



Santiago Library System
Reference and Local History Committee
Meeting Notes
May 9, 2023, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Yorba Linda Public Library
4852 Lakeview Ave., Yorba Linda, CA 92886

1. Call to Order: 10:05 a.m.
2. Roll Call

Chair
Secretary

- Secretary: Rebecca Lightfoot, **Newport Beach Public Library**, rlightfoot@newportbeachca.gov
- Keisha Loidolt, **Orange Public Library**, kloidolt@cityoforange.org
- Chair: Jessica Young, **Yorba Linda Public Library**, jyoung@yorbalingca.gov
- Amy Crepeau, **Huntington Beach Public Library**, acrepeau@surfcity-hb.org
- Kent Baecker, **Fullerton Public Library**, kent.baecker@cityoffullerton.com
- Patty Lopez, **Santa Ana Public Library**, plopez@santa-ana.org
- Bruce Dunphy, **Mission Viejo Public Library**, bdunphy@cityofmissionviejo.org
- Jason Woods, **Anaheim Public Library**, jwoods@anaheim.net
- Julia Reardon, **Orange County Public Library**, julia.reardon@occr.ocgov.com
- Michelle Meades, **Placentia Library District**, mmeades@placentialibrary.org
- Gloria Nguyen, **Buena Park Library District**, gnguyen@buenaparklibrary.org
- Brian Sternberg, **Santa Ana Public Library**, bsternberg@santa-ana.org

3. Adoption of Agenda
Motion to adopt: Rebecca Lightfoot
Seconded by: Michelle Meades
All in favor? All yesses.
Motion is carried.
4. Adoption of the Minutes from March 13, 2023
Motion to adopt: Rebecca Lightfoot
Seconded by: Kent Baecker
All in favor: All yesses.
Motion carried.
5. No public present. No public comments.

New Business

6. **Community Partnerships**

Committee

Newport Beach, Rebecca Lightfoot

- Be Well/City Net for Homeless Outreach
- Oasis Senior Center: outreach and classes

- Sherman Library and Gardens: historical photos
- Schools: outreach for SRP as well as first grade class visits, other tours
- Chamber of Commerce: Wake Up, Newport lectures
- Newport Beach Public Library Foundation and UCI: science lectures

Orange, Keisha Loidolt

- Local Businesses
 - OPL currently partners with local businesses through the discount Citrus Perks program, general programming (paid and unpaid), donations for big events like SRC, and author events.
- Education
 - Educational institutions that we partner with include the Orange Unified School District, Chapman University and Santiago Canyon College.
 - These partnerships vary but include offering programming to the community, we mutually promote our programs/services, and library staff can make referrals to these institutions based on patron need.
- Local History
 - Our Local History Archivist keeps a close relationship with multiple libraries, historical organizations, and local community historical groups.
 - These partnerships help us with programming, sharing of historical information and collections, networking, marketing, and other support.
- Other
 - Other meaningful partnerships come in various forms such as volunteers for our programs, donations, and collection support. These include the Elk's Club, American Heart Association, Alzheimer's Association, National Charity League, and much more.

YLPL, Jessica Young

- The Yorba Linda Public Library partners with ScoreOC to offer monthly small business workshops on a variety of topics. Topics include: 10 Commandments of Marketing, Beating Your Competition on Amazon, and the Buy, Sell, and the Value of Your Business.
- We also partner with Orange County Credit Union to offer financial literacy programs for adults and teens.
- The UCCE Master Gardeners of Orange County partner with the library to offer 4-6 gardening programs a year.
- The Yorba Linda Arts Alliance partners with the Library on our annual Exposed Art and Literature Contest for teens. They provide a group of judges to evaluate the entries and choose the winners.

- The North Orange County Genealogical Society partners with the library to offer our Genealogy Investigators program. Twice a month 1-2 volunteers provide one on one assistance with any genealogy questions patrons might have.
- Chino Hills State Park has also partnered with the Library to provide educational talks about the park. We are looking to expand this partnership to other State Parks in the upcoming months.
- We also partner with the Parks and Recreation Department of the city to put on Youth Empowerment Day, Holidays on the Paseo and the Teen Film Festival.
- Each month a staff member visits Sunrise Senior Living Center to bring large print books to it's residents. This has been an ongoing outreach since 2016.
- My Day Counts, partners with the Library for a once a month program called Library for All.
- The Children's staff work with the kindergarten and 3rd grades classes in the city. Using Friends of the Library money, the pay to bus in the students for a field trip to the Library.

