



*From the President*



Dear Friends,

Well, winter is definitely over in San Antonio! The temperature hit 99 here yesterday. Fiesta has come and gone. When you are thinking of summer reading, be sure to read our "1 Book ~ 1 San Antonio" ("Un Libro ~ Un San Antonio") selection. That is *Places Left Unfinished at the Time of Creation* by local author **John Phillip Santos**. Everyone in San Antonio will be discussing this book soon. The library has many copies of it, so you can reserve one at your nearest branch. (You can also reserve books online. Have your library card handy and go to [www.sanantonio.gov/library](http://www.sanantonio.gov/library).)

The Big Book Sale at our Book Cellar went very well. Aside from the money it earned for us, I was pleased that it brought new people into the Book Cellar. Several were heard commenting how they never realized the Book Cellar was there. Or they were surprised that it was so large and had such an extensive selection of books. If you have not visited the Book Cellar, or haven't recently, you really should stop by. You will be delighted at the choices available. Something for everyone!

While at our Central Library, be sure to notice the new artwork in the lobby of the library. Titled "Axis Mundi," this tall, red metal sculpture is a gift from the artist **Sebastian**. He also created the "Torch of Friendship," which is at the corner of Commerce and Alamo Streets downtown. For those of you who wonder where our Cow went, she is now grazing in the Children's Section on the third floor.

*Your Friend,*  
**Linda Nairn**

Nominations Sought for  
2006 Arts & Letters Awards

*Robert LaCaff*

**I**t's that time again—the Friends annual search for nominations for their prestigious Arts and Letters Awards!

First presented by the Friends in 1972, the awards recognize and celebrate achievements by individuals who have demonstrated notably outstanding accomplishments in the arts and letters. Past recipients include local writers, artists, musicians, publishers, educators, entertainers, and others whose dedication and devotion to their chosen field have served to

enrich the literary, artistic, and cultural life of San Antonio.

Nominations for the 2006 awards, to be presented in late October, are now being accepted. More than one award may be presented. Nominations may be made by any individual, must be in writing, and attest to the desirability and suitability of the nominee to be considered for the award.

Nominations must provide supportive biographical information about the nominee and include a

local mailing address and telephone number for both the nominating party and the nominee.

Nominations must be received by the award committee before June 15, 2006, addressed to: **Friends of the San Antonio Public Library, ATTN: Arts and Letters Awards Committee, P.O. Box 461523, San Antonio, TX 78246.**

Please call 210-545-6855 if you have questions or need more information about the awards or submitting nominations.

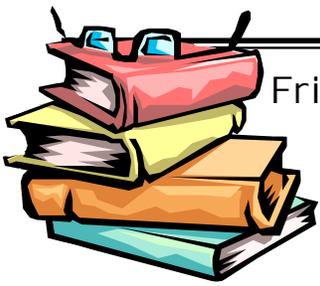
**Cortez Library Needs Friends!**

The branch kicked off its membership drive April 20 with a special event. The program featured special guest **Amparo Ortiz**, host of *Desde San Antonio* on KWEX-TV. The Cortez Library was dedicated to the memory of **Raoul A. Cortez**, founder of the first full-time Spanish language radio and television stations in the United States, and respected San Antonio business and civic leader.

The meeting message: ***You can make your voice heard and make a real difference for the library and the community by becoming a Friend of the Cortez Library!***

**Forest Hills Needs Friends Too!**

**John Powell**, Forest Hills Branch Manager, wants to start a Friends group. An earlier effort several years ago was unfortunately a casualty of the library's closure for renovations. John asks that anyone interested call him at the library, 210-431-2544. The FOSAPL Board is meeting at Forest Hills Library on May 21 at 2:00 p.m., and we invite new or potential Friends to join us then.



# Friends of the San Antonio Public Library BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

March 19, 2006

Submitted by *Sheila Figueroa*, Secretary

**Call To Order:** **Linda Nairn**, President, called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m.

**Board of Directors and Officers present:** **Linda Nairn, Robert LaCaff, Sheila Figueroa, Nancy Gandara, Barbara Isner, Vera Banner, Lee LaCaff, Aaron Konstam, Rowena Rodgers, Anna Cleve, Janie Oosterveen, Ronnie Retzloff, Pat Konstam, Alan Cutler, Josie Martinez and Bruce Gill.**

**San Antonio Public Library Foundation present:** **Lucy Gale**

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as recorded.

