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**CITY OF HAYWARD LIBRARY COMMISSION**

Hayward Public Library  
Administrative Office  
835 C Street, Hayward, CA 94541

April 16, 2012  
6:30 PM

**A G E N D A**

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Roll Call**

**4. Minutes of Meeting of March 19, 2012**

**5. Public Comment**

This section provides an opportunity to address the Library Commission on items listed on the agenda, as well as other items of interest. The Commission welcomes comments and requests that speakers present their remarks within established time limits. (Individual comments are set at a 3-minute time limit; comments on behalf of a group are set at a 5-minute time limit.) As the Commission is prohibited by State law from discussing items not listed on the agenda, your item will be taken under consideration and may be referred to staff.

**6. Friends of the Hayward Public Library Report**

Report on the activities of the Friends of the Hayward Public Library

**7. Report from Director of Library and Community Services**

**8. New Business**

- a. FY 2013 Budget
- b. Library Services Overview

**9. Library Commission Report**

Report on Library activities in which Commissioners have been engaged.

**10. City Council Liaison Report**

Report on City matters that are of pertinence to the Library Commission.

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**11. Agenda Building**

Consider items for inclusion on the Library Commission Agenda for coming months.

- Automated Materials Handling System Project

**12. Adjournment**



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**Minutes of the Library Commission Meeting**  
 Hayward Public Library  
 835 C Street, Hayward CA 94541

**March 19, 2012**

1. **Call to Order:** Commission Chair Kelly Greenne called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Commissioners recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Attendance:**

	<b>Attendance this Meeting</b>	<b>Present to Date Regular Meetings</b>	<b>Absent to Date Regular Meetings</b>	<b>Attendance Special Meetings</b>
<b>Commissioner</b>				
Linda Bennett	X	6	0	0
Lisa Brunner	X	4	2	0
Kelly Greenne	X	6	0	0
Judy Harrison	X	6	0	0
Kari McAllister	X	5	1	0
Isabel Sanchez	X	3	3	0
Monica Schultz	0	4	2	0

City Staff: Sean Reinhart, Director of Library and Community Services  
 Olga Ramirez, Library Assistant

City Council Liaison: Council Member Mark Salinas

4. **Approval of Minutes of Meeting of February 27, 2012**  
**Board Action:** It was moved/seconded (Harrison/Bennett) to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 27, 2012 as submitted. Motion unanimously carried.
5. **Public Comment:** Commissioner Bennett commented that she would be leaving the commission meeting early to attend the Neighborhood Safety meeting in the upper B St. area.
6. **Friends of the Hayward Public Library Report.** Commissioner Harrison reported that the Friends of the Library made a total of \$1260 in the month of February. She mentioned that the Friends are co-sponsoring several programs including the Library's fourth annual "big read" event. She also reminded the Commissioners that April is the month to renew membership to the Friends.

Commissioner Harrison announced that Debra Doyle from the San Francisco Friends of the Library will be a guest speaker at the Friends May meeting. Ms. Doyle helped organize the San Francisco Library Foundation. Commissioner Harrison extended an invitation to all the Commissioners to attend the Friends May 9<sup>th</sup> meeting at 6:15 PM in the library administration office. It is hoped that the formation of the Hayward Public Library Friends Foundation will happen sometime this calendar year.

**7. Report from Director of Library and Community Services.**

- a. Director Reinhart provided an update about the California Reads “Book-to-Action” series, featuring the book, *A Paradise Built in Hell: The Extraordinary Communities That Arise in Disaster* by local author Rebecca Solnit.
- b. Director Reinhart noted that the first event of the California Reads series will be the Literacy Plus Fundraiser, “Shake, Rattle and Read”, at Stonebrae Country Club on Saturday, March 31 from 6-9 PM. The fundraiser will include fine dining, wine and a silent auction.
- c. In late 2011, the Friends of the Library received a \$20,000 dollar donation from the Tsai Family Foundation in memory of two family members. The donation was used for the purchase of new foreign language books, non-fiction books and shelving units, which were recently installed. A commemorative plaque will be displayed in the International language area to acknowledge the family’s generous gift.

**8. New Business.**

- a. **FY 2013 Budget Outlook.** City Council has reviewed the Finance Director’s mid-year budget report which included a snapshot of FY 2013 budget outlook. The city is facing a significant structural budget deficit of \$14 million dollars (11.9% gap) in the general fund which has been brought on by a combination of factors: decline in revenues, and increase in employee costs (pensions, CALPERS rates, and escalating health costs). The finance team is meeting with all the employee bargaining units to discuss structural cost-sharing solutions for closing the budget gap.
- b. **New Library and Community Learning Center.** Director Reinhart reported on the progress on the acquisition of the post office parking lot property. There have been internal changes at the USPS. The new USPS regional asset manager has been contacted and brought up to speed on the city’s intentions to acquire the property. The regional asset manager is currently reviewing the disposition status of all postal properties in the region and will report back to the City upon completion of his review.

**9. Library Commission Report.** Commissioner Harrison shared that she visited the Pompeii Library during her recent trip to Pompeii, Italy. She promised to bring some photos in next time.

Commissioner Brunner attended an education forum at All Saints School. She recommended the Literacy Plus program to the school’s core representative because she believes it can really benefit many of the Spanish speaking parents and their children.