Huntington Beach, Amy Crepeau

- Oak View Collaborative – our Oak View Branch is part of this group of social service, educational and faith based organizations supporting the Oak View neighborhood
- Shipley Nature Center – we do collaborative programming like Poetry Walk, Story times and Bibliotherapy programs
- Schools – library cards for 8th graders this year and working on high school library cards this year, also special programming through literacy program at Oak View Branch (ELLI)
- Sea and Sage Audubon Society – Birding 101 and Bird Watching part of Backyard Bird Count programming
- VAALA – Viet Film Festival
- AAA – Teen Driving Workshops
- City Archivist – library history programs and library tours
- HB Reads – meet @ HBPL, have a staff liaison and programs for the public (including children's programs) in conjunction with the chosen book each year
- American Legion Post 133 – run our Veterans Resource Center
- Seed Library – master gardeners
- Senior Center – programs for seniors and outreach events
- FOTL – FOTCL – Literacy Volunteers HBPL Board

Fullerton Public Library, Kent Baecker

- Nothing to report

Santa Ana Public Library, Patty Lopez

- American Heart Association
- Parks & Recreation
- Santa Ana Police Dept.
- Santa Ana Work Center
- Cultural Organizations
- Local health organizations

Buena Park Public Library, Gloria Nguyen

We have Partnerships with: Orange County Workforce Solutions (OC Mobile Unit), United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, Orange County Master Gardners, we have a Buena Park Library Outreach team that goes to the local parks and host storytime or join/offer resources to the public, attend community events to reach out to people who don't frequent the library.

Placentia Library District, Michelle Meades

- The local history room librarian attends the Placentia Historical Committee meetings to maintain a relationship with this historical group and is available for any research they might do.
- We just finished hosting 7 schools for 3rd grade visits where the students learned about the library, local history, local government and were treated to demonstrations by the police and fire departments. This program was hosted by the library and the city and police and fire partnered with us.
- We also hosted 2 open houses: Photographs - explore Placentia's history through photos as well as Preserving Home Movies which is tied in to our Memory Lab.

Mission Viejo Public Library, Bruce Dunphy

- Collaboration:
 - Inter-City Departments/Committees –
 - Example: Heritage Committee - Obtains materials for the Local History collection
 - Example: Recreation Department – Collaborative programs on the Oso Trail and the North Paseo – are developing city-owned venues for events
- Support:
 - Friends of the Library –
 - Example: Book store and Amazon sales
 - Example: Seasonal Book Fairs
 - Retail Merchants:
 - Example: Providing gift cards and other items as event prizes
 - Example: Providing on-site support of food or beverages for programs (Teen

- Intern Program with Coffee)
 - Mission Viejo Mall –
 - Example: Hosting seasonal story times
- Outreach:
 - Schools and youth organizations:
 - Examples: School visits by librarians
 - Examples: Providing library tours to youth organizations (Scouts) and home school students
 - Retirement homes –
 - Example: Providing way to check out physical books onsite
 - Example: Providing homebound services – books by mail
 - Veteran Groups:
 - Example: Assisting with counseling, activities, and materials
 - Business Assistance:
 - Example: Providing meeting space for SCORE sessions
 - Entertainment venues:
 - Example: Information Booths set up at events – WonderCon (Anaheim, 2017 – Introducing new library card designs), Symphony in the Cities, Arts Alive, and several other local events

Anaheim Public Library, Jason Woods

- Mobile Services – we are very proud of our mobile services division, going to parks, apartment complexes, senior retirement communities, and many schools in the Anaheim School district either with our Bookmobile bus or STEAM van
- MemorialCare – We have monthly wellness Zoom presentation in collaboration with MemorialCare who provides certified physicians to talk on various topics of our choosing. Most recently we have and a physician speak on Asthma & Allergies, as well as Women’s Health, Men’s Health, and identifying and controlling high sugar levels.
- UCCE Master Gardener and Food Preserver partnership. This is organization is a dream to work with, bringing high level, prepared volunteers presenting clear and interesting presentations. Up next, “What’s Bugging your plants?” These retired professors and often other professionals going through certified training before becoming presenters for UCCE. Easy marketing tip, for the Gardening Series, dropping fliers off at local nurseries and florists work great.
- Yoga – I asked if any other libraries had experience with Yoga programming. Michelle, I believe, from Placentia, said they asked attendees to bring their own mats. Jessica, of Yorba Linda, said they opted for chair Yoga, catering to the elderly and did have them sign a liability waiver, just in case.

