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Tricks, Treats, Costumes & Safety

With witches, goblins, and super heroes descending on neighborhoods across America, here are some safety tips to help prepare children have a safe and enjoyable trick-ortreat holiday. Halloween should be filled with surprise and enjoyment. Following some common sense practices can keep events safer and more fun.

- Walk, slither, & sneak on sidewalks, not in the street. Cross only at corners.
- Look both ways before crossing the street to check for cars, trucks, & low flying brooms.
- Don't hide or cross the street between parked cars.
- Wear light-colored or reflective type clothing so you are more visible.
- Carry a flashlight to light your way.
- Be cautious of animals & strangers.

- Plan your route & share it with your family—even better, have an adult go with you.
- Keep away from candles & open fires—costumes can be flammable.
- Visit homes that have their porch light on.
- Accept your treats at the door & never go into a stranger's house.
- Use face paint rather than masks or things that will cover your eyes.
- Have a grown up inspect your treats before eating & don't eat candy if the package is already opened.

Take advantage of the many fun, safe, and supervised events planned in the community such as the Halloween Carnival at the school or church and costume contest and puppet show at the library.

Featured Books for October



Be the Pack Leader

by Cesar Milan
Bestselling author Cesar
Millan takes his principles of dog psychology a
step further, showing
you how to develop the

calm-assertive energy of a successful pack leader and use it to improve your dog's life and your own. These principles of calm-assertive energy will help you in every area of your life, improving your relationship with friends, family, and coworkers. Cesar also addresses several important issues including what you need to know about the major dog behavior tools available. What emerges are both happier dogs and happier, more centered owners.



Become a Better You

by Joel Osteen
In this new book Joel Osteen offers seven simple yet profound action steps that will help readers discover the

better things they were born for...their individual purpose and destiny. As charming and passionate on the page as he is in person, Osteen incorporates key biblical principles, devotions, and personal testimonies that will uplift and enlighten readers. He speaks directly to the hearts and concerns of people from every walk of life. His message of hope is helping people find a closer connection with God by applying these principles of Scripture to their everyday lives



Listening Is an Act of Love

by Dave Isay

Four years ago StoryCorp set out to record an oral history of America with the voices of everyday people. This book is a collection of the most compelling excerpts from more than

10,000 interviews recorded, compiled by StoryCorps founder Dave Isay, a radio documentary producer. To gather the stories, StoryCorp provides a facility then waits for people to invite loved ones to sit down for a 40-minute session. As simple stories of humanity, each one has its own potency, with themes of family, love, dedication, and struggle. These stories come from the souls of individual Americans and they will make you laugh, cry, and think. This project may well be the most important cultural event in America today. It's about us, who we are, where we've come from, and where we want to go. Collectively, they are who we are as a people.

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Events

The library had its annual book sale from Sept. 10th thru the 15th. These books included adult and children's fiction and nonfiction in hardcover and paperback. The funds raised will be used to support the children and adult programs. Your donations and support are appreciated and they help to make a difference in our community.

Look for our booth at the 2007 Health & Safety Expo on 10/20/07 which is sponsored by the Pecos County Memorial Hospital. The booth will have information about the services and resources that are available to our community as well as giveaways and a door prize. Come by to visit with us!

The Piatigorsky Foundation will be touring our area from 10/15 thru 10/24 and a concert was booked for October 18 at 6:30 here at the library. This season, their tour features clarinetist Igor Begelman and Tatiana Goncharova, piano accompanist. This concert is sponsored by H. Edward Petsch Arts & Music Memorial. You are invited for a remarkable display of music making.

Our annual Halloween story time and puppet show is Oct. 25. Don't forget the costume and pumpkin contest—so join us for fun and prizes!

