



## MEMORANDUM

### Library Services Department

**DATE:** January 23, 2017  
**TO:** Library Board of Trustees  
**FROM:** Rosanne Macek, Library Services Director  
**SUBJECT:** **Library Report**

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#### **5.1 LIBRARY BUDGET**

There are two opportunities for the Library Board to provide input to the City Council on the Library budget. The first will be for the March 28 study session on the Capital Improvement Program and the next is the April 28 meeting on the narrative budget. The CIP budget is especially critical this year as there are three potential Library projects: remodel, joining the CENIC high speed network, and upgrading the Library's automated materials handling system.

#### **6.3 RESCHEDULE THE FEBRUARY 27 MEETING**

The City Council will be having a goal setting meeting on February 27 from 5:30 to 8:30pm. Department Heads are required to attend and this conflicts with the Library Board meeting. I would like to discuss the possibility of holding the Library Board meeting another day that week.

#### **WARM WISHES**

You probably noticed all the warm wishes around the Library this month. We received over 1,500 banners to hang throughout the Library! To conclude this month-long expression of warm wishes for our community we will be joined by the World

Harmony Chorus on Sunday, January 29, from 2:00 to 4:00pm. You will be receiving a personal invitation to this event and I hope you can join us!



### SILICON VALLEY READS

Silicon Valley Reads is an annual community program that selects books focused on a contemporary theme and offers free events throughout Santa Clara County to engage the public in reading, thinking and discussing the topic. The goals are to encourage the love of reading and learning and to have a welcoming forum where our diverse community can come together to share different perspectives. Mountain View has participated for the past five years and will again this year, with generous sponsorship from the Friends of the Library.

In 2017, the 15th anniversary, Silicon Valley Reads focuses on “. . . and justice for all,” a conversation about the unconscious biases we all have, and how these assumptions, perceptions and prejudices can lead to people being treated unfairly, especially in the legal system. Everyone has, at one time or another, been unfairly judged because of some type of bias and the goal is to raise awareness and spark new ideas on how we can reduce bias in our legal system and our daily lives.

This year's books are *Unfair: The New Science of Criminal Injustice* by Adam Benforado and *Writing My Wrongs: Life, Death, and Redemption in an American Prison* by Shaka Senhonor. Adam Benforado, an associate professor of law at Drexel University, will be at the Mountain View Library on March 21 in the evening to discuss his book.

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

This is just a selection of upcoming programs at the Library. See our online calendar for a complete listing of events here: <http://bit.ly/1tKjJ4v>

Jan. 24, 7:00pm: **Get More Writing Done in 2017**. Join author, Anne Janzer, as she shares strategies for increasing your writing productivity without sacrificing creativity. We'll cover strategies for priming the writing process with creative incubation, writing the first draft more fluidly, and structuring the revision process.

Jan. 25, 7:00pm: **3D3P: Printed Part Project**. This is the last of a three-part series to show you how to design and print your own project on the Library's 3D printer.

Jan. 26, 7:00pm: **The Mindful Child**. Cultivating mindfulness is a gift we give our children that has lifelong rewards for them. For parents of children 4-18.

Jan. 29, 2:00pm: **Warm Wishes Celebration with Daniel Steinberg and the World Harmony Chorus**. Join us to celebrate the Warm Wishes for Mountain View project! We'll have an interactive performance with the World Harmony Chorus, followed by refreshments in the lobby, and a chance to add more "Warm Wishes" to the chain.

Jan. 31, 7:00pm: **Disinheriting the IRS From Your Retirement Accounts**. Without proper planning, the IRS can be the largest beneficiary of your retirement accounts. At this educational workshop, registrants learned how a five-step action plan may help protect their retirement savings from the Tax Man.

Feb. 4, 3:30pm: **Coding for Kids**. Part one of a three part series. Coding for kids introduces kids in grades 3-6th to computer programming using Tynker, a visual programming language. Kids learn to develop games, stories, puzzles and more using visual coding blocks.

Feb. 6, 6:30pm: **Sew Sew with FabMo: Make Your Own Heart Pin**. The talented volunteers from FabMo will teach you to make your own embellished felt heart brooch in this free workshop.

Feb. 7, 7:00pm: **LinkedIn For Professionals: LinkedIn 101**. Join Oscar Garcia, Community Partnership Manager with LinkedIn, where he will show you how to build a great profile, ways to increase your connections, and how to share your information in a way that gets people interested.

Feb. 9, 7:00pm: **Laundry-to-Landscape Graywater Workshop**. Learn about graywater during this overview of graywater laundry-to-landscape systems, what you need to know to install one in your own home, and how to apply for a \$200 rebate.

February 11, 10:15am: **Earn It! Keep It! Save It! - Drop-in Tax Preparation Assistance**. Free help in preparing and filing your Federal and State income tax returns. This drop-in service is available to households with a 2016 income of \$54,000 or less. Services provided by IRS-certified VITA Volunteers.

### **FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOKSALE**

February 11-12.

### **PRESIDENTS DAY HOLIDAY**

The Library will be closed Monday, February 20, for Presidents Day.