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Moore Memorial Public Library Newsletter

DIG UP YOUR FAMILY'S "LOST BONES"

Have you ever been curious about your family history, but didn't have a clue where to find any information? Have you reached a brick wall in your search for a family ancestor? Well, this is your chance to find those "lost bones". On **Thursday, Oct. 13th, from 1:00 to 3:30**, the Texas City Ancestry Searchers will present a class for all current and future family historians entitled "Lost Bones: How to start your family history".

The class will be presented in the Holland Meeting Room at Moore Memorial Public Library. Laptop computers will be available so that attendees can get hands-on experience in searching online genealogical databases, census data and other useful online sites. Members of the Ancestry Searchers group will provide one-on-one guidance and suggestions for searching techniques and resources.

Attendees will receive a packet of materials, information source lists, and forms, making it easy to start and/or continue your personal search.



If you are interested in attending this session, please bring any basic family historical information you already have, such as any names, birth or death dates /places, of ancestors. This information will provide the starting point for your genealogical searches. For more information call our reference desk at (409) 643-5977.

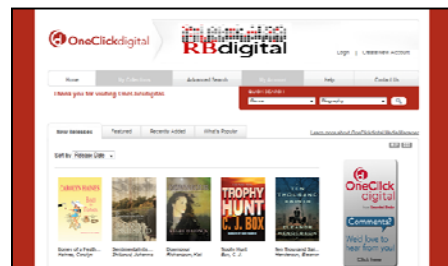
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CHECK OUT THE NEW COLLECTION OF AUDIOBOOKS AT THE LIBRARY

Starting in mid-October, patrons will be able to access a new audiobook download service through Moore Library. We will be replacing our current subscription to Overdrive with a new subscription to Recorded Books' One Click Digital Media service. Patrons will have access to over 3,800 audiobook titles, including adult, young adult and children's audiobooks. The best part about this service is all Recorded Books titles will be available all the time – no waiting on someone else to finish using them.

Patrons with a valid library card will be able to download audiobooks from the



library website from any computer with an internet connection and Windows Media or iTunes software. Titles can be downloaded to an

iPod or MP3 player, or you can listen to them directly from your computer. Recorded Books plans to release iPad and android apps later this fall, which will allow patrons to bypass their computer and download titles directly to their devices. For more information about this new service, stop by the Reference Desk on your next visit to the library, or call us at (409) 643-5977.

FALL ADULT PROGRAMS

All Events will be held in the Moore Library Meeting Room

Three-part Diabetes Workshop

Three representatives from the UTMB Stark Diabetes Clinic will be hosting a three-part seminar on diabetes and diabetes prevention. A physician, an educational representative and a nutritionist will be discussing health topics concerning diabetes prevention for both Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes, dietary guidelines and recommendations for drug treatments. Attendance to all three workshops isn't necessary but is advisable.

Dates and Times:

WHEN: Part 1: Tuesday, October 11 @ 1:30 PM

Part 2: Tuesday, October 18 @ 1:30 PM

Part 3: Tuesday, October 25 @ 1:30 PM

FDIC Money Smart

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A representative from Woodforest Bank will be speaking on financial literacy and personal credit. The seminar is free to everyone. For more information about this event please call the reference desk at (409)643-5977.

Dates and Times: **WHEN:** Wednesday, Oct 12 @ 1:30



Lost Bones: How to Start Your Family History

The Texas City Ancestry Searchers will show you the basics on how to start researching your family history. Please bring basic family historical information you already have, such as names, birth or death dates /places of ancestors.

WHEN: Thursday, Oct 13 @ 1:00 PM

Deconstructed Books: Art Workshop

You've seen art in books, but have you ever seen books as art? Phyllis Johnson will conduct a workshop on using books to create amazing pieces of art. This workshop is open to everyone ages 12-adult. Materials will be provided; bring your own creativity.

WHEN: Thursday, Oct 20 @ 3:30 PM

Texas City Terminal Railway Company & Texas City: A Company's Dream

Margaret Tuma, president of the Friends of Moore Memorial Public Library and former president and current member of the Texas City Museum Advisory Board will talk about the compelling history of the Texas City Terminal Railway company

WHEN: Monday, Oct 24 @ 1:30



Wills, Power of Attorney & Medical Directives

Mr. Phil Roberts, a Texas City attorney, will conduct a seminar on Wills and Estate Planning. There will be three separate evening presentations lasting between one and one-half hours covering the 1) preparation of a will and testament, 2) power of attorney & trust establishment, and 3) of estate allotment and relegation. These events are free and open to anyone. **Please Note** that the first workshop will be done on Wednesday night and the next two on Tuesday night.

