



LIBRARY COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

6:30 PM - Thursday, November 03, 2022

Teleconference

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ESTABLISH QUORUM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

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ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION

1. **Minutes:** Approve minutes of the regular meeting of October 6, 2022
2. **Work Plan Update:** Discuss updates to work plan
3. **Recruitment:** Discuss options for recruiting new commissioner to fill open Los Altos Hills seat
4. **Subcommittees:** Discuss current subcommittees and subcommittee assignments

COMMUNITY PARTNER UPDATES

5. **Los Altos Library Endowment (LALE) Update:** Receive updates from LALE representative
6. **Friends of the Library Update:** Receive updates from Friends of the Library representative
7. **North County Library Authority (NCLA) Update:** Receive updates from NCLA representative

COMMISSION/SUBCOMMITTEE/STAFF ORAL REPORTS AND REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

8. **Santa Clara County Library District Presentations:** Receive information and updates from County Staff
9. **Main Library Staff Report:** Receive information and updates from Main Library Staff
10. **City Staff Update:** Receive updates from City Staff
11. **Subcommittee Reports:**
 - A. Awareness
 - B. Infrastructure
 - C. Futures
 - D. Services
12. **Requests for Future Agenda Items**

ADJOURNMENT

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LIBRARY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

6:30 PM - Thursday, October 06, 2022

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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Wheeler called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

ESTABLISH QUORUM

Present: Chair Wheeler, Vice Chair Gee, Commissioner Bedard, Dixit, and Crane

Absent: Commissioner Carter

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION/ACTION

1. **Minutes:** Approve minutes of the regular meeting of August 4, 2022

Public Comment: None

Action: Upon a motion by Chair Wheeler, which was seconded by Vice Chair Gee, the Library Commission passed the minutes for the August 4, 2022 meeting as written.

Approve: Wheeler, Gee, Bedard, Dixit, Crane

Oppose: None

Abstain: None

Motion Passes, unanimously: 5-0-0

Chair Wheeler moved Item 4 to follow Item 1

4. **Public Arts Commission Update:** Receive update from Public Arts Commission on maintenance of two City owned sculptures, Zooscapes and Magic Fish, which reside outside of the main library

Public Comments: None

Action: None.

2. **Commission Reorganization:** Reorganize to select a Chair and Vice Chair to serve through September 2023

Public Comment: None.

Action: Vice Chair Gee nominated Commissioner Crane to serve as Chair, and Chair Wheeler seconded that nomination.

Approve: Wheeler, Gee, Bedard, Dixit, and Crane

Oppose: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passed, unanimously: 5-0-0.

Action: Vice Chair Gee nominated Commissioner Wheeler to serve as Vice Chair, and Commissioner Gee seconded that nomination.

Approve: Wheeler, Gee, Bedard, Dixit, and Crane

Opposed: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passed, unanimously: 5-0-0.

Chair Crane asked Vice Chair Wheeler to lead the reminder of the meeting

3. **Joint City Council/Commission Meeting:** Discuss and prepare for Joint City Council/Commission meeting on November 5, 2022

Public Comment: None.

Action: Vice Chair Wheeler moved that the Library Commission create a Work Plan Subcommittee. Commissioner Dixit seconded the motion.

Approve: Crane, Wheeler, Gee, Bedard, and Dixit.

Oppose: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passed, unanimously: 5-0-0.

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 - A. Recruitment
 - B. How to involve teens with Library Commission

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Wheeler adjourned the meeting at 7:54pm

November 2022
Library Stakeholder Report
Jennifer Weeks, County Librarian

Marking a Milestone Anniversary Together

Santa Clara County's annual Silicon Valley Reads community engagement program is back starting January 26, 2023, marking two decades of celebrating all things reading. [Silicon Valley Reads 2023](#) invites readers to embark on a Journey to New

Beginnings, with a fresh set of featured authors and new companion books for children and teens. More than 100 special programs will be held at schools, libraries, and local organizations as part of Silicon Valley Reads.



