



News from the Friends of the San Antonio Public Library

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From the President



Dear Friends,

Oh so many book sales so little time. Every branch seems so very busy. Everyone is preparing for the Summer Reading Programs. The kids are coming. They are doing art contests, reading programs, writing, puppet shows, and many more creative projects. The libraries are noisy, but it's a busy noisy.

This summer the Library is also asking the adults to join in on the reading experience. So go out and join the Mayor and read three books. On my way to Paris, I read *Stranger in the Opera House* by **Helen Osterman**. Currently, I am reading *My Beloved World* by **Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor**. The books you read can be classics, mysteries, children's or any kind you feel like reading. So pick one up at your branch library, book sale, at the BookCellar or from a friend but read, read, read.

We are also working on the City Budget. Budget hearings are scheduled for the middle of June. We are the neighborhood eyes and ears for the Library. We talk to the people at the branches. We see what is happening at the branches and what is needed to make the libraries better. Better libraries make the communities prosper and grow strong. So please attend your area meetings and let the Council people know what will make your part of town work better and become more alive. The second round of hearings will be in July. You can make a difference in how much money the Budget allows for the Libraries.

Thanks for all you do. Enjoy the summer and see you July 21 at the remodeled Brook Hollow Library.

Linda Arronge

Membership Updates

Christie Smith, FOSAPL Membership Secretary
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"Summertime and the livin' is easy . . ." or perhaps it is busier than ever if you are trying to cram as much rest and relaxation into vacation time, take advantage of extended daylight hours, move, complete long-planned projects, etc., etc. The Friends of the San Antonio Public Library have plenty of projects to keep us busy year 'round especially as we work to refresh the BookCellar offerings, bring our website up to current standards for information and service to our Friends, prepare for our 50th Anniversary and support our individual branches.

This seems like a good time to remind you of a few things regarding FOSAPL membership

FOSAPL website:

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FOSAPL membership

year: January 1 through December 31.

SAPLings: Friends for whom we have email addresses will receive electronic is-

sues only UNLESS we have received a request from you for a paper copy. Not only does this save postage and printing expense but you can read in color and change the type size to suit your desires. Request your paper *SAPLings* when you send in your membership, send an email to us at FOSAPLMembership1000@gmail.com or drop a note to us at FRIENDS of the San Antonio Public Library, PO Box 461523, San Antonio, TX 78246.

Address and email changes: Please send changes to your contact information to FOSAPLMembership1000@gmail.com or to the FOSAPL mailing address noted above. Though we do request address changes through the Post Office, you will not get your current *SAPLings*, and the address changes we get usually take several weeks to get to us. Additionally, the Post Office charges us for

returned *SAPLings*! If you change your email address and you have not requested a paper *SAPLings*, we have essentially lost communication with you!

If you collect membership envelopes from new/renewing Friends, please send them in ASAP (to the mailing address noted above). Our membership documentation process takes about two weeks under the most efficient procedures. Add more time to that to accommodate absences of those who check our post office box, do the accounting or document the membership information. These delays impact members' access to preview book sales and receipt of *SAPLings* – two of our benefits for being Friends!

Don't hesitate to contact us for any issues related to membership at FOSAPLMembership1000@gmail.com.

Thank you for being our Friend!

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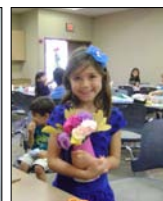
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Friends of the San Antonio Public Library Board Meeting

Sunday, May 19, 2013, 2:00 p.m.
Submitted by **Pat Peak**, Secretary

The Friends of the San Antonio Public Library met on Sunday, May 19 at the Forest Hills Branch Library. The meeting was called to order by the President, **Linda Arronge**. Roll call was read by the Secretary. Board Members present were: **Linda Arronge, Beverly Duran, Pat Peak, Nancy Gandara, Walter Ague, Pat Bjornson, Arline Braswell, Jackie Fremming, Bruce Gill, Delores Huber, Yolanda Kirkpatrick, Karen Matson, Pat Mendiola, Larry Purkey, Liz Purkey, Ann Springer and Jill Zimmerman**. **Aaron and Pat Konstam** asked to be excused due to illness. The President declared that a quorum was present and thanked the staff and Friends at Forest Hills for their hospitality.

Approval of Minutes of March 17, 2013. **Karen Matson** moved to accept the minutes as printed in the April/May **Saplings**. **Jackie Fremming** seconded and the minutes were approved as printed.

President's Report: **Linda Arronge** reported that City Council has approved two new library branches, one in District 2 and one in District 9.

The Media Website Committee has met and among other projects, they are working on providing a PayPal account for on-line purchases.

