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## *From the President*



Dear Friends,

Birthdays! Come to help celebrate the Grand Openings of the Mission Branch April 30, and the Parman Branch on May 7. See the latest innovations in architecture for libraries, coupled with features that relate to each library's terrain and community.

Then plan to join the Friends of the Memorial Branch (known as the Amigos) in recognition of that branch's 30th "birthday" on May 21. This branch, located across from St. Mary's University, gets the prize for creative fundraising: more than \$2,200 was raised by renting parking spaces to revelers of the nearby Fiesta Oyster Bake this year!

But wait, there's more—the Friends of the Johnston Branch will blow out 30 candles on June 18, and will be joined by members of **Leah Carter Johnston's** family and winners of the Young Pegasus Poetry contests over the years. Ms. Carter originated this contest ("the longest -running poetry contest for children in the United States") in 1927, and many of the winners have grown up to be locally and nationally recognized in their careers. You can hear the authors of this year's entries read their winning poems on May 15 at Hermann Sons Lodge (515 S. St. Mary's St.)—then, years from now, you can say, "I knew them 'when'..."

And as the school year winds down and summer vacation begins, each of us should take a child, grandchild or young neighbor to participate in the summer Reading Program at their library—and ask a Children's Librarian to recommend some titles that kids of that age will like. As **Maya Angelou** observed, "Any book that helps a child to form a habit of reading, to make reading one of his deep and continuing needs, is good for him."

Just as we love to celebrate library birthdays, it is bittersweet to note that on May 29 the Bannwolf Library, which has operated as part of the Reagan High School since 1999 will cease providing services to the public (replaced by the new Parman Branch, in the Stone Oak area). "Thank you" to the staff who have provided such cheerful and creative programming, and to the school administrators who helped to make this partnership "work" so well!

*Cheers,*  
*Nancy Gandara*

## Summer Reading Programs

All the San Antonio Public Libraries offer weekly programs for children during June and July.

Designed to emphasize the fun to be found in reading as well as the joy of self-directed discovery, library programs are free and open to the public.

Due to the potential for overcrowding, four of the branches use a ticketing system for weekly Kids Time programs: Cody, Igo, Parman and Semmes.

Children of all ages are welcome at library programs but there are suggested ages for each program to assure that all children from birth through the elementary grades can find a program that "fits" their abilities and interests.

The library does not offer reading instruction. However, studies indicate that children who read independently during the summer retain the reading skills they learned in school much better than children who don't read during the summer.

If you have questions about a specific program, please call the branch hosting that program. If you have a question about children's library programs in general, call the Central Children's Department at 210-207-2621.

We hope you and your friends will Dig Up Some Good Books this summer at the San Antonio Public Library.

***Registration for Summer 2011 opens June 1!***



### Friends of the Library Annual Summer Tent Sale of Books

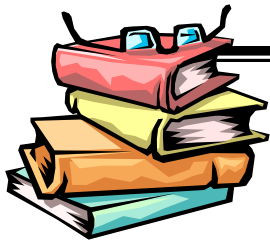
*Friends' Preview Sale:*  
Thursday, July 7, 4–7

*Sale to Public:*  
Friday–Saturday, July 8–9, 9–4  
Sunday, July 10, 11–4

BookCellar  
Central Library basement

600 Soledad

***See page 9 for more details.***



# Friends of the San Antonio Public Library

Board Meeting  
March 20, 2011

Submitted by *Anne Long*

The Friends of the San Antonio Public Library met on Sunday, March 20, 2011, in the meeting room at Carver Library. Those present were: **Nancy Gandara, Linda Arronge, Judy Wilson, Anne Long, Shirley Coleman, Shirley Davis, Jackie Fremming, Bruce Gill, Pat Konstam, Robert LaCaff, Karen Matson, Mary McAfee, Bob Mason, Pat Mendiola, Ronnie Retzlöff, Christie Smith and Ann Springer.**

The Minutes of the January 16, 2011, meeting were printed in the March/April 2011 *SAPLings*. **Jackie Fremming** moved and **Mary McAfee** seconded the motion that the Minutes be accepted as they appeared in the Newsletter. The motion passed.

