CONTRA COSTA COUNTY LIBRARY COMMISSION

AGENDA ATTACHMENT 3

MEETING DATE: Thursday, November 20, 2014
AGENDA ITEM #: 9
ITEM: CORRESPONDANCE

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

None
Hello Mr. Lozada,

The Library currently does not have a means to accept eBook donations, however, we will have such an option available soon through our enki Library eBook platform.

The enki Library is a California eBook platform which Contra Costa County Library helped to build and will be making available a means for local authors to publish their eBooks through Smashwords and submit their work for consideration to their local library for hosting on enki.

I will keep your contact information on hand and contact you with more information when the service is available. Again, we're expecting this to be available in the coming months.

Thanks for thinking of us as a resource for making your eBook available.

-Paula

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-----Original Message-----
From: cazadoresdelanahuac@gmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, September 23, 2014 3:20 PM
To: Library Commission
Subject: Commission mail, From the author

This message was submitted to the Library Commission.

emailmessage: This message was submitted to the Library Commission.

subject: Commission mail, From the author
to: ccclibcommission@ccclib.org

comments: Dear County Librarian:

I am an author promoting myself, out of frustration, given the low royalties paid by publishers.
I would like to offer, for the Contra Costa County Libraries, free use of my work for electronic loans during one year; no commitment.

My work, a historical fiction novel, would be ideal for the Spanish speaking community of your County; it can be seen at: www.CazadoresdelAnahua.wix.com/cazadoresdelanahuac

In the event the branches are interested in purchasing printed copies, I would be glad to provide them for $15 each.

I hope this is of your interest and would be glad to hear from you in the near future.

Name: 
emailaddress: 
spambegone: Library
phone: 

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Dear [Name],

Thank you for your email message concerning dogs in the library. You are correct that only service animals are permitted in the library. All new staff receive accessibility/ADA training, however as a result of your inquiry we are taking steps to ensure that all staff receive an update through the library’s Intranet, regarding the Service Animal Policy.

As mandated by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the library defines service animals as dogs (or miniature horses) that are individually trained to do work or perform tasks for people with disabilities. Work may include guiding people who are blind, alerting people who are deaf, pulling a wheelchair, alerting and protecting a person who is having a seizure, reminding a person with intellectual disabilities to take prescribed medications, calming a person with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) during an anxiety attack, or performing other duties.

Please do not hesitate to contact a library staff member in the future if you have concerns regarding animals in the library. Staff will make inquiries to determine whether an animal qualifies as a service animal.

Thank you again for your inquiry. It prompted us to share important ADA training information again with all staff. If you have any questions, please call or write.

Sincerely,

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subject: Commission mail, Dogs in the Library

to: ccclibcommission@ccclib.org

comments: I'd be willing to wager that there are less blind people who use the library than there are those with animal allergies who do. I'm just saying that to demonstrate that, other than 'seeing eye' dogs there is no good reason for dogs or, for that matter any animals to be in the library to begin with.

Apparently there some who might disagree with that concept. In particular there are groups who have anthropomorphized their animals to the point that it has taken on many aspects of animalism or, if you will a religion. Some groups like H.A.L.O. have that connotation. For us normal people and/or those with allergies it would behoove you to instruct them to leave their animals at home or outside.

I don't want that 'religion' or them dogs in the library-period. I'd like some satisfaction and some action. Its real simple: Except for those blind people who need sight dogs-No Dogs Allowed.
Name: 

emailaddress:  

spambegone:  Library  

phone:  

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Hello,

Thank you for your email to the Library Commission! Yes, your prior email was received (apologies if you did not receive a reply) and Library staff will investigate unclaimed properties that might belong to different Library locations.