The 2023 **Journey to New Beginnings** features three adult fiction titles: [There There](#) by Tommy Orange, [The Second Life of Mirielle West](#) by Amanda Skenandore, and [What the Fireflies Knew](#) by Kai Harris. Each depicts journeys into our diverse world. A kickoff event will be held featuring all three authors at De Anza College in Cupertino (info below). Additional details and registration will be available closer to the event. If you are not currently receiving the Silicon Valley Reads emails, you can subscribe to join the mailing list at siliconvalleyreads.org/.

There are four companion books for youth depicting journeys to new beginnings: [Coquí in the City](#) by Nomar Perez (Spanish/English) [Pre-K - 1st], [Sugar in Milk](#) by Thrity Umrigar [Elementary (2nd - 4th)], [When Stars are Scattered](#) by Victoria Jamieson & Omar Mohamed [Middle School (5th - 8th)], and [Furia](#) by Yamile Saied Mendez [High School/Young Adult].

- Silicon Valley Reads 2023 Kickoff Event
Thursday, January 26, 2023
Time TBA

De Anza College
Visual & Performing Arts Center Theater
21250 Stevens Creek Blvd., Cupertino 95014

November 8 General Election

State and local issues will be on the ballot for the upcoming General Election. SCCLD will be assisting our communities by sponsoring ballot drop sites at our libraries (exceptions are Campbell Express and Cupertino Libraries where ballot drop boxes are available in the Campbell Community Center parking lot and in front of the Cupertino City Hall) and hosting Vote Centers at three locations:

Milpitas Library & Saratoga Library

Sat., Oct. 29 - Mon., Nov 7
9am - 5pm

Tue., Nov. 8: Election Day
7am - 8pm



Services & Support Center

1370 Dell Avenue, Campbell, CA 95008

Sat., Nov. 5 – Mon., Nov 7
9am – 5pm

Tue., Nov. 8: Election Day
7am -8pm

The County Registrar of Voters website has a full list of all [Vote Centers](#). They also have an updated [list of official drop off sites](#) for ballots. You can also look up the closest one to you [by address](#).



Reading Challenge: Family Stories

With the weather outside cooling and nights getting longer, November is the perfect time for reading. Join our all online, all age, reading challenge this month with a focus on family stories.

Together we can read and learn about histories and stories passed down from generations, tales filled with laughter, adventure and love. [Click here](#) to sign up.

Bookdrop Convenience 24/7

Woodland Library has a new Bookdrop. This is the third SCCLD library, after Cupertino and Los Altos (pictured), to offer this convenient option to return items. Best yet, all three Bookdrops are now available to patrons 24/7. This new service is a partnership between each library and the respective city.





Thank You to our Veterans!

As we honor and thank our veterans for their service, the Library has a [Veterans Resources page](#) with a list of local, state, and federal support services, including free hotlines to support Veterans and their families. The page also features VetNow from Brainfuse, an online resource that can help with obtaining VA benefits, tutoring and standardized test prep, plus interview tips and resume help when making the transition from military to civilian life.

Cultural Exhibits at the Library

HERSTORY 2
The Legal History of Chinese American Women

You are invited to join us for our opening event with exhibit curator Dr. Chang C. Chen

Friday, October 28, 2022
11:30 am
Community Room 201
Cupertino Library

Herstory 2: The Legal History of Chinese American Women offers a rare look at the stories of the women behind the evolution of law that affects the rights of all of us.

Smithsonian Institution
Traveling Exhibition Service

REVOLUTION IN THE FIELDS
REVA DOLORES HUERTA
REVOLUCIÓN EN LOS CAMPOS

SYMBOLS
Hinduism: Sacred Symbols

YOGA
Hinduism: Sacred Symbols

The fight for rights by Chinese American women at the federal and state levels is the focus of an exhibit happening now through January 2023 at Cupertino Library titled **Herstory 2: The Legal History of Chinese American Women**. Based on the [book of the same title](#) by Dr. Chang C. Chen, the exhibit offers a rare look at the stories of the women behind the evolution of law that affects the rights of all of us. The exhibit panels are on the library’s second floor.

