

**LIBRARIANS' GUILD, AFSCME LOCAL 2626
UPDATE**

May 2012

Prepared by Roy Stone & Henry Gambill

UNMARK YOUR CALENDARS (Membership Meeting Changes)!

Due to the Memorial Day Holiday and (later) the AFSCME International Convention, the May and June Membership meetings will be consolidated into one occasion: Friday, June 8 at Echo Park Branch.

LIBRARIANS' GUILD PROMOTIONAL EXAM PRACTICE INTERVIEWS:

SUNDAY, JULY 1 (12:00-4:00): PRINCIPAL LIBRARIAN CANDIDATES

SUNDAY, JULY 15 (12:00-4:00): SENIOR LIBRARIAN CANDIDATES

SUNDAY, JULY 22 (12:00-4:00): LIBRARIAN CANDIDATES

We will be sending a more formal notice requesting an RSVP closer to the dates, but please mark your calendars. Interviews will be at AFSCME Council 36 HQ.

The Guild needs volunteers to help conduct these interviews. Please email librariansguild@hotmail.com if you are willing and qualified to help.

HALF TIME LIBRARIANS WHO WISH TO BE FULL TIME (& VICE VERSA):

Half-time librarians should NOT take the examination to be considered for full-time positions (and vice versa). You are already part of civil service as a current employee. The Guild is working with management to allow civil-service librarians the chance to interview for the limited number of full-time and half-time positions.

PLEASE SHARE WITH AS-NEEDED LIBRARIAN SUBSTITUTES:

Many As-Needed Librarians filling out the librarian application are worried that they had answered some (confusing) questions wrong. Specifically, whether they had taken the civil service test before when they applied for As-Needed positions and whether they worked for the city, or not. The Personnel Department has told Library HR that since the Librarian application is an open exam, they will not be looking at these questions. So there is no need for applicants to edit their application.

OPS UPDATE ON POTENTIAL MERGER INTO LAPD:

The Guild has visited City Council Members at City Hall, in their offices and at Council Meetings and subcommittee meetings, advocating against the Mayor's proposed consolidation. Chief amongst our concerns: Will LAPD prioritize our "nuisance" issues if they are not crimes? Will some OPS officers be laid off? Our goal is to ultimately improve security at our libraries. The consolidation has gained traction, but (so far) is not a "done deal."