The library will be closed Oct. 8 in observance of Columbus



Fast Facts about the Library

Photocopier for patron use 10 PC 's with Internet access 2 Children's PC's with games Digital piano for patron use Tax forms Inter-library Loans TexShare databases Videos & DVDs Books on tape & CD Books & Videos in Spanish And much more



Fall into a great book for October

For Children Bear Feels Sick by Karma Wilson Judy Moody and Stink by Megan McDonald & Peter H. Reynolds Knuffle Bunny Too by Mo Willems Llama Llama Mad at Mama by Anna Dewdney Great Doughnut Parade by Rebecca Bond Igraine the Brave by Cornelia Funke School Like Mine by Penny Smith Ruby Lu Empress of Everything by Lenore Look & Anne Wilsdorf That Stripy Cat by Norene Smiley & Tara Anderson

For Adults

Art Thief by Noah Charney Boo Humbug by Renee Gutteridge 47th Samurai by Stephen Hunter Secrets in the Attic by V. C. Andrews Garden Spells by Sarah Addison Allen Wheel of Darkness by Douglas J. Preston You've Been Warned by James Patterson Brief Wonderous Life of Oscar Wao by Junot Diaz Arsonists Guide to Writers' Homes in New England by Brock Clarke

For Everyone

Katie: The Real Story by Edward Klein Antonio's Gun & Delfino's Dream by Sam Quinones Thalia Belleza by Thalia Claytie by Mike Cochran Divine Canine by The Monks of New Skete Holocaust by Angela Gluck Wood Cool It by Bjorn Lomborg I Dare You by Joyce Meyer Scream Free Parenting by Hal Edward Runkel Total Forgiveness by R. T. Kendall Guinness World Records 2008

It's YOUR Library...



We asked library Patron Benito Urias, what he has to say about his library... When I was approached to give my comments on our fine library, I thought where do I start—it

offers so much! The library not only has books but services. There was a big book sale going on thru the 15th with books for adults and children. Where else

can you get a hardback for .50 and paperback for .25—what a bargain! You could also find books on tape and CD's. Every time I walk into the library the public access computers are always busy. Most computers are busy with students doing research and homework while others are seeking employment by filling out applications or resumes on line. Another essential feature particular to this

community is that you can find books, books on tape, DVD's and video's in Spanish. I have only touched the surface of the many services offered by our library. There are educational games for children, a digital piano, tax forms at tax time and much, much more. Our library is truly an asset to this community. Its professional and friendly staff is ready to assist and never too busy to answer questions.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Family History Month	1st issue of <i>National Geographic</i> magazine was published in 1864	Redwood National Park was created in 1968		Edward Stratemeyer's Birthday, author of Hardy Boys, Nancy Drew, & Tom Swift		American Library Assoc was founded in 1876
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Columbus Day					
Dow Jones Industrial Average was created in 1896	Library closed R. L Stine's Birthday, author of Goose- bumps series		Giuseppe Verdi's Birthday, composer			U S Navy was created in 1775
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Martin Luther King awarded Nobel Peace Prize in 1964		Dictionary Day honor- ing Noah Webster's Birthday	1st professional golf tour held in Scotland in 1860	Piatigorsky Foundation Concert with Igor Begelman & Tatiana Goncharova		Health Fair @ Civic Center
21	22	23	24	25 10:00a Halloween Story Time & Puppet Show	26	27
Alfred Bernhard Nobel Birthday, Founder of the Nobel Prize	Xerox image 1st produced in 1938 by Chester Carlson		Minimum wage was instituted in 1940 @ .40 per hour	6:00p Halloween Story Time & Puppet Show	Steven Kellogg Birthday, children's author & illustrator	
28	29	30	31			
Bill Gates Birthday, developer of computer software	Internet 1st used in 1969		Halloween is celebrated by trick or treaters all over the country			



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W-9am-6pm

T-10am- 8pm F- 9am-6pm

S- 9am- 3pm

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 **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 new book arrivals, and a new database called **Learning Express Library**. Refer to next page for more information.



About Columbus Day

Columbus sailed from Palos, Spain, on August 3, 1492. He took his three ships, the Santa Maria, the Nina, and the Pinta, south as far as the Canary Islands. He stayed there until September 6 then sailed westward. For more than a month, the ships moved through a seemingly endless sea. The frightened sailors demanded that Columbus turn back, but he insisted they must sail on. Finally, on October 12, 1492, they saw land. Columbus thought he had reached the Indies-which is why he called the people Indians. But it was not Japan or China. It was part of a "New World." Columbus' voyage made America known to the people of Europe. This truly changed the world and this is why Columbus is honored. In the United States, Columbus Day is celebrated on the second Monday of October. Columbus had sailed under the Spanish flag so people in Spain also celebrate Columbus Day. He was not Spanish but Italian and was born in Genoa, Italy, and so Italians also celebrate this day. In 1892, President Benjamin Harrison issued a proclamation urging Americans to mark the day as a national holiday.

