



# BOOK NOTES

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1:00-5:00 pm  
Sat 10:00 am-2:00 pm

Preschool Storytime:  
Monday 10:30 am

Reading 2 Rover:  
Wednesday 3:00 pm

Senior Book Break:  
2nd Tues. 10:30 am

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## Young Readers Thrive at the Library



Summer brought another successful and fun Youth Summer Reading Program at Grover Beach Community Library. This year, seventeen youngsters read a total of 133 books! Those who read six books in six weeks were duly rewarded with a gift certificate from In-N-Out Burger. This year's youngest reader was five years old and the oldest was 15. One seven-year-old participant showed her commitment to reading by finishing eighteen books—three times the required amount to earn a prize. Quite an accomplishment!

Barbara Nicolls, Library Volunteer and coordinator of the program, said, "Since the beginning of this program in 2010, this summer was the most successful we have ever had. We are so proud of our readers!" Nicolls went on to describe that beginning readers read illustrated books, then books become more difficult for readers depending upon their age: story books, chapter books and for some advanced readers, young adult classics such as *Robinson Crusoe*.

This year, readers enjoyed selecting fun summer shapes to track their progress on the library's bulletin board, showcasing not only their reading prowess, but also their creativity.

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## Senior Book Break

The warm summer months kept the Book Break attendees busy with a mix of levity and gravity.

In July the topic was Beach Books and Best Sellers, and readers shared their hot picks for entertaining summer reading. In August, the group changed its regular structure a bit, asking everyone to choose a Favorite Author Off the Beaten Path and share a few fantastic titles. September saw the return of more serious topics as the group tackled the theme of Independence, reading books about the American Revolution, the independence of India, and the French Resistance during World War II.

Book Break topics are suggested and selected by participants in attendance. If there's a topic or a type of book you'd like to discuss, drop in for this monthly event and join the conversation. The group is open to all seniors and meets at the library on the second Tuesday at 10:30 am. Coffee and refreshments provided. For more information, call Megan at 270-3459 and sign up for e-mail news and updates.

## Spotlight on Story Time

At a recent library Story Time, Youth Summer Reading Program participant and avid reader Heather Houston took the plunge and read out loud to a group of youngsters for her first time! Heather is pictured here, with our dedicated children's librarian Maria Dowdy, finding her voice as she reads to others.



**Join us for the next Book Sale  
Saturday, October 21, 8:00 am-3:00 pm**

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