Gilroy Library is hosting [Dolores Huerta: Revolution in the Fields/Revolución en los Campos](#) from **Saturday, November 5, 2022 through Monday, January 23, 2023**. The exhibit was organized by the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service in collaboration with the Smithsonian’s National Portrait Gallery and received federal support from the Latino Initiatives Pool, administered by the Smithsonian Latino Center. A panel discussion with Dolores Huerta and other special guests has reached maximum capacity but a recording of the event will be shared through the library’s website.

A series of two dozen posters created by [Hindu Swayamsevak Sangh](#) offers a colorful overview of Hinduism and India at Milpitas Library from now until November 10. Titled [Darshana: A Glimpse into Hindu Civilization](#), the exhibit includes information about yoga, science, architecture, and mathematics.

SANTA CLARA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT NOVEMBER 2022 EVENTS

All libraries will be closed and services unavailable on Friday, November 11 for Veterans Day and Thursday & Friday, November 24 & 25 for the Thanksgiving Holiday

CAMPBELL EXPRESS LIBRARY – 1 West Campbell Avenue, Room 46

ESL Conversation Club

Tuesdays, November 1, 8, & 15, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Room M-50 at the Campbell Community Center

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. Please register online.

Indoor Storytime for Kids 0-5

Wednesdays, November 2, 9, 16, & 30, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard City Banquet Hall (11/16 storytime will be held in Room Q84)

Join us for stories, songs, and more! No registration required.

CUPERTINO -- 10800 Torre Avenue

Storytime for 1s and 2s

Tuesdays, November 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room 101

This storytime is suitable for kids ages 1-2 years old, and will feature stories, songs, rhymes and dances that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Storytime is limited to the first 100 families.

ESL Conversation Club

Tuesdays, November 1, 8, & 15, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201A

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. This program is for adults who speak basic English. Please register online.

Homework Help for K-9th Grade

Mondays-Thursdays through December, 3:30 – 5 p.m.

Academic coaches from the Bay Area Tutoring Association can provide help in English, history, math and science. No registration required. Walk-ins welcome, as space allows.

Evening Storytime

Wednesdays, November 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 7 – 7:30 p.m., Room 101

This storytime is suitable for all ages and will feature stories, songs, rhymes and dances that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Storytime is limited to the first 100 families.

Storytime for 3-5s

Thursdays, November 3, 10, 17, & 24, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room 101

This storytime is suitable kids ages 3-5 years old, and will feature stories, songs, rhymes and dances that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Storytime is limited to the first 100 families.

Family Storytime

Saturdays, November 5, 12, 19, & 26, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room 101

This storytime is suitable for all ages and will feature stories, songs, rhymes and dances that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Storytime is limited to the first 100 families.

Ceramics for 4th-8th Graders

Tuesdays, November 8 & 15, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Room 101

Shape, glaze and take home your own clay creation in this 2-day workshop. All materials provided. Registration required. Must be able to come to both sessions.

Chinese Book Discussion

Thursday, November 10, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Program Room 201A

We will discuss [逆思维 Ni si wei \(Think Again\)](#) by Adam Grant. This discussion will be held in Mandarin.

Adult Papercrafts

Saturday, November 12, 3 – 4:30 p.m., Program Room 201A

Create handmade cards that pop! All materials will be provided. Please register.

Cupertino Adult Book Discussion

Thursday, November 17, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Program Room 201A

We will discuss [Washington Black](#) by Esi Edugyan.

GILROY -- 350 W. Sixth Street

Snack Break for Kids

Mondays-Fridays through May, 3 -4 p.m., Pick up near Accounts Desk

Kids 18 and under are welcomed to pick up an afterschool snack, while supplies last. No registration necessary.

Homework Help for K-9th Grade

Mondays-Thursdays through December, 3:30 – 5 p.m.

Academic coaches from the Bay Area Tutoring Association can provide help in English, history, math and science. No registration required. Walk-ins welcome as space allows.

Knitting & Crochet Weekly Meetup

Thursdays, November 3, 10, & 17, 1 – 4 p.m., Upstairs Quiet Study B

Bring your projects, ask questions, receive help and meet new people! No registration necessary.

Book Discussion

Friday, November 4, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m., Upstairs Quiet Study B

We will be discussing [*Clark and Division*](#) by Naomi Hirahara. Registration is encouraged in case we need to contact you with any updates.

