During a recent meeting of the 2004 Arts and Letters Award Committee, members reviewed their study of nominations for a 2004 award and selected three nominees to receive awards. The remaining nominations were placed as alternates who would be considered for an award should any of the three selected decline the award. When notified of their selection, the three selected nominees, expressing their pride in being so highly honored, accepted the offer of an award. They are:

Joan Christenson, a First Violinist with the San Antonio Symphony Orchestra, and for 19 years, Artistic Director of Musical Offerings, San Antonio's premier classical and jazz chamber music ensemble.

Rick Riordan, hometown native author of the award winning Tres Navarre mystery novels featuring the people, sights, sounds, topography, and culture of San Antonio.

Kathy Vargas, San Antonio native photographer, art lecturer, art student mentor, internationally renowned for her award-winning photo collages and other art media forms.

First presented by the Friends in 1972, the annual Arts and Letters Award recognizes and celebrates achievements by individuals who have demonstrated outstanding accomplishments in the arts and letters. The 66 recipients to date include writers, artists, musicians, educators, entertainers, community leaders, and others whose dedication and devotion to their chosen fields have served to enrich the artistic, literary, and cultural life of San Antonio.

Arts and Letters 2004 Award Committee members are Pat Brown, Bruce Gill, Lou Harris, Lee LaCaff, Lucille Lamont, Pat Mendiola, Dr. Mark Prange, Ronnie Retzloff, Reception Co-Chair Lucy Gale, and Chair Robert LaCaff.

The 2004 award presentation ceremony and reception will be held Sunday, October 31, at 2:00 p.m., in the Central Library Auditorium, 600 Soledad Street, San Antonio. Admission is free and open to the public. Library Friends are especially encouraged to attend and recognize and honor the three awardees being inducted into the pantheon of our prestigious Friends of the Library Arts and Letters Award.

AMY FREEMAN LEE
1914-2004

Mary McAfee

Amy Freeman Lee was a Life Member of the Friends. She was president of the Friends in 1971 and in 1985 was honored with the Arts and Letters Award. In 1996, the first Library Champion Award was presented to her by the Library Board of Trustees. She was a judge of the Young Pegasus Poetry Contest for more than 50 years. In September 2003, the Library Board of Trustees voted to dedicate the Children's Department of the Central Library in her name. Amy was a special Friend of Libraries. We will miss her.

In Memoriam

Four life members of FOSAPL died last quarter. $100 was sent to the library in memory of each of them.

Charles Becker
Sarah Cheever
Amy Freeman Lee
Col. R. J. Culhane

City Council Budget Hearings

"Friendly" words are needed!

John Nicholas, Chair of the Library Board, presented the Library's Proposed Budget for FY 2005 at the August 26 City Council meeting. The overall City budget already submitted by the City Manager has no reductions to the library's proposed budget, and it includes fee increases for some services. This is

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Meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

In attendance: Barbara Isner, Lucy Gale, Lee LaCaff, Vera Banner, Pat Brown, Lou Harris, Edie Hophan, Linda Nairn, Shirley Horner, Rowena Rodgers, Alan Cutler, Bruce Gill, Pat Konstam, Robert LaCaff, Lucille Lammert, Pat Mendiola, Robbie Ruppert, Maria Pfeiffer, Aaron Konstam, Bettie Ward, and Vern Hophan

Approval of Minutes:
Two corrections: Alan Cutler was absent with cause; page 2 of minutes, delete Day Care.

President's Report: Barbara reported that Amy Freeman Lee passed away. She was a library supporter for many years. A letter will be written to the San Antonio Express-News to inform them of Dr. Lee's other contributions in the community, such as the Library. This same information will be passed to Alana Woods to be included in the newsletter.

Secretary's Report: None

Treasurer's Report:
Aaron Konstam reported for Pat Cummins: a recruitment program should be initiated to get new Life Members; he purchased the video camera, digital still camera, and tripod that the Library had requested, as approved at a 2003 Board Meeting; Pat Cummins requested the CPA to do additional work for FOS-APL. This issue will be reviewed and reported on at the next board meeting.

