



## News from the Friends of the San Antonio Public Library

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### *From the President*

Dear Friends,

It's March and Friends' group book sales are "springing" up all over town! If you don't fill up your "to read" book shelf at those sales, a visit to the BookCellar certainly will! But save some room for author-signed treasures from the **SA Book Festival** at the Central Library and Southwest School of Art on April 7, a free literary event sponsored by the **SAPL Foundation**. For information about parking, volunteering, the youth fiction contest, and a schedule of related fun events, see the website at <http://www.saplf.org/festival/events>.

Although it might not be apparent to us until we hear the power tools, library staff is at work on many projects that will improve and maintain our library facilities, such as:

- Redesign and replacement of the Central Library entrance/exit doors
- Contract negotiations with project architects for five bond-funded projects (Forest Hills, Texana, McCrless, Memorial, and Las Palmas)
- HVAC assessments (Landa, Tobin, Semmes), roof replacement (Bazan), parking lot repairs (Forest Hills) and furniture replacement (Cody, Pan American, and Thousand Oaks)

Last fall you should have received the letter that prompted you to send in your Friends' membership renewal dues for 2018. The dedicated procrastinators out there were recently sent a *second* letter, with a membership envelope. For those of you who live online, there is the PayPal/credit card option, at [www.friendsofsapl.org](http://www.friendsofsapl.org), and everyone who joins or renews before the end of March receives a coupon for a BookCellar treasure.

In fact, membership recruitment—and retention of our experienced, seasoned Friends (you know who you are!)—is a priority this year. Thanks to good planning by **Kim Cauthon** (Membership Secretary), **Linda Cheatum**, **Antoinette Franklin**, **Beth Graham**, **Linda Janney**, **Pat Mendiola**, **Veronica Rouse**, **Delia Trimble**, and the **SAPL Graphics Team**, a workshop will be held to develop your marketing, communication, and technology skills. All Friends are welcome, and I hope to see you at one of the sessions.

Cheers,

*Nancy Gandara*



### MEMBERSHIP MATTERS!

#### Learn how to Expand Your Circle of Friends

What's the biggest complaint that all the branch Friends' groups have?—not enough active members! Attend a workshop and learn how to:

- ★ recruit new members, younger members, members with different talents and interests, and retain the members you have now
- ★ use marketing tools—banners and bookmarks—that will be given to each branch Friends group, for use at Friends' recruitment tables
- ★ accept payment of memberships and book sales by credit card, a very popular convenience
- ★ use social media to attract more members to your meetings and book sales

This is so important that the workshop will be presented three times:

**Sat., Mar. 31—9:30-12:30—Central Library**

**Fri., Apr. 6—10:00-1:00—Mission Branch**

**Sun., Apr. 8—1:00-4:00—Cody Branch**

RSVPs will be taken at <https://form.jotform.com/80408292184154> after March 1, 2018.

### Annual Meeting Membership Focus

**Kim Cauthon**

Current Friends, whose guest joined the Friends at the Annual Board Meeting, and the new Friends were entered in a drawing for special door prizes. New Friend **Hilda Rodriguez** won rodeo tickets. Current Friend, **Sylvia Zamarripa** won a free one-night stay at Solid Rock Ranch in Carmine; she generously gave her prize to new Friend, **Regina Tabor**

(pictured below left). Thank you to **Linda Janney** for obtaining the donations.

All attendees were entered in a drawing for book door prizes. Thank you to the BookCellar and Cody branch Friends

for providing the book donations.

Thank you to all for being a Friend!



# Friends of the San Antonio Public Library Annual Membership Meeting

Sunday, January 21, 2018 • Central Library

Submitted by **Beth Graham**, Secretary

The Friends of the San Antonio Public Library (FOSAPL) met on Sunday, January 21, 2018 at the Central Library. President **Nancy Gandara** called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m. Secretary **Beth Graham** called the roll and declared that a quorum was present.

Board members present were: **Nancy Gandara, Kim Cauthon, Linda Cheatum, Beth Graham, Karen Matson, Liz Alves, Arline Braswell, Antoinette Franklin, Beverly Harris, Linda Janney, Pat Konstam, Robert Mason, Mary McAfee, Pat Mendiola, Pat Peak, Veronica Rouse, Rowena Rogers, and Stephanie Serrata.**

Guests and other Friends members in attendance included **Paul Stahl, Jean Brady, Lora Devlon Eckler, and Marcie Ince** (San Antonio Public Library Board of Trustees); **Ramiro Salazar** (Library Director) and **Jessica Zurita** (Executive Assistant); **Richard Morales** (Chair, BookCellar Committee); **Cathy M. Abbott, Roy Braswell, Cheryl Whelan, Delores Huber, Ann Springer, Carla Pomager, Diane Duesterhoeft, Phil Backhus, Julie Chase, Sylvia Zamarripa, Kathy Bee, David Parsons, Liana Benavides, and Diane Backhus.**

## Approval of Minutes:

**Mary McAfee** made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 19, 2017, as submitted; **Pat Peak** seconded, and the motion was approved.

**President's Report:** **Nancy Gandara** reviewed some of the past year's accomplishments and successes:

- In April, the BookCellar manager and volunteers

once again provided extended hours in conjunction with the SA Book Festival.