**President's Report:** **Linda Nairn** gave her report on activities attended.

**Treasurer's Report:** **Nancy Gandara** reported on accounts through Feb 28, 2006.

## REPORTS:

**Linda Nairn** thanked Brookhollow Branch Library for hosting the Friends of the Library. **Richard Bowser** said he would give us a tour of the library at the conclusion of the meeting.

**Library Board:** **John Nicholas** was not present.

**Library Administration:** **Beth Graham** was not present.

**Library Foundation:** **Lucy Gale** reported that on Mar 25, there will be a working day for the Semmes Branch Library. A children's playground will be installed.

On Apr 5 there will be a public reception for artist **Sebastian**. He has donated a sculpture to the Central Library for display. **Lucy** also reported that on Feb 23 there was a press conference given

by HEB wherein **Charles Butt** made a request of HEB to start a project named "Read Write Connect — 1 Book ~ 1 San Antonio" to promote literacy. On Apr 23 from 5 to 7 p.m., there will be an auction of works by local Latino artists.

**Secretary-Correspondence:** None.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**Book Cellar:** **Aaron Konstam** reported there was \$300 more in sales than at the same time last year. There will be a Book Sale Mar 31, Apr 1 and 2. Volunteers are needed to set up the tables and work the book sale.

The Volunteer Appreciation dinner went well. Medallions (patches sewn on the apron—like badges earned by Girl Scouts) were given to the volunteers who had worked fifty hours or more. Between May 2004 and Dec 2005, volunteers worked 7,850 hours.

**Directory:** Vice President **Robert LaCaff** stated that the new directory is under construction.

**Membership:** **Ronnie Retzloff** reported there are 699 members. Since the membership letter went out in Jan., 113 more members have joined.

**Newsletter:** **Cathy Dean** reported that there were 853 labels printed for this last newsletter.

**OLD BUSINESS:** **Aaron Konstam** distributed information about the 2006 FOSAPL budget to all who were present.

## NEW BUSINESS:

**Tom Anderson** is the new President for the Julia Yates Semmes Branch Library.

Motion to approve Semme's bylaws passed unanimously.

**Arts and Letters Committee:** **Alan Cutler** is Chairman, and **Josie Martinez** and **Bruce Gill** will also be members of this committee. **Linda Nairn** will serve as *Ex officio*.

**Days and Times of Meetings:** **Linda Nairn** asked if Sunday afternoons were still good times for the FOSAPL to meet. Everyone agreed to keep it on Sunday afternoons.

## Announcements:

**Barbara Isner** discussed the Texas Library Association Convention in Houston on Apr 25–28, 2006.

**Branch News and Announcements:** Memorial Amigos will host a Get To Know Your Neighbor Community Fair on May 6, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The fire department and other local services will be present. There will be different information booths.

**Joyce Anne Stephens** is the permanent librarian (branch manager) at Guerra.

**Jay Brandon** will be at the Westfall Branch on Tuesday, Mar 21, at 7 p.m. to talk about his new book.

**Pat Bjornsen** stated that a tour of Brookhollow Branch would follow the Friends meeting.

Oakwell Branch is having a book sale in May.

The next meeting of the FOSAPL is May 21 at 2 p.m. **Linda Nairn** will advise of the location of that meeting.

**Ronnie Retzloff** will provide a current list of members to the representatives of the Branch groups.

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.



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.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Linda Nairn . . . . . President  
Robert LaCaff . . . . . Vice President  
Nancy Gandara . . . . . Treasurer  
Sheila Figueroa . . . . . Secretary  
Barbara Isner . . . . . Immediate Past Pres

## BOARD MEMBERS

### 2005–2007 Term

Vera Banner ♦ Betty Kelly Berry  
Pat Brown ♦ Lou Harris  
Shirley Horner ♦ Aaron Konstam  
Lee LaCaff ♦ Maria Pfeiffer  
Rowena Rodgers

### 2006–2008 Term

Anna Cleve ♦ Alan Cutler  
Teresa Garza ♦ Bruce Gill  
Pat Konstam ♦ Josie Martinez  
Janie Oosterveen ♦ Ronnie Retzloff

## 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.

Managing Editor . . . . . Alana Woods  
FOSAPL Editor . . . . . Open

Southwest Research Institute® provides partial funding for printing the newsletter.

## NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

Lyn Belisle ♦ Cathy Dean  
Bruce Gill ♦ Rowena Rodgers  
Linda Nairn, *Ex Officio*  
Mary McAfee, *Distribution*

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>. Hard copy articles and photos should be mailed to Alana Woods at Southwest Research Institute, 6220 Culebra Rd., San Antonio, Texas 78238.



## Brook Hollow

EXCITING THINGS ARE HAPPENING AT THE BROOK HOLLOW BRANCH!

Our first book sale following last year's library renovations proved to be a record setter, in many ways (photos on page 5). Neighborhood residents were literally lined up at the doors early Saturday morning, anxious for a "first-shot" at the many & varied books and media items being offered. In what was to prove our greatest book sale ever, we were kept busy the entire day as people literally poured through the doors. Not only did we sell more books than ever before, but just as important, we had many new volunteers help out with this spring's sale. An all-time record, in every sense.

We've also now begun to allocate large portions of our previous sales proceeds to a varied list of items that will enhance the library's services. Because of the planned renovations, we held off making major purchases. Now that the renovations are completed, the Friends are working from a "wish list" compiled by the library staff . . . ranging from a small rug in the children's area to a major landscaping project, designed to enhance and provide year-around color to the grounds surrounding the library building.

These are truly exciting times at the Brook Hollow branch.

*Richard Bowser*

## Cody

Our next Book Sale is May 13 from 9-3. There's always a line of 50 people when we open, so come early.

On April 11, the Cody Friends Board elected new officers as well as welcoming four new board members. The officers are: President, **Carol Van Cleave** (that would be me); Vice President, **Janna Lawrence**; Secretary, **Martha Mead**; Treasurer, **Anne Susswein**. The new board members are **Judy Malter**, **Lynette Poss**, **Pat Horlacher**, and **Alan Cutler**. The rest of the board includes **Margaret Lecznar**, **Pat Mendiola**, and **Mickey Tehan**.

We've booked **Steve Kellman** to speak on June 6 at 7 p.m. at Cody. He's widely published, and is the author of *Redemption: The Life of Henry Roth*, which won the New York Society Biography Award for 2005. He has credentials that have been earned on three continents, won the H.L. Mencken Award in 1983, and is currently a professor of Comparative Literature at UTSA.

*Carol Van Cleave*

## Guerra

We have a new Guerra librarian, **Joyce Ann Stevens**, and the library is reaching out to the community with more programming and activities.

Guerra Branch Library's meeting room was one of the locations being used this year for the Volunteer Income Tax

Assistance (VITA) program offered by the City of San Antonio's Department of Community Initiatives in conjunction with IRS and other agencies. Through April 15, taxpayers earning income less than \$36,000 per year could receive free tax preparation help through VITA.

Attendance at Guerra has shown how well received this service is.

With the meeting room thus occupied, the Guerra Friends had to put off our book sale. It will now be on June 3 and 4.

We have already received many donations and look forward to being able to offer our biggest and best collection of must-buy children and adult books to enjoy reading this summer.

We are looking forward to our library's 2nd Birthday Bash on July 15.

*Lora Eckler*

## Johnston

The Johnston Branch Library is having its quarterly book sale on Friday & Saturday, May 19 & 20, from 10 a.m.- 4 p.m.

*Vivienne Beckett*

## McCreless

McCreless Friends will meet Wednesday, May 17 at 7:00 p.m. **Cary Clack**, columnist for the *San Antonio Express-News*, will be the featured speaker.

Thanks to all the volunteers who helped to make our March book sale a success, **Vera Banner**, **Betty Berry**, **Cathy Dean**, **James Dean**, **Mary Gallagher**, **Elizabeth Garcia**, **David Harlan**, **Yulane McKnight**, **Tom Nemeth**, **Barbara Reagan**, **Barbara Santella**, **Evanleen**

**Schmueckle**, **Crystal Villarreal**, **Robert Wier**, **June Wier**, **Rodney Davis**, **Joel Manchuca**, **Clayton Terrell** (and family **Bill** and **Kelly**), **Fatemah Horshid**.

Also special thanks to **Sybil Dearment** for her donation of 82 boxes of books for that book sale, which grossed \$962.50.

The next one is scheduled for Saturday, May 20, 9 a.m.-4:45 p.m., and Sunday, May 21, 1 p.m.-4:45 p.m.