Aaron announced that Edie & Vern Hophan will be leaving San Antonio and suggested that books be purchased for the McCreless Library in their honor. A motion was made and seconded to purchase $100 of books for both Edie & Vern.

Membership Report:
Individual members, 259; Teens, 2; Dual, 132; Total 264 members. Patron, 45; Contributing, 12; Life, 168; Total 750.

Newsletter Report: Bettie Ward reported that 748 newsletters were printed, and 718 were mailed out.

Book Cellar Report: Aaron Konstam reported for Jim Wogstad. The new interim manager is Monica Hernandez. The book sale was a success. The safe was bought but has not been installed yet. And the water fountain has been fixed.

Arts & Letters Report: Robert LaCaff reported that 6 nominations have been received so far; winners will be selected and then announced at the next board meeting.

Library Administration:
Barbara Isner reported that Mary Louise Daneri is no longer at the Library and that a new liaison has not been selected.

Library Board: Barbara Isner reported that the June meeting for the Board of Trustees had been canceled.

Library Foundation:
Lucy Gale reported that the Discover the Library/Explore the World lecture series would continue with Gregorio Luke, Smithsonian Lecturer; the Henry Guerra Library Opening was a success with about 500 people in attendance; the Library will have two groundbreaking ceremonies, the first one for the Semmes Library and the other for Maverick; Barnes and Noble has started a program where people could purchase discounted books for the Library, program ends August 15; a new Spanish-language newspaper will have their launch at the Central Library on July 26 and will donate subscriptions to all the branch libraries; Robert Beebee, a librarian at Central, will have an exhibit at the Central Library of his private collection of Captain Cook etchings.

New Business: None

Announcements: Oakwell Branch Library will have their book sale on August 21.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.
Biographies will be the special two-for-the-price-of-one sale category at the Book Cellar during September and October. That means two adult hardcover biographies for $1 and two children's biographies for 50 cents. We have available the life stories of leaders of world history, film stars, sports heroes, famous authors, business tycoons, kings and queens and lots of other folks.

The volunteer staff of the Book Cellar is growing, with three new recruits in the past month. If you would like to join the crew to help sort and shelve books, assist book-seeking customers, and earn a discount on your purchases, call store manager Monica Hernandez at 227-9519.

Pat Konstam
Book Cellar Correspondent

Cody

Cody Friends have a busy fall ahead, with local author Jay Brandon speaking on September 21 and our book sale scheduled for October 2.

Jay Brandon is the author of 13 novels, most recently Grudge Match, the fourth in the Chris Sinclair/Anne Greenwald series, which Kirkus Reviews described as "an admirably complex novel. . ." His novel Fade the Heat was nominated for an Edgar Award for best mystery novel of the year in 1991, and Loose Among the Lambs was a main selection of the Literary Guild.

In addition to his novels, Jay published his first non-fiction book, Law and Liberty, a history of practicing law in San Antonio, in 1997. Jay has practiced at the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals as well as the Bexar County District Attorney's Office and the San Antonio Court of Appeals. He is now in private practice in family and criminal law.

Please plan on joining us to hear Jay Brandon speak at the Cody Branch Library on September 21 at 7:00 p.m., and mark your calendars for our next book sale scheduled for October 2 at 9:00 a.m.

Janna Lawrence
Secretary, Cody Branch Friends

McCreless

The McCreless Friends are saddened by the departure of Vern and Edie Hophan, two long-time and hard-working members. They moved to Minnesota in July but hopefully will be returning to San Antonio on a part-time basis. Vern and Edie both held a number of officer positions in the McCreless Friends and will be remembered as setting the standard for involvement, dependability, and hard work. Besides their volunteer work for the library, the Hophans were always busy helping several other community and neighborhood organizations. Three books, titles specified by the Hophans, will be purchased by the McCreless Friends and donated to the library in their honor. Good luck, and we will miss you.

The Summer Reading Program at McCreless Library had more than 800 participants. All were invited to a party in the library meeting room on July 23, and the Friends served up 165 ice cream sundaes. The Friends also helped staff a Library table at McCreless Mall on August 14 during a back-to-school health fair and distributed 150 flyers advertising our two remaining book sales for 2004. These sales will be held on the weekends of September 25–26 and December 11–12. Sale hours are Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. and Sundays from 1:00 to 4:45 p.m.

