Civic Improvement Commission

City of Campbell, 100 N. First Street, Campbell, California

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE CIVIC IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION

Thursday, September 10, 2026, 6:00 p.m.
Campbell Police Department, EOC, 100 N. First Street, Campbell, CA

Regular Meeting Agenda

A. Call to Order

B. Roll Call

C. Approval of Minutes:
Regular Meeting – August 13, 2026*

D. Communications:

E. Oral Requests:

F. Reports from Representatives:

1. Jennifer Weeks, County Librarian
   a. County Library Report
2. Nichole King, Community Librarian
   a. Campbell Library Report

G. Reports from Staff:

1. Angelique Gaeta, Assistant City Manager
   a. City Update
   b. Commissioners Dinner (November 16th or 23rd)
   c. Group Photo

H. New Business:

1. Capture Campbell Themed Projects
   a. Capture Campbell - Project History

I. Unfinished Business:

J. Ad Hoc Project Updates:

1. Capture Campbell Themed Projects:
   a. Youth Photo Contest (Richards/El-Khatib/Commisso)
      i. Regular Updates

2. Explore Art Themed Projects:
   a. Art Outside the Box (Commisso/Pattison/Kibbish)
      i. Regular Updates

   b. Children's Arts & Crafts Tables at Special Events in Downtown Campbell (Commisso/ Pattison/Kibbish)
      i. Regular Updates

3. Campbell Cares Themed Projects:
   a. Get To Know Campbell (Bracher/Commisso/El-Khatib)
      i. Regular Updates

K. Good of the Game:

L. Adjourn

*** Indicates written attachment and is available upon request by contacting Diana Johnson at 408-866-2125 or by email dianaj@campbellca.gov**

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CIVIC IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION MINUTES

City of Campbell, Campbell Community Center, Room C-35, One W. Campbell Avenue - Campbell, California 95008

Regular Meeting of the Campbell Civic Improvement Commission

Thursday, August 13, 2026 – 6:00 pm, Room C35 Campbell Community Center

This Civic Improvement Commission meeting was conducted pursuant to the provisions of the Brown Act.

A. CALL TO ORDER:

The Civic Improvement Commission (CIC) convened a Regular Meeting on Thursday, August 13, 2026. The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

B. ROLL CALL:

Present:	Chair, Chris Bracher Vice Chair, Georgia Pattison Commissioners: John Richards and Samantha Kibbish Staff Liaison - Assistant City Manager, Angelique Gaeta Recording Secretary - Diana Johnson
Absent:	Commissioner: Khalil El-Khatib, Jennifer Dooley, Sophia Commisso

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

M/S: Kibbish/Pattison	A motion to approve the Thursday, June 11, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes
AYES:	Chair Bracher Vice Chair Pattison Commissioners: Richards and Kibbish
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

D. COMMUNICATIONS: None

E. ORAL REQUESTS: None

F. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES: NONE.

G. REPORTS FROM STAFF:

Museum Report: Supervisor, Kerry Perkins was not able to present the Museum report. A written copy of this report is attached to these minutes as "Exhibit A."

There were no questions or comments from the Commission.

Adult Center Report: Senior Services Supervisor, Tina Wong-Erling presented the Adult Center Report for the month of August. A written copy of this report is attached to these minutes as "Exhibit B." There were no questions or comments from the Commission.

City Update: Assistant City Manager, Angelique Gaeta, provided the following updates:

- **State of the City Address:** Community members are invited to the City of Campbell's Annual State of the City Address on Wednesday, September 16, at Orchard City Banquet Hall. Doors open at 6:00 p.m., with the program beginning at 6:30 p.m. RSVP by September 2 at MayorStateOfTheCity@campbellca.gov.

- **Boards and Commissions:** Residents interested in serving their community are encouraged to explore opportunities to serve on a City board or commission. Contact the City Clerk's Office at ClerksOffice@campbellca.gov or 408-866-2117 for more information.

- **Labor Day Closure:** City offices will be closed Monday, September 7, in observance of Labor Day. Police and emergency services will remain available.

H. **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Social Service Subgrant

a) Social Service Subgrant Performance Report and Staff Recommendation:

Recording Secretary Diana Johnson presented key highlights and areas of focus for the Commission's review which included: the FY26 Social Service Subgrant Performance Reports for the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, detailing the number of clients served, outreach efforts, and program activities and a matrix outlining the historical data which compared the proposed and actual clients served for FY25 and FY26.

Ms. Johnson further commented that the Commission had awarded FY26 grant funding to CASSY Counseling and Support Services for Youth; however, the organization did not receive grant funding as it was unable to provide the City's required insurance endorsements. Although, despite not receiving grant funding, CASSY served 99 of the 110 Campbell clients it had anticipated serving. Ms. Johnson stated that CASSY is actively seeking alternative insurance coverage to meet the City's requirements and is requesting the Commission's consideration for FY27 Year Two grant funding.

Ms. Johnson further reported that West Valley Community Services amended its Performance Report to clarify that a total of 142 Campbell clients were served during the July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, reporting period.

b) Public Hearing: FY27 Social Service Subgrant Recipients

Chair Bracher opened the public meeting and asked the Recording Secretary Diana Johnson to announce each of the Social Service Subgrant applicants.

The following representatives were in attendance:

Izumi Yashkawa/Rachel Lindberg, Live Oak Adult Day Services
Kathy Ramos/Irma Balsom, St. Lucy St. Vincent dePaul
Milton Cadena, from Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County
Michele Schroeder, Senior Adult Legal Assistance (SALA)
Alma Soto, Heart of the Valley Services for Seniors, Inc.
Sujatha Venlcat Ramon, West Valley Community Services

Live Oak Adult Day Services: This program provides recreational and health-enhancing adult day care services for frail, dependent, and at-risk seniors. Services include socialization, engaging activities, and nutritious meals, while also providing valuable respite support for caregivers. The program is designed to help seniors age in place by promoting well-being, independence, and a sense of community, while ensuring they have access to the care, companionship, and support they need. The agency is requesting $7,000 in grant funding for FY27.

St. Lucy Conference of the Society of St. Vincent dePaul: The program provides essential assistance to individuals in need, including food, rental, utility, and transportation support. In addition to direct assistance, the program offers referrals to government and private programs that provide resources for food security, employment opportunities, job counseling, supportive and permanent housing, and other vital services. By connecting individuals with needed resources, the program promotes stability and self-sufficiency.

The agency reported an increase in the number of clients seeking assistance this year, with a notable increase in requests for rental assistance. County funding is also available when additional support is needed. The agency is requesting $18,500 in grant funding for FY27.

Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County: This program offers the only Ombudsman services in Santa Clara County dedicated to advocating for the rights of senior and disabled residents in long-term care facilities. Its primary function is to investigate and work toward resolving complaints made by or on behalf of residents concerning quality of care and abuse. Through advocacy and intervention, the program ensures that vulnerable individuals receive the protection, respect, and support needed. The agency is requesting grant funding in the amount of $10,000 for FY27.

Senior Adult Legal Assistance (SALA): The program provides free legal services to Campbell residents age 60 and older, with a focus on low-income seniors and those at risk of abuse, housing displacement, social isolation, or premature institutionalization. Through legal guidance and advocacy, the program assists seniors in addressing complex legal matters, protecting their rights, and accessing appropriate resources. The program supports aging in place by promoting independence, stability, and overall well-being among vulnerable older adults. The agency reported that it recently lost $60,000 in County funding that previously

supported legal aid services provided Countywide. For FY27, the agency is requesting grant funding in the amount of $12,500.

Heart of the Valley Services for Seniors, Inc.: This program offers facilitation, advocacy, and support at no cost to promote independent living for seniors in Santa Clara County. Through volunteer-driven services, seniors receive assistance with escorted transportation, shopping, errands, house projects, light yard work, handyman tasks, computer help, and visitation. By fostering connection and providing essential support, the initiative enhances quality of life and ensures that seniors can continue living independently with dignity. $30,000 in CDBG grant funding was cut this year. Did receive emergency grant funding to supplement loss. The agency is requesting grant funding in the amount of $15,000 for FY27.

Live Oak Adult Day Services: This program offers recreational and health-enhancing adult day care, providing socialization, engaging activities, and nutritious meals for frail, dependent, and at-risk senior residents. Additionally, it serves as a vital support system for caregivers by offering respite services. Designed to help seniors age in place, the program promotes well-being, independence, and a sense of community, ensuring they receive the care and companionship they need. The agency is requesting grant funding in the amount of $7,000 for FY26.

West Valley Community Services: This program is dedicated to ensuring that households living in poverty have seamless access to public benefits, supportive services, and educational resources aimed at fostering financial and household stability. A key component of this initiative is Park It Market, a mobile food market that delivers fresh produce, dairy, meat, and other essential staples to individuals and families facing economic hardship. The agency is requesting grant funding in the amount of $50,000 for FY27.

Following the presentations by the Social Service Subgrant agencies, Chair Bracher invited members of the public to provide any additional comments. There being no further public comment, Chair Bracher formally closed the public hearing and directed Ms. Johnson to present the FY27 grant funding recommendations.

c. Proposed Social Service Subgrant Funding for FY27

Ms. Johnson presented the Commission with a memorandum summarizing each agency, including the services provided, funding received, and number of Campbell clients served during FY26.

Additionally, Ms. Johnson presented a funding matrix depicting each agency's historical FY funding allocations and FY27 funding requests for the Commission's review and consideration. A total of $142,750 was requested exceeding the annual appropriation of $65,000.

Following a review and discussion of the information presented, the Commission developed its funding recommendations for FY27 (Year-Two) of the Social Service Subgrant Program. The recommendations were based on the Commission's evaluation of program effectiveness, funding requests, and the extent to which each program addressed identified community needs.