- FOSAPL members advocated for passage of the Bond Election in May, and those funds will benefit the communities served by the Central Library, McCreless, Memorial, Las Palmas, and Forest Hills branches over the next several years.
- The Friends hired a professional bookkeeper to support the Treasurer's work and held training sessions about some revised procedures for branch group treasurers at five branches.
- In response to a request to the Library's Board of Trustees from their Friends' groups, the Brook Hollow Branch meeting room was named in honor of long-time Friends and branch volunteers **Pat and Neal Bjornson**, and the Mission Branch meeting room was named in memory of their founding Friends president **Roberto Anguiano**.
- The 45th anniversary of the Arts & Letters Awards garnered a record number of nominees, and the ceremony, which recognized two visual artists and a musician, was one of the best-attended in memory.
- Two newly constructed branch libraries attracted leaders in their communities: the Friends of the Schaefer Branch, and the Friends of the Potranco Branch were organized in 2017.
- Renewed interest in growing the Friends' membership and improving the vitality of all the branch groups has resulted in an active Membership Committee.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer **Linda Cheatum** presented the Treasurer's Reports for November 30 and December 31, 2017. She noted accomplishments from the previous year, which included a \$2,000 increase in membership income; approximately \$1,000 in income from the BookCellar's donation box; moving the FOSAPL account to Security Service Federal Credit Union to provide more economical banking service and more convenient locations for branch groups to conduct business; opening a \$50,000 CD; hiring a bookkeeper to assist with managing FOSAPL accounts; providing seed money for the Schaefer and Potranco Branch Friends accounts; providing a raise for the BookCellar manager; and \$1,005 in donations in memory of Mission Branch Friends charter president **Robert Anguiano**.

## Featured Speaker

Library Director **Ramiro Salazar** presented a Power-Point about the Library's use of funds donated by the Friends of the Library. He noted that monies had been appropriated for four initiatives: staff development, staff recognition, public awareness, and volunteer services.

As part of staff development, members of the Library staff attended meetings of the American Library Association, the Texas Library Association, the Urban Management Association of South Texas, TALL Texans (a development program for public librarians), the National Summer Learning Association and the Urban Libraries Council, among others. Additionally, six San Antonio Public Library employees were presenters at

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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

Nancy Gandara .....President  
Kim Cauthon ..... Vice President  
Beth Graham ..... Secretary  
Linda Cheatum ..... Treasurer  
Karen Matson ..... Immediate Past Pres

## MEMBERSHIP

**SECRETARY**...Kim Cauthon

## BOARD MEMBERS

### 2017–2019 Term:

Liz Alves • Beverly Duran • Bruce Gill • Yolanda Kirkpatrick • Pat Konstam • Robert Mason • Pat Mendiola • Pat Peak  
Stephanie Serrata • Delia Trimble

### 2018–2020 Term:

Kathy Bee • Barbara Chavez • Shirley Coleman • Jose Duran • Fred Garza • Delores Huber • Linda Janney • Mary McAfee • David Parsons • Rowena Rodgers • Veronica Rouse • Ann Springer • Cheryl Whelan • Sandra Wilkinson • Sylvia Zamarippa

## SAPLINGS

Managing Editor..... Alana Woods

Newsletter is published every two months and can also be seen at [www.friendsofsapl.org](http://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](mailto:alana005@yahoo.com), or mailed to her at 12106 Apricot Dr., San Antonio, TX 78247.

Article contributions for the newsletter are always welcome!

## NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

Lyn Belisle.....Chair  
Beth Graham • Angela Ehrenfried  
David Parsons • Stephanie Serrata • Alana Woods  
Nancy Gandara.....Ex Officio



Re-Think It 2018: Libraries for a New Age, a conference sponsored by University of Texas Libraries to bring together “academic, public, and K-12 librarians, administrators, technologists, architects, designers, furniture manufacturers, and educators...[to] rethink the increasingly important role libraries play in the communities they serve.” Library staff and their topics were: Assistant Library Director **Kathy Donellan** and Design and Development Specialist **Mark Loiselle**, “Strategic Planning for Library Building Improvements to Achieve Excellent Results;” Public Services Administrator **Cheryl Sheehan**, “Big Service in a Small Space;” Teen Services Coordinator **Jennifer Velásquez**, “The Nordic Four-Space Model and the Teen Library Space;” and Community and Public Relations Manager **Caitlin Cowart** and Performance and Innovation Manager **David Cooksey**, “The Multiple Roles of Libraries in the Community.” Similarly, funds from the 2018 FOSAPL donation will be used to help fund the Library’s staff development day on February 19.

For public awareness, FOSAPL funds have been used to purchase advertising specialties such as tee-shirts and pencils, to participate as exhibitors at community events, to purchase ads in the *Rivard Report*, and to promote the Library on social media. The FOSAPL donation has also supported staff recognition such as retirement and longevity awards and volunteer recognition.

Upcoming initiatives in 2018 will include the Mayor’s book club (“Our Family Reads”), and participation in the City’s STEM/STEAM initiative. The Library Director also spoke of staff’s desire to continue innovations in deliv-

ery of customer service. He thanked the Friends for their support of Library initiatives.

## LIAISON REPORTS

**Library Board of Trustees:** Library Trustees Chairman **Paul Stahl** expressed the gratitude of the Library Board for the Friends’ support. He noted that the Friends’ involvement illustrated the power of education and literacy and the importance of libraries in fostering those endeavors.