Smithsonian Exhibit: Dolores Huerta: Revolution in the Fields/Revolución en los Campos

Starting Saturday, November 5, Second Floor Community Room

Learn the compelling story of activist and leader Dolores Huerta and the farmworker movement of the 1960s and 1970s.

Safe Space Meeting for LGBTQ+ Youth

Tuesday, November 8, 4 – 6 p.m., Downstairs Meeting Room

This in-person support group is for youth and young adults (ages 13-25). Play games, participate in group activities and discussions and build community. No registration necessary.

Open Poetry Readings with Garlicky Group of Poets

Saturday, November 12, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Downstairs Meeting Room

Read any poetry you want to read and join in related discussions. No registration necessary.

LOS ALTOS -- 13 S. San Antonio Road

Indoor Family Storytime

Tuesdays, November 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 10:30 – 11 a.m., and 11 – 11:30 a.m., Orchard Room

Join us for an interactive storytime featuring songs, stories and fingerplays. Free tickets will be given out 30 minutes prior to the event. A second storytime will be held at 11 a.m. to accommodate those who weren't able to attend the 10:30 storytime.

Homework Help for K-9th Grade

Mondays-Thursdays through December, 3:30 – 5 p.m.

Academic coaches from the Bay Area Tutoring Association can provide help in English, history, math and science. No registration required. Walk-ins welcome, as space allows.

The Whodunit? Mystery Book Club

Wednesday, November 2, 10:15 – 11:30 a.m., Teen Room

We will be discussing [*Billy Summers*](#) by Stephen King.

Health Screening & Information Table

Wednesdays, November 2 & 16, 6 – 8:30 p.m.

Breathe California will have an informational event and offer three onsite health screenings. First come, first served based on availability.

World Affairs: Can Peace be Preserved Across the Taiwan Strait

Wednesday, November 2, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Join us for an evening discussion on world affairs with Kharis Templeman, Research Fellow at the Hoover Institution and a lecturer at the Center for East Asian Studies at Stanford University.

ESL Conversation Club

Thursdays, November 3, 10, 17 & 24, 1:30 – 3 p.m.

Practice your English conversation skills with friends. This program is for adults who speak basic English. No registration needed.

Group Games Afternoon (Grades K+)

Friday, November 4, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

Drop by for group games like Four Corners; Land, Sea, Air; Fish Bowl and more.

Baby Sign Time with Miss Stefanie

Saturday, November 5, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room

Babies under a year old and their grownups are welcome to sing songs and learn signs to share with your baby. Please bring a blanket for your baby.

Family Bingo Night

Sunday, November 6, 5 – 6:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Kids and families are welcome to play bingo.

Book Bugs Club for 2nd and 3rd Grade Readers

Tuesday, November 15, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

We will discuss [*Rise of the Earth Dragon*](#) by Tracey West. Please register at the desk in the Children's Room. Space is limited.

Winter Writer's Night

Tuesday, November 15, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room

This is a casual space for adults and teens to work on their own writing projects. We may have some musical ambience, writing prompts available and time for sharing.

The 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's

Wednesday, November 16, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn the differences between normal aging and Alzheimer's Disease, the common warning signs, the importance of early detection, and resources.

Page Turners Book Club for Grades 4-6

Thursday, November 17, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

We are discussing [Front Desk](#) by Kelly Yang. Please register then stop by the Children's Reference Desk to check out a copy of the book.

Peninsula Astronomical Society Presents

Thursday, November 17, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

A staff engineer at SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory will be talking about a 3 Gigapixel CCD Camera designed for the Vera Rubin telescope in Chile.

LibraryTECHTalk: Movies and Great Courses

Friday, November 18, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room

Learn how to access the Great Courses and films online for free using Kanopy.

Bay Area Games Day

Saturday, November 19, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

Stop by and learn how to play a new board game or bring an old favorite.

Furry Friends Reading Buddie

Saturday, November 26, 2:30 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room

Sign up for a 10-minute session to read to a therapy dog. Children in grades K-5 are welcome to participate.

Warlords of the Air

Tuesday, November 29, 7 – 8 p.m., Orchard Room

Wildlife photographer Joan Sparks will take you on a journey to see raptors.