In considering CASSY's funding request, the Commission noted that CASSY had demonstrated the ability to serve the identified clients without City funding. The Commission also considered the uncertainty regarding CASSY's ability to meet the required insurance

endorsement provisions. Following discussion, the Commission recommended that CASSY not receive Year Two funding.

The Commission further recommended that the $4,750 requested by CASSY be redistributed among the remaining subgrant agencies. In making this adjustment, the Commission allocated the funds among the agencies while ensuring that no agency's recommended FY27 funding exceeded its FY27 funding request.

The Commission issued its recommendations for each Social Service Subgrant agency for FY27.

M/S: Pattison/Kibbish — A motion to approve $9062.50 FY27 Social Service Subgrant funding to the Catholic Charities, pending receipt of the signed grant agreement with the City.

AYES: Chair Bracher
Vice Chair, Pattison
Commissioners: Kibbish

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Richards disclosed a potential conflict of interest and recused himself from the discussion and vote concerning funding for Catholic Charities.

M/S: Kibbish/Pattison — I move that the Commission decline to award FY27 Social Service Grant funding to CASSY, and approve FY27 Social Service grant funding of $6187.50 to Heart of the Valley; $7000 grant funding to Live Oak Adult Day Services; $6000 grant funding to Loaves & Fishes Family Kitchen; $12500 grant funding to Senior Adult Legal Assistance (SALA); $18062.50 grant funding to St. Lucy Conference of the Society of St. Vincent dePaul; and $6187.50 grant funding to West Valley Community Services, pending receipt of the signed grant agreement with the City.

AYES: Chair Bracher
Vice Chair, Pattison
Commissioners: Kibbish and Richards

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

Following the Civic Improvement Social Service Grant recommendations for funding, Chair Bracher thanked the Social Service Subgrant agencies for the services that they provide to the community.

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Summer Social: Following the discussion of various dates and locations, the Commission landed on 6pm on Wednesday, August 19, at Doppio Zero. The Commission agreed to extend the invitation to Library and City Staff (Museum and Adult Center)

J. **PROJECT UPDATES:**

1. Capture Campbell: Commissioner Richards reported that the website for Capture Campbell is up and running. Still in process of determining sponsorships, which age groups will be invited to participate, possibly inviting Ken Johnson from Chamber to solicit flyers in various Campbell businesses, will include Blue Line Pizza and Jeanette's Flowers.

   Recording Secretary Johnson noted that the Ad Hoc members would like to agendize "Themed Capture Campbell" to CIC Agenda for further discussion at its September 10 meeting.

M/S: Kibbish/Pattison — A motion to add "Capture Campbell Themes" to September Civic Improvement Commission meeting agenda.

AYES: Chair Bracher
Vice Chair Pattison
Commissioners: Richards and Kibbish

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

2. Explore Art Themed Projects:

   Art Outside the Box: Commissioner Kibbish reported that staff are currently in the process of identifying City-owned utility boxes for potential inclusion in an upcoming project. Eleven unpainted boxes have been identified for consideration. Staff are also working to identify the artists associated with the existing painted utility boxes to determine which boxes may require touch-up or restoration. Will consider funding sources and connect on paint donations.

   Commissioner Pattison is developing a comprehensive master working document that will inventory the utility boxes, identify the corresponding artists, and document the current condition of each artwork. The document will serve as an ongoing reference and management tool to support the planning and implementation of future Art Outside the Box projects.

3. Children's Arts and Craft Tables: The next scheduled event is Oktoberfest, there are a lot of supplies left over from last year's event. Will confirm that a spot is reserved for tables.

4. Campbell Cares: Commissioner Bracher noted that the group met via ZOOM. The group went over the logistics with new Ad Hoc members. No longer cohosting event with Early Settlers. May align future events with the Farmers Market. Still involving other Commissions and possibly creating a concept for a booklet on "Your Guide to Commissions."

5. Confirmation of Ad Hoc Committee members:

Capture Campbell: Richards, ElKhatib and Commisso
Explore Art: Kibbish, Pattison and Commisso
- Children's Arts/Craft Tables: Pattison, Commisso and Kibbish

Campbell Cares: Bracher, Commisso and ElKhatib

K. GOOD OF THE GAME (Ideas and events of what is happening in Campbell): Commissioner Bracher shared his experience while attending the Open House for Police Department.

ADJOURN:

The Regular Meeting of the Civic Improvement Commission was adjourned at 7:50 pm. The next Regular meeting of the Civic Improvement Commission is scheduled for **6:00 pm on Thursday, September 10, 2026,*** and will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the Brown Act.

Respectfully submitted, *Diana Johnson* *Angelique Gaeta*

Diana Johnson, Recording Secretary Angelique Gaeta, Assistant City Manager

* Note: September meeting location: Campbell Police Department, 100 N. First Street, EOC Meeting Room, Campbell, CA.

Exhibit "A"

City of Campbell

MEMORANDUM

To: Civic Improvement Commissioners

Date: 7/31/26

From: Kerry Perkins/ Museum Supervisor

Subject: Museum Division Report

Museum Event Recap from July

The Museum hosted multiple events in July and all exceeded attendance expectations.

July 17: Free Family Fun Friday at the Historical Museum –Allowed families with kids to explore the museum and enjoy various crafts and hands on activities. We had roughly 85+ visitors.

July 18: FREE MUSEUM at both the Historical Museum and the Ainsley House. A whopping 349 people came through the Ainsley House and 168 came through the Historical Museum!

July 24: Night at the Museum was a sold out event. Adult only guests enjoyed a scavenger hunt, multiple round of trivia, adult make and take crafts, a behind the scenes look at artifacts that most visitors will never see, and a tarot card reader for that history mystery fun.

July 31: History Happy Hour: How Baseball became America's Favorite Pastime. This event was sold out and historian Dr. Lindsay Bell brought the history of Baseball to life for a sold out crowd.

Events coming soon:

August 8: Children's creative writing contest celebration at the Historical Museum. The Museum hosted it's first children's writing contest and all participants are invited to a celebration at the Historical Museum. The winners will be announced during the event.

August 28: History Happy Hour: Dan Orloff presents, San Jose Rocks and the History of Rock 'n Roll in the Santa Clara Valley. A few tickets are left: www.campbellmuseums.com

September 26: Groovin in the Garden, a 70s Flashback Fundraiser at the Ainsley House. This fun retro event will feature 70s music, dancing, appetizers, photo ops, 70s pop culture trivia, raffle baskets, and special guest: CHER! Tickets are on sale now: www.campbellmuseums.com

This event is a fundraiser to support preservation efforts at the Ainsley House.

Exhibits:

Campbell Museums bi-annual Juried Public Art Show is on display in the Carriage House. The theme this year is Home. The exhibit will be up until October. It is worth visiting and voting for you youth and adult favorites.

On display now in the lobby of the new police operations building is an exhibit that highlights artifacts from PD history: uniforms, communication, enforcement, and more.

Museum staff are currently working on the design phase of a new exhibit on the history of Live Music in Campbell to open in October. This exhibit will feature hands on activities, a sound wall with tunes from different eras, a small bandstand, and more. Exhibit opening in October.

Museum Summer Concert Concessions:

The Summer Concerts are in full swing and the Campbell Museum Foundation is hosting the concessions for what is roughly the 30th year! This is the Foundation's largest fundraiser, with proceeds benefitting education scholarships and exhibit support at the Museum.

Volunteer Recruitment:

The Museum is continually recruiting for interested community members to become part of our volunteer program.Opportunities are available for:

- gardeners who help maintain the Ainsley House grounds each Tuesday
- docents who lead tours and educational programs
- greeters who welcome visitors
- special event volunteers who assist with the Museums' many monthly programs and events.
- The Museum Foundation also seeks dedicated individuals interested in serving as board members to help advance fundraising and community engagement efforts.

If interested, contact Museum Supervisor, Kerry Perkins kerryp@campbellca.gov (408) 866-2718, or more information can be found on the Campbell Museums https://www.campbellmuseums.com/volunteer

Exhibit "B"

MEMORANDUM

City of Campbell
Recreation & Com. Svcs.

To: Civic Improvement Commissioners **Date:** 8/4/2026

From: Tina Wong-Erling
Senior Services Supervisor

Subject: Campbell Adult Center Division Report

Fall Day Trips

The Adult Center is offering an exciting lineup of day trips this fall! We'll kick off the season with **Bridge, Brunch & a Boat** and **Fleet Week Flight Fest**, two memorable outings that combine sightseeing, entertainment, and fun. As the holiday season approaches, we're heading to the Tony Award-winning comedy **Oh, Mary!** which hilariously reimagines Mary Todd Lincoln as an aspiring cabaret star with dreams far bigger than life in the White House. We'll wrap up the season with **Festive Filoli & Holiday Dinner**, a wonderful way to celebrate the holidays. Register here or call the Adult Center Office at 408-866-2146.

Caregivers Count! Conference

The 16th Annual Caregivers Count! Conference will be held on **September 19 and 26**. This year's conference will focus on two timely topics: **Coping with Difficult Care Recipients** and **Self-Care for the Caregiver**. Attendees will gain practical strategies for managing challenging caregiving situations while learning how to care for themselves, because self-care is an essential part of caregiving. The Caregivers Count! Conference is an education forum dedicated to supporting and empowering families and friends who care for aging loved ones. To register visit www.caregiverscount.net.

Fraud Prevention Seminar

The County of Santa Clara- Office of the District Attorney will present "How to Identify and Avoid Becoming a Victim to Common Scams" on **October 22, 1:00 PM** in room Q80. Participants will learn how to recognize and protect themselves from common scams that target older adults such as Grandparents Scams, Tech Support Scams, Refund and Recovery Scams, and Romances Scams. Don't miss this valuable opportunity to learn practical strategies for preventing fraud as education is one of the most effective tools for protection. Register here or call the Adult Center Office at 408-866-2146.