**President's Report—Nancy Gandara** gave a quick run-down of her many meetings with the Library Foundation, Library Trustees, Library Strategic Plan Committee and the BookCellar committee. A list of the dates, times and locations of the FOSAPL board meetings for the year have been emailed to all board members as well as a list of names, phone numbers, addresses and emails of the board members and directors.

**Treasurer's Report—Judy Wilson** outlined a few changes she has made to the layout of the Treasurer's Report form. The net assets for FOSAPL as of Feb. 28, 2011, equal \$47,138.09, and the Branch Group funds are \$111,874.56. A motion was made by **Mary McAfee** and seconded by **Bob Mason** that we accept the report. It passed and will be submitted for audit.

**Library Board Report—Jean Brady** reminded us of the exciting openings of the Mission Library on April 30 and

the Parman Library on May 7. The Board is in the process of gathering input to create a master plan to spend grant money earmarked for Carver Library. Mission and Parman Libraries will share a \$100,000 gift from **Barry McKinny**.

**Library Administration—Roberta Sparks** reported that the Strategic Plan is in the middle stage of being developed. Staff work groups are focusing on specific areas to collect data and will make recommendations to the Library Board and the consultants about this project. There will also be public meetings to gain input from the community. Hiring for the new branches is going very well and there have been many promotions and transfers within the system. Many of those promoted are recipients of grant money given by the Institute of Museums and Library Services to allow people with a BA in Library Science to go for a Master's. Our good friend **Kendra Tracta**, who is now the Assistant Director, is moving to Washington in April. She will be greatly missed and very hard to replace. Another star in our crown is **Jennifer Velasquez** who has been named by *The Library Journal* as "A Mover and A Shaker" for her work with Teens.

**Library Foundation—**In the absence of **Carol Black**, **Nancy Gandara** reported that Plains Capital Bank is making an offer to anyone who opens a personal checking account with a Debit Card at their Stone Oak Branch. The Foundation is moving seven trees selected for demolition to the Mission library location. Anyone interested may donate the cost of the transplant and have the tree dedicated to the donor.

**SAPL Advocacy Committee—Linda Arronge** (who has been a member of the Board's Advocacy Committee for several years) reported about opportunities for the Library to be included in elections for funding that are coming up in 2012: 1) the Mayor has indicated that he would like to add an eighth-of-a-cent sales tax for education, and 2) discussions about Bond Issue projects have begun. If the Library would benefit from either of those funding sources, the Friends will be informed about the projects and will be asked to support the passage of either/both elections.

**BookCellar—Aaron Konstam** passed out printed book marks to be used by branches at book sales or other times when we could advertise the BookCellar. There are plenty more at the BookCellar. The Marketing Strategies Committee is in the process of collecting data to determine which books sell best and designing a customer survey. Aaron also remarked that the BookCellar is doing especially well considering major book stores are going out of business.

**Membership—**Nancy introduced our new membership chairperson, **Christie Smith**. Our membership as of March 16, 2011, is 750. Christie pointed out that of the 122 new members in 2010, 112 did not renew.

## OLD BUSINESS

The Fundraising Task Force has not yet met.

## NEW BUSINESS

**Members' Workshops—****Nancy Gandara** suggested we look at the possibility of holding three Members' Workshops

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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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## SAPLINGS

Newsletter published every two months for the information of member Friends of the San Antonio Public Library and others supportive of our ideals and activities.

Managing Editor ..... Alana Woods  
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## NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

Lyn Belisle, Chair • Cathy Dean • Nancy Gandara, *Ex Officio* • Bruce Gill • Pat Mendiola • Linda Nairn, *Distribution*

**Article contributions for the newsletter are always welcome!**

The deadline for submitting articles and photos to *SAPLings* is the 15th of the month (February 15, April 15, June 15, August 15, October 15, and December 15)

Submittals should be a simple text or a Word file. Please email files and photos to Alana Woods, [alana005@yahoo.com](mailto:alana005@yahoo.com). Printed articles and original photos should be mailed to Alana Woods at Southwest Research Institute, 6220 Culebra Rd., San Antonio, TX 78238.



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## Brook Hollow

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The Brook Hollow Friends semiannual book sale March 12 was another great success. Although we had fewer books to sell, our sales totaled approximately \$3,400.

Also of significance, out of our 81 members, 43 volunteered at some point during the sale.

Thanks to all who helped and especially to **Pat Bjornson** who so ably coordinated the effort.