McCreless Friends meetings for the rest of the year are scheduled in the library meeting room on September 15 and December 15, both Wednesdays, at 7:00 p.m. Our 18 new members who have joined so far this year are invited to attend these meetings, enjoy the refreshments, and sign up to work at the book sales!

Tom Nemeth, President

Texana/Genealogy

The summer has flown, and we are already making plans for the fall! Mark your calendars for our fall meeting that will be held on Monday, September 27, at 7:00 p.m. in the Central Library Auditorium. Charlotte Kahl will present her Old Spanish Trail (OST) Roadshow to the Friends. She will tell us about this historic transcontinental auto highway and preparations leading up to OST Centennial celebrations that will take place from Florida to California. As headquarters for paving the 3,000 mile route in the 1920s, San Antonio played a pivotal role in development of this historic road. It should be a great presentation!

Also in the fall, the Texana/Genealogy Department will offer three classes of interest to genealogists. On October 9 from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m., Larry Kirkpatrick will present "Hispanic Family Research." In September and October, members of the Texana/Genealogy staff will present two classes: "Basic genealogy websites" on Monday, September 13, from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m., and "Beginning genealogy—the internet as a source for genealogy research" on Monday, October 11 from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. All classes take place in the Texana/Genealogy Department on the sixth floor.

We hope you will be able to take advantage of these learning opportunities and get to know the staff. Please join us for the meeting on September 27!

Maria Watson Pfeiffer
President

Thousand Oaks

The Thousand Oaks Friends are very pleased to have the new addition to our parking lot completed. This gives our library more than twice the parking spaces that we had previously.

Our Friends group is sponsoring the "Star Staff" program to thank our staff members for their continued hard work and cheerful attitude. Patrons and staff can nominate members who have shown exceptional service. At the end of each
Congratulations to Mary McAfee

Lee LaCaff

Mary McAfee, a Past President of the Friends of the San Antonio Public Library, celebrates 25 years of volunteer service to libraries this month. She deserves recognition for her unselfish contributions to library services throughout the years.

First appointed to the Library Board of Trustees in September 1979, she has been a volunteer to and supporter of library services in many venues since then. She became Chairman of the Library Board, 1982–1984, after which she was appointed as the San Antonio Public Library Representative on the Alamo Area Library System (AALS) Advisory Council (1984–1986). Her term as President of the SAPL Friends was in 1985–1986, during which time she also served as a Board Member of Friends of Libraries USA (FOLUSA). In 1986, she was again appointed to the Library Board until 1993 and to the AALS Council in 1993, of which she was Chair in 1998–99. She chaired the First Library Book Sale in 1991 and returned to the FOSAPL Board from 1997-99. Mary has also been active with the Texas Library Association Friends and Trustees Roundtable, editing their newsletter from 1993–1999 and chairing the Roundtable in 1997–1998. She participated in Library Legislative Days for years. In 2000, she became a Founding Board Member of the Friends of Libraries and Archives of Texas.

Mary has received many awards through the years, but the Texas Library Association’s “Outstanding Services to Libraries” and SAPL’s “Library Champion Award” are extra special to her. Mary and her husband Charles were chosen for the “100 Year Library Champion Award” from Texas Library Association.

All of the above tells what Mary did, but just as important is the way in which she did it. Her outgoing willingness to help whenever possible, her good humor, her energy, and her sharing of hugs and good cheer are a part of her personality. As is her standing up for what she believes is right. Is there anyone who knows Mary who has not tasted her chocolate treats that she has shared with staff, volunteers, and legislators? San Antonio has been blessed to have 25 years of Mary’s help. Let’s go for twenty-five more.

Congratulations, Mary.

Branch Leaves, from page 3.

month, one worker is chosen from these nominees to receive a gift certificate.

We also will be hosting our annual staff appreciation luncheon on Wednesday, September 22.