CAREGIVERS COUNT!
16TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
2-PART SERIES ON SATURDAYS

FREE

September 19, 2026 - 10am to 12pm

From Conflict to Connection:

Managing Expectations and Roles in Caregiving

(Virtual Session)

September 26, 2026 - 9am to 12pm

You Matter Too: An Interactive Self-Care Experience

(In-Person at Campbell Community Center)

To register for each conference session, scan this QR code.

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Agency	*FY22 (Approved)*	*FY23 (Approved)*	*FY24 (Approved)*	*FY25 (Approved)*	*FY26 (Requested)*	*FY 26 (Approved)*	*FY 27 (Requested)*
Counseling & Support Services for Youth (CASSY)	N/A	N/A	$4,500	$4,500	$4,750	$4,750	$4,750
Catholic Charities	$6,000	$6,000	$6,500	$6,500	$10,000	$8,000	$10,000
Heart of the Valley	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	$15,000	$5,125	$15,000
Live Oak Adult Day Services	$7,000	$7,000	$7,000	$7,000	$7,000	$7,000	$7,000
Loaves & Fishes Family Kitchen	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	$25,000	$6,000	$25,000
Seniors Adults Legal Assistance (SALA)	$11,000	$11,000	$12,000	$12,000	$12,500	$12,000	$12,500
St. Lucy Conf.- Society of St. Vincent de Paul	$13,500	$13,500	$15,000	$15,000	$17,500	$17,000	$18,500
West Valley Community Services	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	$50,000	$5,125	$50,000
TOTAL				**$65,000**	$151,750	**$65,000**	**$142,750**

Exhibit "C"

September 2026 Library Report
Jennifer Weeks, County Librarian



Bring a New Patron to the Library this Month

September is **Library Card Sign-Up Month**, when we encourage everyone in our communities to open a free library account. A library card opens up a world of discovery. From the best and latest books and magazines to valuable electronic resources that would cost thousands of dollars a year to access independently, libraries offer a wide variety of information, education, and entertainment free of charge.

This year, SCCLD is teaming up with the San Jose Sharks to produce two new limited edition library card designs for patrons who sign up for a new account or wish to replace their current card. The new designs will be revealed on Tuesday, September 1, when they will be available at all of our libraries, as well as the Bookmobile. Be one of the first to get a special, limited edition San Jose Sharks library card.

Join us and a SJ Sharks player for a special Sharks-themed **Storytime** on Tuesday, September 8 at 4 PM at the Cupertino Library. After the fun you can check out the newly restored aquarium afterward!

Full access library cards allow patrons to borrow up to 100 items at a time, with a limit of 10 console games or 30 DVDs/Blu-Rays. Digital eCards are also available to anyone who resides in Santa Clara County and these provide access to our online resources like eBooks and Audiobooks. Learn more about our different types of library accounts **on our website**.

FYI- All SCCLD libraries will be closed on Monday, September 7 for the Labor Day holiday. Our Online Library will be open.

Hispanic Heritage Month



Hispanic culture and the Latino community are the focus of **Hispanic Heritage Month**, which is celebrated from September 15 to October 15. Here in the Bay, we have a rich history of native peoples like the Ohlone, as well as missions and cities that were founded by the Spanish. Like the rest of the golden state, we also were once part of Mexico.

The Latino community is large and diverse, spanning the entire continent and parts of the Caribbean. Spanish is a largely shared language, with many indigenous languages also spoken. The library has many **language learning resources** for those interested in connecting with their heritage or who wish to add a language ability, including **Mango Languages** and **Recursos en Español** by Learning Express. We also offer numerous **newspapers and magazines in Spanish** and from across Latin America.

Many **events are planned** at our libraries. These include arts and crafts, book clubs, movie screenings, musical acts and dance performances. Acclaimed author **Francisco Jimenez** will speak about growing up as the child of farm workers after a screening of Unbroken Sky at the Gilroy Library on Sat., Sep. 26. Other highlights include Virtual Authors talks in English and Spanish with **Lucky Diaz** on Thu. Sep. 24 and **Mariachi Estelar** at the Saratoga Library on Sun., Sep. 27. More details in our Monthly Calendar. There are also **booklists** for kids, teens and adults around the month, as well as a special travel guide.



Homework Help for K-6 Students

Students in grades K-6 can drop by any SCCLD community library during the school week for assistance with their homework assignments. This free tutoring service will be offered from September through April on **multiple afternoons** per week after classes let out, with energetic teen and adult tutors there to help. No appointment is needed. Students under the age of 10 must have a parent or caregiver stay in the Children's Room during the session. Find other resources around homework help in our **Online Library**.

SCCLD is always looking for good tutors to help with its Reading Program, Homework Help and other literacy initiatives at our libraries. If you or someone you know are interested, find **information here**.

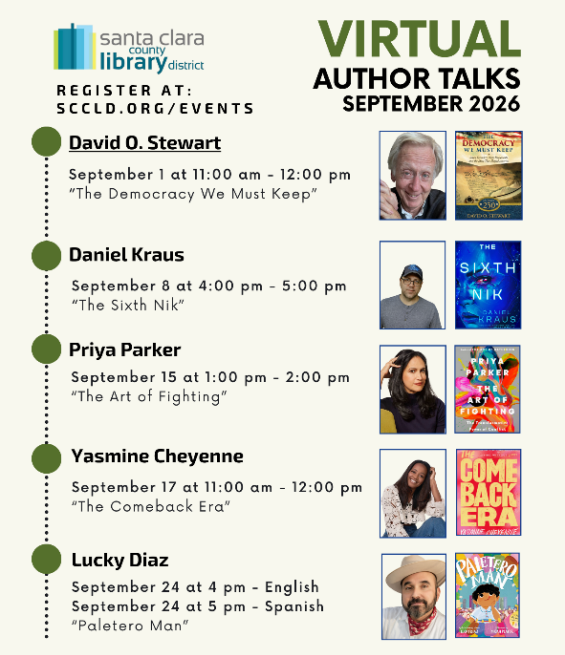
Helping Young Kids Read to Lead



SCCLD is **seeking volunteers** 14 and older to serve as tutors as part of the new Read to Lead tutoring initiative at the Gilroy and Morgan Hill libraries. South County students in grades 2-3 who need reading support are the main focus.

Barely half of county 3rd grade students meet the state target for reading at grade level by the end of the 3rd grade. You can help change this figure with your efforts. The commitment is for 90 minutes on two afternoons each week at a library from October through mid-December. Parents or caregivers will need to stay in the Children's area during sessions. Find the full list of requirements on **our website**. Training dates will take place in September.

September Virtual Author Talks



Five authors join us this month for **Virtual Author Talks**.

Sep. 1- Fiction and nonfiction writer **David O. Steward** explores what ideas of the Founding Fathers mean for us today in ***The Democracy we Keep***. **Please register**.

Sep. 8- Dive into the dark mysteries of deep space in **Daniel Kraus**' new novel, ***The Sixth Nik***. **Please register**.

Sep. 15- Hear how ideas can change the way we handle disagreements from **Priya Parker** (***The Art of Fighting: The Transformative Power of Conflict***). **Please register**.

Sep. 17- Learn how to reconnect with your true self and open the door to real change with **Yasmine Cheyenne** (***The Comeback Era: From Limiting Beliefs to Living Without Limits***). **Please register**.

Sep. 24- Family favorite performer **Lucky Diaz** shares about his bilingual picture book, ***Paletero Man***. There will be back-to-back sessions given in English and Spanish. Please register: **English**/**Spanish**.

Images from the New Woodland Library Terrace and Native Habitat





A big crowd **came out** on Saturday, August 15 for the grand opening of the beautiful new space next to the Woodland Library in Los Altos. Patrons and their families can now sit under awnings, play a game or enjoy the native landscaping. The Los Altos Library Endowment is responsible for this great initiative.



Dolly Parton was an icon; a singer, songwriter, actress, author and entrepreneur known for her warm personality, bold style, and dedication to childhood literacy. The Santa Clara County Library District is greatly saddened by the news of her passing. Through Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, more than 332,411,200 books have been gifted to children aged 0-5 all over the world. This includes 150,000 books to kids throughout Santa Clara County. Her gift of early literacy is a legacy that lives on through the Imagination Library. Thank you, Dolly, for being a champion for literacy and bringing light to so many lives.

SANTA CLARA COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT
SEPTEMBER 2026 EVENTS

SCCLD Libraries will be closed and services unavailable on Monday, September 7 for Labor Day. Our Online Library is available at sccld.org/Online-Library

CAMPBELL LIBRARY – 77 Harrison Avenue

Music and Movement Storytime
Tuesdays, September 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Community Room
Music and movement help our littlest learners develop their communication skills, their imagination, and their connection with the loving grown-ups in their lives.

ESL Conversation Club
Tuesdays, September 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Community Room
Practice your English conversation skills. Please register.

Goodnight, Little Storytime
Tuesdays, *September 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 6:30 – 7 p.m., Community Room*
There will be songs, silliness, and (of course) stories.

Tween Dungeons and Dragons
Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 16, & 23, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Community Room
Join our fall season of Tween Dungeons and Dragons. Our Game Master will teach you what you need to know. The rules and realms will be modified to ensure the table remains kid-friendly and age appropriate. Please register for this 8-week program.

Homework Help for Grades K-5
Wednesdays and Thursdays, 3:30 – 4:30 p .m., Tween Area
Drop in for free homework help. No registration is required. Basic school supplies will be provided.

Little Explorers: Tape Town
Friday, September 4, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room
Borrow a small toy car or bring your own and zip around the masking-tape streets in our Community Room.

Pop-up Temporary Tattoo Parlor
Saturday, September 12, 3 – 5 p.m., Children's Room
Choose from dozens of temporary tattoo designs. The tattoos will wash off in a day or two.

Campbell Book Club
Monday, September 14, 7 – 8 p.m., Community Room
We will discuss *The Possession of Alba Díaz* by Isabel Cañas.