WHEN: Part 1: Preparation of Will & Testament, **Wednesday**, November 2 @ 7:00 PM

Part 2: Power of Attorney & Trust Establishment, Tuesday, November 8 @ 7:00 PM

Part 3: Estate Allotment & Relegation, Tuesday, November 15 @ 7:00 PM

Christmas e-Card Craft Day

An adult craft day, this session is open to anyone and everyone wishing to make a special Christmas e-card. This program is open to both teens and adults.

WHEN: Tuesday, November 29 @ 3:30 PM



SHELVING SHAKEUP



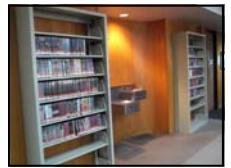
Moore Library is happy to announce our new collection of television series on DVD. We have a collection of new hits, classics, and British television. If you are in the mood for comedy, musicals, drama, mystery, suspense, or anything in between, there's a series for you.

Best of all you, no longer have to search the regular DVD stacks to find your favorite series. We have all TV series separated in the stacks next to our water fountain. In addition to our new television



series shelves we also have new shelves for music CDs, new books, and for new audiovisual materials. This makes it easier than ever for patrons to find the newest books, music, audiobooks, and movies.

The expanded music CD shelving can be found in the location of the previous music CD shelving and the expanded new book and audiovisual section is opposite the new book section near the DVD collection.



CHECK OUT OUR BLOG

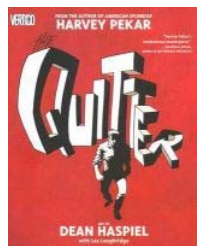
Moore Musings is a readers advisory blog maintained by Moore Library Reference staff. We use the blog to review new books and highlight older gems hidden in our collection, as well as to bring our readers' attention to interesting book-related topics on the web.

Check it out to keep updated on new fiction and non-fiction books across all genres and to find out what older books you've missed out on. You can find Moore Musings at <http://moorebrarians.blogspot.com>.

Ripped From the Blog: Grown Up Graphics: Graphic Novels, Adaptations and Comics Geared Towards Adult Audiences

***The Quitter* / by Harvey Pekar**

Comic legend Pekar is best known for his notable work in the celebrated *American Splendor*, chronicling his life as a downtrodden file clerk in Cleveland. *The Quitter* is another autobiographical comic chronicling his youth and early adulthood as an outcast Jew in an increasingly African-American neighborhood and his attempts and ultimate failures at various endeavors including a stint in the Navy and higher education. (YP FIC PEKAR)



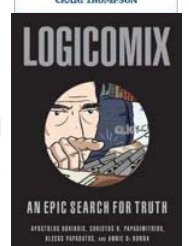
***Blankets*: An Illustrated Novel / by Craig Thompson**

In rural Wisconsin, two brothers discover the challenges of growing up as they confront broken friendships, first loves, disappointments and the duality of coming of age under the eye of sternly pious parents. Mostly a self-styled memoir of Thompson's own childhood, this extensive book is among the most introspective and self-dissecting works of graphic fiction. (YP FIC THOMPSON)



***Logicomix: An Epic Search For Truth* / by Apostolos K. Doxiades**

This exceptional graphic novel concerns the philosophical life and legacy of Bertrand Russell. As he searches for absolute truth, Russell crosses paths with other legendary thinkers and tries to explain natural phenomenon through mathematics and logic. Not your average graphic novel, this is one of the few graphic works concerned with modern philosophy. (FIC DOXIADIS)



LIBRARY OUTREACH: SERVING SENIORS

Moore Memorial Public Library is proud to continue our program of visiting local senior citizen centers monthly. The program brings library programming out to seniors once a month from fall to spring.

Each month our Young Adult Librarian, Luke Alvey-Henderson and our Public Service's Assistant, Kristina Garza visit 5 senior citizen living centers and the Nessler Center Senior Center Programs. Programs are designed to

engage seniors on topics of interest, direct interaction, and short games. Each program year we have a different theme. This year's theme is Movies and Music, where we listen to Academy Award Winning songs from the 1940s and talk about the winners, losers, and fun trivia of the Academy Awards from that period. The goal is to provide entertainment, information, and mental stimulation for our patrons that can't physically visit us.

Technology @ Your Fingertips



WEBSITE REVIEW: USA.GOV GOVERNMENT MADE EASY

This mega-site is the entry-way for access to many areas and departments of the United States government. From jobs to vital documents, from grants to the latest NASA discoveries, from visas to national parks, this site is designed to provide easy access to all governmental programs and agencies. A clean design, easy menus and click-through options make this site easy to use.

You can use chat, twitter or email to contact government agencies through this site. It is also very easy to identify and contact your federal, state and local elected officials



by going through this portal.

With national elections coming up in a little over a year, this might be a great time to become familiar with this site! And if you pay attention to the "search trends" tab on the home page, you will find information on the hottest issues right at your fingertips.

