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Friends of the Ft Stockton Public Library

The *Friends of the Library* organization hosted its annual membership drive on February 22, 2007, in coordination with Peter Fletcher's concert. The purpose of the drive was to increase membership and educate the community of the *Friends* partnership. It came into existence in June of 2006 so it hasn't been a year yet. It was organized for charitable purposes and is a 501(c)3 entity and has tax exempt status.

The *Friends* purpose is to: stimulate increased community awareness, build support in the community for the library, engage in fund-raising efforts and receive gifts,

donations, endowments, bequests, and memorials for the library, encourage volunteer participation, sponsor and/or promote library activities, events, and programs.

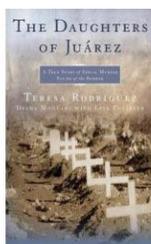
Membership in *Friends* is open to anyone interested in supporting its purpose, regardless of age or place of residence. Businesses, organizations, and clubs may become members. In becoming a member of *Friends*, you will be joining many others just like you who believe in the fundamental necessity of a free public library. There are different membership levels and annual dues to select from. They include:

Individual-\$10.00, *Family*-\$15.00, *Patron*- \$25.00, *Sponsor*-\$100.00

Your low annual dues will help support the many programming activities the library offers, such as children's story times, holiday puppet shows, workshops and summer reading programs. To be a *Friend*, simply fill out the membership form and return to staff or take home and mail in to us.

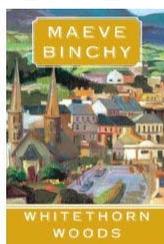
Following the drive, Peter was back for an encore performance. The classical guitarist continues to play with increasing skill and talent and no one left disappointed.

Featured Books Coming in March



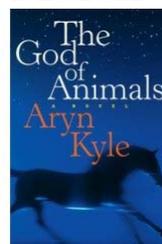
The Daughters of Juarez
 by Teresa Rodriguez and Diana Montane with Lisa Pulitzer
 A former New York Times correspondent and true crime writer team

up to create the 1st major work based on the ongoing, international atrocities of more than 300,000 confirmed female homicides with 600 women still missing in the border town of Juarez, Mexico. The book tells a true story of serial murder south of the border and as the body count continues to rise, a web of corruption unfolds.



Whitethorn Woods
 by Maev Binchy
 When the new highway threatens to by pass the town of Rossmore and cut through Whitethorn Woods, the entire town is up in arms.

Every town member has a passionate opinion about how the change will affect the community. Father Flynn is most concerned with the fate of St Ann's Well, a spiritual mecca in the path of the planned construction. Reserve a copy of this unforgettable story of a town caught between its old-fashioned ways and the promise of progress.



The God of Animals
 by Aryn Kyle

Horses and lost loves propel this confident debut novel about Alice Winston, a 12-year-old loner with family troubles in Desert Valley, Colorado. Her mother hasn't left her bed since Alice was a baby; her father struggles to keep their horse ranch solvent; and her beautiful older sister, Nona, has cloped with a rodeo cowboy. Kyle produces an emotionally powerful coming of age story that deftly and movingly captures not only the complexity of love, loss, and human relationships but also the fierce and powerful bond between horses and humans.

To make Music and the Arts available to us

H. Edward Petsch was born April 24, 1931 in Fort Stockton to Fannie Warnock and Harry Edward Petsch. His first piano teacher, Mrs. Frances Ligon, instilled in Edward a love of music and was instrumental in Edward's admittance to the prestigious St. Louis Institute of Music after his graduation from Fort Stockton High School. There he studied with great Russian pianist, Leo Sirota. Through the Institute, Mr. Petsch also studied with French pianist, conductor, and composer, Nadia Boulanger.

In 1957, Mr. Petsch was invited to teach at the British School in Caracas, Venezuela, where he also performed many concerts. He returned to the United States several years later to join the piano

faculty at the St. Louis Institute for Music and to prepare for his debut concert program.

Mr. Petsch moved to Houston several years later to take over the piano studio of a friend. He soon opened his own studio in Houston for adult piano students. Mr. Petsch enriched the lives of all of his students by his encouragement not only to master the keyboard, but also to pursue goals and overcome life's setbacks. When Mr. Petsch passed away in 2002, he bequeathed a generous gift to the Fort Stockton Library to provide and enhance art, music, theatre, and cultural activities and programming to the community through the library.