**San Antonio Public Library Foundation:** Deputy Executive Director **Lilly González** reported on plans for the 2018 Book Festival scheduled for April 7, noting that 2018 will be the sixth anniversary of the event. Inclusion of more Texas authors is planned for the 2018 Festival, as is the publication of a book commemorating San Antonio’s Tricentennial. Univision newscaster **Jorge Ramos** will be the headline presenter. Lilly also announced two additional events that will take place immediately before the Festival, an appearance on April 5 at several schools by young adult author **Jason Reynolds**, and the “Book Appetit” literary dinner featuring **Paula Poundstone** on April 6.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**BookCellar:** **Richard Morales** reported that the BookCellar had total sales of \$3,048 as of January 17, and that the donation box had collected \$971. He thanked the 2017 complement of 36 BookCellar volunteers, who donated 8,570 hours in the book store, and noted that the BookCellar was short 16 volunteers to fill all its available slots.

**Membership Secretary:** Membership Secretary **Kim Cauthon** reported that the Membership Committee had met and set goals for 2018: 1,000 total members, with a

group at each branch and at least ten active members in each branch group. The Membership Committee is **Kim Cauthon, Linda Cheatum, Antoinette Franklin, Nancy Gandara, Beth Graham, Linda Janney, Pat Mendiola, Veronica Rouse, and Delia Trimble**.

She also reviewed current and planned initiatives for the Membership Committee. Current projects included Texas Public Radio ads to promote the annual meeting; design, production and purchase of pop-up banners for each branch, to promote programs and membership recruitment; and planning for a membership recruitment workshop to support membership outreach at the branches.

Planned/prospective initiatives included a survey of members to find out what additional programs and activities they thought would attract new members; more social events for FOSAPL members; focused outreach to recruit specific groups (young parents, teens, etc.); member recognition; and development of a membership packet and other printed materials to support member recruitment.

**Beth Graham** reported that The Magik Theatre had invited the Friends of the Library to appear at opening night of their new play *Tomás and the Library Lady* to share membership information and that attendees at the show could receive a \$5 ticket with the donation of a new or gently used children’s book.

**Nominating Committee:** Chair **Karen Matson** reported that the nominating committee, composed of **Richard Morales, Mike Belisle, Mary Valdez, and Kim Cauthon**, had met to develop a slate of nominees to serve on the Board of the Friends of the San Antonio Public Library for

the 2018–2020 term, and that the slate would be presented later in the meeting under new business.

## NEW BUSINESS

**Election of new Board members:** Nominating Committee Chair **Karen Matson** reported that the following individuals were proposed as new members of the Board of the Friends of the San Antonio Public Library: **Kathy Bee, Barbara Chavez, Shirley Coleman, Jose Durán, Fred Garza, Delores Huber, Linda Janney, Mary McAfee, David Parsons, Rowena Rodgers, Veronica Rouse, Ann Springer, Cheryl Whelan, Sandra Wilkinson, and Sylvia Zamarripa**. She asked if there were any nominations from the floor. Hearing none, she asked for a motion to close the nominations. **Liz Alves** made the motion; **Jean Brady** seconded, and the proposed slate was elected by unanimous acclamation.

Following the election of new Board members, a drawing was held for the grand prizes available for members who brought guests to join the Friends and the meeting and their recruits. Winner of the night at Solid Rock Ranch was **Sylvia Zamarripa**, and winner of the San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo tickets was **Hilda Rodríguez**. President **Nancy Gandara** expressed thanks to Board member **Linda Janney** for obtaining the prizes.

## ADJOURNMENT

**Nancy Gandara** asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. **Karen Matson** made the motion; **Marcie Ince** seconded, and the motion passed without discussion or opposition. Meeting attendees were invited to stay for refreshments.



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## Brook Hollow

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Brook Hollow has been fairly quiet in 2018 compared to Dec. 2017 when two parties were held. The Brook Hollow Friends helped fund a release party for “Star Wars—the Last Jedi” on Dec. 16 and a “Winter Wonderland Party” on Dec. 19. The Star Wars party featured Star Wars-themed cake and cookies, a showing of “Star Wars: the Force Awakens,” and activities for all age levels—cookie decorating, Empire bowling, Jedi light-saber training, a virtual reality experience (which I tried—it made me dizzy but was a lot of fun!), a photo station, and Star Wars jeopardy. Eighty–100 people—some (including library staff) were in costumes—attended this come-and-go event. The Winter Wonderland Party, held just three days later, attracted a much younger crowd. Approximately 160 parents and children enjoyed cake, storytelling, and a variety of crafts.

The Friends helped fund two activities for young children in February—a Valentine party on Feb. 13, and a Motown dance party (in honor of Black History month) on Feb. 27.

Brook Hollow will be screening the 2016 film “Suffragette” (starring Meryl Streep and Carey Mulligan) on Saturday, Mar. 17, in honor of Women’s History month. I don’t think any Friends’ funds are involved, but wanted to give you a heads-up if you’re interested in seeing the film.

Our next meeting will be held Saturday, Mar. 3, 2018, at 1 p.m. (the date had to be

changed due to early voting). Please try to make it—no promises—Branch Manager **Heidi Novotny** has been known to bring homemade cookies to these meetings!

*Pat Finley*

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## Forest Hills

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The Forest Hills Friends are scheduled to meet on Sunday, Apr. 8, at 2 p.m. at the Forest Hills Library.