The Friends also provided the Brook Hollow staff with a Staff Appreciation Dinner at Apple Annie's Restaurant on March 4. A great buffet meal was enjoyed by approximately 45 staff and guests.

It was reported at the last meeting that three of the book trucks previously authorized by the Friends had been received and are being enjoyed by the staff. Another truck is still on order along with some easels. The Friends also authorized the replacement of an oscillating fan and a coffee-maker for staff use.

Our landscaping committee reports that most of the plants survived the winter freeze. The landscaper will meet with the committee to determine which plants need to be replaced and that will be accomplished soon. Also the trees have been trimmed and the irrigation system has been repaired.

The next book sale is scheduled for October 24. Be sure to mark your calendar!

**Bruce Gill**

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## Great Northwest

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The Great Northwest Friends have been busy this spring. We approved upgrades to the fish tank including new plants and rock designs, a new filter and more large fish for families to watch. We purchased book carts and display stands for ongoing library displays and supplies to support the summer programs. We are currently pricing new tables and book sale signage, and we hope to soon have a refrigerator in the community room's kitchen soon so the summer volunteers have a place to keep their drinks and lunches.

Our spring book sale is scheduled for June 3 (4–6) and June 4 (10–4). The quilting group at Great Northwest Library is creating a large patriotic themed quilt to be given away by drawing at the end of the book sale. Tickets to the drawing cost \$1.00 each or six tickets for \$5.00. All ticket proceeds will be donated to the Friends. We are so fortunate and grateful for our talented quilters' support. Please stop by the library to see the quilt and get your tickets (exact change or check only) starting in early May. You will not need to be present to win.

**Denise Barlow**

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## Igo

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Our March book sale was a whopping success. We made a total of \$2,796 in book sales and \$135 for tote bags. The new red, purple or black back packs announce I GO TO IGO and were quite a hit.

Eleven members helped out on Thursday, making a huge dent in the work load. Several new members were able to work with us. By 2:00 Friday afternoon, we were ready for the sale on Saturday morning. As usual people were lined up at the door. The \$5 per bag

sale two hours before closing was a big hit. Since many of the books sold so well, we were able to pack up without having to return Monday to finish the job.

We had two middle school students help on Saturday.

**Daniella Martinez** from Jefferson Middle School and **Ciara McCary** from Garcia Middle School helped for a good part of the day. This is the second time they have helped. We greatly appreciate their contribution to the Fibbers and to the Igo community.

Many thanks to all who helped and to our patrons, many of whom we're glad to welcome back each time.

**Kathleen McCloskey**

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## Maverick

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Several new Friends and some wonderful volunteers pitched in to make our April book sale a success. Friends working their first Maverick book sale included **Dennis Moreno**, **Cora** and **Glenn Poteet**, and **Elizabeth Purkey**. Community volunteers, **Susana** and **Mariana Guerrero** also gave generously of their time to assist with the sale.

Two members of the Boy Scout Troop 690, **Lucas Austin** and **Patrick Plimpton**, carried loads of books to buyers' cars. Both young men and their dads, **Shawn Austin** and **John Plimpton**, joined volunteers **Lauren** and **Benjamin Steinhauer** to help us pack up the leftover books in record time.

Much as the Maverick Friends enjoy making money, that's only half of the equation. We have fun spending it, too.

Recently we purchased an Ellison die cut machine and a USB drive for the library, and a microwave oven and flatware for the staff break room. We also bought a file cabinet, which will remain at the library, to store our Friends' archives.

Now we're looking forward to the Summer Reading program for more chances to support our library.

**Sue Ratliff**

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## McCreless

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There are two happy occasions to note in this report: In March, The Friends of McCreless thanked **Cammie Gunter** for her 5-year milestone with a delicious platter of baked goodies. She really has done an excellent job. This summer will mark the 45th birthday of McCreless library! The Friends will work closely with Cammie and the staff to plan some fun and exciting celebrations for patrons.

The Friends give a special shout out to **Cathy Dean**, **Tom Nemeth**, **Vera Banner** and **Heidi Flannery** for their efforts in visiting local legislators to advocate for libraries during the round of state budget cuts. They took the time to make known their concerns to local legislators on how cuts to libraries affect the community.