OCPL, Julia Reardon

- Older Americans Month
 - Council on Aging
 - HICAP
 - CalFresh
- Discover & Go – a partnership between local cultural institutions & OCPL

- Aquarium of the Pacific
- Brea Gallery
- Cabrillo Playhouse
- Casa Romantica
- Curtis Theatre
- Laguana Playhouse
- Mission San Juan Capistrano
- Muckenthaler Cultural Center
- Newport Whales
- Pretend City
- Santa Ana Zoo
- Orange Coast College Planetarium
- South Coast Repertory

7. **Annual Project – Updated the 2015 version of the SLS Directory** Committee

Jessica will be presenting the updated SLS Directory to the Directors on May 16. Once it's approved the link will be sent out to everyone. It will be a helpful resource as long as we remember to maintain it.

8. **Election of Next Year's Officers**

Amy Crepeau from Huntington Beach will serve as President

Patty Lopez from Santa Ana will serve as Secretary

9. **Round Table**

Committee

Newport Beach, Rebecca Lightfoot

- Digital Saturday on April 22 had a good turnout
- Currently hiring a Librarian III: Adult Services Coordinator and a Literacy Coordinator
- California Poet Laureate Lee Herrick will be here on May 17
- Sculpture Garden Phase VIII will be installed June 24
- New projector for the Friends Room to be installed soon

- Two staff members are attending the Library Journal's Design Conference in Durham, North Carolina on June 1
- City going out to re-bid on Witte Hall

Orange, Keisha Loidolt

- Recent big programs at Orange Public Library
 - On April 8 Heritage Days celebrated City of Orange history, along with the city's 135th anniversary.
 - On April 29 El día de los niños brought in 75 children and families to celebrate literacy and world cultures.
- Grants
 - We are wrapping up our Sustainability and State Parks grants.
 - The program series for both continue, but surprisingly the most popular program so far was a Mushroom Identifying and Foraging 101 program.
 - Palace officially launched to our patrons on May 1. The State's Palace ebook collection continues to improve thanks to the eBooks for All grant. OPL is also a recipient of the grant.
- Upcoming Summer Offerings
 - Lunch at the Library begins at the El Modena Branch Library on June 12.
 - In partnership with the local school district, we serve lunches on Mondays through Thursdays.
 - Summer Reading Club begins June 19.
 - Our local bookstore Book Carnival is partnering with us to offer 2 author programs at the library:
 - Dave Lopez on July 22
 - Cozy Author Panel featuring Ellen Byron, Daryl Wood Gerber, and Lee Hollis on August 12
 - Pop Up Library outreach efforts increase this summer. The Library will be represented at Farmer's Markets, city movie and music events, and more.

YLPL, Jessica Young

- We are really just gearing up for summer reading as June fast approaches. Our volunteer program just opened to Yorba Linda residents yesterday.
- This Saturday, May 13 from 10:30-1:00 is our Star Wars Day event. We will have over 20 characters, various crafts, and a puppet and lightsaber demonstration.
- We continue to offer programs as part of our State Parks grant including: Teen DIY Bird Feeders, Nature Journaling, Create a Wildlife Habitat, and Art Instruction: Spring Nature Acrylic Painting.
- Shortly there will be a job opening for a part-time page position.

- Also, we applied for and received the grant for the free eclipse glasses. We are planning a large solar eclipse program on Saturday, October 14 with the partial eclipse beginning at about 8:00 a.m. and the maximum around 9:20 a.m.

Huntington Beach, Amy Crepeau

- Central Library Power Outage – April 14 through April 30. One of Central Library’s transformers caught fire causing damage to power lines. Branch Libraries remained open to serve the public and saw an increase in library visits. Central Library power has been restored with generators and work on procuring a new transformer is underway.
- Teen internship program – first round of teen interns completed their time at HBPL. Teens learned about library services from different vantage points and did an outstanding job on programs including a culminating Cultural Fair that included representatives from local high school clubs who provided games, activities or treats. The Culture Fair drew about 500 participants.
- Oak View Branch Library Design process moved forward another step with the presentation of proposed design plans at City Council.
- Design process for new Children’s and Teen areas began in April and will continue over the next month’s gathering input from stakeholders.
- We are working with the Huntington Beach Senior Center to develop a homebound book delivery pilot
- Tech workshop at HB Senior Center introducing the Palace App went well.

Fullerton Public Library, Kent Baecker

- Nothing to report

Santa Ana Public Library, Patty Lopez

Nothing to report.