*Diane Duesterhoeft*

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## Las Palmas

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Our Friends group is currently researching STEM-related activities and programs that can be added during spring break (in March) to the Las Palmas calendar, which already includes family fun, teen time, Lego, bilingual story time, and more. We anticipate providing programming support, publicity targeting neighborhood associations and area schools, and snacks for those attending the additional activities.

For the third year in a row, Port San Antonio representatives have invited Friends from City Council Districts 4 and 5 branch libraries to take part in their annual Fiesta event, “Fiesta de Los Niños,” that will be held Saturday, Apr. 21. In previous years, we’ve partnered with the Friends from Bazan (2016) and Collins Garden (2017). This year’s participating branches and specific daylong activities are being finalized during planning meetings.

And, of course, we’re reaching out to current Friends for continued support through their 2018 membership renewals and looking for more ways to attract new members.

*Delia Ramirez Trimble*

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## Maverick

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Over at Maverick, we’ve kicked off 2018 in style. Our

library’s main meeting room was recently renovated with new paint, carpet, furniture, and electronics—including a television and gaming consoles for teens. As you can see in the photo on page 6, the results are great. The Maverick Friends can’t wait to use the space for our upcoming spring book sale, which will be held Mar. 24 and 25 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Be sure to stop by and find your next read. From DVDs to chapter books, we’ve got a great selection of items, and all proceeds help support the library.

In other news, we’re already gearing up for our upcoming summer reading program. Our wonderful Children’s Librarian **Amy Roberts**, is getting a jump start on scheduling performances. This year’s lineup will include visits from Dinosaur George and Spikey Mikey, among others. Our group is always more than happy—and proud—to help fund enriching programs such as these. We look forward to kicking off the summer reading program Saturday, Jun. 2 at 11 a.m., where the Friends will also be sponsoring visits from a balloon artist and face painter. Hope to see you all there.

Our next group meeting will be Mar. 6 at 7 p.m. If you’re interested in getting involved with your library, please feel free to join us. Friends are always welcome at Maverick.

*Amanda Dickinson*

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## McCreless

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We advertised our Feb. 10 sale as a bargain book and media sale, so with our regular prices cut in half, we expected to move a lot of books and tapes out into our neighborhood. We are happy to report that our income from that sale was \$313.56 plus \$40.15 in donations. Thank you to our Vice President **Christel**

**Villarreal** and Secretary **Lucy Duncan** who led the gang (**Jill Zimmerman**, **Vera Banner**, **Yulanee McKnight**, and **Paula Massengale**) in prepping for, selling, and packing up from our sale.

Last year our total book sale income was \$751.50, and for the “book nook,” the income was \$266.77.

We are grateful to **Bonnie Simons**, who makes annual donations in memory of her mother and brother.

At our meeting on Monday, Mar. 19, 6 p.m., at McCreless Library, we will be making plans for the rest of the year.

*Paula Massengale*

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## Memorial

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The Memorial Amigos are scheduled to meet on Thursday, Apr. 12, at 6:30 p.m., at Memorial Library.

*Diane Duesterhoeft*

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## Parman

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A new board has been elected at Parman Library: President—**Diana Klodginski** Vice President—**Vivian Demos** Secretary—**Margaret Baldinger** Treasurer—**Bruce Hagmann**

Parman Library is offering several special events in March. On Mar. 8, we’ll celebrate International Women’s Day; library visitors will receive themed bookmarks celebrating women. The entire month of March is Women’s History Month, and Parman Library will host a “Recognize and Meet a Woman Next Door” event—the date to be decided. The event will feature a discussion and reception celebrating women from the Stone Oak community.

During spring break, teenagers will have a chance to participate in a teen tech week program explaining animation basics.

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Parman Library will also host a Spring Break Coding Camp for students ages 10–100. All are welcome to stop by and learn basic coding. No previous experience is necessary.

All Parman Library events and activities are free. Reservation for some events is required. Please call Parman Library, 210-207-2703, for details, or keep an eye on our events calendar at <http://mysapl.org/visit/locations/parman-library>.

Parman Library patrons and the greater community are encouraged to shop at the Friends of Parman Library Booktiques located just inside the main entrance and in the hallway leading to community rooms. Booktique selections can be found for all ages and interests, and they are replenished often—sometimes with current best sellers. Hardcover books sell for only \$1 and softcover for 50¢. All Booktique proceeds directly benefit Parman library and its many wonderful community programs and activities.

Donations of books, DVDs, and CDs are encouraged, and may be given to the front desk. Donated items are resold at the Friends of Parman's annual book sale, with all proceeds directly benefiting the library. Depending on content and condition, some donated items may be redonated to charitable reading programs.

Hope to see you all at Parman Library soon!

*Margaret Baldinger*

## Schaefer

The Friends of the Schaefer Branch Library group will begin selling Fiesta Medals on Saturday, Mar. 24. Please stop by and purchase your Fiesta medal.

The Friends group is also working on the design for tote bags for people who come into

the library and need something to put their books, DVD's etc. instead of using plastic bags.

*Elizabeth Alves*

## Thousand Oaks

The Thousand Oaks Friends had a busy second half of 2017, providing services and/or support for a myriad of activities and events held by the Library. To help with these programs and events the Friends raised money by holding book and bake sales during the year with the last one being held on Dec. 2. The sale was a huge success, as was the one held in June, giving the Friends the resources to help the Library with their many children, teen, and senior programs. Branch Manager **Troy Lawrence** said "summer activities at Thousand Oaks could not be possible without the support of the Friends."