### *Upcoming events:*

McCreless Friends book sale will be Saturday, May 21, 10:00–5:30, and Sunday, May 22, 10:00–5:30, at the library. Drop off donations at the library and please sign up to volunteer or just drop by and buy. All efforts support library services!

Our next Board meeting will be May 9, at 2:00. The location is still TBA.

Our next General meeting is May 16, 2011, at 5:30 in the McCreless meeting room. Our speaker will be a representative from Green Spaces Alliance. The topic will be Wildscaping and Conservation. Come learn how to make your yard beautiful, functional, and less work!

**Jill Zimmerman**

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## Semmes

Semmes Friends were joined at their April meeting by **Tom Suk**—one of our Friends of Comanche Lookout Park. Tom shared with us all the wonderful work the Friends of the park have been able to accomplish since the park was established. You may recall that Semmes and Comanche Lookout Park were co-developed together and showcased across the nation to demonstrate how two public entities (in this case the Public Library and the Park Service) could work together for mutual benefit and efficiency and service to the community. In this case, visitors to either the park or the library enjoy easy access to both entities, and the library also gets the benefit of landscape services from the park, while its environmentally friendly design captures rainwater for irrigation and support of the landscaped wetland that supports the park ecosystem. There are always lots of people enjoying everything the park and library have to offer. Tom listed all the things the Friends of Comanche Lookout have been able to accomplish—such things as trail markers, improved walkways and lids for trash barrels, and their award winning work on National Night Out—all part of their efforts to keep the park safe and clean. Tom also gave us the opportunity to purchase the first Fiesta medal of the Friends of Comanche Lookout Park—a real collector's item. Semmes Friends are looking forward to collaborating with Comanche Friends in the future.

The Friends are pleased to provide the library with gift cards to support the upcoming summer reading program and the purchase of "baby time" supplies such as sensory balls and musical instruments.

Mark your calendars for June 11—the next Semmes Book Sale—and Friends' preview sale on Friday, June 10, from 11-12:30.

*Christie Smith*

## Thousand Oaks

Thousand Oaks Friends hosted a farewell reception for Library Manager **Christine Palmer**, who is moving into retirement after more than 20 years of service with the SAPL system. Staff from the TO Branch and Central, along with her family and friends, filled the conference room to say goodbye and wish her well. Library director **Ramiro Salazar** presented a certificate of appreciation and a SAPL medallion. Other gifts included an E-reader from the staff and a package of cards from the TO Friends with "What to do when you retire" suggestions. Chris said her "what to do" list includes travel, gardening, and enjoying her twin grandchildren.

The Friends hosted another special event in April when they served their annual appreciation lunch for the staff. The festive event featured a Spring and Easter theme and a barbecue menu topped off with homemade desserts.

Kudos and congratulations to our staff members who have completed their degree programs. **Barbara Kwiatkowski**, the leader of TO's active teen program, received her Library Science degree in December. **Debra Lindenburg-Morrow** will receive her degree in May.

The Friends have continued to fund the teen program, and they recently bought a new projector for the library to replace the one that was stolen.

The next book sale will be Saturday, June 4, from 10–3. As victims of the success of our Book Nook sales, we are

short of paperbacks, so if any of the Friends from other branches have a surplus to share, please call **Linda Nairn** (210-653-0640) or **Ginger Hobbs** (210-659-3929).

*Renee Hermanson*

## Tobin Library at Oakwell

The Friends of Tobin Library at Oakwell welcome **Tracey Knouse**, new interim branch manager, who recently served Great Northwest as a Librarian II.

A new sitting area in the children's section, with a small sofa and two comfy chairs, is a gift from the Friends. Other new acquisitions include an RFID pod workstation and three receipt printers. The Friends also sponsored an appearance by **Jeff Abbott**, the Austin author whose thriller *Adrenaline* will be out in July.

The next book sale is set for May 20–21. Open to all FOSAPL members, the preview

sale will be held from 1–3, Friday, May 20. The public sale will be 10–4, Saturday, May 21. The annual staff appreciation dinner will be held at the Barn Door on May 25.

*Janet Goddard*

## Have a new eBook reader?

Remember that you can download e-books and audio books free with your San Antonio Public Library card! If you don't have a library card, visit our website to find out how to get one.



