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#### **Spring Branch-Memorial Library Website**

www.hcpl.net/location/spring-branch-memorial-branch-library ...and on Facebook: www.facebook.com/pg/springbranchmemoriallibrary/posts/?ref=page\_internal

Between newsletters, keep up with *The Friends* on our website at www.friendsofsbml.org or email us at friends.sbm@hotmail.com



## NEWSLETTER

The Friends of the Spring Branch-Memorial Library

Summer 2022

# **Summer Fun for ALL!**

Summer Programs are BACK with OCEANSOF **POSSIBILITIES** 

(See ongoing favorites on page 2.)

**Summer Reading Program for All Ages!** Monday, June 6 through Saturday, August 6 Register at hcpl.beanstack.org. Then read, participate in activities, and log your reading and activities to earn points for up to three levels of prizes! Each 100 points earns a new level and a prize (while supplies last). More information? Call the Library. See page 3.

Events with \* means limited FREE TICKETS are required and are available one hour before the program

## SPECIAL EVENTS IN JUNE

**ALL AGES**—

Monday, the 6th—Singer Showcase at 6:30PM Wednesday, the 22nd—

\*Little Mermaid Sing- Along at 2:30PM

Fridays—

10th—Storytime: Storybook Opera: "Agua, Aguita" at 10:30AM

17th—**Storytime:** "Eat, Play, Grow" at 10:30AM 24th—Storytime: "Frogs & Fairytales" at 10:30AM **AGES 5-10**—Weekly programs on Wednesdays

8th—\*Texas Snakes & More at 2:30PM 15th—\*Books Alive: Princess Penelope at 2:00PM

29th—\*CATCH with Harris Health at 2:00PM

**TEENS—Thursdays** 

9th—F<sup>2</sup>H Club in-person at 4:30PM 30th—Journaling at 4:30PM

ADULTS—

Thursday, the 16th—Hidden Treasures @ the Museum of Fine Arts at 6:30PM

### SPECIAL EVENTS IN JULY

**AGES 5-10**—Weekly programs on Wednesdays 6th—\*Houston Ballet at 2:00PM 13th—Pirate Hunt from 10:00AM to noon

20th—\*Ocean Day at 2:00PM

AGES 8-12—Wednesday 27th—Kids Crochet! at 2:00PM (Registration required. Contact the Library) **TEENS** —Weekly on Thursdays

Camp NaNoWriMo Young Writers Workshop at 4:00PM on Facebook

Also, Thursday, the 14th—F2H Club in-person at 4:30PM

**ADULTS—**Weekly on Tuesdays

Camp NaNoWriMo at 6:30PM on Facebook.

Topics include writing a blurb, blogging, research, and "Authorama"

Also, Saturday the 30th—CPR Demo

at 2:00PM (Registration required. Contact the Library.)

What are Camp NaNoWriMo and F<sup>2</sup>H Club anyway? See page 2 for more information.

## COMING UP IN AUGUST...Camp Halfblood—August 3, 10 AM-noon

End the Summer Reading Program with a first aid workshop, a water balloon fight, sword fighting, an indoor scavenger hunt, and more!

Summer fun has just begun. —Unattributable and true!



#### The Friends of the Spring Branch-Memorial Library http://www.friendsofsbml.org



## And The Friends supports professional development for our librarians!!

Our Children's Programming Librarian, Loli de Llano, recently attended the Texas Library Association **Annual (TLA) Conference.** She blogged:

> Just got back from the TLA conference last week and am thrilled I was given the opportunity to attend thanks to the generosity of The Friends of the Spring Branch Memorial Library (italics added) and the approval of our Branch Manager Jennifer Finch. The theme of this year's conference was recover, rebalance and reconnect and I certainly felt all three of them while I was there.

## Authors and books she particulary noted:



Ms. Loli benefitted from *The Friends'* contribution, our Library benefitted by her experiences, and we all benefit with summer reading possibilities! READ ON!

## Ongoing favorites are STILL Oceans of FUN!

**KIDS**—Programs and Storytimes are **ALL** special this summer!

**TEENS**—usually ages12-18 1st Thursdays—Teen Chess Club

(includes 11-year-olds) at 4:30PM 2nd Saturdays—Bakers & Makers at 2:00PM

(includes ages 8-18) (Registration required) 3rd Thursdays—**Teen Leadership Council** 

at 2:00PM

4th Thursdays—Summer Book Club at 4:30PM

ADULTS—1st Saturdays—Crochet for a Cause at 2:00PM 2nd Tuesdays—The Page Turners Book Club at 6:15PM In-person or on Teams. See page 3 for Teams connection.

## What's F<sup>2</sup>H Club anyway?

An informal learning opportunity for teens to discuss and learn about people who have been historically underrepresented. Forgotten to History

#### What is Camp NaNoWriMo?

"National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) in July is a fun, 'seat of your pants' approach to creative writing...

"Your next great writing adventure!" NaNoWriMo website.

Sometimes, books just take us away for a little while, and return us to our place with a new perspective. —Sara Nisha Adams, writer and editor

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## A quicker connection to *The Friends*

Have you wished you could get more information on-the-go about The Friends, including memberships and Buy-A-Book, without having to go to your main computer? Now you can!



Our QR codes will give you access our website directly so you can join The Friends, renew your membership, participate in our Buy-A-Book program OR just get more information by scanning the QR code with your mobile phone. Our website's connection is secure









Join us-or renew!

## Members ask: How do I know when my membership is due?



**Answer:** The print edition of every newsletter includes the date your membership is due for renewal on a line above your address. The online edition shows your "Membership until" date in the first sentence of the letter that introduces each current newsletter. Regretfully, in each case, memberships cease after a couple of reminders.

The Friends appreciates ALL our members! Lapsed member? Renew now! Not a member yet? JOIN US!

With more, we can do more for our wonderful Library.

## "Editorial changes"....

It has been a privilege and a joy to serve the Library through *The Friends* as newsletter editor for the past 12 years. I now am assuming a different role on the Board of The Friends so this edition is my last newsletter. It is time for fresh styles and new beginnings. I look forward to whatever direction the newsletter will take going forward. Exciting times! —Jill Rose, outgoing editor

#### Links specifically mentioned and linked to sites in this newsletter:

Teams—sm@hcpl.net or call the Library—832-927-5510

Library website calendar—http://www.hcpl.net/events?qu=&start\_date=&end\_date=&branch=138&page=0

Library Facebook page—https://www.facebook.com/springbranchmemoriallibrary/

For activities requiring registration, contact the Library: 832-927-5510

Beanstack—https://www.hcpl.net/page/summer-reading-program

NaNoWriMo—https://nanowrimo.org/what-is-camp-nanowrimo

The secret of change is to focus all of your energy not on fighting the old, but on building the new.