distribute the bookmarks throughout the community to advertise the event and your club or district. Have fun!



Helen Hunt Jackson—Featured Author

The first woman author in California to be honored with a Literary Landmark. Helen Hunt Jackson was an American poet, novelist, and passionate activist on behalf of the Native American Indian. She came to California and found examples of unfair treatment and abuses of several American Indian Tribes. Following the example of her friend, Harriet Beecher Stowe, who wrote the novel “*Uncle Tom’s Cabin*”, to gain support for American negroes, Helen believed that a powerful novel could win the hearts and minds of the American people. Helen published “*Ramona*” in 1884 and it became a bestseller that has never gone out of print. The Ramona Pageant was created in 1923 in Hemet, CA and is California’s State Outdoor Play. This is the setting for the Literary Landmark to commemorate this outstanding book and author. There is a second plaque located at the Hemet Public Library. The Literary Landmark program of the American Library Association ties together a great writer with a specific location in that writer’s life and work to give recognition to an outstanding author. Helen Hunt Jackson is the first in California, we know she will not be the last.

Stop by the
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Chairman’s table
at Convention



Reggie Mattox,
CFWC ESO Chairman