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Local Companies Support Adult Literacy

AZUSA - The 2nd Annual Scrabble Night at the Azusa City Library brought in almost 90 Scrabble enthusiasts and literacy supporters, as well \$3500 to support the literacy activities of the library. The May 22 event was presented by the Azusa Literacy Council in partnership with the Azusa Chamber of Commerce.

Funds raised benefit The Literacy Program which provides opportunities for adults to improve their English skills, and their basic reading and writing skills. Mercedes Castro, Scrabble Night Chairperson and avid reader, says, "If I can do anything to help one person learn to experience the joy of reading, I am happy to do so."

Scrabble Night sponsors were presented certificates at the July 8 meeting of the Azusa City Council. Gold level sponsors were Simplicity Bank, Monrovia Growers and Kitchen 24; Silver level sponsors were Cardinal Pet Care and Dr. Barbara Dickerson. Bronze level sponsors and donors include Lonnie De La Garza of Allstate Insurance, Ann Graf, Athens Services, Azusa Light & Water, Azusa



Azusa City Council recognizes Literacy Program supporters and Scrabble Night Donors. Pictured: Back row: Bob Donnelson, Reed Strege; Middle row: Councilmember Uriel Maclas, Linda Bermudez, Steve Castro/Azusa Chamber of Commerce, Cheryl Cohorst/ Cardinal Laboratories, David Perez/Simplicity Bank, Jorge Rosales/Sister City Committee, Barbara Dickerson, Councilmember Edward Alvarez, Mayor Pro-Tem Robert Gonzales, Mayor Joe Rocha; Front Row: Yolanda Pena, Carolyn Crawford/Azusa Rotary Club, Mercedes Castro/Proforma Quality Printing, Cathay Reta, Mary McKenrick/Athens Services, Lonnie De La Garza/Allstate Insurance

Rotary Club, Azusa-Zacatecas Sister City Committee, Eagle Photography, Glendora Café & Bakery/APU, Proforma Quality Printing, Loy Pai of State Farm Insurance, and Vulcan Materials Company.

The Literacy Program of the Azusa City Library is a free resource for adults who want to further their basic reading

and writing skills. The Azusa Literacy Council is a group of community members working together to support the library's adult literacy program with

fundraising and outreach activities. For more information about how to get involved with the Literacy Council, contact

the library's Adult Literacy Coordinator, Cathay Reta, at (626) 812-5266 or literacy@ci.azusa.ca.us.