MILPITAS -- 160 N. Main Street

Homework Help for K-9th Grade

Monday-Thursday through December, 3:30 – 5 p.m.

Academic coaches from the Bay Area Tutoring Association can provide help in English, history, math and science. No registration required. Walk-ins welcome as space allows.

Day of the Dead Craft (Grades K-5)

Tuesday, November 1, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room

All materials will be provided. Please register for this event.

Family Storytime

Wednesdays & Saturdays, November 2, 5, 9, 12, 16 & 19, 10:15 – 10:45 a.m., Activity Room

This storytime series is suitable for all ages and will feature stories, songs, and end with a short book-based movie. Due to limited space, we will begin handing out free tickets 15 minutes prior to storytime. They can be picked up at the Children's Help Desk. Tickets are first come, first served.

Spanish Club for Grades K-3

Thursday, November 3, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room

The K-3 Spanish Club will learn about Mexican Amate Painting. All materials will be provided.

Knit & Crochet Circle

Fridays, November 4, 11, & 18, 2 – 4 p.m., Conference Room

Stop by and meet other yarn lovers while working on your latest project, get help when you are stuck and share ideas. Instruction available in English, Hindi, Punjabi and Gujarati.

Chinese Club for Grades K-3

Thursday, November 10, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room

Celebrate the Chinese culture with us as we explore the history, art and culture of Chinese brush painting and writing with pen brushes/ink and watercolors. All materials will be provided. Please register.

Flamenco Concert

Sunday, November 13, 2 – 3 p.m., Auditorium

The students of Sara Ayala present a flamenco recital with guest artist David Gutierrez on guitar.

Sing-Along for Adults

Tuesday, November 15, 7 – 8 p.m., Auditorium

Kim Van will lead on keyboard as the audience sings along to a selection of favorite songs.

Milpitas Library Book Discussion Group

Wednesday, November 16, 7:30 – 8:30 p.m., Auditorium

We will be discussing [My Sister, The Serial Killer](#) by Oyinkan Braithwaite. Please register.

Pop Art Dino Craft (Grades 1-5)

Friday, November 18, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room

Make a colorful, dynamic pop-art inspired dinosaur collage. All materials will be provided.

Dino Escape Room (Grades 3-8)

Tuesday, November 22, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room

Visit the Dino Escape Room, solve clues and puzzles before the time runs out and win a prize. Please register.

Puppet Art Theater

Tuesday, November 22, 7 – 7:45 p.m., Auditorium

Enjoy a performance of Jack and the Beanstack. Space is limited. Free tickets are available at the Children’s Help Desk 30 minutes before the show starts.

Reading Buddies

Saturday, November 26, 2 – 3 p.m., Activity Room

Children in grades K-5 can buddy up with a furry friend and read one-on-one from a favorite book.

Book Club for 2nd and 3rd Grades

Tuesday, November 29, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room

We will discuss [Rise of the Earth Dragon](#) by Tracey West. Please register online then pick up your copy at the Children’s Desk.

MORGAN HILL -- 660 W. Main Avenue

Snack Break

Mondays-Thursdays through May, 3 -- 4 p.m. (except during school breaks)

Free afterschool snacks available for kids 0-18 while supplies last. No registration necessary.

LEGO Club

Tuesdays, November 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 3 – 4 p.m.

Use LEGOs to build whatever you want, or based on our weekly theme. Creations will be displayed until our next meeting. LEGOs available for ages 2+. No registration required.

Safe Space Meeting for LGBTQ+ Youth

Tuesdays, November 1 & 15, 4 – 6 p.m.

This in-person support group is for youth and young adults (ages 13-25). Play games, participate in group activities and discussions and build community. No registration necessary.

First Tuesday Knit-In

Tuesday, November 1, 6:30 – 8:45 p.m., Large Program Room

All knitters welcome! New knitters can get advice and assistance while advanced knitters can share their knowledge.

After Dinner Book Club

Tuesday, November 1, 7:30 – 8:45 p.m., Small Program Room

We will be discussing Parts 4 & 5 of [*The Invention of Nature*](#) by Andrea Wulf.