If you only have room for one URL in your brain, then memorize www.texascity-library.org. If you have room for two, make this site your second favorite –just remember www.usa.gov.

WE LIKE FACEBOOK



Thank you for following us on Facebook! By the first week of September we reached 100 Facebook "Likes" and that number continues to grow.

For those of you not familiar with our Facebook page, you can find us at www.facebook.com/moorepubliclibrary (or visit our homepage, www.texascity-library.org, which features a link to our Facebook page). You'll find almost daily posts about all sorts of library-related news as well as MMPL photos and

videos. We'll give you a heads-up on upcoming MMPL programs, linking to useful Better Business Bureau tips on common online scams or posting photos of new shelving in the library. We also do daily "This Day in History" posts, coupling them with a few items in our collection you might be interested in checking out. So be sure to "Like" us to get the latest from MMPL.

Facebook is our newest way for you to let us know how we're doing. Is there anything we could add to our Facebook page or anything we could do to make our library better? Let us know on Facebook!

Improve Your Computer Skills

Our computer classes are aimed at beginning to intermediate computer users. The library offers courses to help patrons learn basic skills using MS Word, MS Excel, MS PowerPoint, Email, the Internet,

and more. All attendees will be pre-screened for skill level before each class. All computer classes begin at 10 AM and run about an hour.

Fall Computer Class Schedule

Sign-up & Registration Procedure:

Registration for **ALL** computer classes will occur **THE DAY OF** the scheduled class. All potential students must come to the library between 9:00 and 9:30 a.m. on the day of the class for pre-class screening. Admission to the class will be granted on a first-come first-served basis for those persons successfully completing the pre-assessment survey exercise. Admission for most classes is limited to 10 persons per class.

For more information, please contact the Reference Desk at the library, 409-643-5977.

Computer Class	Date
Basic Mouse	Thursday, October 6
Basic Windows	Friday, October 7
Basic Word	Thursday, October 13
Basic Excel	Friday, October 14
Basic Internet	Thursday, October 20
Basic Email	Friday, October 21
Intermediate Internet	Thursday, October 27
Reference & Periodical Databases	Friday, October 28
Computer Hardware	Thursday, November 3
Basic Mouse	Friday, November 4
Basic Windows	Thursday, November 10
Basic Word	Friday, November 11
Basic Internet	Thursday, November 17
Basic Email	Friday, November 18

NEWS BRIEFS

LIBRARY HOLIDAY CLOSINGS: The library will be closed on the following dates:



Thanksgiving– Thursday, November 24-Saturday, November 26th. Reopen Monday November 29th at 9am



Christmas– Friday, December 23-Monday, December 26th Reopen Tuesday December 27th at 9am



New Year's Day– Monday January 2nd Reopen Tuesday January 3rd at 9am

BOOK CLUB: Book lovers who enjoy engaging in stimulating conversation about literature are invited to attend “Book Bits”. “Book Bits,” a book club for ages 18 and up, continues to meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 2PM. This informal group setting allows readers to share new & old print favorites, discuss controversial titles, compare favorite authors and more. The group will meet on:



**October 5th
November 2nd
December 7th**

Kids Zone

For more information about the any children's events call Kayla, our Children's Librarian, at 409-643-5966.

CHILDREN'S STORYTIMES



We have started having our weekly storytimes again, and we're excited to share some storytimes that are coming up soon. Toddlerific Storytime is every Tuesday at 10:00 am for children ages 1 to 2 in the Walter Holland Meeting Room. During Toddlerific storytime, there are songs, finger plays, stories, ball time, bubbles, and some time to play

with toys. Preschool Storytime is every Wednesday at 10:00 am from ages 3 to 5 in the Walter Holland Meeting Room. During Preschool Storytime, there are songs, finger plays, stories, activities, and a craft.

In October, Toddlerific Storytime will include: What Will I Wear Today?, Rub-a-Dub-Dub, Say Goodnight, and Dress Up Fun. In October, Preschool Storytime will include: D, E, F, and Dress Up.

SOME GREAT SITES FOR HOMEWORK HELP

We know that homework can be frustrating sometimes, so here are some websites that can help you with the process.

CIA World Factbook: www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/index.html

The CIA World Factbook is a great source for information on individual countries. You can find maps, flags, and other information on the countries, such as population, religions, languages, and much more.

Fact Monster: www.factmonster.com

This website has maps, tables, archives, biographies, and much more. There is lots of information to be found on this website that can help.

How Stuff Works: www.howstuffworks.com

There are videos, pictures, and information on many topics (not focused on homework topics), but you can learn a lot about specific topics. This website is a how to for everything from how to install a sink in the bathroom to how math works.

IXL: www.ixl.com

This website helps with math problems and studying. There are practice equations, and the website breaks up the website up in order to help students by grade level (from pre-K up).