Natural Solutions for Calming Inflammation
Monday, September 21, 1 – 2 p.m.
Inflammation is behind different symptoms: Body pain, excess weight, allergies, digestive issues, low energy, headaches and more. Learn three hidden causes behind it.

Campbell LEGO Club
Thursday, September 24, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Community Room
Kids 5+ years old can apply building skills and their imagination to have fun with LEGOs! Kids younger than 5 can enjoy our Duplos.

Cinema Sunday
Sunday, September 27, 2 – 4:15 p.m., Community Room
To celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, we will watch **Selena** (Rated PG).

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ESL Conversation Club
Tuesdays, September 1, 15, 22, & 29, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 201A
Improve your English listening and speaking skills and learn about other cultures in a supportive environment. Please register.

Toddler Storytime
Tuesdays, September 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room 101
This storytime features lots of movement, singing, and action and is geared towards 1–2-year-old toddlers who can no longer sit in laps.

LEGO Club
Tuesday, September 1, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.
Students in Kindergarten-8th grade can play and create with LEGOs. Space is limited.

Poponta Japanese Storytime
Wednesday, September 2, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 101
This Japanese storytelling session will include traditional kamishibai (paper theater), puppets and books!

The Art of Science and Deception
Wednesday, September 2, 7 – 8 p.m., Room 201
Join us for a mind-bending exploration of the human mind from the perspective of a magician. Presented by Joss Lee, a magician and educator, this talk bridges the gap between performance and science.

Bedtime Story Time
Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, Room 101
This storytime series is suitable for all ages and will feature stories, songs, rhymes and dances, all to encourage the development of crucial early literacy skills.

Baby Storytime (0-12 Months) and Stay and Play
Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 10:30 – 11:45 a.m.
This storytime series is suitable for children ages 0 to 1 and will feature stories, songs, fingerplays, and more, all to encourage the development of crucial early literacy skills. Limited to the first 30 babies. Please bring a mat or blanket to sit on.

Qigong
Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Room 201
Discover the restorative power of Qigong which combines gentle movements, deep rhythmic breathing, and mindful focus to help reduce stress and increase vital energy. The exercises are simple, safe, and suitable for participants of all ages and fitness levels.

Reading Program Tutor Orientation
Thursday, September 3, 1 – 2 p.m. and 6 – 7 p.m., Room 201
This orientation is a great opportunity to learn about how you can become a volunteer adult literacy tutor and support an adult learner improve their English reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills to achieve their lifelong goals.

Reading Buddies
Thursday, September 3, and Monday, September 14, 7 – 8 p.m., Room 101
Children who have completed K-5th grade can buddy up with a furry friend and practice reading skills to build self-confidence. Children must register for this program in-person at the Children's Reference Desk.

Knit-Alongs at Cupertino Library
Fridays, September 4, 11, 18, & 25, 2:30 – 4 p.m., Room 201A
Adult knitters and crocheters can make new friends, start new projects or finish old ones. There will be some supplies available, but everyone is encouraged to bring their own supplies.

Mandarin/English Family Storytime/ 中/英文雙語說故事時間
Fridays, September 4 & 18, 7 – 8 p.m., Room 101
Join us for stories, songs, flannel board story, fingerplay and a craft project with a Children's Librarian in Mandarin and English.
兒童圖書館員將為小朋友讀圖畫故事書;唱兒歌;用絨布板講故事;手指謠和做美勞。

Family Storytime
Saturdays, September 5, 12, 19, & 26, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Room 101
This storytime series is suitable for all ages and features stories, songs, rhymes and dance, all to encourage the development of crucial early literacy skills.

Baby Sign and Sing
Sunday, September 6, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Room 101
Adult caregivers will learn basic signs to communicate with their babies aged 0-12 months.

Sing a Story: Hansel and Gretel
Sunday, September 6, 3 – 3:45 p.m., Room 101
San Francisco Opera Guild presents, Sing a Story, an interactive introduction to opera for **ages 4–10.** The entire audience will then participate in performing the opera.

San Jose Sharks Storytime
Tuesday, September 8, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101
Let's dive into a fin-tastic storytime with the San Jose Sharks! Listen to fun stories featuring some very special guests.

Homework Help for Grades K-6
Tuesdays and Thursdays starting September 8, 4:30 – 6 p.m., Room 101
Students in grades K-6 can get free homework help with a trained tutor. No registration necessary.

Children's Literature for Adults Book Club
Tuesday, September 8, 7 – 8 p.m.
Adults will discuss, reminisce, or discover a beloved children's classic. Registration is required at the Children's Reference Desk.

Natural Solutions for Calming Inflammation
Wednesday, September 9, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Inflammation is behind different symptoms: Body pain, excess weight, allergies, digestive issues, low energy, headaches and more. Learn three hidden causes behind it.

Level Up Readers
Wednesdays, September 9, 16, 23, & 30, 5 – 6 p.m., Room 101
Level Up Readers is a TK-8th grade drop-in space where your child can read to a volunteer.

Wings of Freedom: Soaring Eagles
Wednesday, September 9, 7 – 8 p.m., Room 201
Joan Sparks will share pictures of eagles and other majestic birds so you can observe their diverse behaviors and discover unique traits of these remarkable raptors.

Art Therapy for Tweens
Friday, September 11, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101
Kids ages 10+ will create their own unique piece of art to take home. Materials will be provided while supplies last.

Create CU: Joomchi
Friday, September 11, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201B
Through the papermaking technique Joomchi, multiple wet layers of Korean mulberry paper are agitated, squeezed and thrown by hand to make one durable fabric-like sheet. Registration is required.

Nonfiction Book Discussion
Sunday, September 13, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Room 201B
We will discuss *A History of the World in Six Glasses* by Tom Standage (2005).

Book Discussion for Adults
Wed., September 16, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Thur., September 17, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201B
We will discuss *Some Strange Music Draws Me In* by Griffin Hansbury.

Origami for School Age Kids
Thursday, September 17, 4 – 4:45 p.m., Room 101
Come and learn origami. There will be 3 projects demonstrated step-by-step.

Poetry Open Mic
Saturday, September 19, 3 – 4 p.m., Room 201
Hosted by Cupertino Poet Laureate Thomas Célérier, come listen, read, perform, or simply be present at this open mic program. Please register.

Reading Program Tutor Training
Monday & Wednesday, September 21 & 23, 10:30 a.m. – 1:15 p.m., Room 201
This training is for those who have completed the orientation to become a tutor for the Library's Reading Program.

Hispanic Heritage Month: Changemakers Book Club for Grades 1 & 2
Tuesday, September 22, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 101
We will discuss *Catalina Incognito* by Jennifer Torres. Sign up at the Children's Reference desk and pick up a copy of the book.

Tuesday Travel Nights: Istanbul and Beyond
Tuesday, September 22, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Room 201
Lying at the nexus linking Europe and Asia, Istanbul offers a myriad of treats for visitors. David Couzens delves deep into this unique city to photograph the Ottoman architecture, enjoy the cultural richness, indulge in the cuisine, and mingle with the citizens.

Mini Makers (Ages 2-5)
Wednesday, September 23, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 101
We'll have three different stations to practice and learn more about fine motor skills.

Voyagers Book Club (Grades 3-4)
Thursday, September 24, 4 – 5 p.m.
We will be all discussing the same book, *Picture Purrfect* by Hilda Eunice Burgos. Kids will make a craft, and take-home snacks will be provided.

Parallel Career Path as a Professional Dancer
Friday, September 25, 4 – 5 p.m., Room 201
This session offers inspiration and practical guidance for anyone exploring multiple avenues in their personal or professional journey.

Folclórico Colibrí Dance Performance
Saturday, September 26, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Room 101
Attendees will get to see a Mexican folklore dance group that promotes pride in LGBTQ+ Latinx identity through costume, tradition and the art of Mexican Folklorico dance.

Little Learners Club
Monday, September 28, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Room 101
Children ages 3-5 will build early literacy skills as we explore different themes and hands-on activities.

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Zumba Fitness Class/Clase de Zumba Fitness
Tuesdays, September 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 5:45– 6:45 p.m., Community Room
This Latin-inspired, easy-to-follow dance exhilarates your senses and works all major muscle groups. Este baile de inspiración latina y fácil de seguir estimula tus sentidos y trabaja todos los grupos musculares principales.

Reading Buddies/Compañeros de Lectura
Tuesday, September 1, 6 – 6:45 p.m., 1st Floor Burrow
Come practice your reading skills and read aloud one on one with a furry friend! ¡Ven a practicar tus habilidades de lectura y lee en voz alta uno a uno con un amigo peludo!

Beginner Line Dancing
Tuesday, September 1, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Community Room
Move to rhythms of Pop, Rock, Hip-hop, R&B, Reggae, Salsa, and classic Country Western favorites. Whether a first-time dancer or have years of experience, all are welcome.

Back to School Night
Wednesday, September 2, 6 – 7 p.m., Community Room
Families with teens and college students can learn about academic resources and take a behind the scenes tour of the library.

Books and Boogie Storytime/Hora de Cuentos
Thursdays, September 3, 10, & 17, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Children's Area
Children and their caregivers are invited to enjoy engaging stories, playful rhymes, lively fingerplays, and music and movement activities that nurture early literacy skills. Compartiremos historias divertidas, rimas, canciones y baile.

Knitting and Crochet Weekly Meetup/Tejido y Crochet
Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 1 – 4 p.m., Quiet Study B
Bring your projects, ask questions, receive help, share ideas, and meet new people! ¡Trae tus proyectos, haz preguntas, recibe ayuda, comparte ideas y conoce gente nueva!

Book Discussion
Friday, September 4, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m., Quiet Study B
We will be discussing *Recursion* by Blake Crouch.

