

LIBRARY INK

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Library Hours:

Tuesday & Wednesday: 3 p.m. -
6 p.m.

Thursday: 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

Saturday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Phone Number: 864-4993

Location: 23797 West U.S. Hwy
290 (Right across from Bode's
Feed & Supplies)

*Knowledge is free at the
library; just bring your own
container!*

Harper Library's Mission:

*To serve and enhance Western
Gillespie County by providing
full library services.*

Welcome to the first edition of the Library Ink, this is where you can get all your latest news on all things happening at the Harper Library. First things first, we at the library honor those who have become Founding Donors of the library and continue to see that it flourishes. These individuals are as following: Sue Balasa, Jim & Judy Bradley, Dick & Maggie Decker, Peggy Ernst, James &

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Book News & Reviews

So now on to the really fun stuff in book news-- recently the new *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*, the seventh and final book of the world renowned Harry Potter Series, was released and had many book lovers jumping for joy to get their hands on a copy! Lucky for all of you who missed out on the series, the Harper Library has the whole series including the seventh book! So come and read them all!

From the President

Welcome to the first issue of the newsletter! We are so happy you are a part of the Harper Library. We are very proud of our progress and are happy to announce that the

library has received a Tocker Grant for over \$42,800 which will be used to buy new, adequate shelving and automation for the library. We will begin switching over to the automation system early in September and plan to have that process complete by November. We will be sending you more details in the next issue. We have presented our program to the County Commissioners, asking for a little of our tax dollars back to help with operating funds.

We've been written up in the September issue of *Texas Co-op Power* and have had several articles published about us recently in the *Fredericksburg Standard/Radio Post* as well as in *The Harper News*.

We have been able to buy books from the *New York Times* Best Seller List and have both fiction and nonfiction. We've also recently bought some new children's books: *Higher Power of Lucky*, the most recent Newberry Award book, *Americans Who Tell the Truth*, a book of portraits of Americans who have made a difference and others. These children's books are in addition to the seven boxes of books that we received from Scholastic and the forty new children's books we won as door prizes at the fall meeting of the Alamo Library System last week.

We thank you for your support and your donations.

We particularly thank you who volunteer at the library to help clean, man the desk and process books.

Martha Stevens

Upcoming Events At the Library

Coming up soon is the Second Annual Attic Sale, which is October 13, 2007, at the Lutheran Parish Hall from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., for one day only. If you want to donate any gently used items (furniture, bikes, etc...) please contact Glenda at 864-4034. Thank You.

The Library invites you to our next Saturday Seminar, on September 29, 2007 to meet local author, George Arnold. He will showcase his latest book *Chick Magnates Ayatollean Televangelist, & A Pig Farmer's Beef*. He will be reading from this book and he will have all his books here for sale and signing. It starts at 2 p.m., and refreshments will be served.

On October 27, Dr. Bob Dittmar, local vet and wildlife expert, will speak on "What plants deer prefer to eat."

Essay Contest

The Harper Library and *The Harper News* are co-sponsoring an essay contest for Harper students, grades 2-12. Students are invited to research and submit essays about important

Americans based on the book, *Americans Who Tell the Truth*. This book can be checked out from the Harper Library or either of the two school libraries. Entry forms are available from Mrs. Rangel or the Harper Library. Essays are due to the Harper Library by Oct. 31, 2007 and winners will be announced in January, 2008. Prizes will be given in elementary, middle school, and high school divisions.

First Place - \$50, Second Place- \$35, and Third Place- \$20.

Library's Wish List

The Harper Library always loves to get new or gently used library books, but as always we could use more, especially in children's fiction. We are asking for books that are Newberry Medal, Bluebonnet Award, and Caldecott Award winners. But it really doesn't matter what type of book you bring in to donate, we truly appreciate each and every donation. Though if you do donate **ANY** type of book or DVD, please make sure to check with the library staff. This is to avoid duplications. Also on our Library wish list we would like to ask if anyone would like to donate Audio Books on CD, though we have Audio Books on tape we would also like to carry recent best sellers on CD. This is just a request but if you have any type of gently used items that you think that the library

could use please call us at the phone number provided at the top of the page.

Services

Do you need to make copies, send a fax, use the internet, or use a personal computer? Do you want to read national newspapers or magazines? Do you need a video or DVD for the weekend? Do you need a book on tape for that long road trip? All these things and more are available at the Harper Library, call 864-4993 or come visit.

Links to Book Websites

These are just really great websites for the devoted readers! I personally love visiting websites and getting their newsletters sent to me so I know there have to be others like me!

- www.eharlequin.com – For all who read romance novels you know this is one of the largest sites and best sites for romance.
- www.barnesandnoble.com – This is the best place to buy and look at new books!
- www.balona.com – Mostly Funny Reading for You Teen-Tolerant Grownups and Grownup-Tolerant Teens
- www.bookch.com - features a wide variety of unusual, unique and

hard-to-find books,
videos, CD's, and
audios.

- www.upperaccess.com/booklinks.htm - This is where any avid book reader can go and link to any offered book website.

If you are wondering why the Harper Library's website is not listed, do not fret! The Library's website should be up and running soon. If you have any other websites that you would like to add please feel free to contact Elyssa Cospers at the Library.

Well this about concludes this edition of Library Ink, if you think anything was left out or if you would like to add please let the library staff know. This is not just for us this is for the community so we would enjoy everyone's opinions and input! Thank You!

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