

MEDIA RELEASE

Contact: Samantha Scroggin
Public Information Officer
Community Relations Manager, City of Lompoc
Office: 805-875-8278 Cell: 805-757-3924
s_scroggin@ci.lompoc.ca.us

Lompoc Library Graphic Novel Book Club Boosts Reading Skills

New program aims to encourage children's confidence in reading

LOMPOC, CA, July 3, 2018 – The Lompoc Public Library has launched Graphic Novel Book Club (GNCB), a program designed to help below-grade-level readers with their reading skills.

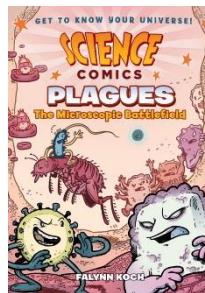
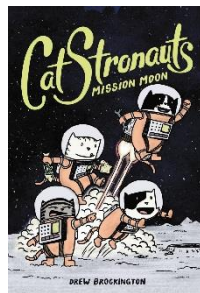
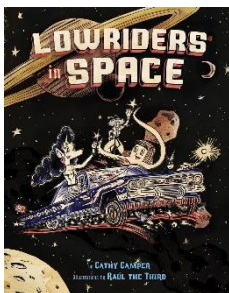
Graphic novels have been steadily growing in popularity in recent years. The mixed format of illustration and text helps readers with vocabulary, reading comprehension and self-confidence as a reader.

The Lompoc Library's GNCB is running on a pilot program basis this summer, including participants in local YMCA and Boys & Girls Club summer programs. GNCB is full, and is not currently accepting additional participants.

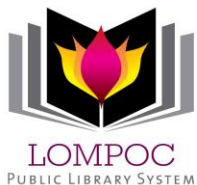
However, all graphic novels being read in GNBC are available at the Lompoc Library.

GNCB involves children in grades 3 to 6 reading a graphic novel in a group setting to encourage confidence in literacy skills. GNCB meetings culminate in a meeting and workshop with the author of the graphic novel via Google Hangouts at the library's Grossman Gallery. Rachell Frazian, Youth Services librarian for the Lompoc Public Library, is the program's organizer. GNBC is supported by generous literacy and summer reading grants from Walmart and Dollar General.

GNCB graphic novel titles, available at the library, are as follows:



(more)



MEDIA RELEASE

###

The Lompoc Public Library System

The Lompoc Public Library System has been serving the Lompoc Valley for more than 100 years. The Lompoc Public Library System engages, empowers, and enriches our community. The library is committed to bringing quality programming and educational opportunities to people of all ages. All library programs are free and open to the public. For more information about the Lompoc Public Library System locations, hours and programming, visit us online at cityoflompop.com/library.