We're looking forward to a free snow cone table at the Summer Reading Program kickoff party on Wed., June 7, at 2:30 p.m.

New branch manager, **Cammie Gunter**, has announced that maintenance work at McCreless will begin in May. She projects some closures in July for air conditioning repairs.

And last, but not least, McCreless Branch Library has been awarded \$1,000 (no strings attached) by Walmart at Brooks City Base!

*Vera Banner*

## Memorial

The public is invited to a community fair sponsored by the Memorial Library Amigos. The Get to Know Your Community Fair will be held on Saturday, May 6, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The event will be held at the Memorial Library located at 3222 Culebra Rd. More than a dozen community organizations including Project Quest, Terra-Genesis, Inc., VIA Metropolitan Transit, Care Link, the CHIP Program, American Indians in Texas, Any Baby Can, and the Cordi-Marian Sisters are expected to be present. Representatives from these and

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# 1 Book~1 San Antonio/Un Libro~Un San Antonio

April-September 2006  
All Branch Libraries  
District Attorney Susan Reed, Chair

This initiative is a community-wide reading project to encourage all residents to read the same book at the same time. The goal is to bring the community together through the common bond of reading. For more informa-

tion, such as the calendar of events or the opportunity to "talk back" about the book, please check out [www.mysanantonio.com](http://www.mysanantonio.com).

This initiative is sponsored by: H-E-B, *San Antonio Express-News*, San Antonio

Public Library, and the San Antonio Public Library Foundation.

The selected book for this initiative is *Places Left Unfinished at the Time of Creation* by San Antonio author John Phillip Santos.

## San Antonio Public Library presents

### How Has the Library Changed Your Life?

Send your story to *Woman's Day* magazine—it may be one of four chosen to be published in the March 2007 issue!

Just e-mail your story in 700 words or less to [womansday@ala.org](mailto:womansday@ala.org) by May 10, 2006. For more information, visit [www.womansday.com/ala](http://www.womansday.com/ala).

Sponsored by the American Library Association and *Woman's Day* magazine.

## Brook Hollow Holds First Sale since Renovations!



The photo in the upper left shows book sale workers **Billie Parks**, her grandson, **John Oliver** (a future friend, who helped set up), and **Sue Bowser**. The photo above shows the book sale set-up, along with our new storage cabinets, and the photo to the left shows some of the 28 Friends who helped with the book sale.

## Book Cellar News

The Friends Annual Book Sale on March 31–April 2 was a big success. The sales total was just over \$8,600—the most we've made on a three-day sale in the past five years. Thanks go to a large number of hard-working volunteers and to a steady flow of customers. The volunteers included 36 people from regular Book Cellar and branch sales crews, plus 48 students from Clark High School, Fox Tech High School and Trinity University.

Even so, the Book Cellar still has lots of books—especially fiction. So just in time for summer reading, the store will have a buy-1-get-1-free sale on hardback fiction—including mysteries and large print—for adults, young adults, and children during May and June. Children's easy readers will not be on sale.

A request for Book Cellar volunteers placed in the *San Antonio Express-News* by the Volunteer Center at United Way has brought in some new volunteers. But openings remain available for people who can work regularly or substitute occasionally. Call Book Cellar manager **Monica Hernandez** at 210-227-9519 to discuss the details.

If you would like to donate books, CDs, or videos, the Book Cellar can give you a handsome new Receipt for Donations designed by **Robert LaCaff**.

*Pat Konstam*

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## Spotlight on a Friend

### Meet Robert LaCaff

Everyone who has attended the 2003 and 2004 Arts and Letters Award programs knows who **Robert LaCaff** is. Few people know how much time he has devoted to libraries through the past half-century. More than fifty years ago, in Germany, he met his wife in a library where she was the supervising librarian. **Herr Schlieter**, who was in charge of the library that LaCaff used, described him as "being a very good reader, but a very poor borrower" because of his tendency to keep library books overdue. Sometimes he still does that.

In the early seventies, LaCaff built a puppet stage and wrote, directed, and provided both puppet manipulation and one of the voices for children's programs in the Idylwild Public Library Branch of the Riverside City and County Library system in California.

In Indio, California, he helped with numerous used book sales for both the Indio **Max T. McCandless** Memorial Public Library and the College of the Desert Library in Palm Desert. He was Chairman of the Scholarship Committee of the College of the Desert Friends. He was

selected as a Delegate to the California Governor's Conference on Libraries and Information Services in 1979.

