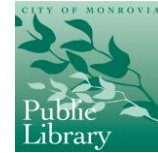




**CITY OF MONROVIA
LIBRARY BOARD
AGENDA REPORT**



DEPARTMENT: Public Services
Library Division

MEETING DATE: October 22, 2015

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AGENDA LOCATION: CC-2

ADULT SERVICES AND YOUTH SERVICES REPORT

Literacy Services: A tutor training session was held at the Azusa Public Library on October 10th from 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 pm. New tutors and current tutors were provided training techniques using Evidence-Based Reading Instruction (EBRI) and the California Library Literacy Services training videos.

Adult Programming: A Coloring and Coffee program for adults was offered on Saturday, October 17th from 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. in the Library Community Room. Adult coloring books are best-sellers and are used as a means of reducing stress. The trend has also generated coloring clubs, meet-ups, and groups such as the Library’s Coloring and Coffee.

Youth Programming: Monrovia celebrated Batman Day on Wednesday, September 23 at the Monrovia Public Library. Patrons showed up at the Library dressed in costume and took pictures in front of Gotham City, created masks and folded Bat Signals out of origami.

Library proclaimed Star Wars Reads Day on Wednesday, October 7. Patrons and City staff were invited to stop by to make Darth Vader Masks, Luke Skywalker finger puppets, duct tape lightsabers, and take pictures in front of the Star Wars Galaxy (#MPLStarWarsReads). Participants at storytimes during the week practiced Yoda Nursery Rhymes.

Over 100 children and adults attended the gooey Family STEAM Building Challenge to make gak on Saturday, September 26. Participants measured, poured, mixed, stretched, and rolled materials to create this gelatinous creation, and used the scientific method to discuss how this polymer came to be.

Teen Programming: The Associate Director of Admissions from Maranatha High School will present a three part series for students 6th grade and up on preparing for private high school. The series will include information on preparing for the Independent School Entrance Exam, the interview and private high school life. These workshops will take place on Wednesdays (Oct, 14, 21 & 28) from 7:00 p.m. - 8:15 p.m. in the Library Community Room.

TAB is hosting a Mystery Night on Friday, October 23 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. in the Library Community Room. The program is completely created by the TAB Board and will include clues to solve and challenges to complete to move on for more clues to uncover the mystery.

Make a Difference Day is Saturday, October 24. TAB will partner with the Youth Commission on a community involvement project for the City of Monrovia.