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are free
and open to the public

The Barbara Bush Library Friends Book Report

Building a better library one book at a time

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Annual Meeting Recap

The Barbara Bush Library Friends Annual Meeting was held Monday, May 11. Our guest speaker was Jim Robertson, Chairman of the Cypress Creek Greenway Project, Cypress Creek Flood Control Coalition. He presented an informative talk and PowerPoint about the Greenway Project. He also brought maps of the area.

The Board of Directors for 2009 – 2010 were elected, annual budget was approved, and volunteers were honored. New books were presented and displayed to honor our volunteers, board members, community partners and staff. Our Volunteers of the Year were announced. Susan Greer presented **Friends Volunteer of the Year to Diane Prewitt**. Jennifer Nandlal, Circulation Assistant presented **Community Volunteer of the Year to Nancy Smalley**. Shawn Howes, Children's Assistant presented **Teen Volunteer of the Year to Alexis Moisiuc** and **Outstanding Teen of the Year to Synthi Martinez**.

Hats off to all our Volunteers. Without the dedication of our volunteers we could not get the job done.

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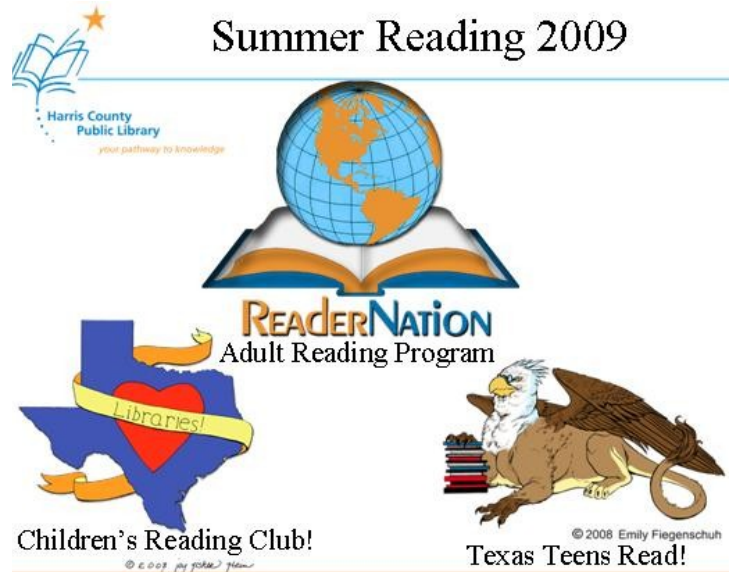
Barbara Bush Library Friends Planning Meeting

June 1, 7 - 9 p.m.

WCR Meeting Room, second floor

BBLF Board Meeting is an evaluation and planning meeting. All members are invited to attend.

If you are not a Friend of the Library and would like to be a part of this vital group please contact president@bblf.org



Make a Book Your Own

Local artist, Terri Barker donated her time to paint a mural of books and characters above the book shelves in the Children's Area. You can name one of the books for a contribution of \$100 to the Barbara Bush Library Friends.

Be creative - - Make your "title" approximately thirty letters or less. The Friends will choose the book that best fits your title.

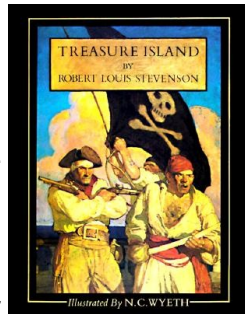
You may send your contribution along with your name, address, and telephone number to Barbara Bush Library Friends, 6817 Cypresswood Drive, Spring, TX 77379. The Barbara Bush Library Friends are a 501c3 organization. Your contribution is tax-deductible.



Wednesday, July 1, 1:30 p.m.

The Barbara Bush Library and the Pearl Fincher Museum of Fine Arts are launching a new book discussion group as a joint venture, called the "Pen & Paintbrush" Book Club. The

books selected for discussion will connect works in the Pearl's current exhibition to their literary counterparts, highlighting parallels between the selected book and the artwork on display. Other book-related events will include lectures and movie screenings at the library and the museum.