The Library Foundation luncheon had a good turn-out. The feedback on the San Antonio version of the Texas Book Festival was quite positive, and plans are underway for next year with a proposed date of April 5, 2014. The Foundation thanked all the Friends who participated as volunteers.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer, **Beverly Duran**, provided copies of the Report. Year to date income for

FOSAPL as of April 30, 2013, is \$29,217.04. Net Assets for FOSAPL use is \$89,486.00. The report will be filed for audit. The Treasurer pointed out that the tax increase in San Antonio to 8.25% will be reflected in the tax amount charged back for Branch book sales.

In response to a question from **Nancy Gandara** about the high balance of the Brook Hollow Friends' account, **Bruce Gill** reported that the Brook Hollow Friends are waiting for approval from Central Library Administration to complete their planned expenditure.

Library Board of Trustees Report: **Jean Brady** sent a note to thank the volunteers who helped with the San Antonio Book Festival. She also advised that the citizen input meetings for the upcoming City of San Antonio Budget would be scheduled differently this year. There will be just 4 meetings, and they will be located in areas encompassing more than one City Council District. Details will be provided to the Friends when available and the Foundation hopes the Friends will support the library's interests as they have in the past.

Library Administration Report: Assistant Director, SAPL, **Kathy Donnellan** reported on the progress of the Computer Technology area at Central Library with the \$1.5 million grant to consolidate 80 public computers in one area. The project is scheduled for completion in August. The 2012 Library Bond, which approved two new libraries, is moving ahead. In District 2, property donated by the **Schaeffer family** has been designated for the site and in District 9, an existing building and property is being surveyed for future construction. June 1 is

the sign-up date for the Mayor's Summer Reading program to include children, teen, and adult reading programs. In response to a question from **Walter Ague** concerning the Bexar County "BiblioTech" initiative, **Kathy** replied that plans for the Bexar County electronic library are proceeding; **Jill Zimmerman** volunteered the information that she serves on the BiblioTech Advisory Board. **Kathy** said that there is still an existing contract between Bexar County and the City to provide library service to Bexar County residents outside the city limits. At some future time, this contract will be renegotiated.

Committee Reports:

Membership: **Christie Smith**, Membership Secretary, reported on several membership considerations.

A current membership list will be going out to each Branch Friends group with the suggestion they contact former members who have not renewed their memberships. Currently, 58% of new members from last year have not renewed. **Christi** plans to analyze membership data and propose methods to expand membership. She reminded Branch representatives to maintain a good supply of membership envelopes at each Branch. If you receive a new membership application, please get the form back to the Membership chairman as soon as possible. A second mailing of membership cards with coupons for a BookCellar purchase has been delayed due to postage minimum requirements. **Christi** is also working on a mailing or phone contact to Life Members to request updates of their con-

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The Friends, inaugurated March 23, 1964, promote public use of the San Antonio Public Library and appreciation of its value as a cultural and educational asset to the community and encourage the extension and improvement of its services.

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SAPLINGS

Managing Editor.....**Alana Woods**

Newsletter is published every two months and can also be seen at www.friendsofsapl.com.

Deadlines for submitting articles and photos are February 10, April 10, June 10, August 10, October 10, and December 10.

Submittals should be a simple text or a Word file, emailed to **Alana Woods**, alana005@yahoo.com, or mailed to her at Southwest Research Institute, 6220 Culebra Rd., San Antonio, TX 78238.

Article contributions for the newsletter are always welcome!

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tact information. We need current information from these members as we don't hear from them year to year unless they send in a donation or a memorial. She provided a detailed written report to the Board outlining specific membership considerations for the Board to consider.

Arts and Letters: **Bruce Gill** reported for **Bob Mason** that the Arts and Letters Committee will meet in June to review and recommend procedures for applications. The presentation of Awards is tentatively scheduled for October.

Media Website Committee: **Nancy Gandara** reported that the committee had met twice and has plans for a soft launch of the website in June to include a Launch Party. They have reviewed websites of other libraries and Friends groups and expect to include a variety of Friends-related information, including our By-laws, Purpose Statement, Memo of Understanding between FOSAPL and SAPL as well as a *SAPLings* archive and pertinent historical data. Suggestions for additions to the website will be appreciated.

BookCellar: **Tom Nemeth** reported that the BookCellar income was approximately \$2000 more than last year even through the store's closure for construction and the \$.25 "life cycle" discount promotion. The BookCellar received 66 boxes of books from **Dr. Dudley Harris** as well as a donation from the Southwest Craft Center. Appropriate thank yous have been sent. Igo Branch Library thanked the BookCellar for books donated for their successful book sale.

