

# News from the Friends of the San Antonio Public Library

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## From the President



Dear Friends.

The summer of 2014 is upon us at all the San Antonio Public Libraries. Diversity is all around us! We have many projects going on. Some of the branches were assigned new staff members. Everyone is joining in and really taking on the challenge of the many events that are offered for the summer. Chess seems to be one of the new games that is being played at many branches.

The Friends at Mission Library are sponsoring a Landscaping seminar for three Saturdays. The sign up started out slowly but built up quickly. They had so many people sign up that they had to find more jars for the project. We also met on Friday, June 6, to pack more bags of the supplies that were passed out to the class members. Mission and several branches have gardens. I hope that they will share pictures of the finished products with us so we can post them on our website.

Great Northwest again has a quilt to raffle. It was donated to the GNW Friends by the GNW Quilting Group. Check it out on their website.

On May 1, the Carver Library Celebrated the 43<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall's visit to the Eastside. He was the first African-American appointed to the Supreme Court and served from Oct. 1967-1991.

All the branches seem to have a lot of little visitors coming for the Mayor's Reading Program and the many summer activities that the Friends support. The Summer Reading Challenge for everyone older than 18 runs June 1–August 31. You can read or listen to four books. You must register on line at <a href="mayapl.org">mysapl.org</a>. We will have end-of-summer reading parties. We will also draw for an eReader. I started I Am Malala. It is interesting but sad. I am also reading The Thorny Rose of Texas, a story about Ann Richards. I found it at a branch book sale.

Thanks to everyone who attended the City of San Antonio Budget Hearings. This year the budget is very tight. The Police and Fireman will negotiate their Union contacts. We also have to negotiate with the County. They have been contributing to the Library budget but may reduce their contribution because they now want to support only the County Biblioteca and the substation at Bexar County Court House. This could be a \$3.1 million dollar reduction for the City Library programs. It would affect many Landa patrons and others who live outside city limits because they would no longer be able to check out books unless they pay an individual fee of \$250. Please contact your County Commissioner.

Have a great summer. See you at the FOSAPL meeting at Parman Library at 2 p.m. on Sunday, July 20.

Linda Arronge



### Last Call for Arts & Letters Nominations



The Arts & Letters Committee will be your host for the Annual FOSAPL Arts & Letters Awards ceremony to be held on Sunday, October 26, 2014, at 2:00 in the Gallery of Central Library.

If you know an artist (writer, actor, painter, musician) 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 in the form of a nomination 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. All nominations must be received by August 1, 2014. You will be notified if your nominee is selected within the first 2 weeks of August.

Please send any nominations to:

#### Robert Mason

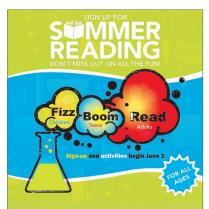
2915 Hunter's Den St. San Antonio, TX 78230

or email the nominations to: robertmason005@att.net

# Summer Reading Program Launched June 1

The San Antonio Public Library launched the annual Mayor's Summer Reading Club for children and the 2014 Summer Reading Program for teens and adults.

The Mayor's Summer Reading Club and the Summer Reading Program encourage children and teens to



read during the summer to maintain current reading levels. Children, especially, lose reading skills if they don't keep up with reading over the summer.

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# Friends of the San Antonio Public Library Board Meeting

Sunday, May 18, 2014 Submitted by Pat Peak, Secretary

The Friends of the San Antonio Public Library Board met at the Guerra Branch Library on Sunday, May 18, 2014. **Delores Huber** of the Guerra Friends welcomed the Board members to the library. President **Linda Arronge** called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. The Secretary read the roll call of members and a quorum was declared with 20 members responding.

Board members attending were: Linda Arronge, Robert Mason, Beverly Duran, Pat Peak, Nancy Gandara, Elizabeth Bircher, Shirley Coleman, Rita Corey, Jose Duran, Antoinette Franklin, Jackie Fremming, Bruce Gill, Beth Graham, Beverly Harris, Yolanda Kirkpatrick, Mary McAfee, Pat Mendiola, Marshall Mundorff, and Rowena Rodgers.

