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CENTRAL LIBRARY HOSTS GRASSROOTS FORUM ON U.S. CONSTITUTION

Ongoing Library Civic Programs to Foster Public Conversation about the Constitution

SAN DIEGO –The San Diego Public Library will host a **Grassroots Community Forum on the U.S. Constitution** on Wednesday, August 8, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at the Central Library located at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego. The forum will include Clare Crawford of the Center on Policy Initiatives, Dawn Wildman of the SoCal Tax Revolt Coalition, and Martin Eder of Activist San Diego. Each speaker will address how the work done by their organization is informed by the Constitution. Law librarian Pat Mundy will moderate the program, presented in conjunction with the multi-month library project, **Searching for Democracy: A Public Conversation about the Constitution**. (See more information at <http://www.calhum.org/programs/searching-for-democracy>)

Searching for Democracy brings together people from diverse backgrounds to attend and discuss the Constitution at programs including lectures, book discussions, films, digital stories, and performance. Young and old, rich and poor, new citizens and long-term residents will have the opportunity to openly explore the understanding of our American heritage and citizenry. The endeavor will also afford individual library patrons a greater understanding of the Library's vast collection of Constitution related titles and digital resources.

The Center on Policy Initiatives (CPI) is a nonprofit research and advocacy center dedicated to the interests of working people in the San Diego region. Through research, community organizing and public education, CPI seeks policy changes that promote economic justice by ending working poverty and increasing access to good jobs.

The SoCal Tax Revolt Coalition is a platform for taxpayers to have a voice and unite in strength to advocate for constitutionally-based free-market principles, which protect our freedoms and the future security of our children.

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Activist San Diego is the Yellow Pages for the community of conscience helping progressive activists meet and mobilize. As a networked community resource, it provides services for progressive activists including a community calendar to locate local events, flyer distribution, coalition building, and a web destination for smaller organizations that do not have web pages or means to economically creating them.

Note: Neither Library sponsorship nor hosting constitutes an endorsement of the content or the views expressed by the participants.

Learn about the Constitution series and other events at the San Diego Public Library's Central Library and 35 branches, find links to numerous additional resources, and search for materials in the Library's catalog online at www.sandiegolibrary.gov.

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