



From the President



Dear Friends,

Summer is here again! Of course, this year it looks to be a hot, dry summer. We were so very spoiled last year—so much rain that we did not need to water our grass and not a single day with three-digit temperatures. But it is back to normal this year—perfect weather for staying inside and reading. Or for visiting our local library. It is also perfect for signing up your children and grandchildren in the library's summer reading program—**Read Across Texas**.

They can earn a free book, as well as a certificate signed by our own **Mayor Phil Hardberger!**

Thinking of Mayor Hardberger reminds me—our library funding does come from our city and county budgets. This is our money! As our local politicians are deciding how to spend our tax money, please contact them. Write them, e-mail them (www.sanantonio.gov), phone them, talk to them wherever you see them. Tell them that the libraries are important to you and to San Antonio!

At our May board meeting, we welcomed in our newest Friends group, the Collins Garden Friends. Their officers are: President, **Richard Morales**; Vice-President, **Lupita Siller-Escobedo**; Treasurer, **Joe Valadez**; and Secretary, **Robert C. Escobedo**. The Collins Garden Branch Library is located just off Nogalitos, between North and South Park streets. If this is a library in which you are interested, you are welcome to join this group. Just talk to a librarian there to contact them.

Our Friends of the San Antonio Public Library now includes 16 branch Friends groups! If your branch does not have a group and you wish they did, please talk to your librarian. Or call me, I'm listed in your Friends directory. I really believe that every branch needs Friends!

Your Friend,
Linda Nairn

Library Board Names 2008 Library Champions

Beth Graham

On Sunday, June 22, the Library Board of Trustees honored seven individuals and five organizations as 2008 Library Champions. The Library Champion Award, presented annually, was created to recognize individuals and organizations that have made notable contributions of time, talent or

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Friends Annual Donation Critical to SAPL Staff Training and Travel

Kathleen Donellan

This year, almost half of the annual donation from the Friends went to travel and training for SAPL staff. This gift fills a significant void for the library system and represents the overwhelming majority of funding for this purpose. As a result, more than 30 trips will be taken this year by staff for conferences, technical training, staff recruiting, and other development opportunities. All facets of the operations of the library are improved through these trips. The topics covered in the conferences and training sessions run the gamut of library business, including innovations in librarianship, updated information regarding the library's automation system, and best practices in financial and administrative management. The ideas, processes, and networks taken away from these sessions are invaluable. These trips are also an opportunity to showcase our library system and to recruit nationwide for staff.

If you would like to get a flavor of how staff and the system as a whole benefit from the investment the Friends make in travel and training, please visit the blog created by Reference Librarian **Rolf Laun**, which describes his experience attending the Public Library Association Conference in Minneapolis, Minnesota, earlier this year. You can access it at <http://plablog.org/tag/san-antonio-public-library>.

Show Me the Money!
and save this date:
Saturday, October 25, 2008

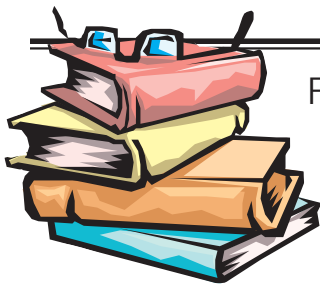
Nancy Gandara

Fundraising: Apply for Grants, Use new technology, Advertise your sales

Membership: Build and Maintain Your Group

Spending: Project planning, Working with Library staff

Want to share your ideas? Want to make sure that certain issues are covered? Contact **Linda Nairn** (210-653-0640) or **Nancy Gandara** (nancy.gandara@sbc-global.net).



Friends of the San Antonio Public Library BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

May 28, 2008

Submitted by *Sheila Figueroa, Secretary*

Call to Order: Linda Nairn, President, called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

Board of Directors and Officers present: Linda Nairn, Bruce Gill, Sheila Figueroa, Nancy Gandara, Aaron Konstam, Claudia Kohler, Pat Mendiola, Judy Wilson, Pat Konstam, Delores Huber, Josie Martinez

Branch Representatives: Pat Cummins, Sue Ratliff, Wayne Ratliff, Nelda M. Guerra, Maryanne Guerra, Richard O. Morales, Beverly Duran

Others Present: Mary McAfee, Kendra Trachta, Richard Alvarado, Lora D. Eckler, Board of Trustees

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as written.

