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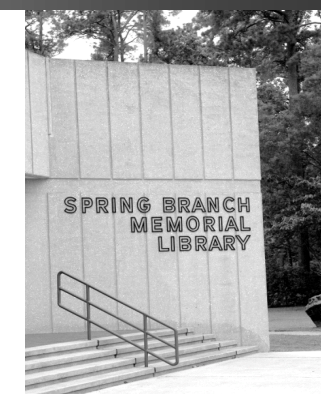


NEWSLETTER

The Friends of the Spring Branch-Memorial Library

June
2012

TOP 10 REASONS to Include the Library In Your Summer Plans



10. DISTANCE—Is the price of gas making car trips less appealing? The Spring Branch-Memorial Library is in your neighborhood! You don't have to go far for a great visit!

9. TIME—Wherever you are, it does not take long to get to the Library. You can make a quick trip or you can spend the day—within Regular Hours, of course. (See Page 4.)

8. COMFORT!—Even on the hottest summer days, it's always COOL at the library!

7. COST—Can't beat the price! Of course, the Library and its programs are FREE!

6. ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN—Again this summer, the Library offers a great range of activities on Wednesday afternoons for school-age children—**Imagination Station, Snakes Alive, Storybook Opera, Craft Day, Magic of Reading, Red Riding Reads!, greyhounds visit, Ronald McDonald Magic, and Moody Gardens' Rainforest Roadshow.** Fifty free tickets are available for each show and there are two shows per event. There will also be three Young Adult events during the summer. *Check the Library website for exact times—www.hcpl.net/location/spring-branch-memorial-branch-library.* In addition, the usual StoryTimes continue for the younger children. (See page 2.)

5. ACTIVITIES FOR ADULTS—Expand your reading experiences and meet with others to share thoughts and insights. Page Turners Book Club continues to meet during the summer on the second Tuesday of each month.

4. READING PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES—Win! Win! Win! Children's, Young Adult and Adult programs start on June 4 and continue through August 11. Sign up to take part! Children will again receive a book and a certificate when they read ten books. Young Adults will receive a flashdrive wristband when they read five books. Adults will be entered in a drawing for a Kindle Fire, a Nook Tablet or \$30 gift card when they complete five books—**AND they will eligible for two or three drawings within the county system Adult program for an eReader.**

3. MOVIES, GAMES, MAGAZINES...—Borrow movies for all ages on DVDs, read magazines and newspapers without subscribing, surf the internet, play computer games with children! There is always a lot to do! *You can even OWN a book from the Lobby for a donation and support the Friends of the Library in OUR support of the Library!*

2. ACTIVITIES FARTHER AFIELD—While you are in the Lobby, check out the Community Board to see what other events are taking place around Houston!

1. SPACE-TIME TRAVEL—Einstein isn't the only one! Reading can take you anywhere—local places or faraway! Any time—past...present...future! It's up to you—with the WONDERFUL library staff available help you meet your interests. **SO...**

...HAVE YOU INCLUDED THE LIBRARY IN YOUR SUMMER PLANS?

The oldest books are still only just out to those who have not read them. —Samuel Butler

Inside This Newsletter...

- Summer Top 10 at the Library
- Successful Plant and Book Festival
- Remembering Edith Spang, our first Librarian
- Holiday hours

JOIN THE FRIENDS at the annual
4th of July Festival at
Memorial Drive Baptist Church, 325 Piney
Point. Bike Parade at 9 a.m. and festivities
from 10 AM until 1 PM at the church. Fun
and FREE BARBECUE!

REGULAR LIBRARY HOURS

SUN	CLOSED	TUES	10am - 9pm	THUR	10am - 6pm	SAT	10am - 5pm
MON	1pm - 9pm	WED	10am - 6pm	FRI	1pm - 6pm		

Spring Branch-Memorial Library Website

www.hcpl.net/location/spring-branch-memorial-branch-library



Kid's Korner There is **no registration fee** for these programs and the Friends of the SB-M Library contribute funds to provide occasional snacks and crafts.

Babytime! is every Wednesday at 10:00AM for infants 0-15 months. Babytime! is a story time highlighting songs, bouncy rhymes, lullabies and playtime.