Commissioner Chair Greenne commented that she and Commissioner Brunner attended the Hayward Honors Women event on March 8.

**10. City Council Liaison Report.**

- a. Council Member Salinas reported that crime is down in Hayward for the second year in a row. He noted that even Southland Mall has seen a reduction in crime by 85%.
- b. Council Member Salinas shared that the Hayward Honors Women event was a great success. He also reminded the Commissioners about the Cesar Chavez teach-in that will be held on Thursday, March 29, 2012 from 5-7 PM.
- c. Council Member Salinas said the planning for the next "Let's Do Lunch Hayward and Breakfast Too" program is underway. An orientation meeting will be held on Thursday, April 26 from 3-5 at City Hall. Director Reinhart mentioned that he and Council Member Salinas are working together to have the library plaza be a lunch site this summer.

**11. Agenda Building.** The following items were suggested for inclusion on the next agenda:

- a. Automated Materials Handling System Project Update
- b. Library Services Overview

**12. Adjournment:** The Commission Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:50 PM.



## Library Director's Report April 2012

### A Message from the Director

A wise and well-read man once said, "Civilization exists because people can read, and people can read because civilization exists." Books and reading are the essential building blocks we have used throughout history to record, share, and build upon the collective ideas and knowledge of our civilization. Reading is a universal activity that brings people together -- across the ages, across cultures and languages, and around the world. The written word has extraordinary power to stimulate, educate, and open minds, and to lift us all up to higher ground.

But for all the good things about reading, literacy faces many challenges in the modern world. [Reading at Risk: A Survey of Literary Reading in America](#), a comprehensive national report by the National Endowment for the Arts, found that not only was literary reading in America declining rapidly among all demographic groups, but that the rate of decline was accelerating, especially among the young. The report showed that fewer than half of all American adults spend any time reading literature at all. (Fortunately this doesn't seem to be the trend in education-focused Hayward, where people are using their library at record-high levels. In the past year, 1.3 *million* books and media were checked out from Hayward Public Library, shattering all previous records -- and that number continues to climb!)

Now, the cynical observer might ask, does it matter if people read or not? Does reading translate into concrete action in the real world? The answer to both questions is, yes, in fact, it does. The *Reading at Risk* report showed that people who read books often, are far more engaged and active in their communities than people who don't. For example, the report found that readers are nearly three times more likely to attend a performing arts event; one-and-a-half times more likely to attend a sporting event; and over two-and-a-half times more likely to do volunteer or charity work in the community. In addition to the more obvious reasons why we know reading is a good thing -- education, lifelong learning, exploring new ideas, and so forth -- we also know that a community that values reading is likely to be a stronger, more active and engaged community overall.

So, after you have finished reading this -- take action! Check out your Hayward Public Library's website to learn more about our innovative [Book-to-Action series](#), and how you can translate books into community action, right here in your town.

### Library Statistics

Every day we read in the news how more and more people are reading e-books and using the internet. Which leads people to ask me all the time, does that mean that people don't use the library anymore? This is an honest question with a surprising answer, which is that people are now using Hayward Public Library to check out physical library books and media more than ever before. In fact, 1.3 *million* items were physically checked out in the past year, an all time record that doesn't include the thousands of e-book titles that were also checked out of the library (at no charge to the borrowers).

Library use, as measured by circulation statistics, continues to increase year after year, is once again on track to shatter all previous records in 2012. Library staff deserve a lot of the credit for this incredible, unprecedented

increase in use, which is directly attributable to the excellent customer service they deliver, their flexibility in adapting to the increased demand for library resources, and their skill in selecting and stocking the library books and media that meet our community's changing needs and expectations.

The Library collects a lot of statistics each day, and we report them to our community through our Library Commission each month. We collect data on how many people come into our buildings each day, how many items are checked out each hour, how often and how long our public access internet computers are utilized, and many, many other metrics that help us keep track of how we're doing and where we should focus our limited resources to best serve our community. The interesting thing about statistics is that to fully understand the story these data tell sometimes requires more analysis than initially meets the eye.

Take for example the circulation statistics for March 2012, which show that 110,163 items were circulated in that month. By comparison, during the same month in 2011, there were 113,188 items circulated. Wait a minute – does that mean that circulation decreased? Not really. In fact, circulation increased significantly. Yet at first look, the statistics don't tell that story. But when we look deeper, and take into account the fact that the Library is open 9 hours per day on some days of the week, 7 hours on other days of the week, and is closed one day per week, and when we account for variances in the calendar from year to year as to how often each particular day of the week falls within a given month, we learn that the Library was actually open far fewer hours in March 2012 (213 hours) than it was in March 2011 (314 hours), even though our schedule did not change! This interesting trick of the Roman calendar doesn't happen very often, but it had a big impact on our monthly statistical comparisons for March 2012.

The key to unraveling this puzzle and finding data that tell the full story is to look at a different unit of measurement, one that controls for variances in the calendar from year to year. A useful statistic for this purpose is circulation per hour. When the same raw data is expressed instead as circulation per hour, it is revealed that during March 2011, the library circulated 360 items per hour on average, which is quite busy indeed. But in March 2012, we circulated a whopping *517 items per hour*— an increase in volume per hour of 43%!