KidsHealth: www.kidshealth.org/kids/

There is lots of information about staying healthy and safe, and there is also plenty of other information to be found on the human body.

National Geographic: www.nationalgeographic.com/kids/

HELP DECORATE OUR BULLETIN BOARD!

Each month we have a different bulletin board in the Children's Department, and we have a little



object for children to color and put up on the board. In the Children's Department, we love to see children's creativity, and the children enjoy showing off the items that they helped to create. In October, there will be apples for the children to color and put on the ground, in the baskets, or in the trees. In November, children can color various fruits and vegetables to be into the large cornucopia.

In December, the children will color winter wear to fight off Jack Frost. Be sure to stop by the Children's Department with your

children and help us fill up the bulletin board with these items. Look for a picture of each bulletin board at the end of the month on the library's Flickr and Facebook pages. The library's Flickr page can be found at <http://www.flickr.com/photos/moorelibrary/>.

MOORE TEENS

For more information about the any teen events call Luke, our Young Adult Librarian, at 409-949-3008.

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD CELEBRATES BANNED BOOK WEEK

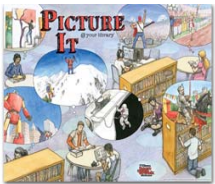
Banned Books Week is the last week in September and is set aside to remind people of the importance of the freedom to choose books. It highlights books that have been removed from schools, libraries, or at tempted to be removed. The 1st amendment gives us not only the freedom of speech, but also the freedom to seek and receive information privately. Being able to select the book of your choice from a library is a prt of your constitutionally protected rights/

This year that runs from September 24-October 1st. We celebrated by having our Teen Advisory Board (TAB) design and

make a display of banned books. Our theme this year is **Reading is not a Crime**. The TAB made a crime scene where books are the victims and signs warn of the perils of freedom of information. It's up to everyone to keep books from being victims. Do your part by checking out a book that has been banned or challenged in the past. For a list of frequently challenged books ask for our bibliography from at the reference desk or go to <http://www.ala.org/ala/issuesadvocacy/banned/frequentlychallenged/index.cfm>.



TEEN READ WEEK: READ TO WIN



October 16th-22nd is Teen Read Week and Moore Library is ready to celebrate. This year's theme is 'Picture It' and focuses on the ability of reading to show teens how to look at their world. While reading is its own reward, we've decided to up the ante.

Anyone who reads at least 3 hours during Teen Read week and fills in a Teen Read Week form from the reference desk will be entered into a drawing. On Monday, October 24th we will select five names in a drawing and the winners receive a free book of their choosing from our book sale cart.

UP-COMING TAB EVENTS

Check out what the TAB is all about. By being a part of TAB you get leadership experience that looks great on college applications and resumes. It's also a great way to meet new people or hang out with your friends. We'll talk about ways to make the

library better for young adults, have a teen-led current events round table, talk about our favorite books, and have a great time doing it. And as always, snacks will be provided. **Our next meeting is Friday, October 7 at 3:15 PM.**

MANGA CLUB MEETING

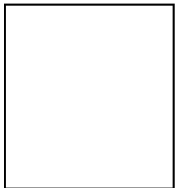
Calling all Otaku! The manga club is a monthly meeting of manga and anime fanatics. If you are a hardcore fan or just getting started the Manga Club is the perfect place to meet

new otaku, learn more about manga, eat snacks, and have fun. The next Manga Meeting is **Friday, October 15th at 3:15pm.**

BOARD GAMES YOU'VE **NEVER** PLAYED IS BACK!

Back by popular demand. Teens ages 12-18 can come to the library to play board games, strategy games, and card games like you've NEVER played before. We have selected fun award winning games that are totally unlike any board games you've ever played! We have **Settlers of Catan, Fluxx, Munchkin, Forbidden Island, and Fresco**. If you want something more traditional, you can play a

rousing round of chess or the ancient strategy game Go. We also have the super fun party games **Apples to Apples, Cranium,** and **Scattergories** as well as all your favorite classic board games likes **Monopoly, Scrabble, Sorry,** and more. **Our next meeting is Friday, October 21 at 3:15PM.**



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Become a Friend of Moore Memorial Library

Friends Membership Form

Please return this form, along with your payment, to Friends of Moore Memorial PL, 1701 9th Avenue North, Texas City, TX 77590. Thank you for supporting the library.

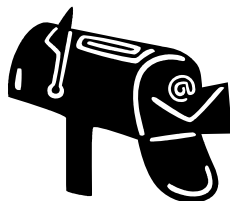
The Friends' dues for calendar year 2011 (Jan. 1, 2011 through Dec. 31, 2011) are the following:

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

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- Family (\$25) ____
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- Sustaining (\$50) ____
- Valued Friend (\$100) ____
- Life Member (\$1,000) ____



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