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EARL & BIRDIE TAYLOR LIBRARY PACIFIC BEACH BRANCH

BRANCH MANAGER'S NOTE

Hello, Friends!

By the time this newsletter reaches you our PB Library will have reopened! We closed in April so that our roof and heating/cooling system could be replaced and, as with many construction projects, as they dug deeper they found more that needed to be fixed. On behalf of all our staff, we thank you for your patience. In addition to what they'd initially planned to do, the contractors also replaced our roof's drainage system and painted our formerly-water-stained ceiling. We look forward to weathering this winter's rainstorms under our new leak-free roof.

Many of you visited the Mini-Library which we operated out of the Community Room during our closure. Although our physical space was small, thanks to everyone who came to pick out books and chat with us it felt like a real (albeit tiny) library! Our staff appreciated getting to catch up with you and to help you find great books to read, movies to watch, offer programs to attend, and help answer your reference questions. In fact, our community reads so much that during the month of June the total number of books checked out from PB's Mini-Library was more than 4 fully-operational libraries in our system. You are amazing, and it is truly a privilege to get to work with you.

Looking ahead, we've got several special events for adults and families planned before the end of the year. I'm not sure if this newsletter will reach you in time, but our next big activity is our annual National Night

Out celebration on Tuesday, August 7th, from 5:30-7:30pm. Our NNO event is part of a nationwide movement to stand up against crime by doing something outside together on the same evening. When neighbors know each other and their local law enforcement officials, our communities are safer and happier places to live. Police officers from SD-PD's Northern Division and the Homeless Outreach Team will be in attendance, along with City Councilmember Lorie Zapf, and we hope to see lots of our neighbors, too! To help break the ice and foster a friendly environment we've planned some musical activities (Sing-Along with Guitarist Ben Champion at 5:30pm, and a Drum Circle with Chazz Ross at 6:30pm) and a Community Potluck (6pm). We invite you to please bring your appetite, a dish to share, your excitement about getting to know your neighbors better, and your love for our community.

Christina Wainwright, Branch Manager



ONGOING ADULT PROGRAMS

CONCERTS

4th Sundays @ 2:00-3:00pm (October 28, November 25, resuming in January)
Performers: TBA

MOVIE MONDAYS

2nd and 4th Mondays @ 2:00pm

Movies shown on the 2nd Monday of the month are staff picks, while those on the 4th Monday will be selected by customer votes

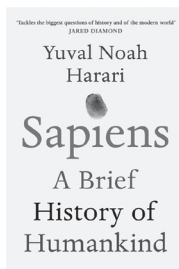
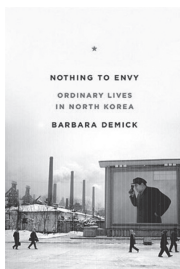
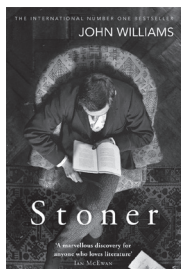
August 13: *Black Panther* (2018, Rated PG-13)

September 10: *Ready Player One* (2018, Rated PG-13)

October 8: *Coco* (2017, Rated PG)

December 10: *National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation* (1989, Rated PG-13)

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP



The PB Book Discussion Group meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month @ 6:30-7:45pm.

September 5: *Stoner* by John Williams

October 3: One Book, One San Diego selection (tba)

November 7: *Nothing to Envy: Ordinary Lives in North Korea* by Barbara Demick

December 5: *Sapiens: A Brief History of Mankind* by Yuval Harari

January 2, 2019: Meet to select 2019 titles

VEGAN COOKING 101

2nd Sundays @ 1:00-2:30pm



Learn how to create delicious and satisfying meals using all plant-based food products and ingredients in this hands-on culinary lab! An apron is recommended, food handler gloves provided. Online registration is required.

August 12: Vegan Seafood Class

September 9: Mastering the Veggie Burger from Scratch

October 14: Tofu the Ancient Superfood

December 9: Menu TBA

KNITTING CIRCLE

3rd Tuesdays @ 1:00-3:00pm

3rd Saturdays @ 10:00-noon



Learn how to knit so that we can KNIT our community together, as we work on our own projects. Please bring yarn, needles, and your project and join Eileen Adler.

BALANCE STRONG

Tuesdays @ 11:30-12:30pm

Learn leg strengthening exercises to help your balance & posture.

