

More Than Books

Highlights

- Celebrate the music of Leonard Bernstein at a performance featuring soprano Abigail Jackson and pianist Ann Schaefer, Old Quarry Branch, Friday, June 17, 4 PM.
- Join us for *Give Voice to Freedom: Black Literature Out Loud!* at the Carver Branch, Saturday, June 18, 2 PM.
- The Austin History Center invites you to *In the Shadow of the Dome: Slave Life in Austin, Texas*, presented by Andres and Juanita Tijerina, currently at work on an upcoming book by the same title. Tuesday, June 21, 6:30 PM.
- APL is hosting an East Side Bike Crawl that will include the Terrazas, Carver, Willie Mae Kirk, Cepeda, and Ruiz Branches. Led by Bike Austin. Saturday, June 25, 11 AM.
- Try piloxing to get fit. Piloxing incorporates boxing, dance, and standing pilates principles. Led by WeViva. Terrazas Branch, Monday, June 27, 6:30 PM.
- Austin Public Library's Summer Reading Program for adults, *Book Your Summer*, isn't just about reading. This year's theme, *My Library Inspires: Body, Food & Mind*, is about life-enriching experiences. So join us, and dive into a summer of foodie fun, fitness, crafty activities and storytelling at Library locations all across Austin this June through August.

Facilities Services

Will be included in the July report

Austin History Center Programming & Outreach

- African American Community Archivist LaToya Devezin was interviewed in a KLRU episode of *Austin Revealed* about Jackie Robinson's time as a basketball coach at Huston-Tillotson University. The episode aired on May 26, 2016 and can be seen in the KLRU website.
- Asian American Community Archivist Phonshia Nie went to two elementary schools to teach a curriculum based on the history of the Taniguchi Family and the Nguyen Family (based on our collections' family papers). This is part an initiative to promote Asian American history curriculum in AISD with AARC's Esther Chung Martin and UT's School of Education Noreen Naseem Rodriguez.

Collections

- AHC staff finished processing 6 collections, Brackenridge, LaPrelle, Talbot Family Papers, the Fairview Estates Neighborhood Association Records, the Coates and Legge Records and Drawings, the Mexican American Trailblazers Collection, the Woods Griffin Papers, and the J. H. Eccleston Johnston, Jr. Records and Drawings. The finding aids are available online at: http://www.lib.utexas.edu/taro/browse/browse_ahc1.html.
- The AHC received a large donation of material related to the Bremond Family. This material belonged to the great, great grandson of John Bremond, Sr., William Bremond Houston and was found in a storage room at 504 West 7th St. Material includes financial documents (sailboat

company, coffee roasting company and multiple property holdings), correspondence, plans, photographs and artifacts.

Exhibits:

- The AHC opened its newest exhibit, "Once & Again: Selections from the Austin History Center's Past Exhibits." This exhibit includes highlights from the past nine years of exhibits at the AHC and documents the evolution of the exhibits program. It will be on display until January 2017.

Publications & Reference

- With the 50th anniversary of the UT Tower shootings fast approaching, this has been a hot topic of research at the AHC. Staff have fielded inquiries from news agencies across the country, authors and filmmakers, and students and professors from local universities, and the AHC expects this to continue or increase over the next couple of months. Research was also conducted at the AHC and photos from the AHC were purchased for use in the upcoming book *Texas Silver* by the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, upcoming exhibits at the National Museum of African American History and Culture, the Community Gallery at the ESB-MACC, the 100th anniversary of Deep Eddy, and a documentary film *Remember this House*.

Austin History Center Association

Over 100 people attended the AHCA's Annual Meeting on Sunday May 22. The focus of the meeting was honoring the 20+ individuals who have been interviewed over the last few years by the AHCA's Oral History Committee, including all nine of the living former Mayors of Austin.

