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Sail Away With Books

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Each year the Fort Stockton Public Library offers Summer Reading Clubs for all ages and the theme this year is *Sail Away With Books*. All of the reading events at the library are completely free of charge to the entire community. It is a 9-week program designed to encourage, maintain, and enhance children's literacy and proficiency.

Children, from birth through grade 5, are encouraged to participate in the Texas Summer Reading Club, a program of the Texas State Library. The program helps young readers maintain and enhance their reading level over the summer break from school and encourage students to read as an important and fun activity. An average of 450 youth sign up each year. They are required to read a minimum of 8 hours over the summer to be considered for prizes and the end-of-summer party.

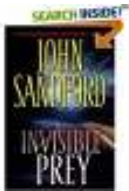
Young adults in grades 6-12 participate in YAWA– the Young Adult Writers and Artists Club, where they explore different types of literature and art. At the end of the summer these students publish their own magazine of original artwork, photographs, poetry, and short stories. Young adults must also read a minimum of 8 hours over the course of the program to be considered for prizes and to attend the end-of-summer party.

The reading club is for all ages so adults who read a minimum of 5 hours are entered in a weekly drawing for items and services donated by local businesses such as free oil changes, haircuts, and dinner for two at local restaurants.

The library is in partnership with the Texas County Extension to offer the FRED Program which stands for Fathers Reading Every Day. The program will run for a month and was developed to encourage fathers to pass on the gift of reading to their children. For more information call Karan Heffelfinger, the County Extension Agent, at 432-336-2541.

Thanks goes out to Harlin Rhoades at the kick-off of our Summer Reading Club. His creative and entertaining magic show was enjoyed by children and adults alike. Just a reminder that the program continues till Aug. 3 so you can still sign up. Come join us for Summer Reading Fun!

Featured Books for July



Invisible Prey

by John Sandford

Constance Bucher is in her eighties, wealthy, and lives in a lovely Twin Cities home brimming with antiques.

Bucher and her maid are bludgeoned to death in her home. The victim's social standing is enough for the governor to assign his top investigator, Lucas Davenport, to investigate. A painting is missing and Davenport uncovers a series of similar crimes across the Midwest in which the victims were all old, wealthy art collectors. Davenport's immersion into the murky world of art, antiques, museums, and donors give this story its cachet. Pick up a copy and be entertained.



Someone to Love

by Jude Deveraux

After three years, Jace Montgomery is still grieving over his fiancée, Stacy, mysterious suicide. He hasn't been interested in another woman since

her passing, and her family still blames him for her death. While flipping through one of her old paperbacks, Jace discovers a photo of a house stuck between the pages, bearing the cryptic message, "Ours again. Together forever. See you there." The note was dated the day before her death. Obsessed by Stacy's suicide, Jace seeks out the property in Margate, England– and buys it. Through his own investigations and with the help of a beautiful foreign correspondent, Jace reconciles Stacy's life and her death.



The Overlook

by Michael Connelly

Unlike other Bosch novels, which effortlessly mix action with the hero's inner struggles, this one unfolds like an episode of 24, pounding its way to a surprising conclusion.

Bosch lands a case where a body is found on the overlook near Mulholland Drive. The victim, Dr. Stanley Kent, turns out to have had access to radioactive materials stored at hospitals throughout L.A. As the clues point toward a terrorist plot, Bosch must contend with crime-fighting bureaucracies, including FBI and Homeland Security. Bosch reacts to bureaucratic interference (even from former lover and FBI agent Rachel Walling) like the body reacts to radiation, so the sparks begin to fly. Immediately. Reserve a copy and join in on his adventure.

Events

The library hosted a Scholastic Book Fair from June 4 thru June 9. The sales generated \$785.60 and \$549.92 was given to the library in form of books. These books will be given to the children as gifts upon completion of their 8 hours of reading. Thanks again for your support in the Book Fair. Together, we can help children develop a love of reading and become lifelong learners.

Aside from reading programs, the library also has movie nights. Free movies will be shown every 2nd & 4th Tuesday @ 6:00pm for the month of June and July. Here is a

schedule of dates and movies for your consideration.
For June 26– Happy Feet For July 10– Charlotte’s Web
July 24 Bridge to Terabithia

We want to remind patrons that the library will be closed on July 4 in observance of Independence Day



Fast Facts about the Library

- Photocopier for patrons 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

Sizzling new releases for July

For Children

I'm not scared!
by Jonathan Allen
Would I ever lie to you?
by Caralyn Buehner
Duck for president
by Doreen Cronin
The Growning Story
by Ruth Krauss
Nini here and there
by Anita Lobel
Mr. Pusskins: a love story
by Sam Lloyd
The Purple Ballon
by Christopher Raschka
Alligator Boy
by Cynthia Rylant
Chicks and Salsa
by Aaron Reynolds
Chato goes Cruisin'
by Gary Soto