Fall Book Bingo

Through November 30

Pick up a Fall Book bingo card, and read five books that correspond to the boxes on the card to make a bingo. Return your card by November 30 to be entered into a drawing for a gift card.

Family Storytime

Thursdays, November 3, 10, & 17, 10:15 – 10:45 a.m., Outside Lawn

Join us for stories, music, movement and more!

Bilingual Family Storytime

Saturdays, November 5, 12, 19, & 26, 10:15 – 10:45 a.m., Outside Lawn

Join us for stories, music, movement and more. Storytimes will be in Spanish and English.

Author Visit

Saturday, November 5, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room

We welcome author Marlene Anne Bumgarner. Follow her journey coping with the changes of rural life as Silicon Valley evolves into the high-tech center it is today.

Science Experiments for Kids

Saturday, November 5, 3 – 5 p.m., Children's Activity Room

We will be creating things like slime, volcanoes and oobleck.

Bike Repair Clinic for Kids

Sunday, November 6, 1 – 5 p.m.

Join us for a free, mobile, hands-on repair clinic. BikeMobile can fix most broken parts like flat tires, brakes and shifters. Kids bikes get priority. First come, first served. Space is limited.

Library Ukulele Society

Tuesday, November 15, 5 – 7 p.m.

Bring your uke and music stand or come to listen and sing along! No registration required.

SARATOGA -- 13650 Saratoga Avenue

Family Storytime for All Ages

Tuesdays, November 1, 18, 15, 22 & 29, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Outdoor Patio next to Friends' Café

Fridays, November 4, 11 & 18, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Outdoor Patio next to Friends' Café

Join us for stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs. Because seating is limited, please line up along the wall of displayed art.

Homework Help for K-9th Grade

Mondays-Thursdays through December, 3:30 – 5 p.m.

Academic coaches from the Bay Area Tutoring Association can provide help in English, history, math and science. No registration required. Walk-ins welcome as space allows.

Science Fun (Grades 1-6)

Saturdays, November 12 & 19, and Sunday, November 13, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Community Room

Have educational fun with the Saratoga High Robotics Club and learn scientific concepts by creating things like erupting volcanoes, artificial clouds, slime, rainbow walking water and ice cream magic. Limited seating. First come, first served.

Kids STEM Hovercraft (Grades 3+)

Tuesday, November 15, 4 – 5 p.m., Community Room

Make a hovercraft that can stay afloat using air power. No registration necessary. First come, first served until all seats are required.

Craft for All Ages

Wednesday, November 16, 4 – 5 p.m., Community Room

Join us as we make dream catchers with a CD or paper plate, yarn, beads and feathers.

International Games Month

Tuesday, November 29, 4 – 5 p.m., Community Room

Join us for family Bingo!

WOODLAND – 1975 Grant Road

Redwood Tree Presentation and Craft

Sunday, November 6, 11:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.

School-aged children and their families are invited to a brief presentation on the importance of redwood trees. Afterwards, we will create an origami fact-finder related to redwoods.

Dinovember Family Storytime

Sunday, November 13, 11:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Join us in the backyard for stories and songs about dinosaurs.

ONLINE EVENTS (Please register online)

November Reading Challenge

Begins Tuesday, November 1

Join our Beanstack challenge! The theme is Family Stories. Let's read and learn about histories and stories passed down from generations.

Ramses the Great & the Gold of the Pharaohs

Tuesday, November 1, 7 – 8 p.m.

Take a virtual tour of the new exhibit at the de **Young Museum: Ramses the Great & the Gold of the Pharaohs**. Learn about the most celebrated and powerful pharaoh of the New Kingdom and explore the marvelous treasures in the exhibit, including sculptures and jewelry.

Online English Conversation Club

Wednesdays, November 2, 9, & 16, 6 – 7:30 p.m.

Thursdays, November 3, 10, & 17, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Meet new friends and practice English together.

Reading Program Orientation

Wednesday, November 9, 1 – 2 p.m. and 5 – 6 p.m.

Learn what it takes to be a literacy tutor and help other adults who want to improve their reading, writing and speaking skills. No prior experience necessary. Email readingprogram@sccl.org to register.

