



STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: April 1, 2024

AGENDA ITEM: 5A

TITLE:

Library Director's Report

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTED BY:

Bonnie Pierson, Library Director

PROGRAMMING:

In addition to regularly scheduled programs, some extra programming took place during Spring Break, the week of Monday, March 11th. The additional programming is below:

- Monday, March 11th through Saturday, March 16th
 - Pi-Day Scavenger Hunt: Colorful numbers were hidden throughout the library that could be added to the Maynard Conference Room windows. Anyone who found a number and added it to the Pi display could enter their name in a drawing for a gift card from the Bearded Bakery. A total of 45 place values of pi were hidden, and 44 were found.
 - Take-and-Make packets for kids in the Children's Area.
 - Oversized community coloring page near the puzzle table behind the Reference Desk.
- Monday, March 11th: LEGO Free Build for kids from 2-4pm
- Tuesday, March 12th: Mystery Box Craft for kids from 2-4pm



On Thursday, March 21th, Bastrop Public Library participated in the Fine Arts Night at Red Rock Elementary. The library provided information on library resources and its programs, along with an activity where children could vote for their favorite graphic novel series. A total of eighty-two attendees visited the library's booth.

Central Texas Seed Saver Representative Louise Placek was the speaker at the Seed Library program held on Saturday, March 23rd. She discussed the history of seed saving, why seed saving is important, and how to collect your own seed from your garden. This is the first of several programs revolving around the new Seed Library Program, which officially launched on Saturday, March 2nd.

The library has many diverse programs taking place in April. A calendar detailing the upcoming programs is included at the end of this report.

NOTEWORTHY:

The Friends of the Library hosted local author and business owner Ryan Holiday for a Q&A session on Wednesday, March 6th from 6pm to 8pm. A total of seventy people were in attendance, and the Friends received a lot of appreciation for organizing the event.

National Volunteer Week is Sunday, April 21st through Saturday, April 27th. To recognize all the volunteers that dedicate their time to the library, April's main book display is "Volunteer Picks." All the books on the display this month have been chosen by volunteers.

UPDATES ON THE FOLLOWING:

Personnel.

Photo ID library cards update.

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK:

"I'm taking so many DVD's and books only because you have so many to choose from!"

-Richard, patron

