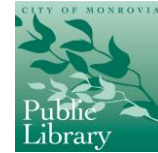




**CITY OF MONROVIA
LIBRARY BOARD
AGENDA REPORT**



DEPARTMENT: Community Services
Library Division

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ADULT SERVICES AND YOUTH SERVICES REPORT

Literacy Grant: For fiscal year 2015-16, the State Library has increased Monrovia's baseline grant amount for the Library's Literacy Program to \$18,000. Staff is looking forward to finding out how much additional funding will be awarded to the program when the State Library calculates Monrovia's per capita amount for adult learners served and the match on local funds raised and expended for the program.

Adult Programming: July 17, the Library hosted a Juicing 101 program. City employee Niles Boyer talked about the benefits of juicing and how it may improve health. Niles' wife and grandchildren assisted with the presentation and created a beautiful table display decorated with colorful vegetables, fruits and an assortment of samples. Twenty-five enthusiastic attendees enjoyed sampling a variety of juices and asked a lot of follow-up questions.

Youth Programming: July 25, Staff presented the Truck Petting Zoo family program highlighting community trucks. Children, ages 3 years to 5th grade, and their families, gathered to listen to stories about emergency vehicles, construction trucks and community service vehicles. Over 100 participants watched a short film based on the beloved children's book, *I'm Dirty* by Kate McMullan that chronicles the busy day in the life of a bulldozer. Families snacked on Dirt Cups (chocolate pudding with cookie crumbs) and made a stoplight door hanger that read, *STOP, SLOW, READ!* Families went outside to get a close-up view of Monrovia Police Department's S.W.A.T. vehicle, Athens Disposal Service's brand new trash truck, Monrovia Public Works' dump truck, and Monrovia Park Ranger's animal control truck and water truck. Children received either a fire fighter hat or a construction hat and enjoyed sitting in the vehicles and testing the horns.

July 25, 2015, the Library hosted "Bali and Beyond," a performing arts company inspired by the cultures of Indonesia, featuring traditional and creative gamelan music. Seventy-five attendees enjoyed the program, which concluded with youth participation from the audience.

Teen Programming: During the month of July, the Teen Advisory Board (TAB) hosted five programs for 6th through 12th graders. July 7, TAB hosted a Sherlock Holmes Party. Twenty teens watched the first episode of the BBC television series while cutting out Sherlock Holmes paper dolls and designing bookmarks. Teens enjoyed thumb-print cookies and Earl Grey tea. July 9, TAB hosted a Disney movie night showing the Hercules animated movie to 33 teens. July 14, TAB presented the Bleach Pen Tee Shirt program. Teens became fashionistas and created designs on shirts using bleach pens and stencils. July 23, TAB hosted a Live Angry Birds event. Teens used boxes to engineer forts throughout the Library. Similar to the game, participants used balls, slingshots and their bodies to knock down forts and used the

remains of their spoils to create the largest fort of all. During intermission, participants refortified themselves with ice cream sundaes to continue the battle. For the final summer teen event on July 30, TAB hosted an Underground Teen Café modeled after a coffeehouse open mic night. Participants showcased their talents playing the guitar, keyboard and flute while drinking coffee concoctions.