Virtual Trivia Night

Monday, November 14, 6 – 7 p.m.

Questions will cover a variety of categories including movies/TV, music, literature, food, sports and more.

College Prep Workshop

Tuesday, November 15, 5 – 6 p.m.

A consultant with FLEX College Prep will show you how to build your extracurricular activities profile to help your college application stand out.

Online Bookshare

Tuesday, November 22, 7 – 8 p.m.

Let's talk about books! Share what you are reading and get recommendations.

Los Altos and Woodland Libraries

November 2022





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Items Checked Out

	Los Altos Library	Woodland Branch Library
January 2022	42,750	7,220
February 2022	40,749	6,799
March 2022	43,485	7,031
April 2022	43,914	7,808
May 2022	41,928	7,304
June 2022	46,824	8,252
July 2022	48,862	8,609
August 2022	49,391	8,398
September 2022	46,112	8,205

Items Checked In

	Los Altos Library	Woodland Branch Library
January 2022	41,658	8,861
February 2022	37,522	7,870
March 2022	42,087	8,804
April 2022	40,453	8,822
May 2022	40,965	9,082
June 2022	44,494	9,614
July 2022	46,457	10,121
August 2022	46,207	9,935
September 2022	45,179	9,698

Patrons Served Online

	Los Altos Library	Woodland Branch Library
January 2022	9,282	1,606
February 2022	8,942	1,540
March 2022	9,174	1,569
April 2022	9,060	1,547
May 2022	9,185	1,589
June 2022	9,476	1,646
July 2022	9,677	1,640
August 2022	9,912	1,696
September 2022	9,757	1,653

Patrons Served In Person

	Los Altos Library	Woodland Branch Library
January 2022	7,981	1,812
February 2022	7,308	1,569
March 2022	8,373	1,788
April 2022	8,296	1,889
May 2022	8,201	1,780
June 2022	8,812	1,896
July 2022	9,008	1,994
August 2022	9,429	1,995
September 2022	8,648	1,910



Agenda Item 9.









ADULT & TEEN PROGRAMS

- Tuesday, Nov 1 at 2:00 pm - Introduction to Memoir Writing
- Wednesday, Nov 2 at 6:00 - 8:30 pm - Health Screening & Information Table by Breathe California
- Wednesday, Nov 2 at 7:00 pm- World Affairs: Can Peace be Preserved Across the Taiwan Strait
- Thursday, November 3, 10, 17, 24 at 1:30 pm - ESL Conversation Club (in-person)
- Tuesday, Nov 15 at 7:00 pm - Winter Writer's Night
- Wednesday, Nov 16 at 6:00 - 8:30 pm - Health Screening & Information Table by Breathe California
- Thursday, Nov 17 at 7:00 pm - Peninsula Astronomical Society Presents
- Friday, Nov 18 31 at 4 pm- LibraryTECHTalk: Movies and Great Courses
- Tuesday, Nov 29 at 7:00 pm- Warlords of the Air: Raptors with Joan Sparks

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Children's Programs

- ▶ Homework Help (Monday - Thursday 3:30-5:00 pm)
- ▶ Group Games Afternoon (11/4 at 4:00 pm)
- ▶ Baby Sign Time with Miss Stefanie (11/5 at 10:30 am)
- ▶ Redwood Tree Presentation and Craft-Woodland (11/6 11:30 am)
- ▶ Family Bingo Night! (11/6 at 5:00 pm)
- ▶ Book Bugs Club for 2nd and 3rd Grade Readers (11/15 at 4:00 pm)
- ▶ Page Turners Book Club for Grades 4-6 (11/17 at 4:00 pm)
- ▶ Paint a Pinecone Turkey- Drop in Craft (11/22 2-4 pm)
- ▶ Furry Friends Reading Buddies (11/26 at 2:30 pm)

Children's Storytimes

Indoor Family Storytime - Tuesdays at
10:30 and 11:00 at Los Altos Library

Bilingual Spanish Storytime Fridays at
10:30 at Los Altos Library

Sunday, Nov 13 at 11:30 - Dinovember
Storytime at Woodland Branch Library

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Outreach

- ▶ 11/2 Los Altos Chinese School
- ▶ 11/15 Santa Rita Lunch Visits
- ▶ 11/16 Grant Part Lunch Visit
- ▶ 11/19 Family Fun day (Community Center)