REPORTS:

President's Report: Linda Nairn reported that she and Cathy Dean traveled to Dallas in April to the Texas Library Association conference. The meetings Linda and Cathy attended were those for Library Friends, Trustees and Advocates. One topic of discussion was people's use of the internet and how to monitor it at libraries. San Antonio is issuing a plan for how to handle this as San Antonio wants to be prepared. Many new ideas were shared on how to advertise for summer reading programs. Linda reported that LIFTA sponsored a luncheon and Jenna Bush was there to sign her book for all who attended the luncheon. Linda met with the Collins Garden Friends Group and Richard Morales, President. On a personal note,

Linda shared the news that her grandson had his first birthday.

Treasurer's Report: Nancy Gandara distributed a report as of April 30, 2008. The Treasurer's Report was accepted and filed for audit.

Library Board: Linda Nairn reported for Jean Brady (who was out of town). Jean has done a lot of work with advocacy and has presented the proposed budget for the library. She asks that we all contact our city council members to ask them to please put the library at the top of the list for budget priorities.

Library Foundation: Linda Nairn reported for Sarah Swinney (who was out of town). Sarah reminded us of The Big Read program, which will be *Fahrenheit 451* and will kick off March and April of 2009. Beth Graham will be attending the orientation in June. An NEA grant was given for travel for color posters for a traveling exhibit. The color posters are part of those archived at the SAPL (40 of them!). They were printed by the U.S. government during WWI to promote patriotism. It is entitled *The Winds and Words of War: Posters and Prints from the San Antonio Library Collection*. The opening reception will be held October 2 from 6-8 p.m. There will be a series of lectures and film and a musical tribute to WWI as well. The exhibition will then begin its national tour in Chicago, Illinois.

Library Administration: Kendra Trachta, Interim

Assistant Director for Public Services, thanked the Friends for its support of The Big Read Program, which is really well supported by everyone.

This is the middle of the budget season. The Board has approached City Council for more money for library materials, additional staffing, facilities that are in need of some repairs; technology computers that are outdated and there are not enough computers.

Trachta reported that the Landa Branch opened May 2. The Conservancy will maintain the grounds. Cody Branch received \$500,000 from Councilwoman Cibrian to replace the roof, carpet, and air conditioning.

The projects that were funded in the '07 bonds are moving quickly, as many of them are library projects. The Book Club Kits are popular. The kits contain a notebook, several copies of a book, questions for discussion, etc.

The library is receiving a new Book Mobile. It is purple and has the library logo on both sides.

A new Outreach Department is being formed. It is taking the basic library services out to people.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Arts and Letters: Sheila Figueroa reported that July 15, 2008, is the deadline for nominations.

Book Cellar: Aaron Konstam reported that the June book sale is scheduled for June 20-22. The Book Cellar will have a preview

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The Friends, inaugurated March 23, 1964, promote public use of the San

Antonio Public Library and appreciation of its value as a cultural and educational asset to the community and encourage the extension and improvement of its services.

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SAPLINGS

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.

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NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

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Article contributions for publishing in 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)

Articles to be submitted should be a simple text file or in Word or WordPerfect. Please email files and photos to Alana Woods at <awoods@swri.org> and Cathy Dean at <ca-dean@sbcglobal.net>. Hard copy articles and photos should be mailed to Alana Woods at Southwest Research Institute, 6220 Culebra Rd., 78238.



Brook Hollow

The Brook Hollow Friends have been busy these past few months with a major project. The library staff break area had been in constant heavy use for more than 25 years, and looked it! The refrigerator leaked, stove top burners hadn't worked for years, many cabinet doors and drawers no longer closed properly, and there was almost no workable countertop or storage space.