Approval of minutes:

Jackie Fremming asked for a correction to the minutes of the March meeting, showing that she was in attendance. Jackie then moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Bob Mason seconded. The minutes were approved as corrected.

President's Report: Linda Arronge reported that Aaron Konstam is in Rehab at the moment and his wife, Pat is busy helping care for him, and they were unable to attend the meeting.

*Treasurer's Report:* Beverly Duran reported assets of \$122,247.49 for FOSAPL use as of April 30, 2014, date of the report.

In the first third of the year, we have spent less than one third of the amount budgeted for expenses. Income year to date is \$33,281. FOSAPL has purchased items for the Branch libraries totaling \$24,355.83.

The Treasurer's Report will be filed for audit.

#### **Liaison Reports:**

Library Board: Jean Brady reports that the first citizen input Budget meetings for the City of San Antonio will be held this coming week, and she handed out cards listing times and locations. Jean encouraged FOSAPL members to attend these meetings to advocate strongly for the Library's issues. We need to promote the idea that libraries provide good return on investment and that the City's contribution is vital to the continued provision of services to community-focused programs by the Library.

Library Administration:
Ramiro Salazar reported that the \$35,000 given to the City of San Antonio Library in 2013 has been fully spent as follows:
Adult programming—\$4666,
Summer Reading Program—\$21,000, Children's and Teen
Programming—\$9344.

Of the \$55,000 provided by the Friends for 2014, funds have been divided among plans for programming for all groups, staff training and development, **Public Information Initiatives** and special programming including IT initiatives, Volunteer Recognition, Latino programs and Library Portals at additional locations in the city. Ramiro reported that his staff has been reviewing projects regarding virtual libraries around the country and indeed around the world. They have come upon a program developed in Romania, which they are working on to bring a virtual library to the City of San Antonio Airport. The project would involve the purchase of kiosks for placement in Terminals A and B, which would

provide access to the library catalog for use by travelers, some of whom will be San Antonio residents. The set-up and purchase cost of the initial equipment would be \$30,000. A contribution from the Friends would certainly improve options for exploring financing from the city for these and future electronic and digital programs. Jessica Ramos provided a video of the colorful kiosks and the virtual library bookshelf as it would appear at the Airport.

Ramiro expressed appreciation for past contributions from the Friends, pointing out the success of the recent educational programs about the Holocaust and war-time Japanese Internment camps, which have generated wide based interest throughout the system.

#### **Committee Reports:**

Membership: Linda Cheatum, Membership Secretary, could not attend today's meeting, but she provided a report on the back page of the copy of the Agenda for today's meeting. There were 111 New Members as of May 17, 2014, with a total of 781 members. Non-renewing members continue to raise a question looking for a solution.

**BookCellar:** Tom Nemeth reported YTD income of \$34,333. The BookCellar manager, **Monica Hernandez**, has been ill for a few weeks but hopes to be back soon. A book cart, with sample reading material from the BookCellar, has been placed on the main floor, directing patrons to the sales area.

50th Anniversary celebration: Beth Graham announced the date for the Anni-

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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.

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

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#### **SAPLINGS**

Managing Editor..... Alana Woods

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

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!

#### NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

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#### Minutes, from p 2.

versary celebration as Friday, September 19, 6:00 p.m., at the Central Library. The program will include a "Literary Wine Tasting." The Committee is working on a tie-in with books on wine and cooking as well as having authors in attendance. Tickets will be \$50. Planning continues.

Arts and Letter Committee: Bob Mason announced the date for this year's Awards ceremony as Sunday, October 26, at 2:00 p.m. The Committee will be meeting soon to finalize details of the program, which might include inviting past recipients of the awards. The deadline for submissions is August 1, 2014, and Bob encouraged members to send in their nominations.