### **Teens Take Over**

The need for more safe, constructive social events and activities for teens is often expressed by Hayward teens, parents, and other community members. To help address this need, the Library's Teen Advisory Group (TAG) hosted their 5<sup>th</sup> successful after-hours "Teens Take Over" event for teens on Friday, March 16th from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Weekes Branch Library. Advance registration with Library staff was required for this free event. Three members of library staff (including one manager) provided adult supervision at the event as teens in 7th through 12th grades enjoyed safe, fun, social activities such as dancing, crafts, video games, board games, and food. Library staff and TAG members worked together to plan the activities, create a budget, design publicity, and decorate for the event. The event won rave reviews from the 40 teen participants, and the Teen Advisory Group has already begun working on additional after-hours Library social events in the future, possibly in coordination with HARD and the Hayward Youth Commission.

### **Summer Reading Program**

Studies have shown that children lose a significant amount of academic proficiency, up to a month's worth in the summer months, if they do not stay actively engaged in reading and other educational activities. Summer reading programs encourage children to visit their local library and utilize the resources there; to reinforce their love of reading and learning; and to help keep their academic skills sharp during the summer months.

Last year 3,500 children participated in Hayward's summer reading game, over 700 of whom logged 15 hours or more of reading time. Participating children who completed 3, 6, 9, 12 and 15 hours of reading received prizes and free passes donated by local organizations including Chabot Space and Science Center, Children's Fairyland, Lawrence Hall of Science, Museum of Children's Art, Fresh Choice, and Friends of the Library. The goal this

year is to surpass 4,000 participating children, and to increase the number of children who log 15 hours or more of reading to 1,000.

Library staff has been hard at work soliciting donations of prizes for the 2012 program, and their efforts have paid off. The donated prizes pledged to date have a combined retail value of over \$70,000 in in-kind donations including coupons, free kids meals, entry to museums, healthy snacks and more from local and national businesses including Children's Fairyland, Fresh and Easy, Cliff Bar, Lawrence Hall of Science, and more.

### **Correspondence Received**

Recently the Library received a large envelope in the mail. Inside were three long overdue library books on the subjects of drafting and technical drawing, along with the following note:

*Dear Mr. Reinhart:*

*I am returning these library books which I checked out of the Main Hayward branch, and dearly loved for too long (18 years, 8 months, and 12 days). I am very, very sorry for having coveted them for so long, thereby depriving others (much more worthy than I, I might add) of the educational use and benefits.*

*I wish to make amends with their return and cannot afford but a small percentage of probably the huge amount I owe in fines.*

*Please accept my check for \$650.00 (10% of what my best guess to be), along with the books I absconded.*

*Best Regards,  
Marilyn Dayen  
Ephrata, WA*

*P.S. Please, please, please have mercy upon me!*

Accompanying the note was a cashier's check in the amount of \$650.00! In fact, the library's overdue fee policy limits the total amount of overdue fines that may be charged, with the maximum fine being the cost of replacing the item plus a processing fee. Overdue fines do not continue to accrue beyond this maximum amount. Judging by the (old and outdated) proprietary markings and labels on the books, it is clear that they do indeed belong to the Hayward Public Library, and it seems that they were checked out in the early 1990's. This was before computerization of the library's catalog. In fact, no record of these books exists in the current electronic catalog, and no record of an overdue fine could be found.

Though it is unknown what the actual fine would be in this case, Ms. Dayen's generous check likely far exceeds the total amount of overdue fines that would be charged. The Library Director has written back to Ms. Dayen with this information, thanking her for returning the books after all these years, and for her generous check. The response goes on to ask Ms. Dayen if she would like her check returned to her, given that no fine exists in our records, or if she would prefer that the library keep it as a donation, which the Library would use to purchase new books on engineering, illustration, and design.

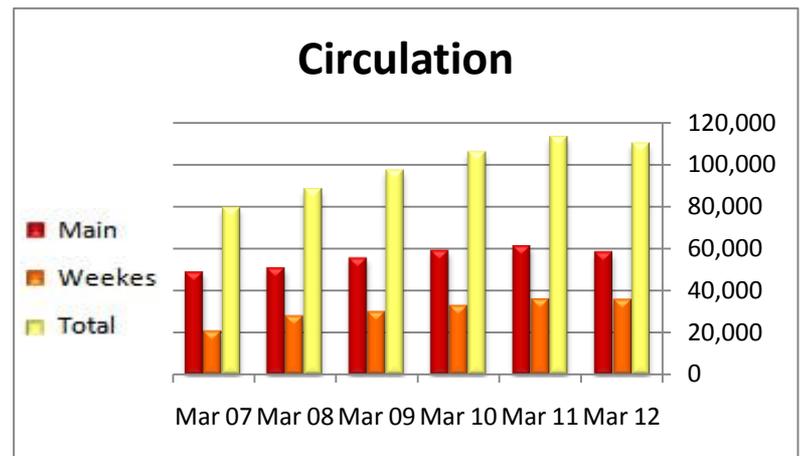
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# Hayward Public Library Statistics -- March 2012