New Business:

Book Sale Suggestions: **Beverly Duran** reported on the Igo Library's use of the "square" during their recent book sale, which allows use of an electronic device

to scan the customer's credit card for purchases. Customers liked the convenience it offered, and Beverly felt that having the availability of the credit purchase probably increased their sales volume. She will be glad to provide details regarding costs and considerations.

The Maverick Friends had scheduled a book sale the same day as the Igo sale, and the two groups worked out a coupon arrangement so that a book sale patron received a coupon with each purchase, which entitled them to a free book at the other library's sale. This idea helped promote the sale at the other library, and patrons seemed to enjoy the library's method of one library benefitting the other.

Inventory of Items Purchased by Friends' Groups

a. The Tobin Friends are developing an inventory of items purchased by the Friends to maintain a permanent record to keep track of the items and as a historical record of donations by the Friends.

b. Guerra Friends are working on a template or plaque to attach to items purchased by Friends which states, "Donated by Friends of the Library".

Announcements:

Memorial Friends reported that parking cars at the library parking lot brought in \$2300.00 during St. Mary's Oyster Bake Fiesta event.

In addition to the 50-year Anniversary celebration at Westfall on June 2, a number of other libraries are planning events and book sales during the summer and fall, which will be listed in the newsletter calendar.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Board of the San Antonio Friends of the library will be July 21, 2013, at 2:00 p.m. at the Brook Hollow Branch, 530 Heimer Road, 78232.



Cody

Once again, very capably chaired by **Judy Malter** and with additional detailed planning by **Lynette Poss** and **Diana Sanchez**, the Friends of Cody Library had a very successful book sale in April. We absolutely would not be able to have the book sale without the hundreds of hours put in by our many volunteers!

The Friends of Cody followed the book sale with a Library Volunteer Appreciation (photos on p 10).

The performers and dates that the Friends of Cody Library are helping to pay for are the following:

Cody Library is able to bring special performers for the children as part of the Summer Reading Program thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Cody Library. The following performers will be entertaining school-aged children and their parents:

Happy Tails – live animal show – July 11

Illusions by Blake – illusions and magic – July 18

Non-Toxic Band- musicians and singers – July 25

Friends of the Cody Library have made it possible to offer the Lego Club to Cody patrons this summer. The Lego Club is open to children, ages 6-12 and their parents, every Friday at 3 pm. Lego contests will be held at the end of each program.

Susan Bailey

Great Northwest

Materials for a play kitchen were paid for the GNW friends. There are 2 doll

beds, a mailbox, and a washer/dryer set. **Adrian Gafford** and his friends built the kitchen for the library programs. The Children's Librarian **Cari** used it for the first week of her Toddler Two, and PreK-aged programs. The theme for the week was "Around the Town." She created a small pretend town for the kids to explore. She will use the play furniture in future programs. After the summer programs are complete, she will leave the furniture out in the children's area, so families can enjoy it throughout the year.

The "pretend room" theme for one week was "camping." The Friends provided funding for many of the general craft supplies that are being used throughout the summer, including the paint for the rowboats.

Cari realized that many families were coming to the library for several hours a day because they cannot afford to pay for air conditioning at their house and were trying to escape the summer heat. Rather than grumble about the extra traffic and messes, she took it upon herself to offer as many hours of programming in a week as she could manage so the families would have something to do while they were there. Her programs are known for not only bringing a lot of fun to learning about something new, but she also has a great talent for teaching even seasoned parents new ways to play with our kids. The Friends have been generous about supporting her efforts by providing craft supplies and prop materials for her programs. It has truly been an example of community working together to make something fantastic happen! This week, we heard several stories of families who were so appreciative of the program because they simply did not have extra money available for the sum-

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mer. The programs that the Friends have funded have been a way for these families to provide summer fun for the kids, even when money is tight.

Anna Gafford

Landa

To begin, and most importantly, the Landa Friends will CONTINUE! In a last-minute frenzy, the following officers were elected:

- David Allen White** - President
- Judy Yaeger** - Vice President
- Dru Van Steenberg** - Treasurer
- Landon Middleton** - Secretary
- Pat DePasquale** - Book Sales Organizer
- Martha James** - PR

The Landa Friends approved \$250 for children's and \$200 for teen's programs. Tentatively, the Friends of Landa voted to pay up to \$2200 for a new floor covering for the upstairs porch, which at the present is a quiet reading room. Due to a large donation of books, we may have a book sale in November; more to come on that topic. The officers will be meeting to discuss a plan for the remainder of the year.