A kitchen committee composed of **Sylvia Griffin** (chair), **Beverly Jackson**, and **Pat and Neal Bjornson**, worked diligently to address each of these problems, while staying within budget. The happy result, after much sweat, tears, and gnashing of teeth, is a bright and spacious kitchen area, with all new cabinets, additional counter space, a new built-in stove top and sink. We were also able to replace the refrigerator and install a built-in microwave (*photos on page 6*). The kitchen committee is now in need of a well-deserved rest, as the library staff waxes eloquent about their new break room.

The teamwork of the Brook Hollow Friends, as evidenced through our semi-annual book sales and other activities, has been recognized by the Library Trustees, who have nominated us to receive a 2008 Library Champions Award. We appreciate this recogni-

tion and look forward to future service on behalf of the Brook Hollow Branch Library and the San Antonio Library System.

Richard Bowser

Cody

Cody's funding the children this summer: The children's summer reading program, Read Across Texas, as of mid-June has 600 enrollees. Storytime on Tuesday and Wednesday. Teen Tuesday is having *Mario Kart* and *Guitar Hero* video competition. Wednesday is Family Movie Time. And Thrilling Thursday has a variety of programs, including magic and a clown.

On May 15, the Cody staff honored **Anne Susswein** and **Alan Cutler** for their hours of diligent work.

We don't have a book sale date yet because renovations will be starting soon. We don't have a date yet for the closing.

Carol Van Cleave

Collins Garden

Collins Garden Library is having its first book sale on Saturday, July 26, from 10 to 3. We are located at 200 N. Park (across the street from the HEB on Nogalitos).

Come join the Friends of the San Antonio Public Library. All interested parties can pick up membership envelopes at the Collins Garden Branch Library. Individual membership fee is \$15. Anyone wishing to join the Collins Garden Friends may contact **Richard O. Morales** at (210) 639-8549 or e-mail at Quirt1958@yahoo.com.

Richard O. Morales

Forest Hills

Children's Librarian **Marcia Valvo** is leaving the library to accept the position of Volunteer Coordinator at the Lackland Airforce Base Fisher House. Fisher House provides free housing and food for families of sick or injured military men and women who are visiting from out of town. Her last day was June 20. We wish the very best for Marcia!!

Forest Hills Library is planning improvements to its meeting room. With the help of the Forest Hills Friends, we will add shelving for our book sale donations, a projector and screen to enhance programming efforts, and fresh paint for the room.

May 27—The Origami group had its first meeting, attended by seven persons.

May 28—Three members of the Embroidery Circle met to continue work on their projects.

May 29—Child Protective Services met with 10 clients in the meeting room.

June 1—Frosting Creations Cake Decorating Club had several members in attendance to discuss latest cake decorations. They met again June 8.

June 2—Keetowah, a group promoting education and knowledge of indigenous cultures, had seven members present to discuss participation in upcoming events.

June 10—The Thunderbird Hills Neighborhood Association Board of Directors met at Forest Hills.

June 14—The Friends of Forest Hills met at 11 a.m. to discuss the proposed spending plan.

June 14—**Ralph Thompson** was the discussion leader when members of the Con-

trarian Viewpoint Book Club met to discuss the book, *What's so Great about Christianity* by **Dinesh D'Souza**.

June 19—The Forest Hills Branch will host a discussion on Coahuiltecan and other Texas Indians.

The Summer Reading Club is off and running with three weekly programs on Tuesdays: StoryTime, Backpack Power Hour, and Teen Space. These programs are averaging 20, 40, and 10 attendees respectively, per week. Outreach to elementary schools to promote Summer Reading included all-day visits to five schools, reaching over 2,700 students and teachers. Attendance at the Summer Reading Kickoff Party numbered about 88, and as of Thursday, June 12, 479 children and teens had signed up for the Summer Reading Club. Programs are targeting teens and include origami, gaming sessions with the new Playstation 2, craft times and the creation of an anime club.

Further outreach to a senior center to promote library services reached about 70 mature adults, and expanded outreach to this demographic is planned for after Summer Reading concludes.