Looking back on the last half of 2017, the Thousand Oaks Library has been a busy place. The branch manager and staff outlined a number of activities to help make the library a great place to visit and learn, and the Friends are here to support these activities as needed. Here are just a few of the many activities we supported:

- The Summer Reading Program concluded the end of July, and Friends provided reward books for those participants meeting reading milestones.
- The solar eclipse party on Aug. 21 was a huge success. The Library passed out 200 pair of solar glasses. When we ran out of glasses, patrons were instructed on how to make their own pin hole viewers. It's estimated that the library had 1,200 visitors show up to make crafts, eat snacks, and watch the eclipse.

- Halloween party in October.
- In December the library hosted a winter celebration party.
- Library staff had a gingerbread house decorating contest. Who would have known there was so much artistic talent at the Library?
- Friends and library staff had a combined pot luck Christmas party.
- Friends were happy to provide a gift card to each library staff member to show our appreciation for their great work.
- The library celebrated their 30th anniversary on Dec. 8, with a celebration party on Dec. 9.
- The Friends enjoyed being together at Crumpets Restaurant for our Christmas luncheon.

We look forward to continuing to provide support for the Thousand Oaks Library in the coming year. As the 300 Centennial Year of San Antonio is in progress, no doubt there will be some interesting historical facts related to this milestone.

*Laurine Crosby*

## Tobin Library at Oakwell

Friends of the Tobin Library at Oakwell generously funded

three new large animal art pieces that stand out on the orange wall in the juvenile area of the library. Previously, the Friends funded the purchase of wood and paint materials for 24 new end cap shelves for expanded displays. Staff updated all signage on the shelves to bright colors to match Tobin's color scheme and highlight the display materials. Branch personnel have embraced the Mayor's Book Club with a dedicated display area for each month's theme.

In January, many visitors and staff added to the Unity poster that was made by Children's Librarian **Karen Braeuler** and Library Assistant **Auriel Pinales**. Innovative programs that started up and continue are Yoga story time, bilingual story time, and baby time on Saturdays. Adults can attend meditation class on Sundays or participate in the local Cosplay group that works on fun character costumes. Librarian **Kimberly Wygant** has kids ages 9–12 enjoying arts and crafts, gaming, exploring with STEM activities, and cooking club during each month.

Don't forget our spring book sale is Friday, Mar. 23, (Preview) and Saturday & Sunday, Mar. 24 & 25.

*Tracey Knouse*

## Donations and Memorials

Sheila Figueroa

### Donations

Mr. and Mrs. Jose Duran

### In Memory of

Idelle Abramson  
Roc Tyler

### by

Ann Springer  
Alana Woods



## Thousand Oaks



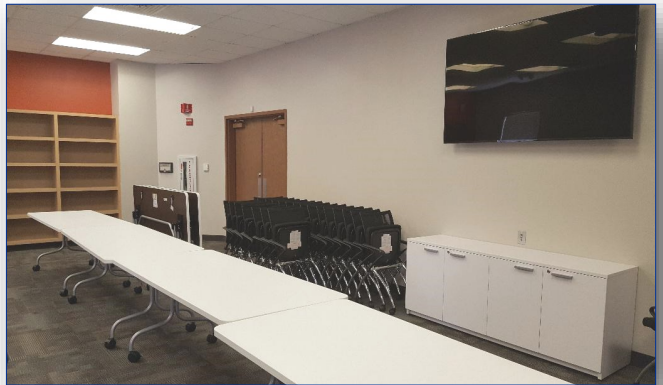
*Thousand Oaks Friends enjoying their Christmas luncheon.*



*Thousand Oaks branch manager (right) and Friends*



*Rosalie Martinez at the refreshment table at the 30th Anniversary*



*Updated Maverick meeting room.*



*Enjoying a bilingual story time at Las Palmas.*



*Lori Gonzalez, San Pedro, selling from a small book cart at The Rose Bush food truck court on Sunday Feb 2.*



## Mission Branch Meeting Room to Honor Roberto Anguiano

On Dec. 6, 2017, the Board of Trustees of SAPL unanimously approved the request by the community and Friends of the Mission Branch Library to name the meeting room of that branch in honor of the late **Roberto Anguiano**. During the Public Hearing that was held on Dec. 2, several people spoke about Mr. Anguiano's commitment to improving neighborhoods and individual lives: as **Terry Ibanez**, president of the Friends of the Mission Branch, said, "He believed that literacy changes communities."

Born and raised in the Westside of San Antonio, Mr. Anguiano served in the

Air Force, where his training as a water and sanitation specialist led to a career in water quality management that spanned more than 50 years. He worked for the City of San Antonio Wastewater Management Department, which later became SAWS, for 22 years. In 2004, he was appointed to the Board of Trustees of SAWS, where he was part of the development of the city's 50-year water plan and served as secretary and chair of the audit committee.