Landon Middleton

McCreless

The Friends of McCreless Library held the first meeting of 2013 on June 10, so there is much to report on. We currently have \$773.25 in the treasury, but this will certainly be added to from the upcoming book sale. In addition, Branch Manager **Cammie Brantley** is arranging for a lock box to be made so that a continuous book sale will be available at the branch. Friends will purchase the lock box and collect the money. The ongoing prices will remain low, \$1 for hard cover (children's \$.50) and \$.50 for paperbacks (children's \$.25). The Friends group purchased shelf adapters for CDs and DVDs on the Manager's wish list, and after the book sale, we will supply refreshments for the end of summer reading event scheduled for

July 30th, as well as purchase additional DVD cases. So, please continue to support the book sales. Speaking of funds, McCreless Friends received \$30 from members who renewed or joined the Friends group. Postcards will be going out soon reminding members about membership renewal and the book sale. Join now and be a part of history. President **Tom Nemeth** said that the McCreless Friends group began in the Fall of 1993, and we will be celebrating our 20th anniversary this Fall.

Our next meeting is scheduled for September 30 at 6:00 in the McCreless Branch meeting room. Be sure to join us to get the details on the twenty year celebration.

Jill Zimmerman

Maverick

Summer is always a busy season at Maverick Library. Children's Librarian **Amy Roberts** keeps the place jumping with activities for the Summer Reading Program. Maverick Friends were pleased to support the program with funding for the Kick-Off Party, which was held June 8, and SummerFest, the end of Summer Reading Party at 2:30 p.m. on July 31. SummerFest will include entertainment by Balloonation, crafts and food.

Earlier this year, the Friends approved buying materials to build a puppet stage for the children's programs. It was used during the Kick-Off Party, and will be pressed into service again on July 6. Other special activities will be held on July 17: Dinosaur George will visit at 2 p.m., followed by Lego Fun at 4 p.m.

The Friends' memorial tree has arrived and has been planted. It replaces a tree that had to be removed. We were inspired to buy the tree to honor the passing of **Donna Hogan**, one of our charter members. Donna gave generously of her time and talent to get our Friends group off to a good start. In

addition, she was our book sale chairman for six years.

Maverick Friends meet at 7 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month except July. If you're in our area on the first Tuesday, we'd love to see you at our meeting. Friends are always welcome at Maverick!

Sue Ratliff

Mission

On April 30, Mission Library celebrated its second anniversary. A celebration cake was provided by the Friends. More than 100 people enjoyed a slice of cake as well as a concert provided by the Harlandale Middle School Jazz Band.

Mission Friends held a book sale on Saturday, May 18. As part of the fundraiser, Poems for the People/Poemas Para La Gente, were offered. Visitors had the opportunity to purchase an original poem created by poet **Pancho Mendoza** or **Eduardo Garza**. The original poem would then be illustrated by **Terry Ybanez** or **Deborah Vasquez**. Unique works of art were created for each person who participated. The book sale was a success.

Boy Scout Troop 358 also assisted at the event. The troop provided a ceremonial flag burning demonstration as well as a rope making demonstration. They also helped with the large-scale cleanup at the end. Their help was greatly appreciated.

Two Lego kits were purchased to enhance summer programming at the library.

Elma Nieto-Rodriguez

Parman

Each spring Parman holds a Teen Art Contest. This year there were 14 entries with winners in three categories. This year, the categories were Most Original, Best Presentation, and Best of Show. The contestants are solicited from the local schools and from the library Teen Groups. The entries are judged by qualified knowledgeable artists from the area. All 14 entries are on display at Par-

man. The Friends provided the certificates and the refreshments for the awards ceremony.

Another fun activity that Parman is starting this summer is a program at the Transformation Station where families—parents as well as kids—can complete projects and earn a lanyard and buttons to put on the lanyard. The projects are being created as this goes to press and will be related to art, nature, science, math as well as other categories. The Friends provide the lanyard, buttons, and supplies for this activity.

Karen Fritzlen

Tobin

Friends of the Tobin at Oakwell Branch Library met on May 21. **Dan Goddard**, President, welcomed two new board members, **Suki Smutz** and **Bill Wolff**.

Janet Goddard, Vice President and Book Sale Chair, thanked all who helped with our successful Spring book sale. We had many books donated by San Antonio author, **Rick Riordan**.

Alethea Bugg, board member, worked with the Tobin Foundation and FOSAPL to order 500 book bags with the Tobin at Oakwell logo.

Alan Hildreth, our IT expert who takes care of our printing and mailing, reported that we have six new members.

Tracey Knouse, our Library Manager, is doing outreach to all ages to participate in the Summer Reading program. We hope to have a new Children's Librarian by July to replace **Kimbra Cook** who returned to Oregon. **Teri Moczygemba**, Assistant Manager, is working to market our branch with a booklet showing all our programs. This will replace individual flyers.