In the 1980s, he assisted with several audiovisual workshops for the San Antonio Area Library System (now known as the Alamo Area Library System) and prepared a folder for the System publicity. He served as the San Antonio Public Library representative on the AALS Council.

He started working with the Arts and Letters Award Committee in 1998 when **Sheila Figueroa** was the Chair and continued as a

committee member when **Vera Banner** became the Chair. After Vera, he served two years as Chair of the committee, and again was a member of the committee with **Lucy Gale** as Chair.

Currently, he is the Vice-President of the Friends of the San Antonio Public Library. He served as a member of the By-laws Committee and the Budget Committee in 2005 and is also preparing the new Directory and Handbook.

*Lee LaCaff*

*"Spotlight on a Friend" is a feature proposed by Lee LaCaff, the supervising librarian in Germany who married the "poor borrower" you've just read about. We would like to continue the Spotlight column, so please submit articles about Friends in your own groups, and let's get to know each other better.*

### Alamo Area Library Systems (AALS)

<http://aalstx.org>

*Cathy Dean*

AALS is one of ten cooperative public library systems in Texas. One of the important services it provides is continuing education through workshops and videoconferences across the region. Although most are for library staff, some would also be of interest to advocates and are available to Library Board members and Friends (space permitting). Two coming up in May at San Antonio Public Library are:

- ❖ Dealing with Challenges to Library Materials—May 11, 2006
- ❖ Do You Have Any GOOD Books in This Library?—May 16, 2006

You may register online or call **Diane Jones** at 210-207-2609 for more information and registration.

AALS has a great quarterly online newsletter, *El Nopal*, with pages designated for Friends, Boards and Trustees, and for Awards/Grants information. Their web site also has links to other good advocacy sites.

### Maverick Friends Group



A group of Friends got together on April 22 to elect officers and do the necessary things to form a Friends of Maverick Library Group. They included **Joe and Victoria Fields**, **Claudia Kohler**, **Rebecca Vargas**, **Rosalie Klepac**, **Joyce Garcia** and **Linda Nairn**, President of FOSAPL; **Nancy Gandara**, Treasurer, **Mary McAfee**, and **Jef Martin**, Branch Manager. Jef told the group that two thousand dollars has been given by a Friend, to the Friends for the Maverick Library.

They will present their By-Laws and Officers at the next FOSAPL Board Meeting.

*Mary McAfee*

other organizations will be available to provide information and answer questions to interested attendees.

Other activities at the fair will include a mini-book sale and a membership drive by the Memorial Library Amigos for the Friends of the Library.

Also from April 5–May 6, in conjunction with the fair, patrons of the Memorial Library will have an opportunity to enter several drawings to be held during the fair. Library patrons can enter the drawing every time they visit Memorial Library and conduct a transaction such as checking out books or CDs, paying late fees or applying for a library card. Admission to the fair is free and refreshments will be provided by the Amigos during the fair. The Memorial Library Amigos hope to see not only members of the community but also Friends of the Library at the fair.

*Janie Oosterveen*

### Oakwell

In March we had an exciting Earth Day celebration. The Master Gardeners who attended made a terrarium with plants available through the San Antonio Botanical Gardens. Parks and Wildlife had artifacts for viewing and learning. SAWS had a miniature representation of the Edwards Aquifer and its function. Oakwell Library presented a paper recycling project to make attractive note pads for people there to take with them. Also treasure boxes and leaf plaques were made with help from the Master Gardeners.

On April 8, a thirteen-year-old magician performed.

It was very interesting to have someone so young perform very professionally. On April 22, **Dr. Eric Holwitt** gave his magic chemistry show. This is a show that interests many age groups. The monthly origami presentations are well attended and many of the students are very interested.

We are working to be ready for our May 20 book sale. With the proceeds of our book sales, we help the library with their projects and offer an opportunity to the community to purchase a book or books at a great price.

*Fern Burke*

### Thousand Oaks

The Thousand Oaks Library will be having our first book sale of the year on Saturday, June 10 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. We have lots of hardback and paperback books for you to choose from. We look forward to seeing you.

Our second book sale will be Saturday, November 18, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mark your calendars for both events.