The first book featured for this new group will be "Treasure Island", the classic by Robert Louis Stevenson. The meeting will be held at the museum in the Northgate Forest Conference Room. Education Director Rosemary Hickman will begin with a tour of the exhibition "Legend of Texas Maritime: Art and Artifacts from the Texas Seaport Museum."

Wednesday, July 8, at 6:00 p.m.

There will be a 75th Anniversary screening of the classic 1934 black and white movie version of the book, *Treasure Island* starring Wallace Beery and Jackie Cooper, in the Earl Elliott Room at the library.



CURRENT EXHIBITION
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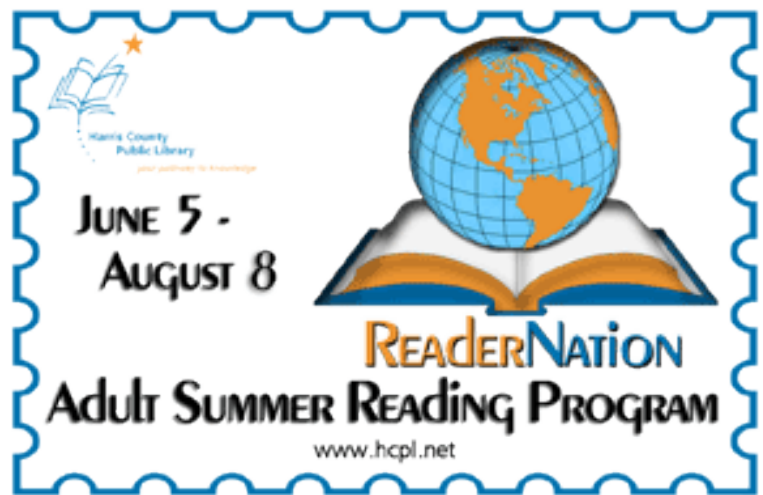
1960 Digital Photography Special Interest Group Exhibit

The second floor gallery exhibit is furnished by the 1960 Digital Photography Special Interest Group, which is a part of the larger 1960 PC User Group. The Photography SIG meets the first Thursday of each month at the Cypress Creek Community Center, and is open to anyone who has a desire to improve their photography skills.

Their programs cover all aspects of photography such as composition, lighting, nature, wildlife, portraiture, etc. If you want to improve your photography skills, this club might be just what you need. Visitors and all skill levels are always welcome.

The exhibitors include: Jim Sandham, Craig Loomis, Sylvia Tucker, Pat Tucker, Peter Herbert, Gene Jackson, Gary Toll, Jim Kelly, BeaAnn Kelly, Jean Franklin, and Bill Franklin.

Check out their website at <http://www.1960pcug.org/index.html>.



Read four books this summer and be eligible for prizes. Call Barbara Bush Branch Library, 281-376-4610 for more information.

Crime, Cake, and Coffee Summer Culinary Mystery Club Thursday, June 11, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

June's selection is Nancy Fairbanks' *Crime Brulee*.



Come join baking and shaking crime solver Carolyn Blue as she takes us on a sights, sounds, and culinary delights tour of New Orleans. Seating will be limited and registration is required. Please register in person or by telephone at the Adult Information Desk on the second floor of the Barbara Bush Branch. Once registered you may pick up your free paperback copy of *Crime Brulee* at the Adult Information Desk.

Dessert and coffee will be served.

Books provided by the Barbara Bush Library Friends.

Book Clubs for Adults at the Library

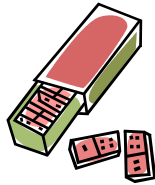
Tuesday, June 9, 7 p.m. - The Evening Book Club will discuss *Sarah's Key* by Tatiana de Rosnay. The book selection for July is *The Friday Night Knitting Club* by Kate Jacobs. All are welcome, bring a friend.

Monday, June 15, 7 p.m. - The Great Books Discussion Group will meet in the WCR Conference Room. The selection for June is *The Book of Exodus from the Bible*. Please call Earl Bissex 281-955-9447 for information. The selection for July is *Origin of Government* by Hobbes.