Our next board meeting will be held on September 10 at 5:00 p.m. Our Fall book sale is scheduled for November 15.

Arline Braswell



Marshall Mundorff—Johnston Library Friend

Stephanie Serrata

I met **Marshall Mundorff** on May 27. I called him early in the morning and invited

him to lunch. He suggested Jim's, and we met at noon. I arrived early to organize my thoughts and put my questions in order. When Marshall walked in I immediately noticed his American Freedom shirt and U.S. Air Force baseball cap. He reminded me of my grandfather.

Marshall was born on February 7, 1939, in DuBois, Clearfield county, Pennsylvania, which is located about 100 miles northeast of Pittsburgh. I learned that Marshall lived abroad for 2 years and attended high school in Frankfurt, Germany. In 1952, Marshall joined the Air Force for a four-year term. After returning to the states, Marshall met and married his wife, Jeanne, and has been married to her for 47 years. After discussing various aspects of our family life, our focus then shifted to education and a note of enthusiasm filled his voice.

He told me he earned his B.A. from Southeastern Oklahoma University in

1960 and received a Master's degree in industrial education from Highlands University in Las Vegas, New Mexico, in 1978 and subsequently taught at that same university for several years following his graduation. Marshall came to San Antonio in 1986 and immediately was hired by the City of San Antonio's aviation department where he was an aviation expert. Marshall retired from the city in 1997.

After discussing his background, family, and education, we moved on to his involvement with the library system. He told me his wife Jeanne worked for the library for 15 years and was an assistant director at the Johnston branch. I asked Marshall if he was the official "donation box" designer/creator and he modestly replied "that Johnston needed a way to raise money, so I built them a box they could use for cash donations." Marshall admitted that woodworking has been a long-time hobby of his and that he has a wood shop in his home where he does various projects for family and friends. I then told him that he made a box for my branch, Cortez, and he said that he hoped we had finally secured it to the desk so that it wouldn't grow legs and walk off. I didn't have the heart to tell him that we still haven't taken his advice.

He then proceeded to tell me about an antique roll-top desk he's currently refinishing, and I found his pride in a job well done refreshing. I asked him if he had any other interests or hobbies, and he told me he's an active member of the Lion's Club and has been involved with that organization for 36 years. He explained that the Lion's Club provides community service in the San Antonio and surrounding areas. This includes assisting areas of Texas where there has been a natural disaster and providing supplies and necessities to people affected by catastrophe. I found it endearing that he said "I'm willing to help whenever there's need."

We wrapped up our lunch by talking about our love of books, horses, and the sense of freedom and stability that a good education provides. Before I realized it, an hour and a half had passed and we both were amazed at how easily we had fallen into deep conversation and understanding. The check came and I immediately reached for the bill, and Marshall told me he couldn't let me pay for lunch. I told him I appreciated his time and the fact that he told me his life story, and answered my questions. I found a friend and kindred spirit in Marshall. Many thanks, my friend.

Until next time . . .

Meet Pat Horlacher—Cody Library Friend

Susan Bailey

When **Pat Horlacher** moved to San Antonio in 1997 and looked for the library location nearest her new home, she found it was a small converted house on Vance Jackson. Already crowded, that library soon closed and a new building was constructed. Eager to see the new facility, Pat discovered a sign on the circulation desk asking for volunteers. She asked, "When," and has been assisting the Cody staff with the routing function ever since.

As a router aide, Pat receives all the tubs of materials placed on "hold" by library patrons,

scans them into the system, identifies and tags them by the name of the person requesting them, and readies them for placement on the "Hold" shelf. Obviously, one of the biggest changes she has seen is in sheer volume. Back in 1997, delivered materials came to Cody in red bags and the lists were hand-written, and it took two people to handle the volume. Now, with improved systems and computers, Pat manages on her own to a large degree on her shifts. Still, that's about 1300-1500 items on "Hold" at any time at Cody, which is the most highly used

in the City of San Antonio other than the downtown Central location. **Layley Latshaw**, Cody Librarian, says about Pat: "We love her. She is always so positive."

Volunteering wasn't new to Pat. A full-time RVer, Pat had previously discovered unique opportunities including cleaning bones at a mammoth site in South Dakota with Elderhostel and assisting at Corps of Engineers campgrounds across the United States. Some of her favorite RV trips were through Montana, Alaska, and the Far West. Reflecting her love for that part of the country, one of

her favorite authors is **Ivan Doig**, a Montana native whose

work she discovered in a book store in West Yellowstone. These days, she's focusing on the classics, though. And Pat also has been a volunteer assisting the Friends of Cody with its book sales.

Thank you, Pat, for all your efforts on behalf of Cody Library, Friends of Cody, and Cody patrons!