*Nancy Fitzgerald*

### Westfall Friends

Local author **Jay Brandon** spoke to an enthusiastic audience at the regular March



*Jay Brandon*

## Donations and Memorials

*Sheila Figueroa*

*In Memory of*

*By*

**Dorothy "Dot" Jersig**

**Mike and Carolyn Nunn**

**Don and Patricia Pollard**

**Eric and Christine Johnson**

21 meeting. Mr. Brandon told us about shelving books at our branch during his high school years and imagining his own books appearing on those shelves. He presented interesting highlights of his writing habits and shared that his characters often have a mind of their own. Mr. Brandon's latest mystery novel is *Running with the Dead*.

**Bettie Ward**, outgoing president, was recognized for her many hours of service to the Westfall Library Friends.



*Bettie Ward, left, with Pat Cummins*

Current officers are **Pat Cummins**, President; **Charlotte Coolidge**, Secretary; **Eddie Patino**, Treasurer.

Coming up: Our next book sale will be Saturday, June 17, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Volunteers

are needed to help set up on Friday, June 16, and to work at the sale on Saturday.

Our annual Staff Appreciation luncheon was held at the Westfall branch on Monday, April 10.

*Patricia Cummins*

### Writer Friends

**Annual Writers Showcase** Wednesday, May 24, 7-8 p.m. San Pedro Crossing Barnes & Noble, 321 N.W. Loop 410

To celebrate Texas Writers Month, the SAPL Writer Friends invite you to join us for a showcase of Texas talent!

**Mary Margaret Amberson, Jay Brandon, Xavier Garza, Ben Rehder, and Judy Woller** will each present a reading from their works, followed by Q&A and book signing. Master of Ceremonies will be **Rick Riordan**.

**Refreshments will be served. Free and open to the public!**

A portion of proceeds from all books sold will benefit the San Antonio Public Library. Books by many other

Writer Friends members will be available for sale. Any published member who would like their books present at the event, please contact **Caren Creech** as soon as possible, 210-342-2386.

*Rick Riordan*



*New Officers of Westfall include (L-R) Eddie Patino, Pat Cummins, and Charlotte Coolidge.*

## INCOME AND EXPENSE DETAILS

February 28, 2006

Submitted by Nancy Gandara

Accounts	Balance
Working Capital Account	\$51,537.68
Money Market Gold Account	\$24,988.04
Money Market Gold Account	\$54,267.37
Checking Account	\$90,941.30
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$221,734.39</b>
Branch-designated Funds	\$69,938.86
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$69,938.86</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>\$151,795.53</b>
<b>Branch &amp; Special-Interest Group Funds</b>	
	<b>Dec. 31, 2005</b>
	<b>Feb. 28, 2006</b>
Bazan	\$71.00
Brook Hollow	\$19,483.55
Carver	\$1,812.39
Cody	\$8,756.82
Guerra	\$2,152.56
Johnston	\$1,014.06
Maverick (designated memberships received)	\$50.00
McCreless	\$3,048.06
Memorial	\$2,860.00
Oakwell	\$5,716.68
Semmes	\$33.00
Texana/Genealogy	\$9,548.48
Thousand Oaks	\$4,158.22
Westfall	\$4,770.14
Writers	\$1,936.48
<b>Total Group Funds</b>	<b>\$65,361.44</b>

## Bank of America Foundation Opportunities

The 2006 Bank of America Neighborhood Excellence Initiative is under way. Through this unique program, qualified organizations can apply to be awarded \$200,000 in unrestricted general operating support to further their work.

The Neighborhood Excellence Initiative is designed to recognize and reward individuals and groups who are making a difference in their communities, and is divided into three categories of recipients:

**Neighborhood Builders**—Provides \$200,000 in grant funding and leadership training over two years to two neighborhood non-profit organizations working to promote vibrant neighborhoods.

**Local Heroes**—Recognizes and honors five community heroes per year; recipients will be able to direct a \$5,000 contribution to an eligible non-profit of their choice.

**Student Leaders**—Recognizes five high school students who are recommended as exemplary young people with an interest in improving their neighborhoods. Each student will participate in an eight-week paid internship with a community-based organization, as well as a leadership program arranged by Bank of America.