Audit Committee: Beverly Duran, Treasurer, stated that the Audit Committee had reviewed the books and bank statements of the Friends and reported no irregularities. A time frame for records retention was discussed, and a list of primary records to retain was developed by the Committee. Beverly thanked those who served with her on the Audit Committee, Linda Arronge, Judy Wilson and Karen Fritzlen.

Carol Van Cleave advised the membership that she is looking for a copy of the original and/or current bylaws for the Cody Library Friends. It was suggested that she could use the outline currently used to write bylaws for new Friends groups to develop a set of bylaws for Cody if the original copy could not be located.

**TLA Convention report: Mary McAfee** reported the Texas Library Association

Conference held in San Antonio in April was well attended. **Pat Smith**, Director of TLA, presented a Resolution recognizing the 50th Anniversary of San Antonio's Friends group. Mary urged Friends members to join TLA at a special "Friends" cost of \$30.

#### **New Business**

Monetary Report: Linda Arronge reminded the membership that, when we made a donation to the San Antonio Public Library in early 2014, we knew we had additional funds that we could make available if the financial situation remained stable. We have an additional \$44,000 available. It would be beneficial to the Library for this fiscal year if the Library Director could have the commitment of \$30,000 available when he prepares the budgeting figures for presentation to the City in July. There was a discussion of our own fiscal responsibility and the availability of funds for our future use.

Mary McAfee suggested the Executive Committee should meet and discuss the monetary situation and present a recommendation at the July meeting for action by the Board.

#### **Old Business**

There was no Old Business.

Spokesmen for several Library Friends groups reported dates for upcoming book sales in May and June.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Linda thanked the Friends of the Guerra Branch for the refreshments.



#### Carver

Saturday, June 7, was a busy day at Carver, where the spirit of volunteerism was alive and well. Two events kicked off the first week of summer vacation, and many hands were needed. In one part of the building, the Friends of Carver hosted its June book sale, attracting an increased number of book lovers who were lured in by incredible bargains. Contributing to the effort were John and Shirley Coleman, Shirley Davis, Dorothy Smith, and Beverly Harris. In another part of the building, other Friends members helped Children's Librarian Jodi Miller with the Summer Reading Kickoff party. Those members included Antoinette Franklin, Jack Williams, Beatrice Anderson, and Angelia Hall-Johnson. Branch staff say the summer reading event attracted 35 revelers.

D.L. Grant

#### Guerra

Guerra Library celebrates 10 years of service to the community.

Join family and friends as we celebrate our birthday, Saturday, July 19, from 3:30-5 with refreshments, entertainment, and prizes. Sponsored by the San Antonio Public Library, Guerra Friends, and you.

**Delores Huber** 

#### Igo

The Friends of the Igo Branch Library has suspended our meetings until August. The meetings are not attended by many members during June and July, so we voted to next meet the first Saturday of August. Our summer programs are going great, and the bills are being paid when due.

We are gearing up for our next book sale in October. Please check the calendar in the SAPLings for the exact dates.

Tom Hill

#### Landa

We held our book sale on January 25, with a preview sale the afternoon prior. The sale was a success at least in part to the use of the Square credit card reader. Approximately 35% of sales were via credit/debit card. The patrons enjoyed the iPad, and not handling as much cash was safer and easier. If you don't have a square, get one... they're FREE!

The board approved a wish list submitted by now former Director **Michael Kaminsky**. The items included gift cards for teen and child programs, new bookshelves and other supplies. **Jamie Flowers** is now serving as the interim Library Director at Landa.

Landon Middleton

#### **Las Palmas**

Las Palmas Friends had a great opportunity to promote the Mayor's summer reading program, "FIZZ, BOOM, READ," by having their Summertime book sale on June 6 and 7. We also coordinated two events during the sale on Saturday, June 7—District 5 City Councilwoman Shirley Gonzales read to the children and children also decorated their paper rockets during the "Come and Go Crafts" time.

