

Newsletter

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Friends of the Library Celebrate National Library Week

National Library Week is commemorated throughout our nation to communicate to the public just how rich the resources of libraries are everywhere. This year's theme was "Create Your Own Story" and was echoed at all libraries during the week of April 10 through 16th. Due to the wildfires which struck our community on that week, our special program was postponed to April 26th.

And what a wonderful program it will be! Mary Beth Garrett, Children's Librarian of Alpine Public Library, and her daughter Lauren, will give the presentation known as The Reading Fairy on **Tuesday, April 26th from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.** at our Jeff Davis County Library.

Children of all ages, especially those in grades kindergarten through 4th, are invited to join in the fun when the two engage the participants in an array of activities. A story time, science project, a pop-up book making activity, and a visit by a costumed fairy bringing wishes for more readers are just some of the things in store. Parents are welcome to attend and assist as well. Don't Miss It!



The Garretts (pictured above) were featured in Alpine Public Library's excellent Friends' Library newsletter, *Between the Lines*, which can be viewed online at www.alpinepubliclibrary.org/friends/newsletter. Our neighboring Friends group is hard at work completing the construction of their new building which is due to open in October. We admire and congratulate their efforts!

Valentine Making Event A Hit with the Kids !

Once again, the Friends of Jeff Davis County Library hosted an afternoon activity of fun, making special valentines for loved ones as well as for home bound Meals-On-Wheels recipients. Held here in Fort Davis on February 8th, our volunteers took their supplies and traveled the following week to the beautiful Kay Johnson Memorial Public Library in

Valentine to be greeted by many smiling faces, festive balloons, and a cook out hosted by library assistant Leti Navarette. Thank you for the great hospitality, Valentine, and coordinator, Judy Thomas for her outstanding work, along with her committee who are members of the Board of Directors.

Scholarships to be Awarded in May

The Friends of the Library will soon be making its selection of one or more scholarships in the amount of \$1000 to graduating seniors who have applied and successfully competed. The

deadline for submissions is April 29th. Vice President of the Friends, Cathy Rhudy, will soon be overseeing the judging.



On the Horizon The Library Terrace Project

It is exciting to venture into something entirely new at the library which will make significant improvements to the north side of our historic structure. The Library Terrace Project promises to make a huge difference in the beautification of this area by offering an outdoor space for relaxa-

tion, reading, and special events. This will enhance the "first impression" of visitors as well as become an extension of the benefits of our library. More details will follow in our future newsletters and our website. This project was the original idea of our past President of the Friends of

the Library, Judy Thomas, who along with other members had a vision of enriching a special place. Judy served the Friends faithfully for four years and excelled in her leadership abilities, conscientiousness, tactfulness, and dedication to promote the mission of the Friends of the Library.

It's Time To Renew Your Membership Or Join !

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- \$1,000—Awards an academic Scholarship. • \$500—Purchases books-on-loan for permanent library collection.
 \$250—Sponsors annual National Library Week activities. • \$150—Buys art supplies for children's library program for one year. • \$100—Provides snacks for library afterschool program for 6 months.

Every donation of any size is appreciated. You may designate your contribution for scholarships or for programs.

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THANK YOU!

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