The nomination deadline is June 30, 2006, 8:00 p.m. EST. To learn more about the program and for details about the application process, visit: [http://www.bankofamerica.com/foundation/index.cfm?template=fd\\_neighborexcell](http://www.bankofamerica.com/foundation/index.cfm?template=fd_neighborexcell)

## FOSAPL Budget 2006

	Budget	Jan/Feb '06	Year-to-Date
<b>Income</b>			
Book Cellar	\$64,000	\$10,701.30	\$10,701.30
Branch/Special Interest			
Group Book Sales		\$7,786.85	\$7,786.85
Donations	\$1,000	\$1,945.00	\$1,945.00
Interest	\$1,500	\$372.88	\$372.88
Membership	\$7,000	\$2,711.00	\$2,711.00
Transfer from Savings	\$32,875		
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$106,375</b>	<b>\$23,517.03</b>	<b>\$23,517.03</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Accounting	\$2,650	\$150.00	\$150.00
Arts and Letters	\$500		
Bank Charges	\$150	\$10.00	\$10.00
Book Cellar Expenses			
Advertising	\$2,200		
Commodities for resale	\$500		
Internet & software	\$200		
Salary & benefits	\$8,200	\$1,180.00	\$1,180.00
Volunteer Appreciation	\$400	\$101.24	\$101.24
Water service	\$500	\$74.00	\$74.00
Bulk Mail	\$2,000	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Committee Expenses	\$400		
FOLUSA Membership	\$100	\$100.00	\$100.00
Friends Recognition	\$100		
Insurance (bonding)	\$125		
Library Support			
Programming for public			
[all year, all ages]	\$40,000		
Staff development & training	\$30,000		
Mail Box	\$100		
Membership Directory	\$2,000		
Newsletter Prep/Editing	\$1,600	\$200.00	\$200.00
Newsletter Printing	\$2,000	\$426.29	\$426.29
Office Supplies	\$400	\$491.92	\$491.92
Parking	\$4,000	\$663.00	\$663.00
Postage	\$300		
President's Expenses	\$350	\$261.00	\$261.00
Sales Tax			
(Book Cellar & Branches)	\$7,600	\$1,546.54	\$1,546.54
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$106,375</b>	<b>\$6,203.99</b>	<b>\$6,203.99</b>



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Maverick, Jr.  
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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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| May 6          | Memorial Amigos Get to Know Your Neighbor Community Fair, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.            |
| May 13         | Cody Friends book sale, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.   |
| May 17         | McCreless Friends meeting, 7:00 p.m., <b>Cary Clack</b> will be guest speaker.      |
| May 19 and 20  | Johnston Friends book sale, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.  |
| May 20 and 21  | McCreless Book Sale; Saturday, 9 a.m.–4:45 p.m., Sunday, 1 p.m.–4:45 p.m.           |
| May 20         | Oakwell Friends book sale, 11 a.m.–3:30 p.m.  |
| <b>May 21</b>  | <b>FOSAPL Board Meeting, Forest Hills Library, 2 p.m.</b>                           |
| May 24         | Writer Friends Annual Writers Showcase, 7–8 p.m., San Pedro Crossing Barnes & Noble |
| June 3 and 4   | Guerra Friends book sale  |
| June 6         | Cody Friends meeting, 7:00 p.m., <b>Steve Kellman</b> will be guest speaker.        |
| June 7         | McCreless Library Summer Reading Program Kickoff Party, 2:30 p.m.                   |
| June 10        | Thousand Oaks Friends book sale, 10 a.m.–3 p.m. ( <i>Note date change</i> )         |
| June 15        | Deadline for nominations for Arts & Letters Awards. See front page for details.     |
| June 17        | Westfall Friends book sale, 9:30 a.m.–4 p.m.  |
| July 15        | Guerra Library 2nd Birthday Bash  |
| <b>July 16</b> | <b>FOSAPL Board Meeting, Semmes Library, 2 p.m.</b>                                 |

**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.

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

Cody Library  
11441 Vance Jackson, 78230  
210-696-6396

Forest Hills Library  
5245 Ingram Rd., 78228  
210-431-2544

Guerra Library  
7978 Military Dr W, 78227  
210-673-1492

Johnston Library  
6307 Sun Valley, 78227  
210-674-8410

McCreless Library  
1023 Ada Street, 78223  
210-532-4254

Memorial Library  
3222 Culebra, 78228  
210-432-6783

Oakwell Library  
4134 Harry Wurzbach, 78209  
210-828-2569

Thousand Oaks Library  
4618 Thousand Oaks, 78233  
210-657-5205

Westfall Library  
6111 Rosedale Court, 78201  
210-344-2373

Semmes Library  
15060 Judson Rd., 78247  
210-650-9540