Thursday, June 25, 1:30 p.m. - The Afternoon Book Club will discuss *The Book Thief* by Mark Zusak. The July selection is *The Story of Edgar Sawtelle* by David Wroblewski.



Happy Players Wednesday's 10:30 a.m. to noon Earl Elliott Room



Seniors take a mid-week break at the library to enjoy games, coffee, and conversation. Cards, checkers, chess, and dominos are provided or bring your own games. Coffee, tea, and light snacks are served. Drop-in and share a relaxing morning.



Computer Classes at the Library

Dave Smith, computer instructor, teaches seven different computer classes.



- ☞ Email
- ☞ MS Word
- ☞ MS Excel
- ☞ Computer Basics
- ☞ Introduction to the Internet
- ☞ Powerpoint
- ☞ Publisher

Each class meets for one 2-hour session. As class size is limited to 12 people, pre-registration is required for each class.

Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. Please call the library at 281-376-4610 for more information and to register for a class.

The classes are held in the Barbara Bush Library Friends Computer Lab.

Check out the on-line registration on the HCPL website <http://www.hcpl.net/calendar.php>.

Please call 24 hours in advance if it is necessary to cancel registration for a class (281) 376-4610.

Knowledge Exchange Friday's, 3 - 4:30 p.m. Earl Elliott Room



All ages welcome to this knitting, crocheting, and conversation group.

Help us make lap blankets for Veterans and chemo caps for M.D. Anderson patients. We are also collecting items for a soldier we have adopted in Afghanistan. Please bring cards, books, toiletries or hard candy. For more information call Shawn or Val at 281-376-4610.

Please come by 4 p.m. if you want assistance in learning to knit or crochet.

Genealogical Research Database Demonstration Friday, June 19, 11 a.m. Computer Lab



Thinking of climbing that family tree and doing some family history research? Need to consult the US Census for past years? Come see how to use HeritageQuest and Ancestry.com, our genealogical databases, to do online research from your home or at the library, in the case of Ancestry.com at our monthly Database Demos. The database demos are presented by Margaret A. Davis, reference librarian, at the Barbara Bush Branch Library at 6817 Cypresswood Drive in Spring. Please call 281-376-4610 to register or go to this website: <http://www.hcpl.net/calendar.php>.

Need some help using HCPL licensed databases or sites on the HCPL Databases pages? Come to Database Demos, a monthly series that demonstrates a different database or subject area each month and find out how to get the most out of each of these HCPL databases & Internet sites.

**Second Annual
Children's Book Swap on May 17**

Children swapped a total of 217 "book bucks" for books that were new to them. Thanks to everyone who brought in books to swap during the first few weeks of May. Thanks especially to those who brought in LOTS of books, and who gave away their "extra" book bucks to children who did not have any.



**Tremendous Tuesday's
Eight 2 Twelve Club
3 p.m.**

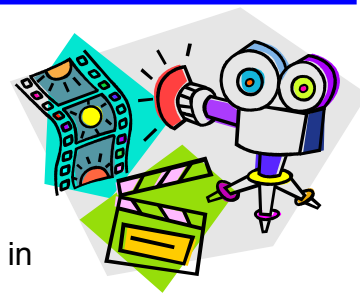
June 9-Power to Believe Magic Show with Cherie

June 16-Juggling with Claude Sims

June 23-Swimmy and Favorite Stories
a black light puppet show

June 30-Craft Buffet

**Wednesday's
at the movie
2:30 p.m.
Earl Elliott Room**



June 10-Disney story of a rat in
Paris who can cook

June 17-Disney story of a lost a race car

June 24-DreamWorks story of four animals escape
from New York's Central Park Zoo

July 1-Disney story of a bell ringer who helps a
gypsy dancing girl
Recommended for Ages 6-12