Groundbreaking Memoirs

Irene Scharf

In conjunction with the SAPL Adult Summer Reading program, "Ground-breaking Reads," the Igo Library Seniors Group, the Elderberries, is hosting a series of six workshops during Summer 2013, entitled "Groundbreaking Memoirs."

The first memoir writing workshop was held on June 18. **Deb Rankin**, Director of the Northwest Vista College Writing Lab, helped the attendees begin to think about their life experiences and which memories they might want to turn into memoirs. Several exercises, including mapping one's neighborhood or a special place in one's life, resulted in many fascinating stories. These included remembering living through a tornado in North Texas as a six year old, a "sanctuary" memoir of growing up with grandparents in a coal mining town in West Virginia, and a nurse remembering her childhood in an

English-speaking family in French Quebec. The next workshop with Deb will be Thursday, July 11, at 2 p.m. in the Igo Meeting Rooms. Everyone is welcome and no prior registration is required.

In July, August, and September, another series of advanced memoir-writing workshops will be conducted by the UTSA San Antonio Writing Project. These four workshops will be held on Thursdays, July 25, August 8, August 22, and September 5 at 2 p.m. in the Igo Meeting Rooms. These workshops are limited to 20 individuals, so that the two instructors can give personal attention to the attendees. Again, everyone is welcome, but registration is required for this series. If you are interested in attending any of these workshops, you may do so by filling out a form in the Igo Library.

Writing journals will be provided for the attendees.

For those who wish to pursue their writing further, and even consider publishing, **Laura Stephens** (MFA in Creative Writing, Queens' College, Asheville, NC) will offer Creative Writing workshops, September – December. They will be held on the 3rd Saturday of each month, 11 – 1 p.m.

Everybody has interesting stories about their lives and experiences. We hope you will join us in exploring and describing your experiences. Even if you do not consider yourself a writer (yet!) you will benefit from the information presented at these workshops.

All workshops are free and open to the public.

Parman Spring Art Contest Winners & Ceremony

Photos submitted by Karen Fritzlen and Marisa Sparks



Photos of the other 10 entries and the ceremony are on www.friendsofsapl.com.

Westfall Celebrated 50th Anniversary on June 2



Anthony De La Zerda, President of the Dellview Area Neighborhood Association, presented a check for \$100 to **Rowena Rodgers** for the Friends of the Westfall Library, in memory of her husband **Keith Rodgers**, during the Westfall anniversary celebration.



Nominate A Public Spirited Artist!

Robert Mason

It's hard to believe that it has been a year since we received nominations for last year's Arts and Letters Award winners **Brenda Kingery, Florence Byham Weinberg, Nancy Glass and Alan and Terri Pena Ross**. It is now time, once again, to look around you and select "artists" who go beyond their art and reach into communities to inspire, mentor and empower. Our Arts and Letters committee eagerly awaits your nominations for deserving candidates.

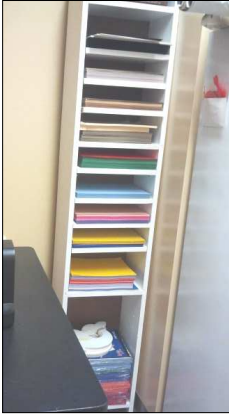
We are looking for outstanding artists, writers, thespians and/or musicians who are public minded. If you know an artist who excels at his or her artistic endeavor and has also made or is making a significant contribution to the community, please take the time to nominate that person. All that we require is a one-page summary of the nominee's artistic achievements, as well as a description of how the nominee has made the extra effort to enrich the community. Please send any nominations

to:

Robert Mason
2915 Hunter's Den St.
San Antonio, TX 78230
or email the nominations to:
robertmason005@att.net

All nominations must be received by August 2, 2013. The committee will carefully review the nominees and award(s) will be presented at the **Arts & Letters Awards** ceremony **Sunday, October 20, at the Central Library**.

Great Northwest Is Ready for Summer Fun



Friends funds have provided a paper sorter, color laser printer, lots of play dough, and a pretend area that can be set up for different activities, such as camping, a kitchen, and around the town, most of which was built by **Anna Gafford**, her husband, and friends of theirs.

An annual GNW Friends fundraiser is a quilt raffle. The winner of this year's quilt will be chosen August 5. Tickets are \$1 each, available at Great Northwest Library anytime.



Mission Held Eventful Book Sale



Maverick Summer Fun



Our prayers go out to **Bob and Andrea Mason**. Bob's Dad lived in Pittsburgh and passed away the beginning of June. Bob often speaks of his parents, and his Dad will be missed.

