# March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Heather, Geddes Community Librarian

# **January Statistics**

	2017	2016
Total Circulation	55,006	57,832
Adult/Teen Circulation	30,386	31,155
Children's Circulation	24,620	26,677
Total # of Programs	62	59
Total # of Attendees	2,386	2143
New Borrowers Registered	237	224
Gate Count	22,392	25,333

# **Library News**

Lynda.com, the popular learning site accessed by millions each year, is now available for free to all Santa Clara County residents with a Santa Clara County Library District (SCCLD) library card. Offering over 5,000 courses with more than 190,000 video tutorials, Lynda.com provides participants a chance to learn new skills through its growing library of video courses taught by industry experts. Course categories include business, software, technology and creative skills topics.

## **February Highlights**

#### <u>Yan Can Cook</u>

Over 100 community members attended a lively cooking demonstration with celebrity chef Martin Yan.

#### Silicon Valley Read's – Adam Benforado

An excellent well received event with 40 community members in

attendance. It represents a great collaboration between the Friends of the library and AAUW with a speaker focusing on a current important issue, criminal injustice.

#### Sensory Storytimes

Sensory Storytime is an interactive and educational program that is especially designed for children with sensory integration challenges. At our first storytime we had 13 children with families and siblings. Many of the supplies and toys were purchased with a \$1000 grant from The Rotary Club of Morgan Hill and we look forward to continuing this program for the rest of March.



# **Upcoming March Events**

#### Fridays in March, 4-5 pm: Sensory Storytime

Sensory Storytime is an interactive and educational program that is especially designed for children with sensory integration challenges. This inclusion-friendly storytime features stories, interactive songs, movement activities and fun to stimulate all five senses and promote learning. Any child ages 1 to 7 years old can attend with a parent/caregiver. Siblings are welcome. Registration is required; You must sign up in advance. Register by calling 408-779-3196

#### Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-7:30pm: Paying for College - Making College Affordable for All-Income Families

When we talk with parents and students, the thing we hear most often about financial aid is: "I may not qualify for financial aid -- so how will I afford to send my child to college?" This workshop will provide an overview of how financial aid actually works, how to maximize your options, and how to feel in control of the process. Marisela Gomez, Collegewise Director, will talk about how to make college more affordable for you and your family.

# Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 7-8pm: Make it Monday

Join us for an evening of DIY fun! All supplies are free and provided. Registration required. Make it Monday is intended for adults but children are welcome to attend with adult supervision. March craft: Glitter candles.

## Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 6-9pm: AAUW SPEAKERS SERIES: A Simple Life with Venerable Tenzin Chogkyi

Learn about the life of an American Buddhist Nun. Brought to you by the Morgan Hill branch of the American Association of University Women and the Morgan Hill Library.

# Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 4-5pm:

#### The South Valley Fleurs Garden Club Presents "Watch-Us-Grow" for Children

Come make a fun gardening project from a kit! Registration required.

# Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 7-8:30pm: Growing Warm Season Vegetables in Your Garden

Plan your summer garden now. Easy to grow vegetables such as tomatoes, peppers, beans, cucumbers and squash will be discussed. Basic requirements of these crops including irrigation, nutrients, pest control, harvesting tips and space saving techniques will be covered. Harvest fresh vegetables from your garden all summer long. Presented by UCCE Master Gardener Joan Cloutier.

#### <u>Tuesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 6-9pm: AAUW SPEAKERS SERIES: Women in Law - a talk by Laura Perry,</u> <u>Attorney and Gavilan College Trustee</u>

Interesting speakers on a variety of topics. Brought to you by the Morgan Hill branch of the American Association of University Women and the Morgan Hill Library.

# Tuesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 7:30-8:45 pm: Books with Dessert Book Club

A good book, good company and some tasty treats. Bring a dessert to share and join us as we discuss **The Last Policeman** by Ben Winters.

# Outreach

The library staff had presentations at St. John's preschool and Los Poseos school.