Toddler Story Time! is each Wednesday at 11:00AM and Thursdays at 10:00AM. These story times feature singing and rhyming for children ages 16 months to three years.

Preschool Story Time! for three to six year olds is scheduled each Thursday at 11:00AM. The story is followed by a craft project.

The Friends of the Library Board News—in brief

The April meeting saw the departure of three dedicated Board members—Joy Brunner, president, Cindy Kapp, publicity, and Nancy Frye, volunteers—all of whom are leaving for personal reasons. Thanks to all for their years of service!

Mary Waggoner was elected president for the coming year and is hoping to fill the positions of Publicity and Volunteer chairs soon. IF YOU MAY BE INTERESTED, CONTACT MARY THROUGH THE LIBRARY 713-464-1633. All other Board members will continue in their current capacity.

ANY VOLUNTEERS WILLING TO HELP WITH WATERING AND LIGHT GROUNDS CARE THIS SUMMER? Contact Mary Waggoner.

The Friends of the Library's Plant and Book Festival BLOOMED with SUCCESS!

The 2012 Plant and Book Festival raised \$2,812 for plants and \$3,178 for books!
Many thanks to our wonderful plant and/or coupon donors:

Ambius Nursery	Escalante's Mexican Grille	Pappy's Grille
Antonio and Nedege Toro	Frattelli's Restaurante	Ruby & K.O.Lenert
Avalon Diner	HEB Grocery	Ruggles Green
Bags & More	Jonathan's Rub	Southwell's Hamburgers
Baskin Robins '31	Joyce's Seafood	Sweet Tomatoes
Beverly Levandowski	Kobe Japanese Restaurant	Tall Plants
Blossoms Floral	Kroger, Echo Lane	Tanglewood Nursery & Gardens
Brenda Sierra	Kroger, Voss at San Felipe	The Villager Gift Shop
California Pizza Kitchen	Lexis Florist	Thompson & Hanson Flowers & Garden
Calloway's (Cornelius) Nursery	Mancuso's Italian Restaurant	Town & Country Tropical Plants
Cary Moran	Mason Jar	Treeseach Farms
Ciro's Italian Grill	Memorial Village Cleaners	Troop 837, Steve Broadbendt
City ArtWorks	Nancy Eubank	
Condon Gardens	Nancy Parks	

...and to **ALL** the wonderful volunteers who made it happen!

The Friends of the Library remember Marie Hendry.
Marie, a former Friends Board member, passed away May 2nd, at age 86. She was co-chairman of the very successful plant side of the Plant and Book Festivals for many years.

Join us!

...or

ask a

friend

to be a

Friend....



Membership Application or Renewal

We do not share any of your information with anyone outside our organization.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City. State. Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

☐ \$10 General ☐ \$25 Family ☐ \$50 Associate ☐ \$100 Patron

☐ I want to increase my membership to \$_____

☐ I am interested in volunteer work for the "Friends" ☐ Please change my address

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Edith Spang Remembered —by Mary Waggoner

On April 30, 2012, Edith passed away peacefully at age 94 after struggling with many health problems. She was a fighter and her memory was sharp to her end. She had been an avid tennis player, and was a member of the National Honor Society. She was a 20-year volunteer in the Spring Branch Hospital Guild and had a lifelong passion for learning and for libraries.

Edith became **the first librarian** of the Spring Branch-Memorial Library shortly after it started in the St. Frances Episcopal Church on Piney Point Road in 1950. When the library grew, Edith was responsible for moving it in 1959 to a little white house in back of what is now the current library location. Edith retired about the time the current library was dedicated in November, 1975, but remained very active in the Friends of the Library serving as Hospitality Chairman for many years.

In June 1999, the Friends dedicated The Edith Spang Reading Garden to her for her lifelong love of libraries and for promoting reading for children. She was very proud of this library and of our very active Friends Group.

Edith will be missed!

The family requests any memorial donations be made to The Friends of the Spring Branch-Memorial Library.



Library Holiday Hours

All Harris County Libraries will be closed on Wednesday, July 4, in celebration of Independence Day! Celebrate the Library with the Friends at the Villages' Fourth of July Celebration!