A natural leader, Mr. Anguiano was active in many organizations and led to the creation of several community groups in the Southside where

he and his wife, **Rosie Martinez Anguiano**, raised five children. A passionate activist for the San Antonio River, he co-founded the Basura Bash, which has continued for decades and is the largest single-day waterway cleanup in Texas. The list of committees and organizations in which he served includes the Mission Trails Oversight Committee (the precursor to the Missions being designated a World Heritage site), the Friends of the

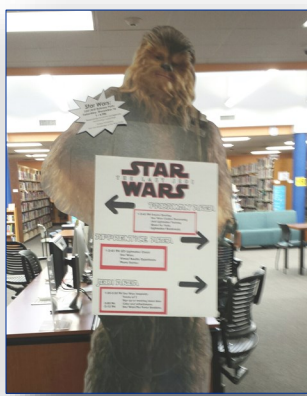


Mission Branch Library (charter president), and the mission neighborhood's VFW Post 9186. He was critical in brokering three important assets in the San Jose Neighborhood: the Mission

Library, the Najim

YMCA and the Mission District Community Garden. As stated in his obituary in the Express-News, "The neighborhood, the city, and visitors from throughout the world will continue to benefit" from his life-long work.

## Brook Hollow's Star Wars & Winter Wonderland Parties



## From the Library Director



Greetings Friends,

We have a very exciting few months coming up at the San Antonio Public Library. On Saturday, March 3, Central Library will host SAPL's very first Pop Con! The day will be filled with artists, authors, fan groups, anime, gaming, a cosplay contest, an art contest, and more. Pop Con is an event for the whole family to enjoy. We hope you will help us spread the word, and stop by to have some fun.

Also happening in March is our 4th annual Mini Maker Faire. This year's Faire will take place on Saturday, March 24, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Central Library. The Maker Faire is a gathering of fascinating, curious people who enjoy learning and who love sharing what they can do. From engineers to artists to scientists to crafters, Maker Faire is a venue for these "makers" to show hobbies, experiments, and projects.

The San Antonio Book Festival recently announced the official author line up for the 6th annual Book Festival. More than 90 national, regional, and local authors will appear at the event on Saturday, April 7, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. taking place at Central Library and the Southwest School of Art. I recommend you visit the Library Foundation's website ([saplf.org/festival](http://saplf.org/festival)) for a detailed schedule. Headlining the 2018 lineup is Emmy award-winning journalist **Jorge Ramos** with his latest book, *Stranger: The Challenge of a Latino Immigrant in the Trump Era*. Ramos has been the anchorman for Univision since 1986 and was hailed as "one of the 25 most influential Hispanics in the United States" by TIME magazine. Other top attractions in the festival lineup include best-selling author **Sandra Cisneros** with her memoir *A House of My Own: Stories from My Life*, local authors **Naomi Shihab Nye** and **Bryce Milligan** with Literary San Antonio, and former San Antonio Public Library employee **Xelena González** with her award-winning children's book *All Around Us*.

Another new event coming to the San Antonio Public Library is the Mission City Film Festival. The festival was created to encourage and celebrate emerging and established San Antonio Filmmakers. There are five categories for film submissions: Feature Film (over 60 minutes in length), Documentary, Short Film (10–59 minutes in length), Super Short Film (less than 10 minutes in length), and Library Film (film submission of any length that features any San Antonio Public Library location). Awards will be presented in six categories: Best Overall Picture, Best Documentary, Best Director, Best Actor, Best Actress, and Best San Antonio Public Library Film. Winners in each category will have their films shown at the Santikos Silverado movie theater on April 11 and in San Antonio Public Library locations throughout the year. In addition, the winner of Best Overall Picture will be awarded a trophy. More information is available on the Library's website (<http://guides.mysapl.org/MissionCityFilmFest>).

As always, thank you for your continued support of the mission of your Library system.

Sincerely,

**Ramiro Salazar**

*Director, San Antonio Public Library*

## FOSAPL Board Meeting Locations & Dates

Mar. 18, 2018	Potranco Branch
May 20, 2018	Cody Branch
July 15, 2018	Las Palmas Branch
Sept. 16, 2018	Carver Branch
Nov. 18, 2018	Brook Hollow Branch
Jan. 27, 2019	Central Library
All meetings are on Sunday and begin at 2 p.m.	

## Library Closures

### April 2018

- 4/1 Easter
- 4/27 Fiesta San Jacinto

### May 2018

- 5/28 Memorial Day

### July 2018

- 7/4 Independence Day

## Membership Frequently Asked Questions

**Kim Cauthon**

**Question:** Where can I get more membership envelopes?

**Answer:** The membership envelopes are stored at the BookCellar. Please call 210-227-9519 and ask the BookCellar to send the envelopes with the library delivery to your branch. Additionally, Friends can join on the website: [www.friendsofsapl.org](http://www.friendsofsapl.org).

**Question:** As a branch officer, how can I get the most current membership roster for my branch?

**Answer:** Please email the Membership Chair at [fosaplmembershipchair@gmail.com](mailto:fosaplmembershipchair@gmail.com).

**Question:** Where is my membership card?

**Answer:** FOSAPL is no longer providing membership cards. If you would like to confirm your membership or have a written document confirming membership, please email the Membership Chair at [fosaplmembershipchair@gmail.com](mailto:fosaplmembershipchair@gmail.com) and an email statement will be provided.

More questions?? Please email [fosaplmembershipchair@gmail.com](mailto:fosaplmembershipchair@gmail.com).

Thank you for being a Friend!



## BookCellar News

Stephanie Serrata

**The BookCellar  
Central Library Basement  
Open 11–3 every day  
plus 3–7 Thursdays  
210-227-9519**

Here are the top stories from the BookCellar (BC) news desk. BC committee member/volunteer, **Linda Moore**, has resigned from the committee. A valued member of the committee, Linda served on the evaluation committee, which was responsible for producing the document used to conduct the manager's yearly evaluation. We'd like to give a big shout out to her for her important contribution to the committee. Linda will be missed.