Donations & Memorials

Submitted by **Sheila Figueroa**

<i>In Honor of</i>	<i>by</i>
Rowena Rodgers	Anne E. Knight
Brooke Dudley	Mr. and Mrs. William Cullum

<i>In Memory of</i>	<i>by</i>
Joan E. Bingheim	Linda E. Turman
Maj. Raymond Leis	Stella D. Leis
W.B. Osborn, Jr.	FOSAPL
Ruth McLean Bowman Bowers	FOSAPL

Donations

Jacqueline O. Dansby
William C. Hefty
Mary Anne Holick-Thompson
Josephine P. Myler
Jesse and Jean Pacheco
Suki and Pat Smutz
Tanya Suttles
The Tobin Endowment
Judy Yaeger

BookCellar News

Pat Konstam

The BookCellar
Central Library Basement
Open 11:00 a.m.–3 p.m. every
day plus 3–7 p.m. Thursdays
210-227-9519

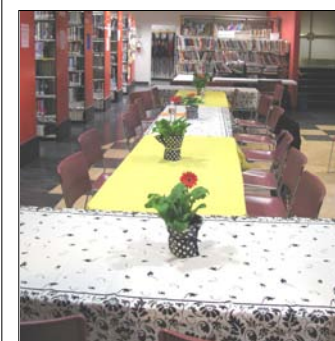


The BookCellar was turned into a festive dining room after closing time on May 13, when 22 volunteers and their guests gathered for the annual Volunteer Potluck Dinner. Crews for every day but Friday were represented, allowing people to visit with co-workers from other days. Everybody introduced themselves and shared amusing stories of their BookCellar experiences. At the end of the evening, six people drew winning numbers for the potted Gerber daisies that decorated the tables and everybody helped with cleanup.

Prior to dinner, **Dianna Morganti**, the new acting manager of Central Library, was introduced to the group. Formerly the Reference Department Manager, she is temporarily filling the vacancy created when **Teresa Jensen** returned to Minnesota. Morganti also attended the May BookCellar Committee meeting to report on new programs planned for Central Library.

New books at the BookCellar include a large collection of nice art and coffee table books from a private donor. During July, the store will have a large number of free books that

have been on the shelves for a long time and are being cleared out to make room for recent donations. There's plenty for summer reading, so come by and choose some books.



Top down: The BookCellar is ready for the annual Volunteer Potluck Dinner on May 13. Central Library Manager **Dianna Morganti** (left) visits with **Linda Arronge** and **Tom Nemeth**. Volunteers line up for food. BookCellar volunteers share food and stories.

~~ Honors, Memorials and Gifts Form ~~

Honor a loved one, family or friends with a remembrance for birthdays, anniversaries, other special occasions, or a "just because." Doing so can also be a wonderful, thoughtful and lasting way to honor the memory of relatives or friends. If you like, add a brief note about the recipient of your honors on the back of the form. No donation now? Save the form for future use.

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ATTN: Honors, Memorials and Gifts
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Please send a Memorial Friends Acknowledgement to:

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My name and address is:

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Above: *Illusions by Blake* will entertain the children at Cody July 18.

Below: Two outdoor benches, which flank the entrance to the Brook Hollow branch, were recently installed. Here **Bennett** and **Shirley Stamps**, who donated the benches, stand by one of them.



