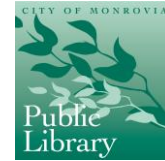




**CITY OF MONROVIA
LIBRARY BOARD
AGENDA REPORT**



DEPARTMENT: Public Services, Library Division

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ADULT SERVICES REPORT

Adult Services kicked off summer programming on Wednesday, June 22 with *Korean Food and Culture* in the Library Community Room. Tanya Ko shared information about Korean Culture and participants sampled an array of Korean specialty dishes.

On Thursday, June 23, the library partnered with local brewery, Pacific Plate Brewing to host *Brews and Books* at Station Square Park from 7:00 – 8:00 pm. Participants sampled lagers and ales and also checked out the latest books on all things beer.

Local teen improvisers learned to improv and performance techniques on Tuesday, June 28 from 6-8 pm in the Library Storyroom. Host Bill Chott from *Disney's Wizards of Waverly Place* taught teens age 14 and older tricks of the trade. The Improv Class was followed by an Improv Jam, an *Open Mic* opportunity for teens to practice their new skills. Bill will return in July to host an Improv Class and Jam for adults 18 and older.

YOUTH SERVICES REPORT

Youth Services engaged children and families in many different experiences in June. Sign-ups for the Summer Reading Program started Monday, June 13. Babies to adults can join the reading program and receive incentives every time they reach their goal of reading for 7 days. The program was kicked off on Thursday, June 16 at Station Square Park by Fantastick Patrick, the One Man Circus Band. He juggled, played music, performed tricks and rode on a 10-foot high unicycle to the delight of the crowd. Picnickers were also able to sign up for the summer reading program.

Monday Night Movie is offered every Monday night in June and July and is sponsored by the Friends of the Monrovia Public Library. Families can set up blankets and enjoy free popcorn. Along with the weekly preschool and baby storytimes offered Monday through Wednesday mornings at the library, kids stopped by storytimes at the Friday Night Fair all summer, and were able to collect their summer reading prizes while the library was closed.

Other exciting summer programs included the Library Carnival program geared toward elementary age kids, happening Wednesdays, June 22 - July 20. Art projects and games were offered to teach about the love of books and using the Library. The children celebrated beloved children's author Maurice Sendak's

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birthday on Saturday, June 18. They watched a film and used their imagination to create *Where the Wild Things Are* masks, decorated *Chicken Soup with Rice* soup bowls and built *In the Night Kitchen* dough sculptures. The costumes were encouraged.

Children created and discovered at the STEAM workshops that started on Friday, June 24. The first workshop focused on Movie Magic. Participants learned about animation and made traditional animation devices such as a phenakistoscopes, a thaumatrope and a flipbook. The Teen Advisory Board implemented the Lego My Library program every Tuesday afternoon for children of all ages to flex their engineering muscle and build with LEGO bricks provided by the Library.

Toddlers attended programs designed especially for them. Every Thursday, the little athletes were engaged in balloon volleyball, ring toss, balance beam and the pool tube javelin throw. They also completed Olympic themed art projects. On June 27, toddlers and preschoolers listened to a special storytime about art, and then constructed beautiful creations inspired by the books.

TEEN SERVICES REPORT

Teens participated in many programs this June including Board Game Night on Wednesday June 15. Teens experienced strategic board games such as *Settlers of Catan*, *Machi Koro*, *Love Letter* and *Hey, That's my Fish!* At Libraryland Olympics on June 17, teens worked in teams to solve riddles, navigate obstacle courses and complete the hula hoop tic tac toe challenge to win the gold. Teens sang their heart out at the Grease Sing Along on Wednesday, June 22, and created their own magazine at the Teen Zine Workshop. A Reader's Theater workshop was held every Tuesday for teens to create mini-sketches for a public performance on Saturday, July 30.