Safe Space Meetup for LGBTQ+ Youth/Encuentro de Espacio Seguro Para Personas LGBTQ+
Fridays, September 4 & 18, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Quiet Study B
Our staff-led meetings offer a safe space for LGTBQ+ youth to play games, participate in group activities & discussions, and build community. Nuestras reuniones, dirigidas por nuestro personal, ofrecen un espacio seguro para que los jóvenes jueguen, participen en actividades y debates grupales, y forjen una comunidad.

Maracas and Movement
Saturdays, September 5, 12, 19, & 26, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., 1st Floor Burrow
We will explore music, movement, and children's rhymes in English and Spanish. Exploraremos música, movimiento y rimas infantiles en inglés y español.

Mending and Hemming Workshop
Saturday, September 5, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Community Room
We'll go over how to shorten pants, mend holes and replace lost buttons. Practice garments will be provided, but you can bring your own clean clothes for advice on how to mend them. Registration is required.

Learning Chinese Language and Culture (Ages 8-13)
Saturdays and Sundays, September 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26, & 27, Children's Area
Join us for an interactive program designed to help participants learn basic Chinese language skills and develop an appreciation for Chinese culture through fun and engaging activities. Registration is required for each session.

Free Snacks for Kids/Meriendas Gratis Para Niños
Mondays – Friday, through June, 3 – 4 p.m., Lobby Area (except for GUSD school breaks)
Kids 18 years old and younger can stop by for a free afterschool snack. ¡Pasa por la biblioteca y recoge una merienda GRATIS después de clases!

Reading Program: Learner Orientation
Wednesday, September 9, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 6 – 7 p.m., Reading Program Room
Adults who are interested in learning to read English can learn more about the Reading Program's structure, services and expectations. Learners must be adults, understand basic spoken English, can respond to basic questions in English, can read or write at an 8th grade level. Durante la sesión, aprenderá sobre los requisitos del programa y cómo este puede ayudarle a alcanzar sus metas para seguir aprendiendo en inglés.

A Busy Person's Guide to Cyber Safety
Thursday, September 10, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Community Room
Topics covered include staying safe from scams, how to use payment methods securely and strategies to keep the entire family safe online.

LEGO Club
Friday, September 11, 3 – 4:30 p.m., Community Room
We provide LEGOs, children build fun creations! ¡Nosotros proporcionamos los LEGOs, los niños construyen creaciones divertidas!

Plan Your Fall/Winter Vegetable Garden
Saturday, September 12, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room
Find out how many cool season vegetables are easy to grow and best for our climate.

Gilroy Election Forum for City Council and School Board
Saturday, September 12, 1 – 4:45 p.m., Community Room
City Council and School Board decisions affect our jobs, neighborhoods, and infrastructure. Learn how candidates stand on local issues at this public forum and ask the important questions before casting your ballot.

Open Poetry Readings
Saturday, September 12, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Downstairs Meeting Room
Everyone is welcome to attend and listen to or read poetry and join in related discussions.

Hispanic Heritage Month Paint Day: Grades K-2
Sunday, September 13, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room
Join us to learn and paint. Ven a pintar y aprender. Register online.

Early Learning Readiness/Aprendizaje Temprano
Mondays and Wednesdays, September 14, 16, 21, 23, 28, & 30, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Community Room
This early learning readiness program creates a place for young children to play, learn and develop skills they will need for school. A caregiver or parent attends classes also and learns developmental activities to do at home.

1-on-1 Tech Help/Ayuda con la Tecnológica
Mondays, September 14, 21, & 28, 1 – 5 p.m., Upstairs Computer Area
Our bilingual tech mentor volunteer will do their best to assist you with your technology needs. No registration required.
Nuestro mentor técnico es un voluntario bilingüe que hará todo lo posible para ayudarle con sus necesidades tecnológicas. No es necesario registrarse ni concertar cita.

Tiny Paintings for Teens (ages 12-18)
Monday, September 14, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m., Community Room
Paint your own miniature painting or create a mini print of your favorite famous painting. Please register.

Homework Help/Ayuda con la Tarea
Mondays and Wednesdays starting September 14, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m., 1st Floor
Students in grades K–6 can receive free homework assistance in a collaborative, small-group setting. Los estudiantes de los grados K a 6 pueden recibir ayuda gratuita con las tareas escolares en un entorno colaborativo de grupos pequeños.

Create-N-Play/Crear-Y-Jugar
Mondays, September 14, 21, & 28, 5 – 6 p.m., 1st Floor Burrow
Join us on Monday nights in the Children's area for a crafty exploration of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math. Acompañenos los lunes en el area infantil para explorar todo lo relacionado con Ciencia, Tecnología, Ingeniería, Arte y Matemáticas.

Pajama Storytime/Hora de Cuento en Pijama
Mondays, September 14, 21, & 28, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Children's Area
We read stories, sing songs, play games, and wear our pajamas. Leemos cuentos, cantamos canciones, y jugamos. No olviden llevar sus pijamas puestos.

National Voter Registration Day
Tuesday, September 15, 1 – 7 p.m., Lobby
Stop by our volunteer-staffed table in the lobby to fill out your voter registration form.

Business Owner Class: Entity Structures
Wednesday, September 16, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Community Room
In this class, we will review the main type of business entities – sole proprietorships, partnerships, LLCs, LLPs, S-Corporations, and C-Corporations. You will also learn about liability protection, taxation, management structure, and administrative requirements.

Playdough Playtime (Ages 2-7) / Hora de Juego con Plastilina (2 a 7 años)
Wednesday, September 16, 3 – 4 p.m., Community Room
Shape, roll, and squish playdoh using cutters in different shapes. Los niños podrán amasar, moldear y aplastar plastilina usando divertidos cortadores en formas diferentes.

Dance Folklórico Performance
Wednesday, September 16, 6 – 7 p.m., Community Room
This local group will feature traditional dances in celebration of Mexican Independence Day on September 16. Este grupo local presentará bailes tradicionales para celebrar el Día de la Independencia de México, el 16 de septiembre.

Repair Café
Saturday, September 19, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Repair Cafe will bring tools, materials, and volunteer experts to help you make any repairs you need on clothes, furniture, small appliances, bicycles, electronics, toys, and more.

Sensory Movement & Regulation Workshop / Regulación Sensorial con Musica
Sunday, September 20, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Community Room
These workshops introduce families to sensory regulation through gentle, structured movement grounded in rhythm, body awareness, and emotional safety.
Estos talleres introducirán a las familias a la regulación sensorial a través de actividades de movimiento suaves y estructuradas, basadas en el ritmo, la conciencia corporal y la seguridad emocional.

Hispanic Heritage Month Paint Day: Grades 3-5
Sunday, September 20, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room
Join us to learn and paint. Ven a pintar y aprender. Register online.

Bike Repair/ Reparación de Bicicletas
Friday, September 25, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Outside Parking Lot
Our basic repair ensures that each bike has at least one working brake and gear, and flat tire repair. Space is limited.
Nuestra reparación básica garantiza que cada bicicleta tenga al menos un freno y un cambio funcionando, además de la reparación de pinchazos. El cupo es limitado.

Film Screening & Discussion with Author Francisco Jiménez
Saturday, September 26, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Community Room
Watch *The Unbroken Sky*, a short film based on Dr. Jiménez's childhood growing up in California. Following the film, stay for a bilingual conversation about his life, books, and the journeys that inspired his writing. Asista a una proyección gratuita de ***Senderos Fronterizos***, un cortometraje basado en su niñez y sus experiencias al crecer en California. Luego disfrute de una conversación bilingüe sobre su vida, sus libros y los caminos que inspiraron sus obras.

Hispanic Heritage Month Paint Day
Sunday, September 27, 2 – 3 p.m., Community Room
Join us to learn and paint. Ven a pintar y aprender. Register online.

Bookcaterpillars Book Club (Grades K-1)
Monday, September 28, 3 – 3:30 p.m., 1st Floor Burrow
Stop by the Children's Reference Desk to register and pick up your copy of the book. Pasa por el escritorio de referencia infantil para inscribirte y recoge tu copia del libro.

Bookworms Book Club (Grades 2-3)
Monday, September 28, 4 – 5 p.m., 1st Floor Burrow
Stop by the Children's Reference Desk to register and pick up your copy of the book. Pasa por el escritorio de referencia infantil para inscribirte y recoge tu copia del libro.

Bookcrocs Book Club (Grades 4-5)
Tuesday, September 29, 4 – 5 p.m., The Burrow
This month we are reading *Stuart Little* by E.B. White.

Book Discussion
Tuesday, September 29, 7 – 8 p.m., Quiet Study B
We will be discussing ***Raising Hare: A Memoir*** by Chloe Dalton.

LOS ALTOS LIBRARY – 13 S. San Antonio Road

A Journey Across Lines: Studies in Persian Miniature
September 1 – September 29, Art Wall
This collection represents a deep artistic exploration into the soul of Persian painting through a curated selection of work study paintings by Leila Ghasempor.

Mariela's Music Time
Tuesday, September 1, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room
Come for an educational, energetic, and interactive Spanish-English bilingual performance. Free tickets will be given out at 10 a.m.

Bilingual Mandarin Family Storytime/中英雙語故事時間
Tuesdays, September 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 1 – 1:30 p.m., Orchard Room
These 30-minute sessions focus on early literacy by sharing stories and songs in both English and Mandarin Chinese.
這是以半小時的雙中英語故事書, 兒歌, 手指謠, 玩遊戲為特色的內容。歡迎兒童們與家長褓母一同前來參加

The Whodunit? Mystery Book Club
Wednesday, September 2, 10:15 – 11:30 a.m., Teen Room
This month's book is *You Are Fatally Invited* by Ande Pliego.

Toddler Storytime
Wednesdays and Thursdays, September 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 23, 24, & 30, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room
This interactive storytime is filled with stories, music, and fun activities. Free tickets will be handed out starting at 10 a.m.