SEATED STRENGTH

Tuesdays @ 12:00-1:00pm

Seated stretching and joint work to promote muscle development.

CHAIR YOGA

1st and 3rd Fridays @ 10:00-11:00am

Gentle exercise that promotes stretching & strengthening, improves balance & circulation, enhances mental clarity, and provides peace & relaxation.

TAI CHI



Thursdays @ 1:15-1:45pm

Movement for all ages! Practice Tai Chi's classic Form 24.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

The PB Branch Library has the following on-going programs for youth during the upcoming months:

Wagging Tales, Children Read to Dogs! 1st Saturdays @ 10:30am; Read-aloud to certified therapy dogs for readers of all ages.

Toddler Yoga 1st & 3rd Thursdays @ 10:30am; Fun yoga poses for children walking to 4 years old.

Sign-A-Story Circle Time 4th Thursdays @ 10:30am; Stories and songs using ASL for preverbal babies and toddlers.

Pajama Storytime and Craft Tuesdays @ 6:30pm; Stories and crafts for children ages 3 to 7.

Toddler Time 1st Thursdays @ 11:00am; Interactive stories and songs for ages 2 to 5.

Dance Party 2nd Thursdays @ 10:30am; Fun, free-form dancing and movement to popular children's songs for ages 2 to 5.

Baby Blockbuster 2nd Thursdays @ 11:00am; Enjoy a short animated film for little ones.

STEAM Power Last Wednesdays @ 3:00pm; Science-based book talk/craft/art time for tweens.



HOLIDAYS

We will be closed in observance of the following holidays:

Sunday, November 11 - Veterans Day

Monday, November 12 - Veterans Day (observed)

Thursday, November 22 - Thanksgiving Day

Tuesday, December 25 - Christmas Day

CHILDREN'S CORNER BY JENNY TODD

2018 marks my one-year anniversary as PB's Youth Services Librarian. And what a year it has been!



Spring into STEAM programming introduced students to the science behind bees and the way they engineer their hives, as well as an Ozobot (small robot) programming session taught by Microsoft. PB's residents were also invited to participate in the Catalog of Life Citizen Science Project. Participants were given vials to collect local bug specimens, and the DNA was then analyzed to help gain a clearer picture of San Diego's biodiversity. The Centre for Biodiversity Genomics reported that the project contributed 33 new invertebrate species to the International Barcode of Life database, including species of earwig, silverfish, fungus gnat and ground crab spider.

Summer 2017 expanded upon the science and engineering theme with the **Summer Reading Program**, "Reading by Design." Performers came to entertain and inform the library's young patrons from a variety of scientific and educational groups including the Fleet Science Center, the Living Coast Discovery Center, the League of Extraordinary Scientists & Engineers, and many more. Nearly 500 attendees enjoyed SRP events throughout the summer, and over 400 participated in the reading program, tracking the number of books/hours they read and earning prizes along the way.



As last summer wound down towards autumn, the library hosted a variety of special events. August 21, 2017 marked an out-of-this-world phenomenon, a total solar eclipse visible throughout the continental United States. In addition to handing out the very popular eclipse glasses, the library also hosted a **Sky Party** for patrons to share this singular experience outside with their friends and neighbors, watch

NASA's livestream in the Community Room, and complete a solar system scavenger hunt in the Children's area.

September followed with the **Money As You Grow** program, a special opportunity for young patrons and parents alike to learn more about useful financial matters through stories and games. October saw the arrival of the PB Library's first annual **Halloween Spooktacular**. Attendees enjoyed a carnival atmosphere with crafts, games, cake walks, a bounce house, and a costume contest for all ages. Thank you to all the volunteers and participants who helped make the Spooktacular such a fun event!



Autumn continued with a special event featuring Don Liponi, a published author and researcher specializing in the **Art of the Kumeyaay**. The 4th grade classes from PB Elementary, who had been learning about local Native American tribes in school, were invited to come share in Don's wisdom, explore the artifacts he brought with him, and ask a lot of very insightful questions. We wrapped up the year with the always enjoyable **Gingerbread House** decoration event, which included a surprise visit from Santa Claus himself!