Linda Nairn
Branch President

Westfall

The Friends of Westfall Branch open the fall season with a meeting on Tuesday, September 28, at 7:00 p.m. featuring local author Jean Flynn. Jean, a former English teacher and librarian, has written 10 biographies for young readers and has co-authored children’s stories with her husband, author Robert Flynn. She will discuss one of her books, Texas Women Who Dared to Be First, and perhaps give us a little preview of her new book, Henry B. Gonzalez: Rebel with a Cause, which will be released in the fall of 2004.

We will also honor the memory of Barbara Harris, the first librarian at Westfall Branch, by dedicating a beautiful wooden map and atlas cabinet in her memory.

We invite you to come share this special occasion with us.

Coming Event: Saturday, November 13, 2004, 9:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Westfall Friends used book sale.

When you clean out your bookcase, remember us. We love "gently-used" donated books!

Bettie Ward
President

WANTED
Newsletter Mailing Team
Will Train

Rowena Rodgers and Westfall Friends have been handling the bundling and mailing of our newsletters for several years now, and McCreless Friends did it before that. It’s time now for another group to step forward and enjoy this opportunity to get together every two months and support the Friends. Newsletters need to be picked up at Southwest Research Institute where they’re printed, then prepared for mailing and delivered to the Bulk Mailing unit at the Perrin-Beitel Post Office.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Rowena Rodgers at 344-1657 or rowenarodgers@earthlink.net.

Writer Friends

The next meeting of Writer Friends will be Tuesday, September 14, at 7:00 p.m. in the Main Library auditorium.

The program, entitled “WHO DO I HAVE TO KILL TO GET PUBLISHED: the ghastly business of mysteries,” will consist of a panel of local mystery writers: Jay Brandon, David Liss, and Rick Riordan. Our moderator will be Jean Flynn, a published nonfiction author of books for young people. She will direct questions to the panelists. After this, the authors will answer questions from the audience.

We invite members and nonmembers to attend and find out what it takes to become a published mystery writer.

Junette Kirkham Woller
Secretary
Check out the new edition of the Newsletter Report and learn about the July Building Boom for the San Antonio Public Library. Don Norton, a long-time member of the Oakwell Friends, has answered our call for a new editor. Don is a retired dentist who says that since retirement he has been volunteering at various endeavors and is always ready to try something different. One of his avocations is reading nonfiction, and another is writing occasional Letters to the Editor, so you can watch for those in the Express-News. Having worked in a couple of libraries as a student, Don thinks the FOSAPL newsletter may be "up his alley." Welcome to the Friends alley!

As you members know, the newsletter has been operating without an editor for some time since Marti Nodine stepped down because of other commitments. Many thanks to Marti for her hard work and creativity—it was her leadership that brought about our first newsletter name, SAPLings, and a corresponding new masthead designed by Lyn Belisle. (The Newsletter Committee also thanks her for the wonderful dinners she hosted for some of our meetings!) Best wishes to Marti as she continues her research and writing about the artist Dorothy Dehner.

Thanks also to Alana Woods, who has been serving as Acting Editor since Marti’s resignation and will now be listed as Managing Editor. Alana has been doing the production work for us for 11 years now, and this year she developed a system of electronic coordination with the Newsletter Committee and other contributors that kept the issues coming on a timely basis. The system Alana developed will really help Don and all of us who work on the newsletter.

Newsletter Committee (Lyn Belisle; Cathy Dean; Lucy Gale; Rowena Rodgers; Barbara Isner, Ex Officio)

**Oops!**

Our sincerest apologies, John Igo’s name was inadvertently left off his “Marginalia” column in the last issue of the SAPLings. We’ve really enjoyed the wealth of information in those columns. Thank you, Mr. Igo, for contributing them.

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**July Building Boom for the San Antonio Public Library**

The San Antonio Public Library system celebrated a building boom this summer with a grand opening for one new Branch Library on July 14 and, one week later, ground-breaking ceremonies for two more.

The grand opening of the new Henry A. Guerra, Jr., Branch Library took place on Wednesday, July 14. Construction on the 14,957-square-foot facility began in March 2003, funded with approximately $2.8 million from a 1999 San Antonio bond referendum and $1.02 million in Community Development Block Grant/Urban Development Action Grant funds. The opening day collection contained approximately 40,000 items. There are 6 children’s computers (2 early literacy stations, 3 full access, 1 catalog computer), 6 catalog computers, and 16 computers for adults. Architects for the project were Sprinkle Robey.