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instead of one large one such as "Show Me the Money." Possible areas of interest could be Fundraising and Book sales, Advocacy, Membership Recruitment and Retention. Another possibility suggested was one large workshop moving to breakout groups. Nancy was asked to consider a survey of the officers of branch groups to see where the interest lies and what participation we might expect.

### Update of FOSAPL

**Logo**—The existing logo was designed by **Gladys Leverett**, more than twenty years ago. Two years ago **Jim Wogstad** designed a newer graphic design that has been used only on the membership envelopes. After some discussion, it seemed that the consensus was

to retain the "legacy" logo, although minor changes to it were suggested. Continued use of the membership envelope graphic was supported. This was an item for discussion, not action.

### Items of Interest

The FOSAPL Board appreciated the delicious and attractive refreshments provided by members of the Carver Friends.

Brook Hollow's last book sale was very successful and of special note is the fact that more than 50 percent of their friends participated.

**Pat Konstam** made the motion we adjourn. **Karen Matson** seconded and the meeting was adjourned.

## Brook Hollow Holds Successful Book Sale



1. 30 of the Brook Hollow Friends who helped set up for the March sale
2. New members **Joe and Dee Barfield's** daughter and future Friend also "helped"
3. Our teen members, **Jeffrey Childers** and **Bella Garza**
4. 10 a.m. Saturday, March 12 – our sale opens

*Photos by Pat Bjornson*



### Spring cleaning for Bibliophiles

**B. Wayne Ratliff**

When you run out of space in your home for new books—and still want to buy the latest releases by your favorite authors—The Friends of the San Antonio Public Library (FOSAPL) has the answer to your problems.

The Book Cellar and most branches of the San Antonio Public Library accept donations of gently used books year-round. Donated books that cannot be added to the library's collection are sold in used book sales. The Book Cellar at the Central Library and used book sales held by Friends groups at each branch are the main sources of funding for the Friends, who provide financial and other support for the library.

Ask at your favorite branch library where to bring your used books and about other ways you can support the library.



## Maverick Holds Successful Book Sale



1. Cleaning up after the book sale. From back to front, left to right: **John Plimpton, Elizabeth Purkey, Benjamin Steinhauser, Patrick Plimpton, Wayne Ratliff, Lauren Steinhauser, Shawn Austin, Lucas Austin, Sue Ratliff, Becky Vargas, Glenn Poteet, Roe Klepac, and Joyce Garcia.** Behind the camera: **Donna Hogan.**
2. **Lucas Austin and Patrick Plimpton** take a well-deserved break from carrying loads of books to buyers' vehicles.



3. Volunteers **Mariana and Susana Guerrero** take a brief break.
4. It's 9:45 a.m. and anxious buyers are waiting for the doors to open at the Maverick Library for the Friends' April book sale.

*All photos were taken by Donna Hogan*







## Thousand Oaks Says Goodbye to Library Manager

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## Library Grand Openings

On behalf of the Library Board of Trustees and the City of San Antonio, it's my pleasure to invite you to join us as we open not one, but two, new branch libraries, extending public library service

even more widely throughout our community.

Mark your calendar for these dates:

- **Saturday, April 30**  
9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
Mission Branch Library  
3134 Roosevelt Avenue
- **Saturday, May 7**  
9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
The Parman Branch Library at Stone Oak  
20735 Wilderness Drive

The official ribbon-cutting ceremony at both branches will begin at 9:30 a.m., with the ribbon-cutting at 10:00, followed by an open house full of activities and programs for the whole family. The events are free and open to the public. We hope to see you there!

**Ramiro S. Salazar**

## Library strategic plan on track

In February the San Antonio Public Library kicked off a strategic planning process to set the Library's goals and objectives for serving the community over the next five years.

With guidance from the Strategic Plan Leadership Advisory Committee chaired by **Tom Frost, Sr.**, and composed of leaders from fields such as education, health care, technology and transportation, six areas were selected for strategic focus: 1) supporting learning opportunities; 2) facilitating economic development; 3) fostering community connections; 4) improving public awareness and communication; 5) delineating the roles of Library support groups; and 6) improving organizational health.