Johnnie Spraggins

Igo

The Friends of the Igo Branch (FIB) will meet next on June 21 at 10 at the library. The group continues to grow in number, currently our membership is 26. During the book sale, we were able to promote the Friends of the Igo Branch and recruit three new members who want to become active and

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participate. The May 10 paperback book sale brought in \$184. Our total income as of May 30 is \$664.

We felt the book sale was a success, not too overwhelming for our first. Attendance in the sale room was not counted, but the room was busy for at least 3 hours (*photos on page 7*). It didn't hurt that we were right next to the room where baby kittens ready for adoption were available for petting. One adoptee was named Igo on the spot. The library is extremely well designed and equipped for this kind of activity. The day before set up was easy and went quickly. We learned a lot and recalled the nuances of how to run a book sale. Individuals from the main library dropped by and gave us more tips. The next book sale will be held on Saturday July 19 from 11am to 4:00pm. We'll meet on Friday, July 18 to set up.

We are off to a very good start and hope to fund more upcoming projects at the library. Cheryl Sheehan, Igo branch manager, has given us a list of items the library needs, and we're eager to help out.

Kathleen McCloskey

Maverick

Because there were at least three other book sales in San Antonio on May 17, the Maverick Friends are especially grateful for the community support ours received. We made over \$2,800 selling books, t-shirts, tote bags, and raffle tickets.

The June 5 kick-off party for Maverick's Read Across Texas program drew approximately 300 attendees who

enjoyed refreshments provided by the Friends. Friends **Roe Klepac** and **Claudia Kohler** sold t-shirts and tote bags, raising \$88. As of June 14, nearly 1,000 young people were registered for the program.

In consultation with library staff, we ordered two benches to be placed near the entrance to the library. We hope they will be delivered and installed very soon.

We are looking forward to hosting the FOSAPL Board meeting on Sunday, July 20 at 2. We hope to see many of you there.

Sue Ratliff

McCreless

McCreless Library continues to make improvements to the decor of the newly renovated facility thanks to the support of The Friends group. Four new 72" x 30" tables are now available for meetings and events, at the request of the Branch manager. In addition, four beautiful potted plants have been placed because of a \$50 donation from the Highland Hills Neighborhood Association and a matching \$50 donation from the Friends group. The Friends group donated \$300 to support the Summer Reading Program. The May 17 book sale netted \$260 for the group to continue to support library activities. The next meeting of the Friends group is scheduled for Wednesday, September 10, 7 p.m. in the library's meeting room. Input from members is requested on ideas to publicize the book sales. The proceeds from the sales are critical to fulfilling the mission of the Friends group. Please let **Evanlene Schmueckle** at

(210) 534-4732 hear from you with ideas.

Jill Zimmerman

Memorial

The Memorial Amigos hosted special guest **Raymond Fraga**, Library Department Systems Manager, at a recent meeting. Mr. Fraga explained the City's process in purchasing and installing three computers purchased by the Amigos with grant funding by JPMorganChase.

Grant funds awarded to the Amigos paid for two recent programs. **Moises Hernandez** taught another successful and well-attended basic guitar class. Snake Connection, a program educating children about snakes in the San Antonio area, was a huge summer hit.

Albert Zamarron was newly elected as the Amigos' Treasurer. Previous Treasurer **Josie Reyes** resigned and will be missed.

Memorial Library member **Grace Guerra** was promoted from Library Aide to Circulation Attendant part time.

Through the Amigos' efforts the Memorial Library Flag Pole has been restored. **Lourdes Galvan**, Council Representative for District 5, provided the funding. The dedication was held Saturday, May 24, with numerous local veterans groups represented. Also attending were Library Board Chair **Jean Brady** and Friends President Linda Nairn (*photos on page 7*).

Future plans include a Literacy Fair held in partnership with the St. Mary's Adult Learning Center in September.

