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Moore Memorial Public Library Newsletter

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Tax Assistance

Patrons have through April 14 to receive free tax assistance at the library. AARP volunteers will be on hand Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the meeting room. (First come, first served basis)

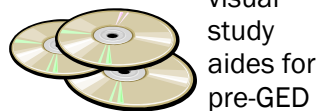
Most tax forms are also available for photocopying. Forms can also be printed online at www.irs.gov. See the Reference Desk for assistance.

NEW GED DVD INSTRUCTIONAL VIDEOS AVAILABLE

Nearly forty-two percent of Texas City residents do not have a high school diploma or GED, according to the 2000 United States Census.

It is a percentage that Moore Memorial Public Library, with the help of the Houston Area Library System (HALS), hopes to change.

The library received a \$1,000 DVD mini grant from HALS to purchase two sets of DVD instructional videos that serve as



and GED preparations. Each set of five DVDs covers five subjects including language arts & reading, writing, math, science and social studies.



Pre-GED & GED DVD instructional videos

“The DVDs are much different than the print form in that it better serves the needs of patrons who are more visual learners,” Library Director Beth Steiner said.

The library also offers

GED study guides. The DVDs can be checked out for one week and the study guides for three weeks. For information about other study materials, contact the Reference Desk at (409) 643-5977.

LIBRARY, HISTORY CHANNEL HONOR FDR ANNIVERSARY



President Franklin D. Roosevelt

Moore Library is joining the History Channel’s effort to honor the late 32nd President Franklin D. Roosevelt who died 60 years ago on April 12. The library will have a display in commemora-

tion of the president, and will receive a DVD about FDR courtesy of the History Channel for participating in the effort. The History Channel will air a special program on FDR April 17 at 8 p.m.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK CLEAR FINES CAMPAIGN

Moore Library is celebrating National Library Week by giving people a chance to clear their fines April 11-16.

This one-time amnesty week will allow patrons to clear fines only if they've had overdue materials—not damaged or lost items.

Patrons (all ages) must

come in person to the library and present their individual library card to the circulation desk. Patrons cannot present other members' cards or call to clear fines.

Library Director Beth Steiner said the purpose of the program is to help patrons whose fines have prevented them from checking

out materials.

“We would like to give people a chance to clear their cards so they can read,” she said.

The program will also make participating in the upcoming summer reading clubs easier to patrons so they can bring books home. Clubs for all ages, including adults, will be available this summer.

DVD GRANT

Moore Library is adding another 380-plus videos to its collection of DVDs thanks to another grant from the Texas State Library and Archives Commission.

The grant is part of the library's project to build its DVD collection and eventually phase out the VHS format.

The library received a similar grant last year for the purchase of more than 450 new DVDs.

COMPUTER CLASS FEATURES MEDICAL INFO ON WEB



The latest in a series of computer classes this spring is featuring medical information on the Web.

Participants will learn how to find valuable and credible information on the Web on health related topics such as diseases, symptoms, treatments and much more. Basic Internet searching skills will be applied.

Register by calling the Reference Desk at (409) 643-5977. Those who did not register may attend if space is available. The class is limited to 20 participants.



April 12 at 10 a.m.
Finding medical info
on the Web

Meeting Room

Call to register (409) 643-5977

LIBRARY HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

May 30
Memorial Day

July 4
Independence Day

September 5
Labor Day

NEWS BRIEFS

STORYTIME:

A preschool children's storytime program (ages 3-5) is held Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the meeting room. The 40-minute program features stories, songs, finger plays, crafts and

even basic sign language including a letter from the alphabet each week. Groups of four or more children must make arrangements by calling the Children's Department at (409) 643-5966.

LIBRARY CONFERENCE:

Thousands of librarians from across the state, including staff at Moore Library, will meet for the annual Texas Library Association Conference in Austin where they will attend various semi-

nars April 6-8. They will also have an opportunity to meet book publishers, authors, national storytellers and more.



VETERANS TO SHARE HISTORIC MEMORABILIA & WAR STORIES



In honor of Memorial Day, local veterans from World War II, Vietnam and others will display their wartime memorabilia as part of a program Thursday, May 26 at 3 p.m.

The public can browse displays of uniforms, photographs and mili-

tary gear from different eras that will be set up in the meeting room. Veterans will also share some of their most memorable moments during their time of service.

For more information about the program, call (409) 949-3007.



Memorial Day Program

Veterans to show memorabilia, share wartime stories

Thursday, May 26
3 p.m., meeting room

ANCESTRY SEARCHERS HELP PUBLIC WITH FAMILY RESEARCH

Need help tracking down your family tree but don't know where to start?

The experienced members of the Texas City Ancestry Searchers can help. Volunteers are on hand three days a week in the library's genealogy room to help

patrons with their family research. Patrons will learn what resources the library has for researching family history such as Heritage Quest online, census microfilm and much more.

Assistance is available Mondays, 5 to 7 p.m.;

Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. & 3 to 5 p.m.; and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

For Hispanic research in Rio Grande Valley and Mexico and German research, make an appointment by calling (409) 938-8053.



Go Wild... Read!



"GO WILD...READ" SUMMER READING CLUB AHEAD!

Children and teens, get ready for some excitement as the library's annual Summer Reading Club gets ready to kick off!

The reading club, "Go Wild...Read," starts May 31. Children 12 and

under can pick up reading logs in the children's department. Teens, 13 and older, pick up reading logs at the Reference Desk.

Spooky storytelling, a reptile show, cartooning workshop, petting zoo

and much more are in store this summer! Children and teens can be part of great programs and win cool prizes just by reading.

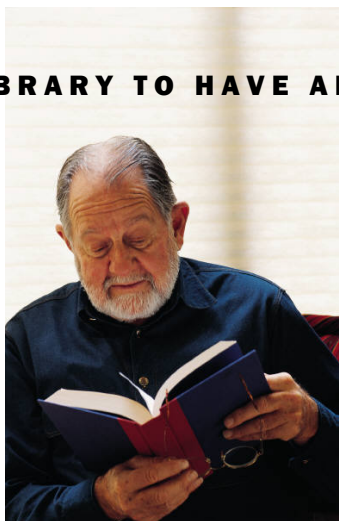
Details will be available in May at the library and area schools.*

* See back for info about new adult Summer Reading Club

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LIBRARY TO HAVE ADULT SUMMER READING CLUB



Adults can now enjoy the same rewards as youth patrons this summer with the kick off of a new Summer Reading Club for adults!

Adults can win prizes such as

gift certificates to Barnes & Noble and Walden Books at Mall of the Mainland just by reading this summer.

Patrons 20 and older can pick up reading logs at the Reference Desk May 31. Adults must read at least 10 hours to be entered into a drawing for prizes.

Further details about the program will be available in May. For questions about adult services, call the Reference Desk at (409) 643-5977.

FRIENDS MEMBERSHIP

The library Friends Group will be recruiting new members at the library Tuesday, April 12 from 2 to 5 p.m. A table will be set up in the public area.

BOARD MEETING

The Library Board is having a meeting on Monday, May 16 at 2 p.m. in the meeting room.

All Friends members are invited to attend.