A cadre of work groups has been meeting to develop strategies and action steps targeting each area of strategic focus. The next step is for the Strategic Plan task force, which consists of Library senior management, to use the proposed strategies and action steps to develop a consolidated draft plan, which will then be vetted by the Leadership Advisory Committee and the Library Board of Trustees. Once vetted, the plan will be shared with key Library stakeholders and the community for their input and suggestions. Based on that feedback, a final strategic plan will be developed.

Please stay tuned for further developments as we work to position the SAPL as a relevant and effective service organization for our community, now and in the future.

## Kick-off of the Mayor's 2011 Summer Reading Program

June 2 • 9:30 a.m.

Central Library • 600 Soledad

Once again Mayor Julián Castro is partnering with the San Antonio Public Library to encourage children and teens to keep reading throughout summer vacation. On Friday, June 2, he will join us to kick off this annual program filled with books and fun.

## Summer Reading Club

Dig Up a Good Book!  
Excave un libro bueno!

Join the Mayor's Summer Reading Club at any San Antonio Public Library location or online beginning June 1.

As you read (or listen to) books this summer, list the titles you finish on your Summer Reading Log. Indicate what type of book each title is: Juvenile Fiction, Juvenile Nonfiction, Easy or Beginner.

If you read Juvenile Fiction and Nonfiction books, you must finish at least eight books to complete the Summer Reading Club.

If you read Easy and Beginner books, you must finish at least fifteen books to complete the Summer Reading Club.

If you read from both categories, you must finish at least twelve books to complete the Summer Reading Club.

When you have finished the correct number of books, bring your Reading Log back to the library to receive a Reading Club Certificate and to select a free paperback book to keep!

First day to submit your Reading Log: **June 15.**

Last day to turn in your Log: **August 31.**



## Hooray for (Good) Volunteers!

**Edith Speert**

As an experienced volunteer, I know that volunteers are wonderful—but they also have responsibilities. Here are the four most important responsibilities:

- If you decide to volunteer, let your "supervisor" know in advance if you are not coming into your job; it is not courteous or polite to wait until the day you are due to come in, to call in and say "sorry, I can't come today." Illness is not planned, but neither should you schedule other obligations or make appointments for the time you are scheduled to be at a job.
- Take your job seriously and don't make it a "social occasion." Enjoy a joke or personal stories with your coworkers, but not while shoppers are around.
- Dress appropriately for the job: remember you represent an organization.
- Be on time, and try to stay the entire time for which you signed up.

I have volunteered at many places and have learned that if there is no respect for the job as if it were a paid position, you diminish the organization. The work that needs to be done is important—and after all, you picked it!



# Donations and Memorials

Submitted by **Sheila Figueroa**

<i><b>In Honor of</b></i>	<i><b>By</b></i>
Edith Speert	Debby and Joel Reisman

<i><b>In Memory of</b></i>	<i><b>By</b></i>
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## BookCellar News

**Pat Konstam**

**T**he Friends of the Library's annual summer Tent Sale of Books will be held Thursday evening, July 7, through Sunday, July 10, at the BookCellar and adjoining patio in the Central Library basement at 600 Soledad.

FOSAPL members are invited to get first pick of the merchandise and enjoy refreshments at a Preview Sale from 4-7, Thursday, July 7. New members can join FOSAPL at the door.

The sale will open to the public Friday morning, July 8. Sale hours will be 9-4 on Friday and Saturday and 11-4, Sunday. It will include children's and young adult books, adult fiction and non-fiction, CDs, videos, and audio books. Most prices will range from 10¢ to \$1.

Please mark your calendar and volunteer to help with this major Friends fundraiser if you can. Tent Sales are organized by the BookCellar Committee but require a wider circle of workers than the regular BookCellar volunteer staff alone. To sign up to help,

please call the BookCellar at 210-227-9519. In addition to the four sale days, workers will be needed on Wednesday, July 6, to put books on tables and on Monday, July 11, to pack away leftovers. Volunteers receive paid parking in the Central Library Garage, a discount on purchases and lunch on the three public sale days.

The buy-one-get-one-free special in May is biographies for adults and children. There will be no special in June because of the July sale.

In this season of shopping for presents for teachers, graduations, weddings, Mother's Day and Father's Day, the BookCellar is a good source of affordably priced gifts for people who enjoy books. Thanks to donations, many of our books are new or almost new.