As the BC says goodbye to one committee member, we are honored to welcome a new member to the BC committee. **Robert Teague** was unanimously voted onto the committee on January 25, 2018. Congratulations, Bob! We're excited to have you join us, and we all look forward to working with you.

The next few months are going to be busy here at the BC. Remember to come down and join us for these amazing upcoming events.

### Sales/Events

**March sale:** Regularly priced adult 300s, 600s, 800s, and 900s will be 50¢ each or 3/\$1.00. Our annual spring break sale will start on Saturday, Mar. 10, and end on Sunday, Mar. 18. Young adult books will be 50% off. Our young adult biographies will also be 50% off. Atten-

tion all parents: There will be a special display of activity books for children.

**April sale:** April is National Poetry Month, and we have poetry galore. The BC has an enormous selection of poetry, and there will be a special poetry display which will have reduced prices. Come take a look at books by e.e. cummings, T.S. Elliot, William Butler Yeats, Sylvia Plath, and dozens more. Also, our regularly priced adult hardback and paperback fiction will be 50% off. This includes general fiction. Science fiction, classic literature, and Spanish fiction will not be included in this sale.\*

**BookFest:** Don't forget that April also brings the San Antonio Book Festival. The BC will have extended hours on Saturday, April 7, in honor of the 6<sup>th</sup> annual book event. We will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Come down to the BC and look at our incredible inventory.

### Sale Donations

Switching gears, it seems that the BC needs to make some clarification regarding the proper protocol for requesting BC inventory. This is a head's up to all Friends groups, members of the Friends, and members of the board of directors. Our procedures were printed in the January–February 2017 edition of the SAPLs, but here they are again:

Many branch Friends groups are not aware that they may request surplus BC materials to supplement items available for branch sales. The procedure to request BC "overstock" items are as follows:



1. Contact BC manager, **Andrea Mason** at 210-227-9519.
2. Please call AT LEAST TWO (2) WEEKS in advance of your branch sale.
3. Arrange for a member of your branch to pick up the books at the BC during business hours.

Branches will not be supplied with easy readers, Spanish books, vintage books, or markups.

Consideration and good communication between the branch groups and the BC will improve sales for everyone and result in more revenue that can be donated to our libraries.

At no time is any Friends group, member of the Friends, or member of the Board of Directors allowed to take books off of the BC shelves to supplement their book sales.

Finally, BC Committee Chairman **Richard O. Morales** would like to thank the BC volunteers for all of their hard work and for working all of those extra shifts throughout 2017. Total volunteer hours for 2017: 8570.

Thanks everyone. Great job!!

This concludes another edition of the BC news. Join us again for the May-June edition. Until then, happy reading...

\* BC sales are courtesy of **Andrea Mason**.



[www.facebook.com/BookCellarSA](https://www.facebook.com/BookCellarSA)

## Time to Renew Your Membership

Send your renewal in an envelope with your payment or go online (<https://form.jotform.com/friendsofsapl/fosapl-membership>) to renew using PayPal or your credit card. Everyone who joins or renews their membership for 2018 by March 31 will receive a coupon that may be redeemed at the BookCellar (see page 5). Join today and bring your family, friends, and neighbors with you!

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## Treasurer's Report

December 31, 2017

### Branch Group Balances

Total Bank Accounts	
<i>(from Balance Sheet)</i>	259,782.03
Branch Designated Funds :	<u>(135,487.40)</u>
Net Assets FOSAPL	124,294.63
Bazan	1,743.69
Brook Hollow	8,658.55
Carver	3,640.75
Central	869.30
Cody	19,413.38
Collins Garden	3,168.75
Cortez	1,098.19
Encino	1,235.97
Forest Hills	372.89
Great Northwest	3,224.28
Guerra	3,449.99
Igo	14,736.32
Johnston	1,928.36
Landa	4,249.30
Las Palmas	649.02
Maverick	9,281.48
Mccreless	678.88
Memorial	5,247.97
Mission	6,910.05
Pan American	504.21
Parman	11,065.09
Potranco	164.11
San Pedro	595.68
Schaefer	1,283.22
Semmes	8,074.88
Texana/genealogy	9,493.70
Thousand Oaks	3,633.24
Tobin At Oakwell	7,819.97
Westfall	<u>2,296.18</u>
	<u>135,487.40</u>

*You can view past Treasurer's Reports on the FOSAPL website at  
<http://www.friendsofsapl.org/treasurers-reports.html>*