Fast Facts about the Library

The current site of the library on 500 N. Water was built on land donated by the Pecos County State Bank. This 10,712 square foot beauty was dedicated February 5, 1981. Thanks goes out to the many supporters that made it possible

Books and more to enjoy on a Windy Day

For Children

I'm big enough!

by Amber Stewart

Who lives in an alligator hole?

by Anne F. Rockwell

I saw an ant in the parking lot

by Joshua Prince

Another day in the Milky Way

by David Milgram

Someday

by Alison McGhee

How to be a baby by me, the big sister

by Sally Lloyd Jones

Lightship

by Brian Floca

Cork & Fuzz: good sports

by Dori Chaconas

Hi! Fly guy

By Tedd Arnold

Pirates don't change Diapers

By Melinda Long

For Adults

Sisters

By Danielle Steel

The memory Keeper's

Daughter

By Kim Edwards

Lost Echoes: a novel

by Joe R. Lansdale

Free Fall

by Fern Michaels

Murder at the Opera: A capital crimes novel

by Margaret Truman

Scattered Leaves

by V.C. Andrews

Now you see him

by Stella Cameron

Fifty Degrees Below

by Kim S. Robinson

Just like Heaven

by Barbara Bretton

New Videos

Crossover

The Departed

Facing The Giants

Flushed Away

Man of the Year

School for Scoundrels

Half Nelson

Invincible

For Everyone

48 Days to the work you love

By Dan Miller

52 Weekend Makeovers: easy

Projects for your home

The Fiber 35 Diet: nature's weight loss secret

Planet earth

The Big Book of Birth

By Erica Lyon

Audio Books

Bloody Season

Water like a Stone

It's YOUR Library...



We asked library Patron Raul Rodriguez and his cousin Oscar Sanchez what they had to say about Their library....

My cousin and I come to our library

almost everyday. We really like to come here to get on the computer and play games that are on the internet. Sometimes when I have projects for

school I come to my library to find research. The ladies that work here at the library are always really nice. Whenever I need help with the computers they are always ready to help in any way they can. I'm really glad that our library is here for us.

OUTSIDE OF A DOG,
A BOOK IS A MAN'S
BEST FRIEND.

INSIDE OF A DOG,
IT'S TOO DARK TO
READ.

GROUCHO MARX

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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 <i>Star-Spangled Banner became the nat'l anthem in 1931</i> |
| | <i>Nat'l Women's History Month</i> | | | | <i>Dr. Seuss's Birthday</i> | |
| 4 | 5 <i>Investment Club @ 7:00PM</i> | 6 <i>Michelangelo's Birthday</i> | 7 | 8 <i>Story time @ 10:00am</i> | 9 | 10 |
| 11 <i>Daylight saving time begins</i> <i>Frankenstein was published by Mary Shelley in 1818</i> | 12 <i>Girl Scouts of the US of America was established in 1912</i> | 13 <i>Garden Club Meeting @ 10:00</i> | 14 <i>Albert Einstein's Birthday</i> | 15 | 16 | 17 <i>St Patrick's Day</i> |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 <i>Spring begins</i> | 22 <i>Story time @ 10:00</i> | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 <i>Robert Lee Frost's Birthday</i> | 27 | 28 <i>1st Children's picture book published in 1592</i> | 29 | 30 | 31 <i>Daylight saving time came into effect in US in 1918</i> |

@ the Library



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In American cities with a large Irish population, St Patrick's Day is a very big deal. Big cities and small towns alike celebrate with parades, "wearing of the green," music and songs, Irish food and green drinks, activities for kids such as craft, coloring and games. This day has come to be associated with everything Irish, anything green and gold, leprechauns, shamrocks, and luck. In Ireland, to those who celebrate its intended meaning, St Patrick's Day is a traditional day for spiritual renewal and offering prayers for missionaries worldwide. He is credited for bringing Christianity to Ireland. In his two pieces of work, the Confessio, a spiritual autobiography, and his Espistola, a denunciation of British mistreatment of Irish Christians, we come to know him as a "most humble-minded man." St Patrick spent most of his life pouring forth continuous paean of thanks to God for having chosen him as the instrument whereby multitudes who had worshipped idols and unclean things had become the people of God. It is the death of St Patrick and his recognition as the patron saint that led to the celebration of March 17. Outside Ireland, this day is a secular celebration of all things Irish.

Online Library

Many of the Library's resources are available for you to use 24 hours a day, 7 days a week from any computer with an internet connection. Simply go to www.fort-stockton.lib.tx.us where you'll find:

Online Catalog

Search for books held by the Library, place holds and Interlibrary Loan requests, and renew your items.

News & Calendar of Events

Upcoming programs, news, and links to images and information about past events at the library

Links & Online Research

Resources for research and general interest, many of which can only be accessed by Patrons of the Fort Stockton Public Library. Here you will find **Novelist**, the **Automotive Repair Reference Center**, **TexShare** databases such as MEDLINE, Literature Resource Center, NetLibrary eBooks, and the Handbook of Texas, plus links to local, area, state, and federal sites. Keep your library card nearby—you'll need it to access some of these databases!

You'll also find library hours, the history of the library, New Arrivals, and much more.



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CLASSICAL CONCERTS AND CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