Guerra Branch Library was named to honor long-time San Antonio historian, author and broadcast journalist Henry A. Guerra, Jr., who died in 2001. In 1939, Guerra, a San Antonio native, was hired by WOAI Radio as the first Mexican-American announcer to work for a major English-language broadcaster, and later he became the first Mexican-American television announcer, on WOAI-TV. Guerra’s wide range of interests included local history, and he was the author of San Antonio: A Unique History and Pictorial Guide. Known for his trademark resonant baritone voice, Guerra narrated two video histories of San Antonio, The Missions of San Antonio, and Alamo: from Mission to Fortress, the latter researched and written by his wife, Mary Ann Noonan Guerra. The Branch displays a memorial to Guerra.

Three additional Branch Libraries will be built with funds from the 1999 municipal bond issue. On Tuesday, July 20, a groundbreaking ceremony took place for the Julia Yates Semmes Branch Library at Comanche Lookout Park. The new Library, to be constructed with $3 million in City Bond funds and $527,000 in CO Bonds, will measure 15,000 square feet. The Semmes Foundation has pledged an additional $500,000 for materials and equipment for the Branch. While construction proceeds on the Branch Library, the San Antonio Parks & Recreation Department will renovate and improve Comanche Lookout Park. As a result of the cooperative effort, the Branch Library will be integrated seamlessly into the park setting and take advantage of the location with a 20-foot window wall along the park side of the building. The building itself will serve as a teaching tool, incorporating "green" elements such as use of indirect natural light while minimizing the amount of direct sunlight. Rainwater will be collected in this environmentally friendly building and piped into water cisterns to be used to help meet irrigation demands on the site. Recyclable materials will be used throughout the building. Solar electrical and water systems will provide natural energy. The project architects are Rehler Vaughn & Koone, Inc. The Branch is projected to open in June 2005.

Friday, July 23, the Library broke ground for the 15,000-square-foot Maury Maverick, Jr., Branch Library. The Maverick Branch project will also include a new fire station, which shares the lot with the Library, and improvements to a park and drainage system across the street. Funding for construction of the Library, in the amount of $2,812,418, came from the 1999 San Antonio bond election. The Fire Station and Library will be located on the same site, but will function as autonomous facilities and as such have separate entries and exits. The goal of the design is to make the two facilities compatible in design while maintaining their autonomy of function and image. The site plan locates the Fire Station Apparatus Room for the best views when trucks are exiting the station. The Library will be located adjacent to, and integrated with, the major landscape feature of the site, a grove of large trees in the northwest corner. Parking for the library is located in the rear of the project, diminishing its impact from the street and park. The firm of Alamo Architects

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### Treasurer’s Report

**FOSAPL**

**Account** | **Balance**
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Cash and Bank Accounts | $174,296.37
**TOTAL ASSETS** | **174,296.37**

**LIABILITIES**

**Account** | **Balance**
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Other Liabilities | $53,697.81
**TOTAL Other Liabilities** | **53,697.81**
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**OVERALL TOTAL** | **120,598.56**

### BRANCHES

**Account** | **Balance**
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Cash and Bank Accounts | 
Book Cellar | 16,363.49
Carver | 1,487.23
Cody | 5,781.96
Johnston | 1,184.87
McCreeless | 2,737.58
Oakwell | 7,895.35
Teens | 55.89
Texana-Genealogy | 6,899.62
Thousand Oaks | 2,777.04
Westfall | 5,161.23
Writers | 3,353.55
**TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts** | **53,697.81**

### Building Boom, from p 5.

was selected for the project. The estimated completion date for the Maverick Branch is August 2005.

Work has not begun on the fourth Branch Library to be built with 1999 bond funds, although a site has been selected. That branch will encompass approximately 15,000 square feet, at a cost of $2,807,728. An additional $1.23 million was approved in a 2003 bond referendum, to add improvements such as an alternative energy source/environmental demonstration project, a larger community meeting room, computer labs, and additional office space. Project architects are Rehler Vaughn & Koone, Inc. Estimated completion date for this Branch is April 2006.