Thanks again,
Jessica

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-----Original Message-----
From: [Redacted]
Sent: Monday, September 29, 2014 9:49 PM
To: Library Commission
Subject: Commission mail, Unclaimed Property Search

This message was submitted to the Library Commission.

emailmessage: This message was submitted to the Library Commission.
subject: Commission mail, Unclaimed Property Search
to: ccclibcommission@ccclib.org
comments: Hi, I wanted to make sure my message from a couple months ago was received. The state of CA has unclaimed property and I think it would be worth it for someone to look into the library's unclaimed property. For instance, there appears to be a $970 unclaimed property for the Walnut Creek Library - property ID 961966197. The State Controller's office website is http://www.sco.ca.gov/upd_msg.html. It would probably be worthwhile to see if there are other libraries and/or Friend's groups that have unclaimed property.

Name: [Redacted]
emailaddress: [Redacted]
spambegone: Library
phone:
This message was submitted to the Library Commission.

The wrong firing of county library employees over the past two months is about to hit the media. County Librarian Jessica Hudson has been wrongfully firing Employees, Ruining lives, Hurting people,

The media is showing interest, Lawyers have been contacted. The county once again will receive bad publicity due to these cold, heartless and just plain wrong actions. I don't know how you all can live with yourselves.
Thanks! perfect timing. it went up practically as I looked at it.
looks like my name got misspelled, a common problem. Barbara FURGASON
formerly senior branch librarian for Kensington and San Pablo
I miss all the people but not writing the monthly reports.

On Wed, Sep 24, 2014 at 5:09 PM, Jessica Hudson <jhudson@ccclib.org> wrote:
Hello,
Thank you for bringing this to our attention! Are you talking about the posting on the library's site at
http://guides.ccclib.org/commission? If so, I just updated that piece and the agenda is now posted. The
attachment items for 5 and 6 are being added as well, with attachment 1 (the approved minutes) going up after
they get approved at tomorrow's meeting.
Thank you again and please let us know if you see anything else missing,
Jessica

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-----Original Message-----
From: [redacted]@ccclib.org
Sent: Wednesday, September 24, 2014 4:26 PM
To: Library Commission
Subject: Commission mail, Agendas and attachments

This message was submitted to the Library Commission.

emailmessage: This message was submitted to the Library Commission.

subject: Commission mail, Agendas and attachments
to: ccclibcommission@ccclib.org

comments: No agenda published for 9/25 commission meeting. Should be
posted in advance. Also, attachments are missing from previous meeting.
Regards
Name: 

emailaddress: 

spambegone: Library 

phone: 

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This message was submitted to the Library Commission.

emailmessage: This message was submitted to the Library Commission.

subject: Commission mail, Message for Judy Waterson - Concord Library Commission

to: ccclibcommission@ccclib.org

comments: Dear Judi,
You have been hand-selected to participate in a reading challenge being put on by the Concord Library.

Because of your significant place in our community, we feel that your participation will have a positive impact with local teens.

This unique program, pairing local, well-known community members with one of our most popular teen novels is an opportunity for teens to see respected adults and community leaders reading and recommending books that are important to teens. Your participation shows our local teens that you care about books they enjoy reading, and that you are committed to a lifelong relationship with our library! What a fantastic gift - thank you so much!

If you choose to accept this honor, please contact Lynne Noone, Adult Services Librarian at the Concord Library, 2900 Salvio Street, 646-5109, or lnoone@ccclib.org

We would love for you to help us make this a true community event. Please let me know if you are interested.

What's Required:
Read a Book:
• Sit back, relax and enjoy a work of teen literature

Answer the Following Questions:
• Describe the book in one sentence
• Did you like the book?
• How was it different than you expected?
• If someone likes this book, they might like...(could be anything, a movie, an adult book, a magazine, TV show, whatever)

Strike a Pose:
• Take a photo of yourself with your book, or stop by the library and we will be happy to take your picture

Send it in:
• Send your answers to the above questions and your photo to Lynne Noone at lnoone@ccclib.org by December 15th (sooner is OK too)
Check it out:
- See your post and others on our Teen Facebook Page, and (coming soon) Instagram Page
- We'll also be featuring the Reverse Required Reading reviews on the wall in the teen section of the Concord Library. Come by anytime, we'd love to say thanks in person.

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