

EAST REGION BOARD REPORT APRIL 2015

National Library Week was celebrated this month in the East Region:

Chance Theater presented “Murder by the Book,” a reader’s theater production of Agatha Christie’s life, characters and works. The actors were very well received by our lunchtime audience, many of whom stayed to chat with the writer/director and cast before they travelled to their next performance at Haskett. Thanks to the Anaheim Public Library Foundation for sponsoring this special program for three locations.



“Murder by the Book” performance, Chance Theater

FOCAL (Friends of Canyon Hills Library) held a fundraiser with Panera Bread, receiving \$86 from diner’s receipts on April 15. This was a very easy way to support the library’s support group simply by printing and distributing flyers and encouraging the public to attend.

The Young Adult Council’s first (annual) Primp for the Prom expo featured a variety of important services and supplies to make this rite of passage extra special for students. Booths with displays and hands-on demos by a make-up artist, hairstylist, a florist, tuxedo shop were in the MPR; some provided discount coupons and others had raffles. A Hummer limo outside attracted lots of attention from everyone! Mustache Mike’s Italian Ice provided cool refreshments and donated a percentage of their proceeds to YAC. Next year we’ll be sure to have Canyon HS informers notify us for scheduling purposes so that we don’t conflict with “senior ditch day!”

Primp for the Prom



Erica Preus, Makeup Artist



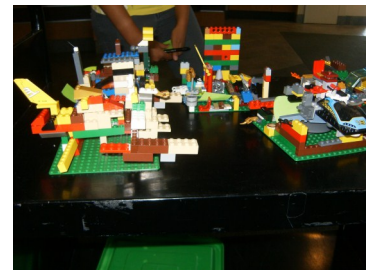
Jessica Rousseau, Hairstylist



White Rose Limousine Company



Moustache Mike's Italian Ice



Lego masterpieces!

Lego building group, hard at work on their projects.

At East Anaheim, the 2nd annual Lego Extravaganza challenged young “master builders” to create a structure in 45 minutes from a massive tub of Lego bricks, generously lent to us by Bricks4Kids, who also furnished the grand prize, a certificate for two people to attend one of their classes at the East Anaheim Community Center. Other prizes were donated by Target, who provided a gift card for the purpose of buying refreshments, and Campinelli’s cookies. Part-time Clerk Darlene Olympius again orchestrated this popular event, meticulously planning every detail. The sign-up sheet filled quickly, with an even-longer stand-by list, longer than we could accommodate space and material-wise. Siblings in attendance built a community project from Duplo bricks during the competition, and all received goody bags with colorful Lego brick candies, Legoland discount coupons, and a giant sugar cookie. A huge display of Lego and other related books highlighted by balloons provided a colorful backdrop, and the soundtrack from the Lego movie entertained the builders and audience (and is now stuck in staff’s heads!)

Lego master builder at work



Canyon Hills served as a collection point for donations to Canning Hunger in their shoe drive with the Canyon Hills Women's Club. The community has been incredibly supportive: two jumbo boxes are filled every few days. These donations support mini-businesses and create sustainable jobs in developing nations as well as providing food for local families in need.

East Branch is now offering Tech Help classes twice a month. Part-time Library Technician Scott Fretwell provides instructional assistance to patrons in need of help with their e-mail accounts, internet searches, Microsoft program issues, downloading eBooks and any other questions. The classes are held Wednesday mornings at 11:00 am for an hour, and registration is required.