**Thrilling Thursday's
3 p.m.**

June 11-Mad Science

June 18-Father's Day Craft

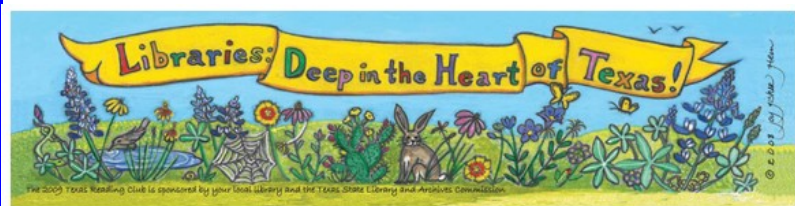
June 25-Scales and Tails

**Summertime Crafts
3 p.m.**

Thursday, June 18

Tuesday, June 30

**Summer Reading Program
Begins June 5
Sign-up in the Children's Library**



Teen Scene

June



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Time Twisters Teen Summer Reading Program

Register and log your books online at www.hcpl.net. After five books, or 600 minutes of reading have been completed, teens receive a certificate and free book while supplies last.

Check with Young Adult staff about prizes specific to the Barbara Bush Library

Writing Contest for Teens

Do you write poetry or short stories? Barbara Bush Library and LSC-Tomball Community Library are co-hosting a writing contest for teens in grades 6-12. Three winners in each category will receive gift cards worth \$25, \$15 or \$10. Contest details and entry forms available at Barbara Bush Library or LSC-Tomball Community Library.

COMING IN JULY

Teen Library Lock-In
Mother-Daughter Book Club
Father-Son Book Club
Crafts Henna
Indian Dance Workshop
Midsummer Masquerade



Movie Monday's, 4 p.m.

Join us for a different film and yummy snacks.

Chess & Go Club, Wednesday's, 4:30 p.m.

Strategy is the name of the game!

All levels welcome.

Don't know how to play? We can teach you!

Game Day, Thursday's, 2 p.m.

Different themes each week - arcade, black light and more.

Intergenerational Wii, Thursday's, 5 p.m.

Teens bring your Grandparents. Grandparents bring your grandkids for some interactive gaming fun!

Summer Kick-Off Party, Saturday, June 6, 2 p.m.

Get the summer started right! Drop in to get registered for Summer Reading, have a snack, hang out with friends and celebrate the start of summer.

Registration Opens for the TEEN LOCK-IN

Tuesday, June 9, 3 p.m.

Mother-Daughter Book Club, Weds., June 17, 6:30 p.m.

Join us for a book discussion for mothers and daughters (grades 6-12). June's title is "A Mango Shaped Space" by Wendy Mass.

A few free copies of book available at the 2nd floor Info Desk

Father-Son Book Club, Thursday, June 18, 6 p.m.

Join us for a book discussion for fathers and son (grades 6-12). June's title is "Stormbreaker" by Anthony Horowitz.

A few free copies of book available at the 2nd floor Info Desk

Martial Arts, Friday, June 19

10:30 a.m. - Brazilian Martial Arts Workshop

1:00 p.m. - Tai Chi Workshop

Mad Science, Saturday, June 20, 1 p.m.

What happens when mentos are added to soda?

We'll find out! **Please Register**

Water War, Saturday, June 20, 2 p.m.

You will get WET! Bring a towel, sunscreen, change of clothes and shoes that can get soaked.

(If we are rained out, we will reschedule for June 27.)

Groovy Tie Dye, Wednesday, June 24, 6:30 p.m.

Use markers and rubbing alcohol to make multicolored wonders! Teens are encouraged to bring a pre-washed white shirt. **Please Register**

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Annual Meeting, May 11, 2009



Teen Volunteer of the Year - Alexis Moisiuc
Outstanding Teen of the Year - Synthi Martinez



Friends
Volunteer
of the Year
Diane Prewitt



110 Honor Books were
presented to volunteers,
board members, staff, and
community partners



Guest Speaker Jim Robertson
from the
Cypress Creek Greenway Project
Vision for
Cypress Creek Greenway