## CIRCULATION

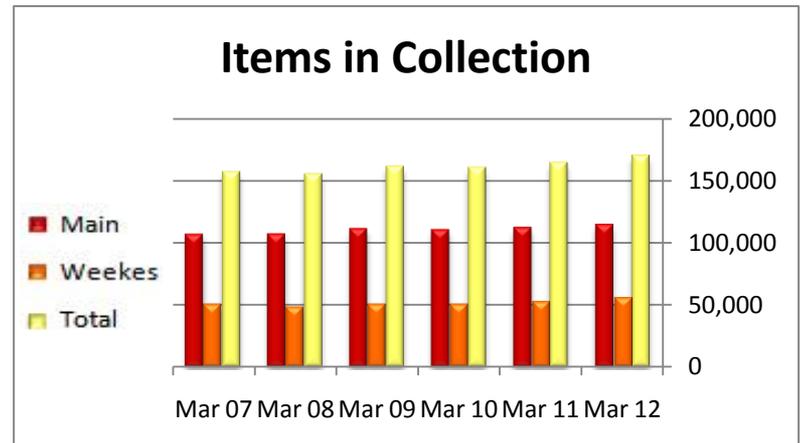
	Main	Weekes	Total
Mar 12	58,441	35,780	110,163
Mar 11	61,370	35,919	113,188
Mar 10	59,144	32,768	106,014
Mar 09	55,604	30,034	97,385
Mar 08	50,935	27,987	88,517
Mar 07	48,909	20,706	79,524

\*Total includes web renewals, inhouse, ebooks



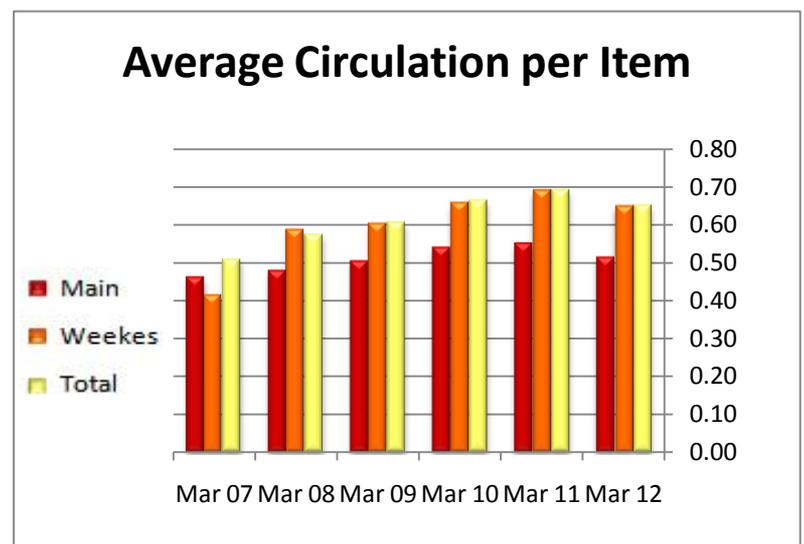
## ITEMS in COLLECTION

	Main	Weekes	Total
Mar 12	114,176	55,226	169,402
Mar 11	111,742	52,068	163,810
Mar 10	109,908	49,924	159,832
Mar 09	110,814	49,896	160,710
Mar 08	106,743	47,772	154,515
Mar 07	106,395	50,024	156,419



## AVERAGE CIRCULATION per ITEM

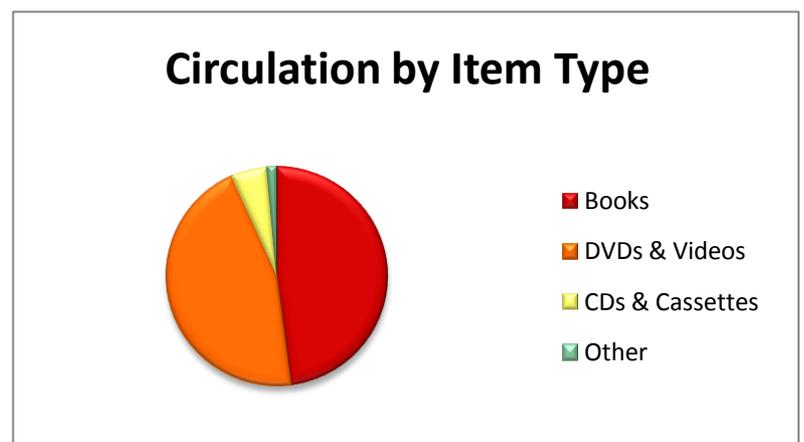
	Main	Weekes	Total
Mar 12	0.51	0.65	0.65
Mar 11	0.55	0.69	0.69
Mar 10	0.54	0.66	0.66
Mar 09	0.50	0.60	0.61
Mar 08	0.48	0.59	0.57
Mar 07	0.46	0.41	0.51



## CIRCULATION by ITEM TYPE

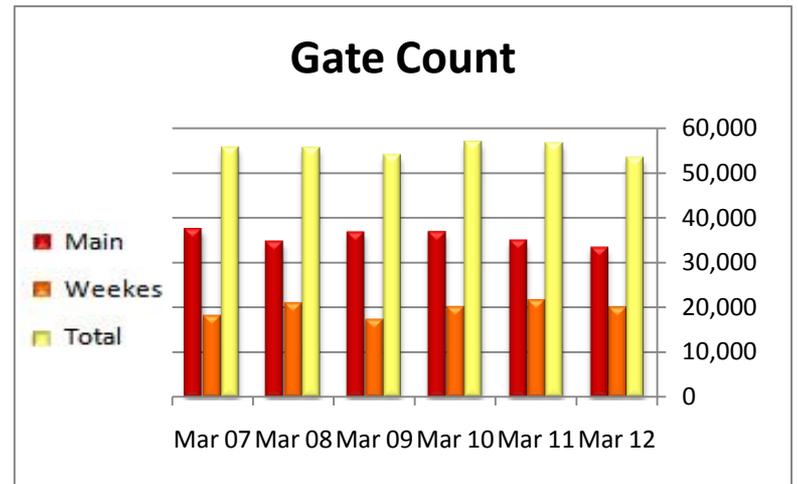
Books	38,365
DVDs & Videos	36,408
CDs & Cassettes	4,200
Other	1,103