*In celebration of National Library Week, the Maverick Friends hosted a Staff Appreciation Day on Wednesday, April 13. The Friends provided a buffet lunch of sandwiches, chips, soft drinks, fruit and cheese for the staff. Each staff member also received a book bag donated by **Judith Penington**, a thank you card signed by Friends members, and a gift card.*



### ~~ 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.

**I would like to make the following donation of**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ In honor of   
 ☐ A special event  
                                     Birthday, Anniversary  
                                     Graduation, a Gift, etc.   
 ☐ In memory of

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out the form, make your check payable to

**Friends of the San Antonio Public Library**  
and mail the form with check to:

**Friends of the San Antonio Public Library**  
ATTN: Honors, Memorials and Gifts  
P.O. Box 461523, San Antonio, TX 78246

**Please send a Memorial Friends Acknowledgement to:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

**My name and address is:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

*~ All Donations Are Tax Deductible ~*

## Friends Membership Application

### PERSONAL INFORMATION:

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY, STATE, ZIP:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TELEPHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_ UNLISTED ☐ DO NOT PUBLISH ☐

**EMAIL ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

### I'M INTERESTED IN:

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>BOOKSALES</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>COMMITTEES</b> (Budget, Arts & Letters, etc.)<br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>FOSAPL</b> Board of Directors<br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>HOSPITALITY</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>PUBLICITY &amp; COMMUNICATION</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>STAFF APPRECIATION EVENTS</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>POLITICAL ADVOCACY</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>VOLUNTEERING IN THE BOOKCELLAR</b><br>(Volunteers receive a discount on their purchases when working a full 4 hour shift.) |
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### MEMBERSHIP TYPE:

- |  |       |
|--|-------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> INDIVIDUAL (Adult)            | \$15  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DUAL (Adult)                  | \$25  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> INDIVIDUAL (Teen, Ages 13-18) | \$5   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PATRON (Per Person)           | \$50  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CONTRIBUTING (Per Person)     | \$100 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LIFE (Per Person)             | \$250 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BUSINESS                      | \$25  |

### STATUS/PAYMENT:

- ☐ **NEW MEMBER**  
☐ **RENEWAL**  
☐ **BRANCH GROUP:** \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ **ADDITIONAL DONATION:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 How would you like your additional donation applied? \_\_\_\_\_

The **BookCellar** is located in the basement of the Central Library and is open Friday - Wednesday from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM and Thursday from 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM (when the Library is open).

**TOTAL ENCLOSED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Note: Your Contribution is Tax Deductible  
**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:**  
**Friends of the San Antonio Public Library**



# Treasurer's Report

February 28, 2011

Submitted by Judy Wilson

## INCOME AND EXPENSE DETAILS

FOSAPL INCOME	Budget	FOSAPL Nov-Dec	FOSAPL YTD
Book Cellar sales	75,000.00	10,895.48	73,936.50
Donations and memorials	1,600.00	510.00	3,034.00
Interest	1,000.00	74.96	392.90
Membership	10,000.00	2,965.00	8,925.00
<b>FOSAPL Projected Income for 2010</b>	<b>87,600.00</b>	<b>14,445.44</b>	<b>86,288.40</b>

BUDGET EXPENSES	Budget	Nov-Dec	YTD
Accounting	2,400.00	2,075.00	2,400.00
Arts and Letters	390.00	324.42	425.62
Bank charges	100.00	13.00	(33.89)
FOSAPL Committee expenses	100.00	25.00	265.24
Friends recognition	100.00		49.94
Insurance	2,500.00	174.00	1,813.00
Mayor's Summit	1,000.00		1,000.00
Membership recruitment	800.00	66.80	928.99
Newsletter prep/editing	2,050.00	850.00	2,050.00
Newsletter printing	2,300.00	720.12	2,034.29
Office supplies	1,000.00	480.59	571.27
Parking	6,000.00	1,023.00	6,668.50
Postage (bulk mail, post office box, postage)	1,560.00	1,085.11	1,550.09
President's expenses	350.00		
Seed money for new groups	300.00		200.00
"Show me the Money" program	400.00		
TLA Convention	600.00		

### BookCellar Expenses

Advertising	1,000.00	448.80	448.80
Book sale(s) expenses/office supplies	300.00	40.97	526.87
Commodities for resale	2,000.00	483.48	2,126.76
Equipment and maintenance	2,500.00		1,106.49
Internet and software	100.00		
Printing and copying	200.00		70.26
Recruitment of volunteer workers	500.00		
Salary and benefits	7,100.00	1,119.50	6,760.75
Volunteer appreciation	1,250.00	730.92	1,232.79