Melva Ramirez

Semmes

It's so hot! Great reason to change your pace and take advantage of library offerings. On Saturday, May 31, Semmes Friends were pleased to host a reception for the summer reading program kickoff of Read Across Texas. Approximately 40 readers participated in this event of varied activities that got the summer off to a good start (*photos on page 7*). Despite the excitement of the initiation of the new summer program, the weekend was bittersweet as we bade farewell to **Wendy Fox**, one of Semmes' children's librarians. Wendy was with us for just under a year while her husband was here for military training. Despite her short time with the library, her wholehearted engagement with young readers (*photo on page 5*), and the SAPL outreach programs contributed to significant increase in young readers' use of Semmes library. Wendy's departure leaves some big and unique shoes to fill!!

For quite some time, America has been moving in the 'do it yourself'(DIY) lane of life and we have unlimited reference sources to help us do just that (e.g., the Internet, big box hardware stores, paint and craft stores, etc.). Recently the SAPL has joined the pool of DIY establishments through the implementation of self checkout of library materials. Application of technology can certainly contribute to the bottom line of operations through efficiency improvement but we run the risk of depersonalizing our environment in the process. Semmes Library is

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Membership

*Claudia Kohler,
Membership Chair*

Have you cut out your card yet? You will need to prove membership when you go to Preview Book Sales.

If you forgot to cut it out for the June Book Cellar sale, I'm sure they found your name on a list, but next time, take your card and get instant access!

Book Cellar News

Pat Konstam

Results of the three-day Summer Book Sale were not complete at publication time for this issue of *SAPLings*, but the Book Cellar Committee expects to have a good report in the September issue.

The buy-one-get-one-free category for August will be children's nonfiction. The sale will include hardcover and paperback books about animals, sports, hobbies, health, geography, history, poetry, folktales, and dozens of other topics. Easy readers and ABC books will remain at their regular price of 50 cents for hardbacks and 25 cents for paperbacks. There won't be a clearance sale in July because of the big June sale.

Congratulations to Book Cellar volunteer **Ira Lott** for being named a 2008 Library Champion. Ira works in the Book Cellar on Thursday evenings, in addition to everything else he does for the Library.

Memorials and Donations

In Memory of:

By:

Austin W. Betts

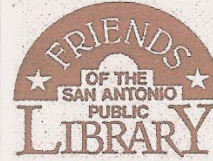
Roberta W. Betts

Sheila Figueroa

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Cody Collins Garden Forest Hills Guerra Igo Johnston Landa

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Thousand Oaks Tobin/Oakwell Westfall Writer

~ Thank you for being a Friend! ~
To volunteer at the Book Cellar, please call 227-9519



Wendy Fox, one of Semmes Children's Librarians, will be missed.

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not willing to let technology depersonalize library visits. The staff is proactive in providing a hospitable environment for patrons and the Friends are pleased to help them do that. Semmes hosts periodic movie viewings for both youngsters and adults. Friends' gift cards to local food stores enable the staff to purchase movie refreshments. The atmosphere of the library is casual and welcoming and the library housekeepers keep the facility looking pristine, with the assistance of a Friends-purchased carpet/floor dryer and outside trash receptacle. Staff and Friends are a great team working to help make sure regular visits to the library are a summer priority!

Christie Smith

Tobin Library at Oakwell

The Friends of Tobin Library at Oakwell hosted a Staff Appreciation Dinner at the Barn Door Restaurant on Friday, May 9 (photos on page 9). It provided a good opportunity for Friends and Staff to get to know one another better and meet each other's spouses too. It was a great evening with many smiles and much laughter.

Our Spring Book Sale was held May 16 and 17. We thank **Pat DePasquale** once more for her hard work and dedication to making each sale a success.

Joan Hildreth

Writer Friends

At a specially called meeting on April 7 held at the

Central Library, Writer Friend members, including **Cynthia Massey, Judy Woller, Vera Banner** and **Nancy Gandara**, voted to dissolve the Writer Friends "as it has been constituted in the past." The motion was made by **Judy Woller** and seconded by **Vera Banner**. Also in attendance at the meeting were **Florence Weinberg, Julie Catalano, Bill Woller** and SAPL Friends of the Library President **Linda Nairn**.

