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Teen Scene Youth Writers Create Community Story at Pear Festival

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The 15th annual Moraga Pear and Wine Festival was held on a beautiful day Sept. 28 with inspiring music, happy festivalgoers, enthusiastic children, and of course, delicious pear pies. To add a fun twist to the business of writing, the Lamorinda Weekly Teen Scene writers at the booth for the local literacy charity, Be the Star You Are! - where teens learn the skills to write for Teen Scene - created a writing activity for the general public beginning with the words, "Once Upon a Time" Individuals added a sentence or a single word without knowing the plot line, the story, or any sentences that went before with the exception of the few words penned by the previous writer. Each participant was encouraged to let their imagination be their guide. The youngest writer was 4, and well, they didn't ask the age of the eldest! You can read the final story at: http://www. btsya.com/creative_writing.html.

Teen Scene writers, from left: Jennifer, Alex, Stephanie, Youngjoo, and Andrew. Photo provided

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