Cody Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon Followed Book Sale



Treasurer's Report

April 30, 2013

Submitted by Beverly Duran

INCOME AND EXPENSE DETAILS

FOSAPL INCOME	BUDGET	FOSAPL YTD	FOSAPL MAR-APR
BookCellar sales	70,000.00	24,891.38	12,577.92
BookCellar sales tax withheld		(1,862.99)	(943.58)
Donations and memorials	2,000.00	1,775.53	391.92
Interest	300.00	123.12	61.95
Membership	8,000.00	4,290.00	2,280.00
FOSAPL INCOME	80,300.00	29,217.04	14,368.21
BUDGET EXPENSES	BUDGET	YTD	APR-MAR
Accounting	1,200.00	280.00	280.00
Arts and Letters program	700.00		
Bank charges	100.00	6.00	6.00
FOSAPL Board expenses (refreshments/6 mtgs)	300.00	24.75	24.75
FOSAPL Insurance	1,000.00	695.00	
Friends recognition	100.00		
Fundraising program	400.00		
Membership recruitment	1,200.00	192.11	
Newsletter prep/editing & printing	3,650.00	1,295.84	627.96
Office supplies		200.00	45.00
Parking	400.00		
Postage (bulk mail, post office box, postage)	1,000.00	118.96	118.96
President's expenses	200.00	209.29	
Seed money for new groups	100.00		
Website maintenance (reg., monthly fee, wm)	1,000.00		
FOSAPL Budget Expense Total	11,550.00	2,866.95	1,057.67
BookCellar Expenses			
Advertising	800.00		
Book sale(s) expenses/office supplies	1,000.00	407.09	322.75
Commodities for resale	2,400.00	364.23	202.48
Equipment and maintenance	500.00		
BookCellar insurance	1,100.00	1,046.00	236.00
Printing and copying	400.00		
Recruitment of volunteer workers	-		
Salary and benefits	8,000.00	2,969.78	1,493.16
Twenty Year Anniversary Celebration	-		
Volunteer appreciation	1,250.00		
Book Cellar Budget Expense Total	15,450.00	4,787.10	2,254.39
Library Support			
Public programming & staff development	35,000.00		
Donations from FOSAPL members	no budget amt	347.50	347.50
Memorial gifts for FOSAPL Life members	no budget amt	300.00	200.00
TOTAL BUDGET EXPENSES	62,000.00	8,301.55	3,859.56
FOSAPL BRANCH & SUPPORT GROUPS INCOME		MAR-APR	YTD
Donations		1,005.90	1,836.48
Income from book sales, Book Nook/Cart sales, fundraisers		11,561.78	20,437.46
Memberships		580.00	1,345.00
BRANCH & SUPPORT GROUPS INCOME		13,147.68	23,618.94
Branch Friends group operating expenses		1,659.80	2,012.90
Branch group purchases for Library Branch/department		7,878.49	22,612.57

Branch & Special Interest Group Funds

Bank Accounts	
Compass Money Market *****8659	
BookCellar deposits	132,472.04
Compass Money Market Gold ***-***4644	30,019.89
Compass Checking ***-***8736	20,162.79
Total Assets	182,654.72
Branch Designated Funds (-)	(88,906.06)
Branch Designated Funds, unclaimed (-)	-
Checks outstanding (-)	(4,262.66)
Net Assets for FOSAPL Use	89,486.00

Branch and Support Group Funds Balance of April 30, 2013

Bazan	1,746.32
Brook Hollow	15,575.62
Carver	2,810.18
Central	1,001.73
Cody	5,589.30
Collins Garden	1,130.29
Cortez	1,216.32
Forest Hills	1,226.70
Great Northwest	2,104.65
Guerra	3,729.22
Igo	9,700.15
Johnston	5,955.25
Landa	3,225.90
Maverick	7,584.91
McCreless	773.25
Memorial	3,662.58
Mission	1,419.69
Parman	2,257.11
Semmes	3,552.53
Texana/Genealogy	5,859.12
Thousand Oaks	1,375.74
Tobin at Oakwell	3,518.71
Westfall	3,890.79
Total group funds	88,906.06

Kids' Book Bonanza at BookCellar

The BookCellar is so flooded with juvenile books that the overflow is moving to tables on the Central Library patio for an 11-day Kids' Book Bonanza from Tuesday, July 9, through Friday, July 19. Thousands of books for toddlers to teens, from easy readers to young adult novels, will be available inside and outside the store. Most are priced at 25 to 50 cents. Hours are the usual 11-3 every day plus 3-7 on Thursdays. Please tell your friends and neighbors about this mid-summer event for children, parents, and teachers.



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CALENDAR OF BOOK SALES AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Because dates and times change occasionally, please call and verify information.

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| July 9-19 | Kids' Book Bonanza, BookCellar, 11-3 daily, 11-7 Thursdays |
| July 21 | FOSAPL Board Meeting, 2 p.m., Brook Hollow |
| July 28 | Carver Library is seeking 150 volunteers to assist in assembling and building playground equipment and adult exercise equipment – all day until completed. |
| August 7 | Semmes Friends meeting, 10:30. |
| September 10 | Tobin at Oakwell board meeting, 5 p.m. |
| September 15 | FOSAPL Board Meeting, 2 p.m., Carver |
| September 21 | Brook Hollow book sale |
| September 23 | Brook Hollow Friends meeting, 7:00. |
| September 30 | McCreless Friends meeting, 6 p.m. |
| October 4-6 | Cody fall book sale, Oct 4–Friends preview |

Note: Each branch Friends group has a designated representative to the Board. However, these Board meetings are open to the general membership. All members are invited and encouraged to attend.

Brook Hollow Library
530 Heimer Road, 78232
210-496-6315

Carver Library
3350 E. Commerce St, 78220
210-225-7801

Central Library
600 Soledad Street, 78205
210-207-2500

Cody Library
11441 Vance Jackson, 78230
210-696-6396

McCreless Library
1023 Ada Street, 78223
210-532-4254

Semmes Library
15060 Judson Rd., 78247
210-650-9540

Tobin Library at Oakwell
4134 Harry Wurzbach Rd, 78209
210-828-2569