The Writer Friends group over the past few years has experienced a decline in attendance at its quarterly meetings, and it was deemed necessary to think about a new way for Writer Friends to participate in vital library programs

The members believe a Speakers Bureau constituted from the Writer Friends could be initiated and kept track of by a SAPL staff member who would be the point of contact for librarians looking for speakers about various writing topics. The staff person would request Writer Friend members' areas of writing expertise after they have sent their annual membership dues in. Member dues will be used to pay honorariums to speakers and other library expenses.

You may send in your membership dues as a Writer Friend of the SAPL, whether or not you are a writer. If you are a writer and would like to be considered for the Speakers' Bureau, please indicate this on your membership dues envelope.

Cynthia Massey

Brook Hollow Friends Update Staff Kitchen



Sylvia Griffin and Beverly Jackson "assisting" the electrical contractor (above) and new kitchen with appliances (below).



Semmes Friends, **Celina Dewberry** and **Ivy Durnell**, with the trash receptacle purchased by the Friends

Memorial Celebrates Restoration of Flag Pole



Numerous local veterans groups and community members attended the dedication.



Memorial High School ROTC raised the flag (above). Guest Artist Alberto Sifuentes (right).



Igo Holds First Book Sale



Bev and Jose Duran setting up for the book sale.



Two satisfied customers



Reminiscing about books from childhood

Semmes Friends were pleased to host a reception for the Summer Reading Program Kickoff of Read Across Texas



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sale for the members on Thursday evening, June 19, from 4–7 p.m. To get ready for the book sale, more book shelves were ordered. Aaron asked if anyone knew of someone who needs books, please contact the Book Cellar; for example, prisons, hospitals, etc. They would have to pick up the books from the Book Cellar.

Membership: **Claudia Kohler** reported that there are 804 members with 110 new members for 2008.

Memorials/Honorariums: **Sheila Figueroa** had no report.

Newsletter: **Mary McAfee** reported there were 681 newsletters mailed out and reminded everyone that postage fees have gone up.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Linda Nairn reported that the Collins Garden Branch Friends Group was ready to join. A copy of their proposed By-Laws was read by everyone. There was a discussion about making a few changes to the proposed By-Laws, and after accepting the proposed changes, a unanimous vote was taken to accept the Collins Garden Branch Friends Group. Their president, **Richard Morales**, was in attendance. It was noted that \$100 seed money would be given to the Collins Garden Branch Friends Group.

Linda Nairn reported that **Ramiro Salazar**, Library System Director, got married recently so the Friends will give a donation for a book in honor of him and his new wife.

Branch News and Announcements:

Brookhollow has a new kitchen and had a book sale on May 17. **Carver** had a successful book sale. **Cody** had a book sale in April and made over \$3,000. **Forest Hills**

received a new display of the embroidery from their classes. There is no charge for the classes, and the classes are about 2 hours. The children's section has been redesigned, and new chairs for the children's tables have arrived.

Guerra has a book sale scheduled for May 31 and June 1. A new projector was purchased and a new camera will be arriving soon. At this time, **Linda Nairn** thanked the Guerra Friends for hosting our meeting and for the refreshments. **Igo** had a mini paperback sale and made approximately \$184. It has received approximately eighteen boxes of books from **Robert LaCaff** and a thank you card to Robert has been sent. **Maverick** made more than \$2,800 at its book sale this past weekend. **Maverick** has banners that read "Book Sale Saturday," which have greatly helped. **Memorial** has renovated their flag pole and will have a flag raising ceremony on Friday at 10 a.m. **Tobin at Oakwell** had a book sale. **Semmes** held a reception for **Mary Badham**, who played the role of Scout in the movie, *To Kill A Mockingbird*, on April 15. On April 5, it held a successful book sale. Its next book sale will be held on the last Saturday of September. **Semmes** received a new trash receptacle. **Thousand Oaks** made approximately \$1,000 at its last book sale. It is gearing up for its Summer Reading Program. **Westfall** will have its next book sale on June 7. **Writers** had a meeting to discuss their status. They will be inactive for a while as they "regroup."