The next project for our Friends group is assisting in getting a chess club started at the Library. The Las Palmas Library is located in the Edgewood Independent School District that had a very successful 2013–2014 afterschool "Success through Chess" program in their elementary schools. More than 300 students participated in their chess tournament, held in April. We are work-

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#### **Branch Leaves**, from p 3.

ing with our new Branch Manager **Tim Johnson** and the District 5 City Council office to plan a chess event later in the summer.

Delia Ramirez, Trimble

#### **Maverick**

July 24 marks ten years from the groundbreaking of Maverick Branch Library. At that time, computers were slower, phones were smaller, and Facebook was just "some campus thing" at Harvard.

July 2014 at Maverick
Branch Library now sees the
sign-in list for computers full
on a daily basis. Grandparents
'share' and 'like' on smartphones as they relax in the
library's spacious window
lounge overlooking the oak
grove. Teens browse for classic jazz and folk titles through
the Public Library digital
downloads, and preschoolers
earnestly page through storybooks in the children's section.

Within a decade, the community built itself into the library as solidly as the library was raised from the ground above that cluster of ancient oak trees near French Creek. Time and technology have enhanced the modern library experience for visitors of all ages, and the Friends of the Maverick Branch Library proudly give our time make these valuable library services more accessible to the community.

In addition to making purchases of technology and equipment, the Maverick Friends supply the youth and adult programs with funds for refreshments and supplies. The most exciting part of supporting these programs is the element of surprise that comes from never knowing what the creative minds of the library staff will come up with next. The eagerly anticipated Fizz!

Boom! Read! Summer Reading kick-off June 7 exemplified this with a midday cookie party that included an abstract craft challenge. Children, parents, and teens busied themselves with foam peanuts, toothpicks, pipe cleaners, and glue to build elaborate and whimsical creations, ranging from Noah's "Super Scary Roller Coaster" to Kayli's elaborate 3-D SA Spurs poster. There was no limit on the designs that parents and children constructed with simple, random supplies and unlimited imagination.

As snacks were enjoyed and masterpieces created, 40 new Summer Reading Program registration forms were submitted, with youth of each age group taking part in the challenge. The little ones were signed up by parents and caregivers as listeners, with a goal of listening to fifteen books. Older children signed in as readers with a goal of finishing eight books. The mother of budding architect Rodrigo, whose house came complete with occupant and dog, echoed the words of several other parents, joking that the kids of the Maverick Branch children's programs would have the eight books finished by the end of the first week.

During the month of July, the Maverick Friends will take a break from the monthly meeting—but not from the library, as there are several exciting events planned. On July 9, there will be Spikey Mikey activities at 2 and 4 p.m. On July 12 at 1 p.m., there will be a puppet show. The Ladies Choice Book Club meets at 10 on the July 26, and SummerFest is planned for July 30. This is the date that the Summer Reading lists are due, so all of our youth readers are encouraged to attend.

The Maverick Branch
Friends will resume monthly
meetings 7 p.m. on Tuesday,
August 5. At that time, we will
start planning our Fall Book
Sale—slated for the first weekend in October—and consider
other ways to keep assisting
the dynamic staff-run programs and discuss purchases
we can make to enhance the
library experience for visitors
of all ages for years to come.

Elizabeth Bircher

#### **McCreless**

McCreless Friends group is supporting the library through the long, hot summer. The Friends have funded programming for the next six months for all ages: children, teens and adults. The Friends also purchased more shelf adapters so that all of the DVD shelving now has backing to keep the DVDs from sliding around and falling off. And, thanks to the recent book sale, we are ready to fund more items on branch manager Cammie Brantley's wish list.