- ⊕ Create a continuous linear greenbelt along Cypress Creek and Little Cypress Creek, stretching from west of US 290 to the east where it connects with the Spring Creek Greenway
- ⊕ Use the Greenway to connect a series of existing and future anchor parks
- ⊕ Develop a trail system along the entire length of the Greenway that would link to other trails in the Greenway parks and local communities

For more information about the project, parks, and trails
<http://www.hcp4.net/parks/ccgw/index.htm>



Biographer Charles Shields with
Branch Librarian Nancy Agafitei



Friends Susan Greer and Sheela Beteet
assisting with book sales for *I am Scout* and
Mockingbird during Charles Shields visit



A few of the Wednesday morning Happy Players
enjoying a game of dominoes

Volunteer Opportunities Available

The Barbara Bush Library Friends need volunteers to assist with Special Events such as: Book Fairs, Open House, Gift Wrap at Barnes & Noble, and more.

If you have an hour or two to spare we welcome your assistance. Please contact Susan Greer at the Library 281-376-4610. The best time to call is in the afternoon between 12 - 4 p.m.

Barbara Bush Library Friends Membership Application



Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ E-mail _____

New Membership

Renewal Membership

\$25 (minimum) \$50 \$100 Other \$ _____

I am interested in BBLF Volunteer Special Events Publicity Fundraising
Book Store Library Volunteer (Shelving, Mending) ESL Program

**Please make checks payable to BBLF and mail to
Barbara Bush Library Friends, 6817 Cypresswood Drive, Spring, TX 77379**



To Fly a Mockingbird May 2

Artist Yu-Ru Huang explains the Texas-Taiwanese connection that inspired her to create the Mockingbird kites.



Members of the Taiwanese Heritage Society helped with the Big Read display at the Barbara Bush Library.



The kites came in kits with instructions

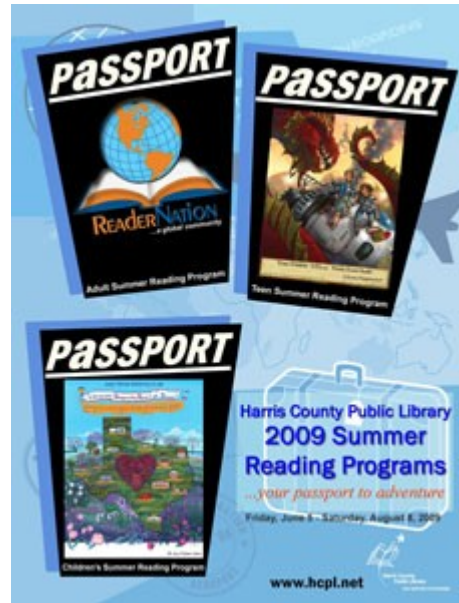


Families worked together to write their dreams and make the kites.



Congratulations to Jeannie Mallick, winner of the 2009 quilt raffle. Jeannie bought her ticket in mid-April when she stopped by the library to get a library card.

The quilt was donated by the Serendipity Quilters who meet at the library. The raffle raised \$435 that the library will use to buy new arts and crafts books.



Location & Phone	Hours
6817 Cypresswood Drive Spring, TX 77379 281-376-4610	Sunday 1 p.m.-5 p.m. Monday 1 p.m.-9 p.m. Tuesday 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Wednesday 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Thursday 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Friday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Branch Librarian Nancy Agafitei	

Independence Day Closure
Friday, July 3
and Saturday, July 4

Open
Sunday, July 5, 1-5p.m.

**Information for
Persons with Disabilities**

Harris County Public Library will make reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities. To make a request please notify the Branch Librarian or call the Harris County ADA Coordinator at 713-755-4396 (voice) or 713-755-5005 (TDD) or 1-800-RELAYTX.

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2009-2010

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Barbara Bush Library Friends

Cypress Creek Friends of the Library
dba Barbara Bush Library Friends

The BBLF is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization established to promote the development of library facilities; to augment the services of such facilities; and thus to enrich the cultural opportunities available to residents of the Cypress Creek area.

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281.376.4610 www.bbllf.org**