Report of the Awareness Subcommittee
which met on October 26, 2022 for the
11-3-2022 Library Commission Meeting

1. LALE ads –

ACTION ITEMS:

1. O'Reilly is the topic for the November ad.



- January topic – Creative Bug
- February topic – Open Plus Self Service at Woodland Branch
- March topic – Resources to help navigate the looming financial crisis
Business: Morningstar; Standard & Poor, Value Line

2. Prepare request to LALE for 2023 funding for LALE Town Crier Ads Highlighting Library Services and Resources

Infrastructure Subcommittee Report
November 3, 2022 Library Commission Meeting

1. Report from Library District re status of Glass Wall to Mitigate Sound at the Woodland Branch

Rose reported that the District will not pursue this project at this time due to its focus on Open Plus at Woodland.

2. Update on the Expanded Patio at Woodland Branch Project

Subcommittee reviewed the proposal and made suggestions to update it. Current plan is to submit the proposal for review and approval by the entire Commission at the December Commission meeting.
See attached

Proposed Extension of Patio Area at the Woodland Branch

Background

The Infrastructure Subcommittee is exploring the possibility of expanding the existing patio area of the Woodland Branch library. This will provide more space for the patrons including the St. Simons students who make up a large fraction of the library's patrons during after school hours. This additional outdoor space with tables and benches would be used by tutors and by study groups as well as anyone who would prefer sunshine and fresh air while having access to the library's resources including wi-fi.

This project has the support of Jennifer Weeks, County Librarian, and Gabe Engeland, Los Altos City Manager. Vice Mayor Sally Meadows has also been briefed and she advised that the project most likely would not require formal Council approval. Interviews of Woodland Branch patrons revealed support for the project and several St. Simon's students were very enthusiastic – they reported that they all rush to the library to try to get the only picnic table on the existing table. They all said they would love to have more patio space with picnic tables and benches at the library.

The Expanded Patio Concept

1. Concept is to clear a 30ft X 30ft square area (900 square feet) of the existing land cover (weeds) and create a sand patio with picnic tables and benches. This new outdoor seating area will provide the patrons with more seating for tutoring, studying, reading, working at the Woodland Branch. The City Manager, Gabe Engeland, advised that the City's Maintenance Crew would clear the existing weeds. We will explore whether they could also excavate the 5 inches of dirt to prepare the bed for the patio materials.
2. Area proposed for new patio is the vacant/unused portion of the lot on the south side of the existing building (see attached aerial view showing location of proposed expanded patio area).

3. Proposed size of new patio is approximately 30ft X 30ft at the rear of the vacant/unused portion of the lot with access from the existing patio
4. Scope of work for project
 - a. Clear/scrape lot to remove all existing vegetation – City of Los Altos crew
 - b. Excavate 5 inches of dirt to prepare base for patio – City crew?
 - c. Lay down 3 inches of base rock
 - d. Compact the base rock
 - e. Lay down 2 inches of sand (special sand + glue)
 - f. Add poles for shade sails and stabilize with concrete
 - g. Acquire picnic tables (3 each) and benches (3 each) (arbitrary number)
 - h. Wi-Fi Access Point to extend wi-fi service to patio area (Library to provide)

5. Costs

The estimated cost of preparing the patio is \$13/square foot per a contractor who specializes in creating hardscape. (see attached business card)

Proposed new patio is 900 square feet @ \$13/sq ft = \$11,700

Estimated cost of 3 picnic tables @ \$1210 per table = \$3,630

Estimated cost of 3 benches @ \$1020 per bench = \$3,060

Estimated cost of 4 shade sails = \$8,461 (project probably needs only 2 sails)

Estimated total cost = \$26,851

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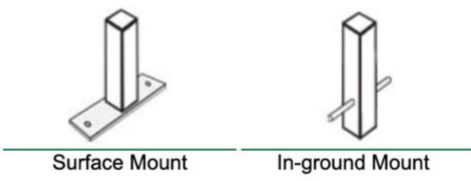
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