# Treasurer's Report

December 31, 2017

	Nov - Dec 17	Jan - Dec 17	Annual Budget
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>			
<b>Income</b>			
BookCellar Donation Box	137.60	940.18	
Donations and Memorials	6,000.43	6,838.23	6,200.00
<b>Sales</b>			
Book Sales Taxable			
BookCellar Gross Sales - Taxed	12,310.67	81,347.77	
Sales Tax Withheld	-1,015.63	-6,706.97	0.00
Total Book Sales Taxable	11,295.04	74,640.80	0.00
Sales - Other	0.00	0.00	83,000.00
Total Sales	11,295.04	74,640.80	83,000.00
Interest Income	134.92	426.10	400.00
<b>Other Types of Income</b>			
Miscellaneous Revenue	9.69	25.77	
Total Other Types of Income	9.69	25.77	
<b>Membership Income</b>			
FOSAPL Membership	5,355.00	10,730.30	8,800.00
Total Membership Income	5,355.00	10,730.30	8,800.00
<b>Total Income 22,932.68</b>		<b>93,601.38</b>	<b>98,400.00</b>
<b>Expense</b>			
<b>BUDGET EXPENSES</b>			
Donations	100.00	100.00	
Arts and Letters Program	0.00	670.69	700.00
Bank Charges & Merchant Fees	71.93	93.91	50.00
Board Expenses FOSAPL	12.75	196.74	200.00
Branch Officers Workshop	0.00	0.00	600.00
Contract Services			
Accounting Fees	2,510.00	7,110.00	7,200.00
Total Contract Services	2,510.00	7,110.00	7,200.00
Insurance FOSAPL	0.00	1,100.50	1,200.00
Membership Recruitment	674.89	1,538.79	1,000.00
Miscellaneous Exp	83.32	83.32	
Newsletter Expense	793.00	2,973.51	3,650.00
Office Supplies	408.08	859.55	400.00
Postage	639.03	1,108.14	1,300.00
President's Expenses	0.00	0.00	150.00
SA Book Festival	0.00	0.00	300.00
Seed Money - for new groups	0.00	200.00	200.00
Website Maintenance	240.00	660.00	850.00
<b>Total BUDGET EXPENSES</b>	<b>5,533.00</b>	<b>16,695.15</b>	<b>17,800.00</b>
<b>BOOKCELLAR EXPENSES</b>			
Supplies	0.00	151.42	
Advertising	0.00	196.98	300.00
Book Sale(s) Expenses	0.00	887.58	1,000.00
BookCellar Insurance	0.00	879.28	1,200.00
Commodities for Resale	407.53	2,843.17	3,000.00
Equipment & Maintenance	0.00	149.00	1,000.00
Payroll Expenses			
Payroll Tax	192.80	1,168.31	
Salaries	2,520.00	15,235.50	
Payroll Expenses - Other	0.00	0.00	17,500.00
Total Payroll Expenses	2,712.80	16,403.81	17,500.00
Printing and Copying	0.00	0.00	150.00
Volunteer Appreciation	1,219.92	1,443.13	1,450.00
<b>Total BOOKCELLAR EXPENSES</b>	<b>4,340.25</b>	<b>22,954.37</b>	<b>25,600.00</b>
<b>LIBRARY SUPPORT</b>			
Memorial Gifts for Life Members	100.00	200.00	0.00
Public Programming & Staff Dev.	0.00	55,000.00	55,000.00
<b>Total LIBRARY SUPPORT</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>55,200.00</b>	<b>55,000.00</b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>9,973.25</b>	<b>94,849.52</b>	<b>98,400.00</b>



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## CALENDAR OF BOOK SALES AND SPECIAL EVENTS

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

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|-----------------|---|
| March 3         | Brook Hollow Friends meeting, 1 p.m.  |
| March 7         | Semmes Friends meeting, 5:30 p.m.   |
| March 6         | Maverick Friends meeting, 7 p.m.  |
| March 8         | Parman International Women's Day.   |
| March 10-18     | BookCellar Annual Spring Break Book Sale.                                       |
| March 17        | Brook Hollow screening of "Suffragette."  |
| <b>March 18</b> | <b>FOSAPL Board meeting, Potranco, 2 p.m.</b>                                   |
| March 19        | McCreless Friends meeting, 6 p.m.   |
| March 23-25     | Tobin Library at Oakwell Spring Book Sale. Friday is member preview.            |
| March 24        | Encino Book Sale and Craft Fair.  |
| March 24        | SAPL Mini Maker Faire, 11-3.  |
| March 24-25     | Maverick Friends Book Sale, 10-4.   |
| April 7         | San Antonio Book Festival, 9-5; BookCellar open 10-4.                           |
| April 8         | Forest Hills Friends meeting, 2 p.m.  |
| April 12        | Memorial Amigos meeting, 6:30 p.m.  |
| April 14        | Schaefer Friends meeting  |
| April 21        | City Council Districts 4 & 5 Fiesta de Los Niños.                               |
| May 4-5         | Guerra Library Book Sales, Friday, 4-6; Saturday, 10-4, all day bag sale, \$10. |
| May 31          | Deadline to redeem your free book coupon at the BookCellar.                     |
| June 2          | Maverick Summer Reading Program kickoff, 11 a.m.                                |
| June 9          | Schaefer Friends meeting  |

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  
210-207-9030

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

**Encino Library**  
2515 East Evans Road  
(210) 207-9250

**Forest Hills Library**  
5245 Ingram Rd., 78228  
210-207-9230

**Guerra Library**  
7978 Military Drive West, 78227  
210-207-9070

**Maverick Library**  
8700 Mystic Park, 78254  
210-207-9060

**McCreless Library**  
1023 Ada Street, 78223  
210-207-9170

**Memorial Library**  
3222 Culebra, 78228  
210-207-9140

**Parman Library at Stone Oak**  
20735 Wilderness Oak  
210-207-2703

**Potranco Library**  
8765 State Hwy 151 Access Rd., 78245  
210-207-9280

**Schaefer Library**  
6322 US Hwy 87 E, 78222  
210-207-9300

**Semmes Library**  
15060 Judson Rd., 78247  
210-207-9110

**Tobin Library at Oakwell**  
4134 Harry Wurzbach Rd, 78209  
210-207-9040