Baby Storytime & Stay and Play
Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 1 – 2 p.m., Orchard Room
Babies will enjoy songs, rhymes, gentle movement, baby sign language, and short books.

Opioid Overdose Prevention Training
Wednesday, September 2, 3 – 4 p.m.
Get an introduction to harm reduction and an overview of fentanyl, learn the signs of an overdose and learn to administer Naloxone (Narcan). Participants will receive Naloxone dosages (while supplies last). Please register.

ESL Conversation Club
Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 1:30 – 3 p.m., Orchard Room
Practice speaking English in an informal and supportive group.

Preschool Storytime
Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 3:30 – 4 p.m., Orchard Room
Preschoolers aged 3-5 will enjoy stories, music and movement.

Teen Dungeons and Dragons Social Club
Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.
Teens are welcome to drop in and watch the game. Currently the game is full, but we will occasionally have openings for new players.

Baby Sign and Stay & Play
Saturday, September 5, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room
This special storytime features American Sign Language, along with songs, stories and fun for babies 0-12 months! Please bring a blanket for your baby.

Sunday Matinee Movies
Sunday, September 6, 2 – 3:15 p.m., Orchard Room
Join us for a screening of **FernGully: The Last Rainforest** (Rated G).

Classical Guitar Open Mic
Tuesday, September 8, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room
Sign up to perform for up to 10 minutes and watch other performers.

Genealogy Lab
Fridays, September 11 & 25, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room
Work on your family history research with other genealogy hobbyists. While this is not an instructional session, you can get peer support and access to our genealogy collection.

Cajon: Afro-Peruvian Drumming Circle
Saturday, September 12, 3 – 4 p.m., Orchard Room
Learn more about Afro-Peruvian musical traditions in this fun, lively, and inclusive class, where everyone can help make the beat!

Board Game Sunday
Sunday, September 13, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room
We have board games for adults, teens, and children.

Monday Morning Meditation and Mindfulness
Mondays, September 14, 21, & 28, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Orchard Room
We will meditate for 20 minutes, then have 10 minutes to talk with the instructor.

Malinky Music
Monday, September 14, 4 – 4:45 p.m., Orchard Room
Enjoy a concert of bilingual music and movement in English and Spanish for young children. Free tickets will be given out at 3:30 p.m.

Poetry Open Mic
Monday, September 14, 7 – 8 p.m., Conference Room
Come share poetry and come hear poetry. You do not have to be a poet to attend.

Author Visit: Jasmine Fang
Tuesday, September 15, 1 – 1:45 p.m., Orchard Room
Author Jasmine Fang will be reading from her book *Beneath the Same Round Moon* about a family celebrating the mid-Autumn Festival together, even when miles apart. 作家 方怡中將为大家朗讀她的作品《在同一輪圓月之下》, 講述家人即便相隔千里，依然共同慶祝中秋佳節的溫馨故事。

Book Bugs Book Club (Grades 2-3)
Tuesday, September 15, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room
Our September book selection is *Say What?* by Margaret Peterson Haddix. At our book club meeting we will discuss the book and enjoy a fun craft or activity.

Fabric Miniature Book Craft
Tuesday, September 15, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room
Create your own unique mini treasure book using fabric scraps.

Page Turners Book Club (Grades 4-5)
Wednesday, September 16, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room
This month we are reading *Dogtown* by Katherine Applegate and Gennifer Choldenko.

UC Master Gardeners: Gardening with Mediterranean Ornamentals
Wednesday, September 16, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room
Learn about beautiful, hardy, ornamental plants from Mediterranean climates, as well as some California natives, that would be great additions to your waterwise garden.

Mending and Hemming Workshop
Friday, September 18, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Orchard Room
We'll go over how to shorten pants, mend holes and replace lost buttons. Practice garments will be provided, but you are also welcome to bring your own clean clothes for advice on how to mend them. Registration is required.

Bay Area Games Day
Saturday, September 19, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m., Orchard Room
We play mostly more recent hobbyist games, but also classic strategy games such as Catan or Pandemic, and family and party games.

Sunday CrafterNoon
Sunday, September 20, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room
Adults, teens, and kids -- join us for an afternoon of relaxed crafting. Supplies are provided for you to explore a surprise art activity.

Watercolor Workshop for Adults
Monday, September 21, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room
Join us for a watercolor workshop. All supplies will be provided. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Little Folkies Music Circle
Tuesday, September 22, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m., Orchard Room
This program features live acoustic folk music, singing, movement, storytelling, rhythm activities, and instrument exploration. Free tickets will be given out at 10 a.m.

To Be Read Book Club (Grades 6-8)
Tuesday, September 22, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room
We are reading *The Lions of Little Rock* by Kristin Levine.

Book Discussion for Adults
Tuesday, September 22, 7 – 8:15 p.m., Orchard Room
Email Laura.Pasternack@lib.sccgov.org to learn the book title and get email reminders.

TK-1st Grade Book Club: Elephant & Piggie Party
Wednesday, September 23, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room
Enjoy a read-aloud of *Can I Play Too*? and other favorites by Mo Willems along with Gerald and Piggie-inspired activities celebrating friendship and fun.

Wednesday Travel Nights: Brazil
Wednesday, September 23, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room
From the beaches of Rio, to canoeing with the caimans of the Amazon, to ogling the architecture of Brasilia, and camping with the birds and piranhas of the Pantanal, come trek the cities and wild lands of beautiful Brazil.

Fall in Fabric: Wreaths, Ornaments & Bunting
Thursday, September 24, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room
Learn how to transform upcycled fabrics and natural materials, such as pinecones, into charming autumn décor.

Mid-Autumn Festival
Friday, September 25, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room
Enjoy yummy mooncakes, make a lantern, enjoy stories about the origins of the festival.

Furry Friends Reading Buddies
Saturday, September 26, 2:30 – 3:30 p.m., Orchard Room
Children in grades K-8 can practice their reading skills and read aloud to a friendly dog or cat. Please register.

Now Read This Book Club
Monday, September 28, 12 – 1:30 p.m., Orchard Room
This month, we will be discussing *Abundance* by Ezra Klein.

When Harsh Rocks Shape Life: The Fascinating World of Serpentine Ecology
Wednesday, September 30, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Orchard Room
We will journey through California's serpentine landscapes and beyond to discover how unusual soils shape evolution, biodiversity, and ecological specialization.

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Baby Bouncers Lapsit for Prewalkers
Tuesdays, September 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 11:30 – 11:45 a.m., Activity Room
This is a baby and caregivers program with an early literacy focus on traditional nursery rhymes, lap bounces, body rhymes, songs, and very short and simple picture books.

Bilingual Family Storytime/中英雙語故事時間
Tuesdays, September 1, 8, 15, & 22, Activity Room
This 30-minute storytime features movement, singing, and action! The early literacy focus is on sharing stories and songs in English and Mandarin Chinese. 歡迎小朋友來到故事時間，這是以半小時的雙中英語故事書, 兒歌, 手指謠, 玩遊戲為特色的內容。歡迎兒童們與家長褓母一同前來參加。

ESL Conversation Club
Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 2:45 – 3:45 p.m., Program Room
Improve your English listening and speaking skills and learn about other cultures in a supportive environment.

Homework Help for Grades K-6
Mondays – Thursdays starting September 2, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Activity Room
Students in grades K-6 can come in for free homework help. No registration is required. Walk-ins welcome as space allows.

Milpitas Children's Chess Club (Grades K-8)
Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Activity Room
Come play chess and make new friends in a fun and relaxed environment! Attendees are expected to know the rules of chess and must be able to play independently.

Toddler Storytime (Ages 1-3 years)
Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Children's Activity Room
This storytime features lots of movement, singing, and action. The early literacy focus is on very short picture books with simple flannel board stories.

Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-5)
Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 6:30 – 7 p.m., Children's Activity Room
The early literacy focus is on longer picture books and flannel board stories and other storytelling activities and fingerplays.

Fire Extinguisher Training Workshop
Thursday, September 3, 7 – 8 p.m., Program Room
Learn to operate fire extinguishers safely and practice real suppression techniques in a controlled environment.

Qi Gong Meditation
Fridays, September 4, 11, 18, & 25, 1 – 3 p.m., Auditorium
Relieve stress and anxiety, increase energy and vitality, and improve physical health. Giảm căng thẳng và lo lắng, tăng năng lượng và sức sống, cải thiện sức khỏe thể chất.
緩解壓力和焦慮, 增加能量和活力, 改善身體健康

Knit & Crochet Circle
Fridays, September 4, 11, 18, & 25, 2 – 4 p.m., Conference Room
Meet other yarn lovers while working on your latest project, get help when you're stuck, and share ideas. Please note this is not a class.

Family Storytime
Saturdays, September 5, 12, 19, & 26, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Activity Room
This 30-minute storytime features lots of movement, singing, and action.

Fabric Necklaces for Teens
Saturday, September 5, 2 – 4 p.m., Program Room
Teens 13+ can create layered fabric necklaces with button accents. Materials provided.

Teen Rubik's Cube Club
Saturday, September 5, 4 – 5 p.m., Conference Room
Meet other cubers, learn new techniques, and have fun! Snacks and drinks provided.

Lil Athletes (Ages 18 months to 4 years)
Friday, September 11, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m., Auditorium
Stories, stretches, and sports-themed activities for tots on the move!

Frida Kahlo Inspired Art Session (Grades K-8)
Friday, September 11, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Activity Room
In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, join us in creating a masterpiece inspired by Frida Kahlo. Kids will use stencils and vibrant oil pastels to craft a jungle scene with hummingbirds and other animals.

Board Game Day
Saturday, September 12, 10 a.m. – 6:30 p.m., Auditorium
Play favorite board games, learn about different board games, or get out of the house and do something fun. Bring your favorite game or show up to learn some new ones.

Mend with Friends
Saturday, September 12, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Conference Room
Bring your own items to mend, project to work on, or practice basic stitches with our fabric scraps! Limited mending supplies for hand sewing and casual instruction are available.