(Only Includes Regular Circulation)



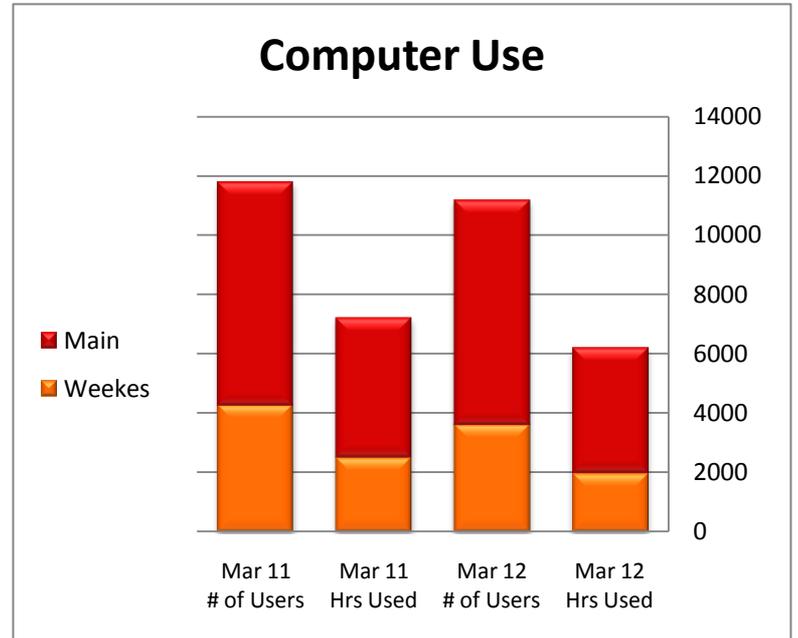
## GATE COUNT

	Main	Weekes	Total
Mar 12	33,335	20,025	53,360
Mar 11	34,890	21,705	56,595
Mar 10	36,770	20,153	56,923
Mar 09	36,694	17,332	54,026
Mar 08	34,634	20,957	55,591
Mar 07	37,441	18,236	55,677



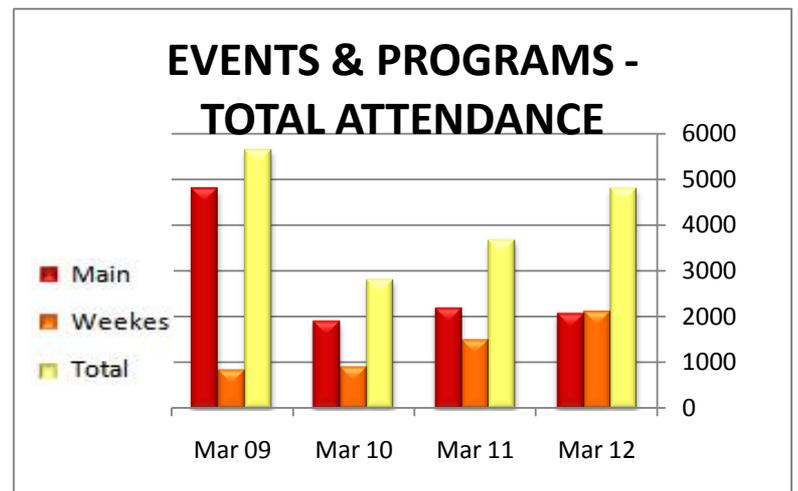
## COMPUTER USE

	Main	Weekes	Total
Mar 12 Hrs Used	4242	1972	6214
Mar 12 # of Users	7593	3593	11186
Average session (Minutes) Mar 12	33.5	32.9	33.3
Mar 11 Hrs Used	4729	2489	7218
Mar 11 # of Users	7564	4235	11799



## EVENTS & PROGRAMS - TOTAL ATTENDANCE

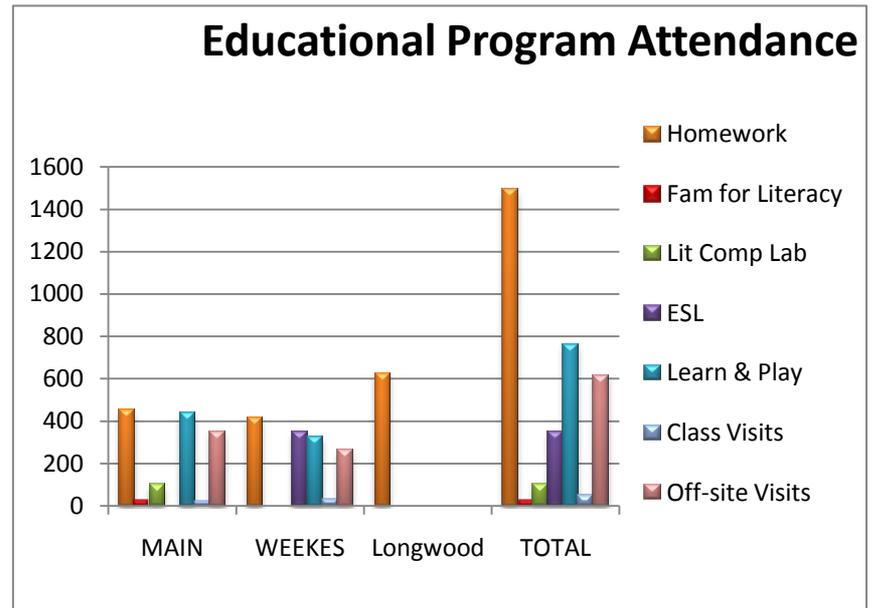
	MAIN	WEEKES	Longwood	TOTAL
Mar 12	2079	2103	627	4809
Mar 11	2191	1489		3680
Mar 10	1912	908		2820
Mar 09	4791	849		5640



## EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

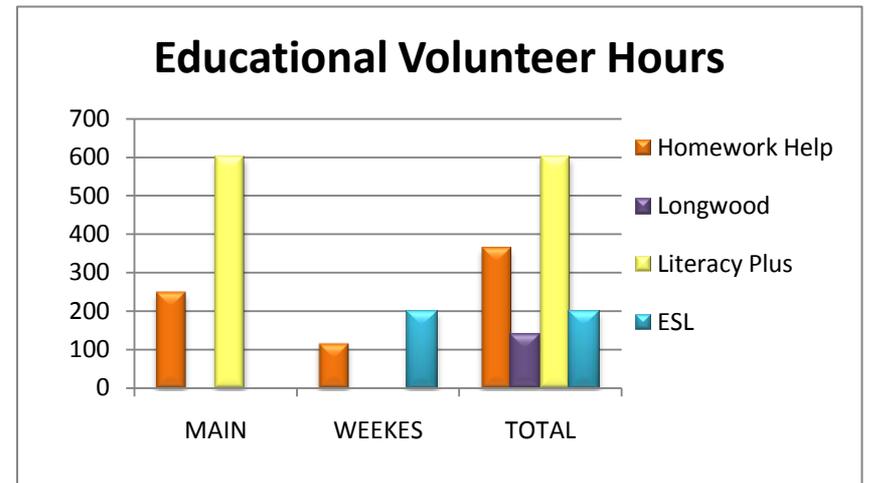
### EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM ATTENDANCE

	MAIN	WEEKES	Longwood	TOTAL
Homework	451	417	627	1495
Fam for Literacy	24	0		24
Lit Comp Lab	101	0		101
ESL	0	350		350
Learn & Play	439	325		764
Class Visits	21	30		51
Off-site Visits	350	265		615
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1386</b>	<b>1387</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>3400</b>



### EDUCATIONAL VOLUNTEER HOURS

	MAIN	WEEKES	TOTAL
Homework Help	248	115	363
Longwood	---	---	139
Literacy Plus	600	0	600
ESL	0	200	200
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>848</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>1,301</b>



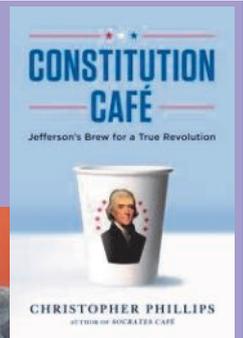
**IN THE SPOTLIGHT - MAY 2012**



**Constitution Café with Christopher Phillips**

Wednesday, May 2 @ 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. at Main Library

Called the "Johnny Appleseed of Philosophy," Christopher Phillips has set out to engage Americans in discussions surrounding our most fundamental rights and freedoms. His latest book, *Constitution Café: Jefferson's Brew for a True Revolution*, illustrates the power and promise of democracy, using the extra-ordinary conversations of ordinary citizens to re-animate the founding ideas and documents of this country. Americans of all stripes are encouraged to grapple with how they would sculpt the United States Constitution if they could start from scratch. Phillips' best-selling book *Socrates Café* has helped form Socrates Café groups around the world.



**Clean-Up Day - Spring Volunteers Needed**

Saturday, May 19 @ 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Weekes Park (27182 Patrick Ave.)

Come out and help Keep Hayward Clean and Green. Free BBQ lunch and complimentary thank you gift for all volunteers. Don't delay! Register by May 9, 2012. Register online: [www.hayward-ca.gov/CleanUpDay](http://www.hayward-ca.gov/CleanUpDay) or call 510-583-4777 for more information.



**Personal Emergency Preparedness (PEP) Training with the Hayward Fire Department**

Saturday, May 12 @ 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Main Library Meeting Room

Develop strategies that help you to prepare for and respond to emergencies, led by Capt. Thor Paulsen.



*This project was made possible with support from Cal Humanities, an independent non-profit state partner of the National Endowment for the Humanities. For more information, visit [www.calhum.org](http://www.calhum.org). Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Hayward Public Library and Hayward Area Historical Society.*



**Resume & Interviewing Skills Workshop**

Wednesday, May 9 @ 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Main Library

Eden Area One Stop Career Center staff will present an important workshop about understanding the essentials of resume development and effective interviewing skills to help you secure your next job. Bring your resume for a professional resume critique. No registration required.

