

MEETING DATE: August 1, 2022

AGENDA ITEM: 4A

TITLE:

Library Director's Report

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTED BY:

Bonnie Pierson, Library Director

PROGRAMMING:

On June 16th, Magician Oscar Munoz put on a lively and grand show at the Convention Center for an unprecedented crowd of 358 people. His biggest to date, Oscar's performance received numerous rave reviews from patrons and staff members alike.



The library celebrated Independence Day with a Patriotic Shoebox Parade. Nonprofits were tasked with creating a patriotic-themed float out of a shoebox and the public voted on their favorite. Out of the ninety-one votes received, the winner, Bastrop Pickleball Association, won a month of free publicity from the library. Additionally, the library held a similar event for the Bastrop community, where they could decorate their own patriotic shoebox float. Many of these floats were displayed in the library alongside the Nonprofits'.



Sky Kings Falconry performed in Fisherman's Park for a crowd of 285 people. Four birds, a falcon, vulture, barn owl, and kookaburra, were the stars of the show and stunned the audience. Those in attendance found the show thrilling and expressed gratitude towards the library for putting the program together.

On Saturday, July 23rd, Bastrop Public Library celebrated the end of the 2022 Summer Reading Program with a Tropical End of Summer Party. There were many games, such as mini golf, bowling, an obstacle course, egg race, and pin-the-beak-on-the-toucan, attendees could play in order to accumulate tickets to put towards a chance to win one of two "mystery eggs" filled with goodies. A face-painter, balloon artist, and inflatable obstacle course were also present for patrons to enjoy. The library also provided lunch available for those present. A total of 372 attended the party.



NOTEWORTHY:

Bastrop Public Library has been reapproved for accreditation for Fiscal Year 2023 by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission.

Library staff had a quarterly meeting on Tuesday, July 26th. The meeting focused on a Summer Reading Program 2022 reflection, budget goals and procedures, and focusing on strategic goals for fiscal year 2023.

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK:

Email to Carmen Serna from Kathy Danielson, in regard to Oscar Munoz's performance:

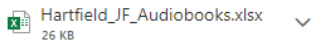
"Good morning! I wanted to say a BIG CONGRATULATIONS on such a successful program yesterday. The entertainer was top notch, the crowd was engaged and loving every minute and the Bastrop Library was shining! Looking forward to next year. Kathy"



Kean Dafoe <keandafoe@yahoo.com>

Tue 6/21/2022 6:20 PM

To: Bethany Dietrich



We just cannot thank you enough! We are continually amazed and impressed with all of you at our beautiful Bastrop library. It's incredibly sweet of both of them to spend so much time working on this list for Christian. As a mom, I can't tell you how much this means to me. We're trying to do anything we can to help her with her love for reading and her struggles with dyslexia. You just brought tears to my eyes and love and gratitude to my heart. Huge thank you to all three of you!

Warmly,
Kean Hartfield

On Jun 21, 2022, at 5:09 PM, Bethany Dietrich <bdietrich@bastroplibrary.org> wrote:

Hi y'all,

Attached is the spreadsheet, as Amie promised. There are only a few more highlighted than what she shared with you here at the library.

If you have any titles that we have the physical book for, but not the audiobook, that y'all want to read, let me know, and I can try to order them. Please just let me know by July 20th, as that's when I start wrapping up ordering for the fiscal year.

If y'all have any questions, please let me know!

Happy reading (and listening!),
Bethany



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Wed 4:55 PM



Callan Clark



Callan Clark Thank you @bastroppubliclibrary for the opportunity to give a quick portrait drawing demo! You guys were so much fun 😊



#artist #artteacher #portraitartist #graphiteartist #drawing #artdemo