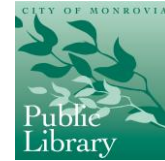




**CITY OF MONROVIA
LIBRARY BOARD
AGENDA REPORT**



DEPARTMENT: Public Services, Library Division

MEETING DATE: April 28, 2016

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AGENDA LOCATION: CC-2

ADULT SERVICES REPORT

National Library Week was held during the week of April 11. Library staff visited the Monrovia Gardens Healthcare Center and provided information on library services and programs to their senior residents. The residents then visited the library on April 20 for a tour of the facility and a demonstration on how to upload an e-book onto a tablet.

On Saturday, April 16, author **Attica Locke** visited the library and talked about her latest novel, *Pleasantville*. Ms. Locke is the author of the national bestseller, *The Cutting Season and Black Water Rising*. She is also currently a writer and producer on the popular Fox drama, *Empire*. Participants joined in the conversation by asking Ms. Locke questions about her experiences writing novels and as a television producer. Ms. Locke's books were available for purchase at the event through Vroman's Bookstore.

Mom's Night Out was offered on April 21 in the Library Community Room as part of the de-stress series for moms and caregivers. Host Kate Garland of Kate Yoga shared tips on how to have spa time at home using therapeutic grade essential oils. Participants learned easy self-care practices such as natural skin care; detox baths, foot massages for pain and relaxation tools.

YOUTH SERVICES REPORT

Storytime debuted at the Friday Night Fair on April 15 with a 6 p.m. showtime in the children's area of the fair. Staff created a cozy pop-up library on the street using a rug and milk crates of goodies, and engaged the public in stories and songs. This pilot event will take place once a month while staff experiment with logistics to improve patron experiences in this outdoor setting.

The Library supports our schools and community members with STEM programming. This month staff put together two science programs. On Saturday, April 16, patrons were asked to celebrate *Earth Day* by joining us outside in Library Park to explore nature. Teams of kids received a list of items to search for and an hour to discover as much as they could. The Teen Advisory Board members acted as scavenger hunt leaders and took pictures of each item found.

A representative from NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory spoke to families about the life of a meteorite on Wednesday, April 27. Kids learned about shooting stars through activities, art projects and a short film.

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El Día de Los Niño's celebration will take place on Saturday, April 30 from 10:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Station Square Park. The event is meant to be a multicultural celebration of children and books! Guests can participate in an energizing workout in the grass led by Family Zumba from 10:30 – 11 a.m. Event participants can follow a path through a storybook walk and go on two inspirational journeys. They are also welcome to decorate cookies and design their own bookmark.

TEEN SERVICES REPORT

The TAB members voted to watch *Grown-Ups* for Movie Mania on Friday, April 8 in the Library Community Room. A total of 10 participants enjoyed chips, cookies and drinks on a very rainy night.

Teens enjoyed an afternoon of video games at the Library on Wednesday, April 20. An action packed tournament took place to determine the title of Smash Bros. Champion! The winner received a \$25 gift card.