Mary McAfee reported that the new PA system was used at the Landa Library opening, and it was "just super and the sound is magnificent."

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

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resources which have resulted in the enhancement of public library service in San Antonio, or which have had substantial involvement in the support of the San Antonio Public Library system over a period of many years.

This year's honorees were library volunteers **Thomas Cook, Ira Lott, Gary Martínez, Marshall Mundorff, Marvin Novak, and Paula Parra**; artist **Glen "Frank" Franklin**; and the Bob Ross Senior Resource Center, the CPS Energy Lithographics & Print Shop, the Friends of Brook Hollow Branch Library, the Landa Gardens Conservancy, and the Tobin Endowment.

Library Board of Trustees Chair **Jean Brady** said, "The San Antonio Public Library draws strength from the support of the community. Although their contributions are often quiet and behind the scenes, volunteers like the 2008 Library Champions make it possible for us to offer the outstanding level of service we give the City."

For more than 100 years, the award-winning San Antonio Public Library has been a vital center for free learning, knowledge, communication, culture, and enjoyment for all San Antonians. With a world-class Central Library, branch libraries throughout the city, and outstanding online resources, the San Antonio Public Library is as close as around the corner or the nearest computer.

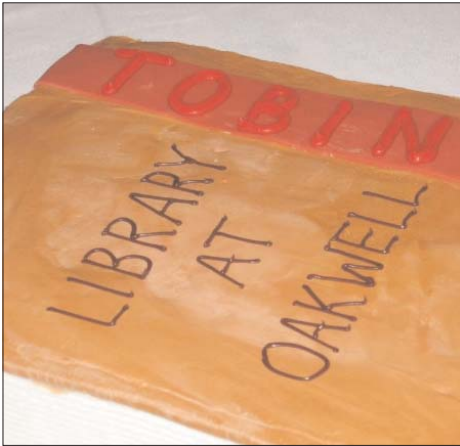


*Library Board Public Relations Committee Chair **Elda Flores** and **Richard Bowser**, President, Friends of Brook Hollow Branch Library*



***Elda Flores** and **Marshall Mundorff**, Friends of Johnston Branch Library*

Tobin Library at Oakwell Hosted a Staff Appreciation Dinner



More Library Champion Photos



Texana/Genealogy Volunteers **Thomas Cook** and **Ira Lott** (Mr. Lott also volunteers at the Book Cellar)



Landa Branch Manager **Kathy Claspill** (second from left) and members of the Board of the Landa Gardens Conservancy

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.

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& Memorials

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____ Contributing (Per Person) \$100

____ Life (Per Person) \$250

____ New Member

____ Renewal

Branch Group _____

Additional Donation \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

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____ I'd like to volunteer at the Book Cellar (used book store).

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(Note: Membership is from Jan. 1—Dec. 31. Members receive a renewal notice in early Dec.)