The book sale held May 31 and June 2 was successful to the tune of \$689.50 in sales and \$71 in donations. That's a grand total of \$760.50 to support the wonderful staff and services of our neighborhood branch library. Book sales take a lot of work to put on. We applaud the following for giving of their time and expertise in volunteering for setup, sales, and/or breakdown: Tom Nemeth, who does all three and much more to make the book sales possible, and volunteers Cathy Dean, Christel Villarreal, Vera Banner, Mary Swanson, Mary Gallagher, Jill Zimmerman, Lucy E. Duncan, Crash Ramirez, Anna Cleve, and José.

The next book sale is slated to be Saturday, September 6

and Sunday, September 7, 2014. Be thinking of donating some awesome items that we can sell as premiums at a little higher price. We could get the advertising out early on special items.

Hope to see all of you at the next general meeting on August 25 at 6 at the McCreless Library meeting room.

Jill Zimmerman

#### Texana/Genealogy

This year's Folklife Festival at the Institute of Texan Culture marks the 5th year that the Friends of Texana/Genealogy have sponsored the Heritage of Family Name booth. It's a popular attraction, and this year, roughly 900 family name certificates were distributed over the two-day period. Sylvia Reyna and Debbie Countess of the Texana Department once again coordinated and organized this fun and educational event.

Sylvia Reyna

### Getting to Know Our Friends

Stephanie Serrata's article will not be featured in this issue of the *SAPLings*. Look for her article in the Sept-Oct 2014 issue.

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### **Holiday Closures**

Independence Day

All Locations Friday, July 4 (All Day)

Labor Day

All Locations Monday, September 1 (All Day)

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#### Summer Reading Program, from p 1.

This year's theme, Fizz, Boom, Read!, encourages summer readers with a slew of science-based events and programming at local Library locations.

Children can sign up for the Mayor's Summer Reading at any San Antonio Public Library location or join online at <a href="maysapl.org/srp">mysapl.org/srp</a> beginning June 1. Participants will keep track of the books they read—or listen to—and receive a Reading Club certificate signed by Mayor Castro and a free paperback book to keep. Readers need to complete 8 books, and listeners complete 15.

The San Antonio Public Library will celebrate all of the summer's super readers with SummerFest celebrations at each location, between July 26 and August 2.

For more information about the Summer Reading Club and the Summer Reading Program, visit <a href="mailto:mysapl.org/srp">mysapl.org/srp</a> or call your neighborhood branch location.

## Memorials and Donations

#### Sheila Figueroa

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Atanacio Garcia Carmen Gill Edith Speert	Sylvia Zamarripa Barbara D. Naylor Beverly J. Allen and Sylvia Zamarripa
In Honor of	Ву
Laura Davis	The Hunters Creek Book Club
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Pat Dominguez Jasso

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Gladys Salisbury Rebecca C. Schmitt Mary Allyn Watson

Necia Wolff and Michael Koets

# Parman Library Spring Egg Hunt & Visit with the Easter



More photos on friendsofsapl.org

#### Las Palmas



Children decorating their "Come and Go Crafts" rockets during the Las Palmas friends book sale on June 7.

### **Hocus Pocus, Alakazam!**

# The San Antonio Public Library offers an introduction to magic this summer

Have you ever wished you could make your homework disappear? Or clean your room with a wave of a wand? Or pull a rabbit out of our hat? Well this summer, be sure to visit a San Antonio Public Library branch near you to learn more about the basics of magic!

Local magician **Paul Mims** will be visiting multiple library locations to discuss the art of stage magic and to teach a few basic tricks. Paul Mims is a full-time professional magician with more than 25 years of experience. Specializing in family-oriented material, Paul's programs are fun and amazing to audiences of all ages.

Introduction to Magic Events will take place at the following Library locations:

Igo Library — Monday, July 14, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Cody Library — Tuesday, July 15, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Forest Hills Library — Saturday, July 26, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m. Cortez Library — Saturday, August 2, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m. Parman Library — Saturday, August 9, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.