Dungeons & Dragons: Fall Mini Campaign
Saturdays, September 12 & 26, 2 – 4 p.m., Conference Room
Our DM will guide you through the process of character creation and basic rules. Make your own character and get lost in the world of Dungeons and Dragons.

Matcha Makers Workshop
Sunday, September 13, 2 – 3:30 p.m., Auditorium
Learn about the history and traditions behind matcha, watch a live preparation, then try it yourself using traditional Japanese tea tools.

LEGO Club for Grades K-8
Monday, September 14, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Program Room
Children will use their creativity and engineering skills to free build with LEGOs.

Science Fiction and Fantasy Book Club
Monday, September 14, 7 – 8 p.m., Auditorium
We will discuss *The Difference Engine* by William Gibson.

Little Learners STEAM (Ages 3-5)
Tuesday, September 15, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m., Auditorium
Each month we will nurture curiosity and discover new things through engaging and fun activities. Registration is required.

Opioid Overdose Prevention Training
Wednesday, September 16, 3 – 4 p.m.
Get an introduction to harm reduction and an overview of fentanyl, learn the signs of an overdose and learn to administer Naloxone (Narcan). Participants will receive Naloxone dosages (while supplies last). Please register.

Gentle Flow Yoga
Thursday, September 17, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Auditorium
This gentle flow practice combines mindful movement, simple breathing techniques, and a calming guided meditation to help reduce stress, improve flexibility, and restore balance.

Music and Movement (Ages 3-8)
Friday, September 18, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m., Activity Room
Children and their caregivers will have fun exploring music and dancing together!

Dreaming with Your Eyes Open: Double Bill
Saturday, September 19, 2 – 6 p.m., Auditorium
Join us for a screening of "The Exterminating Angel" ("*El ángel exterminador")* and "Synecdoche, New York."

Adult and Teen Crafternoon (ages 13+)
Saturday, September 19, 3 – 4:30 p.m., Program Room
Transform tissue paper and a cup into a latte look-alike lantern. No registration necessary.

South Bay Needlepointers Stitch-In
Monday, September 21, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Conference Room
These programs encourage and inspire members to explore new techniques in needlepoint, learn about design, color, texture and perspective, and provide an opportunity to network with others who share a passion for needlepoint.

Book Discussion Group
Wednesday, September 23, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. and Thursday, September 24, 7:30 – 8:30 p.m., Program Room
We will be reading *A Registry of My Passage Upon the Earth* by Daniel Mason.

Mid-Autumn Moon Festival
Wednesday, September 23, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Auditorium
We will make beautiful 3D embellished greeting cards in celebration of the Mid-Autumn Moon Festival. Please register.

The Peaceful Poets
Thursday, September 24, 5:30 – 8 p.m., Conference Room
The Peaceful Poets are a Milpitas-based group of writers and appreciators of poetry.

Stay and Play Café (Ages 0-5)
Friday, September 25, 11 – 11:45 a.m., Activity Room
Enjoy stories, songs, and play! Stay, play and learn with music, toys, and snacks.

Gaming Club (Grades 4-8)
Friday, September 25, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room
We play video games like Super Smash Bros, Mario Kart, and more. We will also have various board games available. Please register.

Reading Buddies for Grades K-5
Saturday, September 26, 2 – 3 p.m., Activity Room
Children can buddy up with a furry friend and read one on one from a favorite book.

Books & Bricks Book Club (Grades 4-6)
Monday, September 28, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Program Room
This month we are reading *The Homework Machine* by Dan Gutman.

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Evening Itty Bitty Jamboree (ages 0-12 months)
Tuesdays, September 1 & 15, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Adults and babies are invited to short, fun stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and songs.

Kids LEGO Club (ages 2+)
Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 1 – 2:30 p.m., Children's Activity Room
Children will use their creativity and engineering skills to build anything.

After Dinner Book Club
Wednesday, September 2, 7 – 8 p.m., Community Room
We will be discussing *Whistler* by Ann Patchett.

Toddler Storytime (ages 2-3)
Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 10:30 – 11 a.m., Children's Activity Room
Join us for a fun-filled storytime featuring stories, songs, rhymes, and lots of movement!

Preschool Storytime
Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 11:15 a.m. – 12 p.m., Children's Activity Room
Join us for a fun-filled storytime featuring stories, songs, rhymes, and lots of interactive movement!

Tiny Tot Jamboree (ages 1-2)
Fridays, September 4, 11, 18, & 25, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Children's Activity Room
Parents and toddlers: Join us for short stories, rhymes, fingerplays, activities, and songs.

Itty Bitty Jamboree (ages 0-12 months)
Fridays, September 4, 11, 18, & 25, 12 – 1 p.m., Children's Activity Room
Adults and their babies: Join us for short, fun stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and songs. Itty-Bitty Jamboree is 30 minutes followed by Stay & Play time.

Kids Keva Club (Ages 5+)
Friday, September 4, 3:30 – 5 p.m., Children's Activity Room
Create structures, sculptures, and ball-runs out of wooden planks.

Bilingual & English Family Storytime
Saturdays, September 5, 12, 19, & 26, 10:30 – 11:15 a.m., Activity Room
Stories, music, movement, and more! ¡Cuentos, música, movimiento y más!

ESL Conversation Club
Saturdays, September 5 & 19, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room
Come to improve your English speaking and listening skills, while learning about other cultures in a safe and supportive environment.

Start Smart: Driving Smart to Stay Safe for Teens
Tuesday, September 8, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., Program Room
Start Smart is aimed at helping newly licensed (or soon to be licensed) teenage drivers become more aware of the responsibilities of being a licensed California driver.

Safe Space Meeting for LBGTQ+ Youth (ages 13-25)
Fridays, September 11 & 25, 4 – 5:30 p.m., Program Room
Our staff-led meetings offer a safe space for LGBTQ+ youth and allies to play games, participate in group activities & discussions, and build community.

Repair Cafe
Saturday, September 12, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Repair Cafe will bring tools, materials, and volunteer experts to help you make any repairs you need on clothes, furniture, small appliances, bicycles, electronics, toys, and more. This free, drop-in event is offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

Adult Craft Night
Monday, September 14, 6:30 – 8 p.m., Community Room
Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with creativity inspired by the colorful tradition of Mexican tin art, repujado. Materials available while supplies last.
Celebra el Mes de la Herencia Hispana con creatividad inspirada en la colorida tradición del arte mexicano en hojalata, el repujado. Todos los materiales proporcionados, mientras duren los suministros.

Library Ukulele Society
Tuesday, September 15, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m., Community Room
Bring your uke and music stand or come to listen and sing along. Learn some songs and play together.

Improving Your Garden Soil
Wednesday, September 16, 7 – 8:30 p.m., Community Room
You'll find out about what you can do to improve soil structure, optimize soil fertility, and encourage beneficial microbes.

Zumba Fitness Class
Monday & Tuesday, September 21 & 22, 6 – 7 p.m., Community Room
This Latin-inspired, easy-to-follow dance exhilarates your senses and works all major muscle groups in a cardio blast that leaves you invigorated, refreshed and full of life.

Sensory Playtime (ages 4-10)
Friday, September 25, 4 – 5 p.m., Children's Activity Room
Sensory playtime is a hands-on, interactive experience designed to engage children through a variety of activities. Designed for kids with sensory processing differences, autism, or who have other special needs. Please register.

Paint Party Inspired by Frida Kahlo
Saturday, September 26, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Community Room
Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with a self-directed paint party inspired by Frida Kahlo! Create your own colorful painting and enjoy a creative time together. Register online.

ESL Conversation Club: Chat & Craft
Monday, September 28, 6:30 – 8 p.m., Community Room
Improve your English listening and speaking skills while making a craft in a fun, supportive environment. Basic English knowledge recommended.

Piñata Making Workshop
Wednesday, September 30, 5 – 8:30 p.m., Community Room
Join us for a hands-on session where families can create their very own colorful piñata. Registration is required. Acompáñenos a un taller práctico donde las familias podrán crear su propia piñata colorida. Inscripción requerida.

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Dogs, Cats, and Backyard Acrobats: An Art Exhibit
Through October 30, Group Study Room
Enjoy the delightful paintings of beloved family pets and natural critters by Carrie Skelly.

Band Jam: Guitar and Ukulele
Tuesdays, September 1, 8, 15, & 22, 10:15 – 11 a.m., Community Room
Meet people who are also working on their music journey, learn new chords/strums, and get encouragement to practice towards mastering your instrument. Bring your own guitar or ukulele, all other materials will be provided.

Sci-Fi & Fantasy Book Club
Tuesday, September 1, 7 – 8 p.m., Maple Room
Please join us to discuss *Project Hail Mary* by Andy Weir.

Knit & Crochet Circle
Wednesday, September 2, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Orchard Room
Bring your own projects and yarn, ask questions, receive help, give help, share ideas and meet new people.

Baby Storytime (12 months or younger)
Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 11 – 11:15 a.m., Community Room
Join us for fun, interactive nursery rhymes, fingerplays, action rhymes, and songs.

Drop-in Tech Help
Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, & 24, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Oak Room
Get help using your laptop, tablet or cell phone. Help is first-come, first-served.

Family Storytime
Thursdays & Saturdays, September 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, & 26, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Community Room
Join us for stories, rhymes, and songs.

Homework Help for Grades K-6
Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3 – 5 p.m. and Wednesdays, 3 – 4:30 p.m. starting September 8, Orchard Room
Students in grades K-6 can come in for free homework help. No registration is required. Walk-ins welcome as space allows.

Nature Journaling Workshop
Thursday, September 10, 2 – 3:30 p.m.
Using simple playful sketching and writing prompts, you will slow down, notice more, and strengthen your observation skills as you explore the natural world in your own way.