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**Legal Assistance for Seniors Presents:**

**Stepping Up to the Plate:**

**Guardianship and Custody Options**

Tuesday, May 8 at Main Library

Wednesday, May 9 at Weekes Branch

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

- Discusses various custody options and their advantages and disadvantages
- Explains the details of the guardianship process
- Covers services available to help grandparent & relative caregivers through the Kinship Support Services program (KSSP)
- Discusses CalWORKS and other government benefits available to kin caregivers.



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Literacy Plus - Hayward Public Library

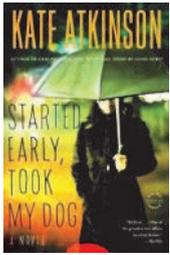
## BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

### Mystery Novels by Women:

#### **Started Early, Took My Dog**

Tuesday, May 1

11:30 a.m. at Le Paradis Bakery  
(D St. and Mission)



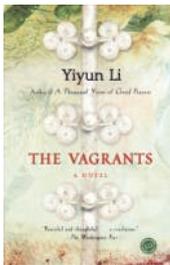
In Kate Atkinson's 4th book in her Jackson Brodie series, Jackson observes an outrageous exchange between two women, one an habitual offender, the other a retired security chief named Tracy, resulting in one of the women becoming an instant mother of a small, neglected little girl. Meanwhile, Jackson, the beloved detective of novels such as *Case Histories*, is embarking on a different sort of rescue—that of an abused dog. Dog in tow, Jackson is about to learn, along with Tracy, that no good deed goes unpunished.

### Mostly Literary Fiction:

#### **Vagrants**

Monday, May 14

Two meetings: Noon at Peet's Coffee (B Street and Mission) & 6:30 p.m. at Main Library



In the late 1970s, as morning dawns on the provincial city of Muddy River, a spirited young woman, Gu Shan, once a devoted follower of Chairman Mao, has renounced her faith in Communism. Now a political prisoner, she is to be executed for her dissent. In luminous prose, award-winning author Yiyun Li gives us a powerful and beautiful portrait of human courage and despair in dramatic times.

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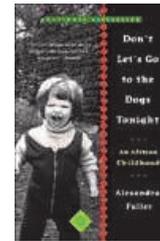
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### Autobiography:

#### **Don't Let's Go to the Dogs Tonight: An African Childhood**

Wednesday, May 16

6:30 p.m. at Main Library



In *Don't Let's Go to the Dogs Tonight*, Alexandra Fuller remembers her African childhood with candor and sensitivity. Though it is a diary of an unruly life in an often inhospitable place, this book is suffused with Fuller's endearing ability to find laughter, even when there is little to celebrate. Fuller's debut is unsentimental and unflinching but always captivating. In wry and sometimes hilarious prose, she stares down disaster and looks back with rage and love at the life of an extraordinary family in an extraordinary time.



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### Knitting Circle

Wednesday, May 9 & 23 @ 6:30 p.m. at Main Library

All levels of knitters, be they beginners or experts, other yarn crafters and friends are all welcome. Bring your knitting or yarn project and join us. On May 9th we will be making felted soap covers. This simple craft becomes an elegant gift. All you have to do is bring your favorite bar of soap. If you have any finished handmade projects bring them along to share.



### Writers' Group at the Main Library

Monday, May 7 @ 6:00 - 7:45 p.m.

Saturday, May 26 @ 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Get feedback on your original writing in a peer-supported writers' group facilitated by local writer Leticia Garcia Bradford. Get the support you need to help you stay on track with your writing, whether it's fiction, non-fiction, or poetry. Bring 5-10 copies of the piece you wish to share with the group. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Hayward Public Library.*



### Get a Great Deal on Books!

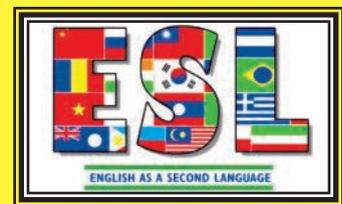
Saturday, May 12 & 26 @ 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

C Street & Watkins

Friends of the Hayward Library book sales are held at the downtown Farmers Market on the second and fourth Saturday of each month.

The library will  
be closed:  
Monday, May 28

Sorry WE'RE  
CLOSED



### English Conversation Groups

Come and practice speaking English with others who are learning.

All levels are welcome.

No registration is required.

Mondays-Thursdays at 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
Day Labor Center (680 Tennyson Rd.)

Saturdays at 10:15 - 12:00 noon  
Weekes Library

Contact [Jami.Hiller@hayward-ca.gov](mailto:Jami.Hiller@hayward-ca.gov)  
or 510-583-5505 for more information.

## YOGA

**Laughter Yoga**  
Saturday, May 5  
3:00 p.m. at Main Library

A free Laughter Yoga workshop is presented monthly by Lydia Gonzales at the Hayward Public Library. Come and join in the laughter, reduce stress and learn that silliness is great for your health.



### NEW—HAYWARD MURAL PROJECT NOTECARDS



You've seen them around town, now you can share your appreciation of them; they are the City's renowned murals. A limited supply of collector-quality note cards featuring images of twelve of the City's murals is now available - suitable for framing, sending or sharing. Proceeds directly support the mural arts program and the continued beautification of Hayward. Cost is \$20.00 for a box containing a dozen 5" x 7" glossy cards (with textured envelopes). Cards are available for purchase at the library.