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# Carver Library had a fun, activity-filled June 7

Children's Librarian **Jodi Miller** challenges a youngster to a hoola-hoop showdown during the Summer Reading Kickoff Party.

Carver Friends (L-R) **Beverly Harris, Beatrice Anderson, Shirley Davis** and **Shirley Coleman** display the assortment of books available at the book sale.

Carver visitors know a deal when they see one during the Book Sale hosted by the Friends of Carver Library.





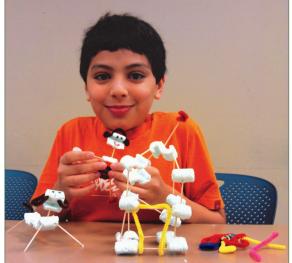




District 5 City Councilwoman, Shirley Gonzales, is reading to the children in the Las Palmas Library during the June 7th book sale.

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### **Maverick Library "Come and Go" Art**

Kayli's SA Spurs 3-D poster

Rodrigo's "Foam Peanut House, Hound and Owner"

Noah's "Super Scary Roller Coaster"

#### **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 Telephone (210) 227-9519

he BookCellar's big late summer event will be a Juvenile Extended Inventory. What's that? you say. It's all the children's and young adult books that have been boxed up in the storeroom because there's no room on the shelves. Those books will be displayed on the patio so shoppers will have a greater choice at the same great prices. This excess of easy readers, juvenile 10¢ bargain books, juvenile hardback fiction, and young adult fiction will be available for 10 days, from July 25 through August 3 during regular store hours. This is a great opportunity to inexpensively augment your home and/or classroom libraries.

Several volunteers have been reorganizing the store's duplicate hardback fiction so that fiction shelves can be easily restocked as books sell. One result of that project is reduced



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https://twitter.com/BookCellarSA



prices on some fiction. Watch the BookCellar's social media sites, email, or <u>friendsofsapl.org</u> for announcements of special flash sales.

The experiment in extended hours on Saturday afternoons has increased sales. So the store will remain open until 4:30 p.m. on Saturdays as long as volunteers are available to work those hours.

The annual potluck supper for BookCellar workers on May 19 drew 20 volunteers and guests. Mary Chance organized the event, assisted by Jesse Valdez, **David Stanley** and **Linda** Cheatum. The group played trivia games, with Bob Mason and **Ruth Galindo** quickest on the answers. Linda Arronge spoke about the importance of advocating for Library System funding in city budget meetings. **Tom Nemeth** gave information about selling books through Better World Books.

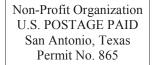


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### **CALENDAR OF BOOK SALES AND SPECIAL EVENTS**

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

July 19	Guerra Birthday celebration, 3:30-5	Brook Hollow Library 530 Heimer Road, 78232
July 20	FOSAPL Board meeting at Parman Library, 2 p.m.	210-496-6315
July 25-Aug. 3	BookCellar Juvenile Extended Inventory Book Sale, Central Library	Central Library 600 Soledad Street, 78205
July 31	SummerFest @ Central Library, 2 p.m., to celebrate the end of the Summer Reading	210-207-2500
	Program	Guerra 7978 Military Drive West, 78227
Aug. 1	Deadline for Nominations for Arts & Letters Awards	210-207-9070 Igo Library
Sept.6-7	McCreless Book Sale	13330 Kyle Seale Pkwy, 78249
Sept. 13	Brook Hollow Book Sale, 10–5	210-207-9080 Maverick Library
Sept. 26	FOSAPL 50th Anniversary celebration, 6:00 p.m., Central Library.	8700 Mystic Park, 78254 210-207-9060
Oct. 4–5	Igo Book Sale	McCreless Library 1023 Ada Street, 78223
Oct. 4–5	Maverick Autumn Book Sale	210-532-4254
Oct. 26	Arts & Letters Awards Ceremony, 2 p.m., Central Library	Parman Library at Stone Oak 20735 Wilderness Oak 210-207-2703

**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.