Music Village Flutes Concert
Saturday, September 12, 3 – 4 p.m., Community Room
Music Village Flutes is a collective of adult flutists who all study the flute with a dedication for excellence.

Board Game Night for Adults
Mondays, September 14 & 28, 6 – 8 p.m., Community Room
Drop in and play a variety of board games.

Mystery Monday Book Club
Monday, September 14, 7 – 8 p.m., Maple Room
Drop by the Adult Reference Desk at Saratoga Library to sign up for the meeting and pick up a copy of the book.

Mandarin Storytime
Tuesday, September 15, 11 – 11:30 a.m., Maple Room
Join us for fun stories, rhymes, fingerplays and songs in Mandarin.

STEM: Make Ice Cream
Tuesday, September 15, 4 – 5 p.m., Community Room
With support from Lynbrook High WiSTEM, use simple science to make a sweet treat. All ages welcome, while supplies last. No registration necessary.

Travel Program: South Pacific Islands Expedition
Tuesday, September 15, 7:15 – 8:30 p.m., Community Room
Meet the welcoming locals and visit the beautiful unspoiled islands of Papua New Guinea, the Solomon Islands and Vanuatu.

LEGO Club
Wednesday, September 16, 4 – 5 p.m., Orchard Room
Kids ages 5 + can use their building skills and imaginations to have fun with LEGOs! There are also Duplos for younger kids.

Teatime Book Chatter
Thursday, September 17, 1 – 2 p.m., Maple Room
Please visit the Adult Reference Desk to register and pick up a copy of the book.

Indian Carnatic Music Concert
Saturday, September 19, 12:45 – 4:30 p.m., Community Room
You are invited to a concert by Bay Area musicians from the Indian community.

Cajon: Afro-Peruvian Drumming Circle
Sunday, September 20, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Community Room
Learn more about Afro-Peruvian musical traditions in this fun, lively, and inclusive class, where everyone can help make the beat!

Community Seed Swap
Tuesday, September 22, 6 – 8 p.m., Community Room
A Seed Swap is where gardeners come together to trade seeds from their best plants, bringing their own seeds to share and taking home the seeds that others have to offer.

Type In: All About Typewriters
Saturday, September 26, 1 – 5 p.m., Community Room
Meet other typewriter enthusiasts, learn about and try some typewriters, and see some examples of similar models that produced amazing pieces of literature.

Tissue Paper Flower Craft
Sunday, September 27, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., Children's Room
Drop in and make flowers from tissue paper. All materials will be provided.

Mariachi Estelar
Sunday, September 27, 1 – 2 p.m., Community Room
Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month as we welcome Mariachi Estelar. All ages are welcome, so bring the whole family to enjoy the show. Space is first come, first served.

Technology Class
Monday, September 28, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Community Room
Our tech help volunteer will do a deep dive on internet cookies, credit freezing, secure passwords, password managers, multi-factor authentication, and cell phone verification.

KidsCRAFT: Paper Spinners
Tuesday, September 29, 4 – 5 p.m., Community Room
A paper spinner is a small, handmade spinning toy created by cutting paper into a shape that rotates when twisted by hand. No registration necessary.

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Joint Powers Authority Board Meeting
Thursday, September 3, 12 – 1 p.m., Campbell Room
For accessibility accommodations (ex. ASL), please fill out the online form at sccld.org/accessibility 7+ days prior to the event. If you need assistance with the form, speak with a staff member at your local library, call (408) 540-3945, or email us at ask@sccl.org.

WOODLAND – 1975 Grant Road

Monday Meditation and Mindfulness
Mondays, September 14, 21, & 28, 7 – 7:30 p.m.
Practice meditation for 20 minutes, then have 10 minutes to talk to the instructor.

ONLINE EVENTS (Please register online)

Virtual Author Talk: David O. Stewart
Tuesday, September 1, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
David O. Stewart's new book, *The Democracy We Must Keep*, explores the big question at its heart: how the founders understood democracy and what their ideas mean for us today.

Virtual Author Talk: Daniel Kraus
Tuesday, September 8, 4 – 5 p.m.
Join us for a talk with Daniel Kraus about his new novel, *The Sixth Nik*, and celebrate its release with an online event that dives into the dark mysteries of deep space.

Online English Conversation Club
Thursdays, September 10, 17, & 24, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Meet new friends and practice English together.

Virtual Author Talk: Priya Parker
Tuesday, September 15, 1 – 2 p.m.
The Art of Fighting: The Transformative Power of Conflict by Priya Parker explains why conflict is normal and how it helps groups grow. It shows how to face disagreements in healthy ways and teaches skills to handle tough situations wisely.

Virtual Library Talks: Discover HelpNow
Tuesday, September 15, 4:30 – 5:15 p.m.
Discover how the live online tutors and study tools can help you with homework and test prep. See how the Writing Lab, flash cards, and more can boost your learning.

Virtual Author Talk: Yasmine Cheyenne
Thursday, September 17, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Yasmine Cheyenne's new book, *The Comeback Era: From Limiting Beliefs to Living Without Limits* explores how reconnecting with your true self can open the door to real change.

Asian Art Museum: Worlds of Creativity
Tuesday, September 22, 7 – 8 p.m.
Experience the variety of styles and approaches with which Asian painters envision their surroundings. Join us in sampling the creativity of these painted worlds.

Virtual Library Talks: Universal Class
Wednesday, September 23, 11 – 11:45 a.m.
Universal Class offers more than 500 video courses for continuing education. Class subjects include business, history, mathematics, office skills and training, science, health, and hobbies.

Virtual Author Talk: Lucky Diaz
Thursday, September 24, 4 – 5 p.m. (English) and 5 – 6 p.m. (Spanish)
Join us as we talk with Lucky Diaz about his bilingual picture book, *Paletero Man*, and celebrate a joyful story of community, music, and summer fun.
Acompáñenos a conversar con Lucky Diaz sobre su libro ilustrado bilingüe, *Paletero Man*, y a celebrar una historia alegre sobre la comunidad, la música y la diversión del verano.

MEMORANDUM **City of Campbell**

City Manager Office

To: Civic Improvement Commission **Date:** September 2, 2026

From: Diana Johnson, Recording Secretary

Subject: **Capture Campbell – Project History**

Purpose

At its August 13, 2026 meeting, the Civic Improvement Commission made a motion to agendize **"**Capture Campbell Themed Projects" for further discussion at its September 10, 2026 meeting.

As the Ad Hoc Committee considers potential changes to the themes for the Capture Campbell project, staff is providing the Commission with background information on the history of the program. The intent of this memorandum is to provide the Commission with historical context regarding the original Capture Campbell photography contest and its structure when it was approved in 2018.

Background

At its February 8, 2018 meeting, the Civic Improvement Commission unanimously approved the Capture Campbell Photo Contest**.**

The following language is taken directly from the February 8, 2018 meeting minutes:

"Participants must live or attend school in Campbell. There are three age groups: 10-under, 11-14 and 15-18 and three subject categories: Outdoor/Nature, Campbell Life and Architecture. Photos must be taken in a public place and contestants are allowed to submit one photo for each category; however, can only win once. Winners of each age group will receive $100 with a certificate and recognition at a Council meeting. Local businesses will be targeted for monetary donations. Photos will be displayed in the Library, City Hall, Council Chambers and City's website. The contest will run April 1 through September 30. The sub-committee is looking for professional input by photographers to assist with judging. Judging will commence at the beginning of October. The contest will be advertised, and promoted in local shops, the Youth Commission, Chamber, Rotary and churches."

Original Capture Campbell Program: Based on the 2018 Commission action and meeting minutes, the original Capture Campbell photography contest included the following components:

Eligibility: Participants were required to either **live in or attend school in Campbell**.

Age Categories: The original contest included three age groups:

- **10 years and under**
- **11–14 years**
- **15–18 years**

Photography Categories: The original photography themes were:

- **Outdoor/Nature**
- **Campbell Life**
- **Architecture**

Submissions: Contestants could submit **one photograph in each subject category**, but could only win once.

Awards and Recognition: Winners were to receive a **$100 award**, along with a certificate and recognition at a City Council meeting.

Judging: The Commission's subcommittee sought professional input from local photographers to assist with judging. Judging was scheduled to begin at the beginning of October.

Promotion and Display: The contest was to be promoted through local businesses and community organizations, including the Youth Commission, Chamber, Rotary, and churches. Winning and/or submitted photographs were also intended to be displayed at City facilities, including the **Library, City Hall, and Council Chambers**, as well as on the City's website.

Contest Period: The original contest was scheduled to run from April 1 through September 30.

Current Discussion: The Ad Hoc Committee is currently discussing the possibility of revising the photography themes for a future Capture Campbell project.

The following concepts have been discussed as part of that conversation:

- **Outdoor/Nature**
- **Campbell Life**
- **Architecture**

The Ad Hoc Committee may wish to consider whether these original themes continue to reflect the desired purpose of the project or whether updated themes would better encourage youth participation and provide a contemporary perspective of the community.

Any proposed changes to the themes, contest structure, or other elements of the Capture Campbell project would be subject to further discussion and direction by the Commission.

Sponsorship History: The original Capture Campbell contest also included an effort to obtain financial support from local businesses and photographers. Previous sponsors and supporters have included:

- San Jose Camera and Video
- Rhee Bevere Photography
- Shailee Connolly Photography
- Karen Tamaki Photography
- Better Homes & Gardens Real Estate

Conclusion

The Capture Campbell photography contest was originally approved by the Civic Improvement Commission in 2018 as an opportunity for local youth to photograph and showcase their community.

Providing the history of the program will allow the Commission to consider potential changes to the Capture Campbell themes with an understanding of the program's original purpose, structure, eligibility requirements, contest period, judging process, awards, and community partnerships.

The September 10, 2026 discussion will provide an opportunity for the Commission to provide direction regarding potential updates to the Capture Campbell project, including whether the original photography themes should be retained, modified, or replaced.