INCOME AND EXPENSE DETAILS

April 30, 2008

Submitted by Nancy Gandara

	Budget	Mar/Apr 08	FOSAPL YTD	Groups YTD
Income				
Book Cellar Sales/Group Book Sales	\$73,000	\$27,615.99	\$25,609.75	\$27,748.01
Donations	\$3,500	\$459.00	\$205.00	\$2,504.60
Interest	\$6,450	\$911.90	\$1,617.52	
Membership	\$10,000	\$1,605.00	\$10,338.00	\$3,237.00
FOSAPL Income	\$92,950	\$30,591.89	\$37,770.27	
Branch/Groups Income				\$33,489.61
Transfer from Savings	\$33,431	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	
Assets to be Used During 2008	\$126,381			
Expenses				
Accounting	\$2,250		\$150.00	
Arts and Letters	\$400			
Bank Charges	\$150	\$35.05	\$35.05	
Book Cellar Expenses				
Advertising	\$2,000			
Book sale(s) expenses	\$500			\$407.85
Commodities for resale	\$600			
Equipment and maintenance	\$2,500	\$11.99	\$2,007.28	
Internet & software	\$100			
Printing/copying	\$300	\$42.00	\$42.00	
Recruitment of volunteer workers	\$250	\$68.37	\$68.37	
Salary & benefits	\$7,200	\$1,180.00	\$2,360.00	
Volunteer appreciation	\$500		\$73.50	
Water service	\$456	\$36.75	\$36.75	
Branch/Group Operating Expenses				\$123.58
Bulk Mail	\$1,000		\$175.00	\$106.78
FOLUSA Membership	\$100		\$100.00	
FOSAPL Committee Expenses	\$300		\$317.52	
FOSAPL Donor Recognition	\$1,000			
Friends Recognition	\$300			
Insurance (bonding)	\$125			
Library Support				
Equipment to be determined	\$5,000		\$3,647.90	\$9,080.86
Programming for public [all year, all ages]	\$40,000			\$942.18
Staff development & training	\$40,000	\$34,283.00	\$34,283.00	
Memorial gifts for FOSAPL Life Members no funding amt.			\$100.00	
Various branch/group purchases				\$14,167.59
Mail Box	\$100	\$52.00	\$52.00	
Newsletter Prep/Editing	\$1,800	\$300.00	\$600.00	
Newsletter Printing	\$2,800	\$238.00	\$1,524.18	
Office Supplies	\$1,500	\$247.97	\$247.97	
Parking	\$4,000	\$304.75	\$1,310.25	
Postage	\$400	\$57.56	\$180.56	
President's Expenses	\$350	\$50.00	\$120.00	
Sales Tax (Book Cellar and Branches)	\$10,000	\$2,776.04	\$4,051.49	
Seed Money for New Groups	\$400	\$100.00	\$100.00	
Total Expenses	\$126,381	\$39,783.48	\$51,582.82	\$24,828.84

Branch & Special Interest Group Funds

April 30, 2008

Accounts	Balance
CompassBank Money Market Account	\$56,267.33
Money Market Gold Account	\$91,418.90
Checking Account	\$36,429.01
Total Assets	\$184,115.24
Branch-designated Funds	\$86,906.85
Total Liabilities	\$86,906.85
OVERALL TOTAL	\$97,208.39

Branch & Special-Interest Group Funds April 30, 2008

Bazan	\$ 1,474.66
Brook Hollow	8,380.24
Carver	2,265.76
Cody	8,301.25
Collins Garden (pending official formation)	25.00
Forest Hills	3,156.51
Guerra	2,646.30
Igo	564.00
Johnston	1,530.37
Landa (pending official formation)	145.00
Maverick	3,702.75
McCreless	4,084.57
Memorial	4,030.18
Tobin-at-Oakwell	11,521.74
Semmes	4,662.04
Texana/Genealogy	19,194.96
Thousand Oaks	3,721.16
Westfall	3,989.52
Writers (currently suspended)	3,510.84
Total Group Funds	\$86,906.85

Please Note:

*July 15, 2008, is the
deadline for
nominations for Arts
& Letters Awards*



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CALENDAR OF BOOK SALES AND SPECIAL EVENTS

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

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| July 19 | Igo Book Sale, 11 to 4 |
| July 20 | FOSAPL Board Meeting, Maverick Library, 2 p.m. |
| July 26 | Collins Garden Library Book Sale, 10 to 3 |
| September 13 | Igo Book Sale |
| October 2 | Opening reception of traveling exhibit of color posters from SAPL archives, <i>The Winds and Words of War: Posters and Prints from the San Antonio Library Collection</i> , 6 to 8 |
| October 4-5 | Maverick Book Sale, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and 1 to 4. Sunday |
| October 25 | Show Me the Money! |
| November 15 | Brook Hollow Fall Book Sale |

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

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

Collins Garden Library
200 N. Park Blvd, 78204-2434
210-225-0331

Igo Library
13330 Kyle Seale Pkwy, 78249
210-561-6113 (also TTY)

Maverick Library
8700 Mystic Park, 78254
210-680-9346

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.