### Budget Hearings, from page 1.

great news, relatively speaking. However, the many requests by other groups to restore cuts or increase funding could still bring about changes. FOSAPL action is needed to be sure we retain our budget funding. Final details will be given in the next newsletter after all the dust settles.

Public hearings on the entire City budget are scheduled as follows:

- **Tuesday, August 31 at 7:00 p.m.** Sign-up to speak begins at 5:00 p.m.
- **Thursday, September 16 at 3:00 p.m.** Sign-up to speak begins at noon. City Council will approve the budget on September 16 following this hearing.

The budget hearings will be held in City Council Chamber, 103 Main Plaza, and will be broadcast live on TVSA, Channel 21. Copies of the FY 2004-2005 Proposed Budget are available for viewing at the Central Library and branch libraries, as well as the City Clerk’s office.

If you can possibly attend one of the sessions and speak up for strong budget support for our library system, please do so. The Council is attentive to library concerns, but this is another difficult budget year and your voice will help. If you can’t attend, please call or write your council members to express your opinion—and please also thank them for past support.

The mailing address for City Council is PO Box 839966, SAT 78283-3966. To email a message, go to <http://www.sanantonio.gov> and follow the home page links. Telephone numbers for Mayor Garza and council members are:

- **Mayor** . . . . . . Ed Garza . . . . . . 207-7060 (fax 207-4168)
- **District 1** . . . . . . Roger O. Flores . . . . . . 207-7279
- **District 2** . . . . . . Joel Williams . . . . . . 207-7278
- **District 3** . . . . . . Ron H. Segovia . . . . . . 207-7064
- **District 4** . . . . . . Richard Perez . . . . . . 207-7281
- **District 5** . . . . . . Patti Radle . . . . . . 207-7043
- **District 6** . . . . . . Enrique M. Barrera . . . . . . 207-7065
- **District 7** . . . . . . Julian Castro . . . . . . 207-7044
- **District 8** . . . . . . Art A. Hall . . . . . . 207-7086
- **District 9** . . . . . . Carroll Schubert . . . . . . 207-7325
- **District 10** . . . . . . Christopher "Chip" Haass . . . . . . 207-7276
Form for Gifts, Donations, and Memorials

Honor a loved one with a remembrance for birthdays, anniversaries, or “just because.” It can also be a wonderful, thoughtful, and lasting way to honor the memory of a relative or friend.

If you do not want to make a contribution at this time, clip this form and save it for the appropriate occasion.

I would like to make the following donation:

☐ In honor of    ☐ In memory of
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Amount $ ________________________ (All donations are tax deductible.)

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City, State, Zip __________________

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Friends of the San Antonio Public Library (FOSAPL)
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San Antonio, Texas 78283-1174

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☐ Patron (Per Person) $ 50
☐ Contributing (Per Person) $100
☐ Life (Per Person) $250

Branch Group _____________________
Additional Donation $___________
TOTAL ENCLOSED $___________

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☐ Please call me: I’d like to be an active participant.

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(Note: Membership is from Jan. 1—Dec. 31. Members receive a renewal notice in early Dec.)
DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER COPY IS OCTOBER 15, 2004

Articles to be submitted should be a simple text file or in Word or WordPerfect. Please email files and photos to Alana at <awoods@swri.org> with a cc to Don Norton at <dorisnorton@satx.rr.com>. Hard copy articles and photos should be mailed to Alana Woods at Southwest Research Institute, 6220 Culebra Rd., San Antonio, Texas 78238.

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### CALENDAR OF BOOK SALES AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Please refer to the Branch Leaves for support group meetings. It’s a good idea to call and verify information before setting out for a meeting or program. Sometimes dates or times change after newsletter publication.

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**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 these meetings.

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(210) 496-6315

**Cody Library**
11441 Vance Jackson, 78230
(210) 696-6396

**Central Library**
600 Soledad Street, 78205
(210) 207-2534

**McCreless Library**
1023 Ada Street, 78223
(210) 532-4254

**Oakwell Library**
4134 Harry Wurzbach, 78209
(210) 828-2569

**Westfall Library**
6111 Rosedale Court, 78201
(210) 344-2373