For Adults

Relentless Pursuit
by Kevin Flynn
The Stolen Child
by Keith Donohue
Ghostwalk
by Rebecca Stott
Pearl Harbor
by Newt Gingrich
Cat and Mouse
by Harold Coyle
The Quest
by Wilbur A. Smith
A Thousand Splendid Suns
by Khaled Hosseini
Baby Proof
by Emily Giffin
The Assassin
by Andrew Britton
Divisadero
by Michael Ondaatje

Everyone

Healthy Anger
By Bernard Golden
The Secret
By Thonda Byrne
Dear God, How can I finally love Myself?
by Barbara Rose
If God bears me, I want an answer
By Barbara Rose
Jesus from Nazareth
By Pope Benedict XVI
Praying the Rosary
By Megan Mckenna
Every Day Deserves a Chance
By Max Lucado
Mother Angelica's Little Book of Life Lessons
Nelson's Complete Book of Bible Maps & Charts
Smith Wigglesworth: The Complete Collection of his Life Teaching

It's YOUR Library...



We asked library **Patron Linda Epps**, what she has to say about her library...

Shhhh! That's how I use to think of libraries. However, the friendly, bustling atmosphere of the Fort Stockton Public Library has drawn me in.

I consider the library a personal and professional asset. The personal value is threefold: I get to see a lot of my "old friends" there who share my interest, I get to reminisce as I peruse the Southwest section and find books dedicated to my son, Adam, and I get to purchase

new books for my granddaughters' delight from the Scholastic Book Fair. The professional value of the library for me is even greater than the personal. The library graciously donates well-loved books and resources for possible use in my classroom, and allows me to order music, AV selections and books in order to assure their availability when scheduled in the curriculum. The library's website has been invaluable to me "after hours" as a tool for lesson plan development

and for requesting material using the interlibrary loan link. The website also allows for my input regarding additional resources the library might purchase.

Last week I found information on the website about tutorials for employment certifications which I will share with my students. Thank you all at the library for "drawing me in" and for continually evolving in an effort to facilitate my life-long learning. I look forward to watching your continued development as you strive to meet the ever-changing need of the community. Kudos!

July 2007

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---|--|---|---|---|--|
| 1 Princess Diana Birthday Zip codes were introduced in 1963 | 2 Thurgood Marshall Birthday Investment Club Meeting @ 6:00pm | 3 | 4 <i>Independence Day</i> Statue of Liberty given to US by France in 1884 Library Closed | 5 Story time @ 6:00 | 6 Republican Party was formally created in 1854 | 7 Jan Berenstain, creator of <i>Berenstain Bears</i> , Birthday |
| 8 | 9 Tom Hanks Birthday Doughnut cutter was patented by John Blondel in 1872 | 10 Movie Night @ 6:00pm <i>Charlotte's Web</i> | 11 | 12 George Eastman invented the Kodak camera in 1888 Story time @ 6:00 | 13 Radio was patented by Guglielmo Marconi in 1898 World Cup Soccer began in 1930 | 14 |
| 15 Rembrandt Van Rijn Birthday | 16 Atomic test bomb was activated in 1945 Apollo 11 was launched in 1969 Ida B. Wells Birthday | 17 Spain turned Florida over to US in 1821 Disneyland opened in 1955 | 18 Video tapes of the sunken <i>Titanic</i> were shown in 1986 Nelson Mandela Birthday | 19 John Newbery, children literature advocate, Birthday Story time @ 6:00 | 20 | 21 Ernest Hemingway's Birthday |
| 22 | 23 | 24 Movie Night @ 6:00pm <i>Bridge to Terabithia</i> | 25 | 26 Story time @ 6:00 | 27 Bugs Bunny appeared for 1st time in a 1940 cartoon | 28 Jim Davis, <i>Garfield</i> cartoonist, Birthday |
| 29 | 30 Henry Ford Birthday | 31 | | | | |

@ the Library



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Blue Moon Concert

The library will be sponsoring the *Blue Moon Concert on the Park* musical series for the 2007 season. We are working with the Chamber of Commerce and Annie Riggs Museum to provide musical entertainment to our community and for visitors during the summer months. The *Summer off the Patio* series will be held at the Annie Riggs Museum and the *Blue Moon* series at Zero Stone Park Gazebo on alternate weeks. Here is a tentative schedule of dates for the Blue Moon Concert and starting time is 7:30pm.

June 29th– Day Sisters– Christian Contemporary

July 20th– Common Grounds– Classic Rock

August 3rd– Guitar Slim– Blues

August 17th– Jazz Café– Jazz

Concerts are possible thru H. Edward Petsch Arts & Music Memorial

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.

Summer Reading Club Magic Show With Harlin Rhoades



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CHILDREN & ADULT PROGRAMS