Placentia Library District, Michelle Meades

- Ongoing programs such as book club and yoga continue to be popular for Placentia patrons.
- Painting in the Stacks was brought back after a 5 year hiatus - much to the community's delight.
- We partnered with OC Master Gardeners for a successful program entitled Create a Wildlife Habitat in you Back Garden, the Master Gardeners are always popular.
- Literacy partnered with the Placentia Round Table Women's Club to host the Literacy Recognition Celebration. This celebration was enjoyed by all who attended with the major impact of one tutor continuing to serve when she had been thinking about no longer tutoring.

Buena Park Public Library, Gloria Nguyen

Our Summer Reading Program is through Beanstack and it runs from: June 10 through July 29. We also have a Staff Summer Reading Program.

We are in the process of hiring a Library Clerk and a Library Assistant.

Mission Viejo Public Library, Bruce Dunphy

- Our new full-time Librarian has on-boarded and our two new grant-funded, part-time library specialists have started work – their employment may continue beyond the grant term.

- We are planning for the adult summer reading program which will begin June 15 through July 31. Children’s and Teen’s Summer Reading Program with multi-tiered prize categories are in full planning mode.

- The Local History Spring Lecture series went well, covering the topics of Community Spirit, Olympics of the Past and Future, and Places to Eat in SoCal.

- We will have two smaller scale author events not involved with our Writers Presents series:

 - The library & Southern California Writers Assn. is hosting author Gregg Hurwitz on May 20
 - The library is hosting Historical Romance author Anita Abriel (Anita Hughes) on June 28

- **Children’s:** continuing with story times, Children’s Yoga, scavenger hunts, and hosting a Fireside Book club for Tweens

- **Teen’s:** Programs involving college application preparation, teen’s exam “survival” kits, volunteer and paid internship (grant) opportunities

- **Adult’s:** Bi-weekly tech bar, trivia nights, a Mah Jongg Club, Adult Coloring, and three adult book clubs

Anaheim Public Library, Jason Woods

- 2 new full time Librarians
 - Teen Librarian starting in a few weeks
 - Adult Librarian – Senior Citizens. Will be more than likely a highly outreach type position, partnering with various non-profit organizations.
- Sunday hours at Central and a couple other branches
 - Reason for increase in hiring
 - Looking to have programs daily
- AnaCon
 - Highly attended

- Proud, lot of hard work put into it by staff of many departments
- Anaheim READS
 - Based on Tommy Orange’s book ‘There, There’
 - System wide program
 - Native arts culture date
 - Big kick of program
 - Mid-October through November

OCPL, Julia Reardon

Programs & Events

The new iteration of Literary Orange, *A Slice of Literary Orange*, is a series featuring keynote speakers throughout the year at various venues across the county.

Author Steve Berry

Thursday, June 8 at 6:30pm

STEVE BERRY is the *New York Times* and internationally bestselling author of twenty-one novels. His books have been translated into 41 languages with over 25 million copies in 52 countries. They consistently appear in the top echelon of *The New York Times*, *USA Today*, and Indie bestseller lists.

Clifton C. Miller Community Center

300 Centennial Way

Tustin, CA 92780

Author David Grann

Tuesday, June 13 at 6:30pm

DAVID GRANN is the *New Yorker* writer and bestselling author of *Killers of the Flower Moon* and *The Lost City of Z*. Known for his compelling stories, Grann has been called "The man Hollywood can't stop reading," with four of his *New Yorker* articles adapted for the screen.

Norma Hertzog Community Center

1845 Park Ave

Costa Mesa, CA 92627

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH - May

Senior Get-Together Events

Wednesday, May 10, 2023 at 10:00-11:30am

Irvine Katie Wheeler Library

13109 Old Myford Rd.

Irvine, CA 92602

Wednesday, May 17, 2023 at 10:00-11:30am

San Clemente Library

242 Avenida Del Mar
San Clemente, CA 92672

Hang out with the Senior Services Committee, Mobile Library, CalFresh, HICAP and ReConnect at an OC special sites. There will be a music theme craft, introduction to OC Memory Lab's personal document/photo/audiovisual preservation services, food demonstrations and giveaways while supplies last!

Bryan Cabrera Trio

Saturday, May 13, 2023 at 2:00-3:00pm

Cypress Library

5331 Orange Ave.

Cypress, CA 90630

10. Review of Action Items

- Next meeting is September 12, 2023, at either the Huntington Beach Public Library or Yorba Linda (email to follow with exact location).
- Discussion of next year's topics will take place in September
- The rest of the year's tentative schedule is as follows:
 - November 14, 2023, at the Santa Ana Public Library
 - January 9, 2024, at the Anaheim Public Library
 - March 12, 2024, at the Fullerton Public Library
 - May 14, 2024, at the Newport Beach Public Library

Adjournment: 12:07 p.m.