### Library Support

Programming for public & marketing	65,000.00	50.00	66,234.00
Staff development and training	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
Memorial gifts for FOSAPL Life members	no fund amt	-	300.00
<b>TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENSES</b>	<b>121,900.00</b>	<b>29,710.71</b>	<b>118,729.77</b>

### FOSAPL BRANCH & SUPPORT GROUPS

	Nov-Dec	YTD
Donations	395.00	3,059.45
Income from book sales, Book Nook sales, tote sales	12,829.02	63,511.33
Memberships	895.00	3,735.00
Branch Friends group operating expenses	523.50	3,466.07
Branch group purchases for Library Branches/departments	11,539.02	52,153.15

## Branch & Special Interest Group Funds

### Bank Accounts

Compass Money Market (BookCellar deposits)	96,505.94
Compass Money Market Gold	38,154.73
Compass Checking	28,711.19
Total Assets	163,371.86
Branch Designated Funds (-)	(111,874.56)
Branch Designated Funds, unclaimed (-)	(590.20)
Checks outstanding (-)	(3,769.01)
<b>Net Assets for FOSAPL Use</b>	<b><u>47,138.09</u></b>

### Branch and Support Group Funds Balance of February 28, 2011

Bazan	1,621.32
Brook Hollow	18,439.18
Carver	3,980.26
Central	574.00
Cody	3,025.27
Collins Garden	307.66
Cortez	967.03
Forest Hills	2,987.99
Great Northwest	3,038.59
Guerra	4,008.58
Igo	4,562.35
Johnston	2,872.44
Landa	3,197.64
Maverick	7,744.01
McCreless	2,890.50
Memorial	3,020.31
Mission (no group formed)	
Semmes	3,737.84
Texana/Genealogy	20,446.01
Thousand Oaks	5,726.16
Tobin at Oakwell	10,795.51
Westfall	4,286.07
Writers (currently inactive)	3,645.84
<b>Total Group Funds</b>	<b><u>111,874.56</u></b>

## Calling All Excellent Photographers!

The FOSAPL Fundraising Task Force is considering production and sale of a 2012 Calendar, which would feature the SAPL library buildings, exterior and interior.

If you have taken good digital photos of "your" library, please contact [nancy.gandara@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nancy.gandara@sbcglobal.net) right away!



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## CALENDAR OF BOOK SALES AND SPECIAL EVENTS

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

- |           |   |
|-----------|---|
| May 7     | Parman Branch Library at Stone Oak Grand Opening, Saturday, 20735 Wilderness Oak                |
| May 14-15 | Cody Book Sale  |
| May 15    | Young Pegasus Awards ceremony   |
| May 16    | McCreless Friends meeting, 5:30, Speaker: Green Spaces Alliance, "Wildscaping and Conservation" |
| May 20-21 | Guerra Friends book sale: Friday, 4-6; Saturday, 10-4   |
| May 20-21 | Tobin Library at Oakwell book sale: Saturday, 10-4 (Friends preview sale, Friday, 1-3)          |
| May 21-22 | McCreless book sale, 10-5:30  |
| June 2    | Kick-off of the Mayor's 2011 Summer Reading Program, 9:30, Central Library                      |
| June 3-4  | Great Northwest book sale: Friday, 4-6; Saturday 10-4   |
| June 4    | Thousand Oaks Friends book sale: Saturday, 10-3   |
| June 18   | Johnston Library 30th Birthday!   |
| July 7-9  | BookCellar Tent book sale, FOSAPL members preview, Thursday, July 7, 4-7                        |
| July 26   | SAPL Strategic Plan DRAFT Presentation  |

**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.

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

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

Great Northwest Library  
9050 Wellwood, 78250  
210-684-5251

Guerra Library  
7978 Military Drive W, 78227  
210-673-1492

Johnston Library  
6307 Sun Valley, 78227  
210-674-8410

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

Parman Library at Stone Oak  
20735 Wilderness Oak

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

Thousand Oaks Library  
4618 Thousand Oaks, 78233  
210-657-5205