## LEGAL ADVICE

### Lawyer in the Library

Sat., May 5 @ 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. at Main Library  
Mon., May 7 @ 6:00 - 7:45 p.m. at Main Library  
Wed., May 16 @ 6:00 - 7:45 p.m. at Weekes

Do you need free legal advice? Don't know where to begin? Get 15 minutes of free legal advice at the Hayward Public Library with a licensed attorney. Registration in person is required. **Registration begins 30 minutes before the first session.** Space is limited.

Consultation is assigned by lottery. *Lawyer in the Library* is sponsored by the Alameda County Bar Association. Call 510-881-7980 for more information.



# Just 4 Teens - May 2012

**Teen Animation Club**  
Saturdays, May 5 & 19

2:00 p.m. at Weekes Branch

Join student instructor Joshua Jiron in exploring the basic techniques of both traditional and digital 2-D animation and cartooning. No registration necessary. Open to grades 7-12.



### Get Your Game On!

Wednesdays, May 16 & 30

2:00-3:00 p.m. at Weekes Branch

XBOX 360, Kinect & Wii games on the big screen!

### Teen Advisory Group (TAG)

Wednesday, May 2

4:00 p.m. at Weekes Branch

Want a say in how the library works for you? You can help plan teen events, choose books, music and movies, and more!

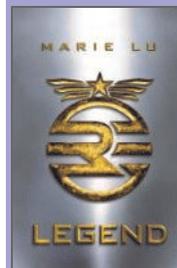
We also offer community service time for participation in TAG.  
Open to grades 7-12.

### Teen Reads Book Club

Tuesday, May 22

4:30 p.m. at Weekes Branch

#### *Legend* by Marie Lu



Born into an elite family in one of the Republic's wealthiest districts, fifteen-year-old June is a military prodigy. Born into the Republic's slums, fifteen-year-old Day is the country's most wanted criminal—but his motives may not be as malicious as they seem. From very different worlds, June and Day have no reason to cross paths—until the day June's brother is murdered, and Day becomes the prime suspect. Now, caught in the ultimate game of cat and mouse, Day is in a race for his family's survival, while June tries desperately to avenge her brother's death.

Read the book and talk about it with other teens.

# Teen Activity Zone

Wednesdays,  
1:00-3:00 p.m.  
Main Library

Gaming, Crafts, & Snacks!

Presented in Partnership with the  
Hayward Area Recreation and Park District (H.A.R.D.)

# FAMILY EVENTS - MAY 2012

**Snack Attack Book Club (Grades 3-4)**  
Friday, May 4  
3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. at the Main Library



**Read and Feed Book Club (Grades 5-6)**  
Friday, May 18  
3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. at the Main Library

Summer Reading Warm-up! This month marks the last of our book discussion meetings until we come together again in September. Please bring a list of your favorite books as well as those you are anxious to read over the Summer to share with the group. We will share titles, snacks and prepare for a summer of reading fun!

## Super Kids!

Saturday, May 19  
2:00 p.m. — 3:00 p.m.  
Main Library



*"It takes a village to raise a child." — African proverb*  
Learn how we, as parents, caregivers, and as a community, can make healthy choices to grow Super Kids! from the inside out. This program is for kids of all ages! Christina Angelos, a Senior Intern at Life Chiropractic College will present an informative and interactive workshop.

## Homework Support Center

Free drop-in homework help  
Mon., Tues., and Wed.  
3:30 p.m. — 5:30 p.m.  
Thurs. 3:00 p.m. — 4:30 p.m.  
Main Library & Weekes Branch



## Royal Tea Party (For ages 3-12)

Saturday, May 12  
2:00 p.m. at Weekes Branch  
*Space is limited, please register on the day of the event by calling 510-293-5366*

## Family Weekend Wii

Saturday, May 19  
2:00 p.m. at Weekes Branch  
*All ages are welcome!*



No story times between April 30 — May 5.  
Story times will be back on Monday, May 7.

## Cuentos en Español

### Aprende y Juega en Español

(Edades: nacimiento—5 años)

Registración Requerida

Sesiones duran ocho semanas

Lunes 12:30 p.m. at Sucursal

Lunes 1:45 p.m. at Sucursal

Jueves 1:30 p.m. at Principal

Para mayor información,  
por favor llame  
al 510-881-7943.



### Cuentos Bilingües (Ingles/ Español)

(Edades: nacimiento—5 años)

Miércoles 1:30 p.m. Principal

### Cuentos y Arte en Español

(Edades: nacimiento—5 años)

Sábado 11:30 a.m. Sucursal



## STORY TIMES

### Bedtime Stories

(all ages)

Tuesday 6:30 p.m. at Main



### Music and Movement

(ages birth — 6)

Friday 10:30 a.m. at Weekes

Saturday 10:30 a.m. at Main

### Bilingual Stories (English/Spanish)

(5 years and under)

Wednesday 1:30 p.m. at Main



### Preschool Stories

(ages 3 — 5)

Tuesday 11:30 a.m. at Main

Thursday 11:30 a.m. at Weekes

### Learn & Play Group

(ages birth — 36 months)

*Space is limited, advance registration required. Registration is at the end of the current month for the next month.*

Monday 11:15 a.m. at Weekes

Thursday 10:15 a.m. at Main

Thursday 11:30 a.m. at Main



### Rhythm and Rhyme

(all ages)

Tuesday 11:30 a.m. at Weekes