2018 started off strong with some very entertaining and popular storytimes featuring special guests. In February, **Peter Rabbit** stopped by, helping to introduce young read-

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ers to the timeless classics of Beatrix Potter. The following month featured **Trash Truck** storytime, with special guest Diego from Environmental Services. Diego invited young trash truck fans to take a seat in his truck for a photo op, and a brave few were even able to give the horn a blast. It was a great opportunity to highlight and appreciate some of our city's hard-working guardians. Young patrons also enjoyed the **Bike-In Movie for Eco-Heroes** in May, including crafts, superhero capes for PB's Eco-Heroes, and a fun outdoor screening of the award-winning film *Coco*.



The current Summer Reading Program, "Reading Takes You Everywhere," is going full steam ahead despite the creative challenges posed by the roof construction project. So far this summer young patrons have experienced Superhero Science, learned about tide pools and the jungle, enjoyed music and art sessions, experimented with green screen technology, and much more. Patrons of all ages are invited to hunt for Waldo in the Mini-Library, and to read 10 books or 10 hours to earn fun prizes!



LOOKING FORWARD

A new program that has been gaining momentum this year is STEAM Power, aimed at middle grade students (ages 8-13) and featuring elements of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math. So far we have explored the science of snowflakes, the engineering involved in creating pop-up cards and books, as well as the art and science of slime. We look forward to resuming this program in the fall, when the main library is reopened. STEAM Power is on the last Wednesday of each month, at 3:00pm.



ABOVE: Youth Services Librarian Jenny Todd at the Harry Potter Party on 7/21/18.

SPECIAL EVENTS FOR ADULTS

National Night Out

Tuesday, August 7 @ 5:30-7:30pm

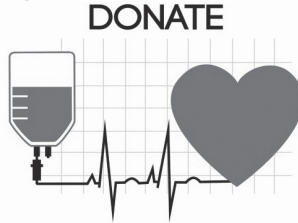
Build a safer, happier community by getting to know your neighbors and local law enforcement better! If you can, bring a dish to share at the Community Potluck.



Blood Drive

Friday, August 31st @ 10:00-3:00pm

The San Diego Blood Bank's Blood Mobile will be on the Cass Street Plaza. Donate blood and help save lives! Walk-ins welcome, or schedule an appointment at www.SanDiegoBloodBank.org.



Dia de los Muertos Craft

Thursday, November 1 @ 3:00pm

Create chocolate treats out of molds shaped like calaveras (skulls).

Maruta Gardner Day of Service

Saturday, November 3 (time tba)

Maruta Gardner touched countless lives in our beach community as a friend, educator, activist, and through decade of selfless community service. Honor her memory on Saturday, November 3rd by volunteering with service projects that will be organized around our community, including the Pacific Beach Library.

Upcycling Craft: Advent Calendars

Sunday, November 18 @ 1:00-2:00pm



Learn how to repurpose commonly available materials into something fun! In November we will transform old toilet paper tubes into an Advent Calendar that you can use in December. Whether you fill it with candies or toys for your little ones (or mini bottles of booze for big kids), it's a fun way to count down to Christmas.

Pet Photo with Santa

Saturday, December 8 @ 3:00-5:00pm

Wednesday, December 12 @ 5:00-7:00pm

Bring your fur babies to the library to take a holiday photo with our beachy Santa Claus Paws!



SPECIAL SEASONAL AND HOLIDAY PROGRAMS FOR YOUTH

2nd Annual Halloween Spooktacular!

Saturday, October 27 @ 12:00-2:00pm

The fun for all ages includes a zombie shooting range, costume contest, cake walk, arts & crafts, a bounce house, candy and prizes and much, much more!



Roadrunner's Dance

Wednesday, November 14 @ 3:30pm

Celebrate Native American History Month with this interactive performance of *Roadrunner's Dance* by Rudolfo Anaya. Presented by *Literature Comes to Life*.

Gingerbread Houses

Wednesday, December 12 @ 3:00pm

Kids get to build a delightful and delectable holiday treat. Gingerbread houses will be provided; each participant is asked to bring one unopened bag of candy to share with the group. Online registration begins December 1.

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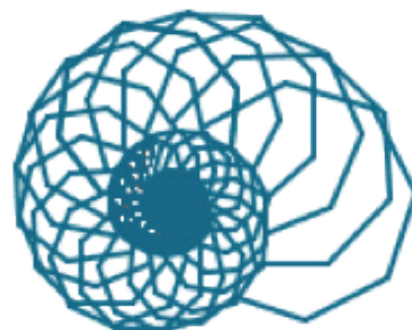
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