Upcoming Events

- June 17, 6 PM, Carver Museum (Boyd Vance Theater). Screening of Six Square Project Documentaries
- June 21, 6:30 PM, AHC. *In the Shadow of the Dome: Slave Life in Austin*.
- July 26, 6:30 PM, AHC. Opening of "Looking Back: 50 Years After the UT Tower Shooting" and book launch for *The Texas Tower Sniper*.
- September 18. Austin Museum Day
- October 16, 2-6 PM, Scholz Garten. Austin Archives Bazaar

Central Library Services

Will be included in the July report

Branch Services

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Youth Services

Youth Services' Literature Live! had its first brown paper puppet lab recently at Little Walnut Creek Branch and it was a roaring success. Over 80 folks attended! The team taught the crowd how to craft a variety of puppets out of nothing more than brown paper and a bit of masking tape. All supplies

were provided for this hands-on workshop. And more labs are scheduled throughout the summer.

Youth Services at Oak Hill is having youth volunteers write up book recommendations and put them in "shelf-talkers" in the youth section. This has really been helpful for readers looking for that next book or series to read!

Grants

Two new initiatives are starting this summer with funding from Google Fiber and Google.

Google is providing the Austin Public Library Friends Foundation with \$70,000 of which \$66,180 will be used to initiate public video conferencing capabilities at the New Central Library and branch locations:

Spicewood Springs
Hampton Branch at Oak Hill
Carver
Ruiz
Little Walnut Creek
Manchaca Road
Yarborough

Google Fiber is funding digital literacy-focused activities that will extend the Library's capabilities to assist both youth and adult customers at the Ruiz and Carver locations through increased one-to-one assistance and programming. The anticipated \$75,000 to be received by the Austin Public Library Friends Foundation will provide temporary staff members at Ruiz and Carver to conduct STEM-related programs and fund a series of programs primarily for adults covering topics such as web page development, experience design, digital marketing, and constructing mobile apps. These programs extend the existing ways in which the Library Foundation, The Austin Public Library, and the City of Austin's Digital Inclusion Program, Google, and Google Fiber are collaborating to enhance the APL's ability to provide direct service to customers.

Recycled Reads

May revenue for Recycled Reads was approximately \$14,000. Over 3550 people visited the store, including 253 attending the 17 scheduled events. Donations were received from approximately 240 people. More than twenty volunteers donated over 200 hours of their time to the bookstore.

Goodwill Industries picked up 24 pallets of discarded materials from Recycled Reads. Staff received pallets of materials from the warehouse, branches and donations and sorted approximately 32 pallets of materials representing approximately 65,000 items at the bookstore. Approximately 28 tons of materials were kept out of the landfill. Between sales, donations and weeded material from APL, over 68,000 items were processed.

Recycled Reads is continuing the price per pound program with Thrift Books in Dallas. They pay 12 cents per pound on the books sent to them. They picked up 12 pallets.

We received our semi-annual donation from the Austin American-Statesman of four pallets of books.

Volunteer Services

May 2016 - STATISTICS

Number of Volunteers	247
Total Volunteer hours	1663.80
Volunteer Hourly Value	\$ 23.56
	\$ 39,199.13

Policy Violations

54	Theft of Library, staff, or customer property
36	Disturbing others using the Library
25	Sleeping in the Library
22	Using obscene language
22	Harassment of Library staff or customers (Not Sexual)
20	Disorderly conduct
16	Mistreatment or vandalism of Library facilities, materials or equipment
14	Blocking access to Library entrances, passageways or resources
13	Intoxication resulting from alcohol or drugs
10	Physically attack or threaten to attack another person
8	Appropriate clothing is required
8	No outside food or beverage allowed in the Library
7	Unintended use of restrooms
6	Destruction of Library property
6	Fighting
6	Entering unauthorized areas
6	Indecent exposure
6	Leaving personal belongings unattended
5	Bringing in bedrolls, blankets or sleeping bags
5	Violating Internet Policy
3	Smoking in the Library
3	Public Lewdness
2	Voyeurism and peeping
1	Abandoning children or failing to supervise children at the Library
1	Bringing animals into the Library
1	Soliciting and panhandling
1	Strong odor
1	Unlawfully carrying or displaying weapons
308	Total

Locations # of Incidents

Faulk Central	51
Little Walnut	25
Twin Oaks	25
Ruiz	20
Terrazas	16
Southeast	14
Manchaca Rd	9
Windsor Park	9
History Center	8
Cepeda	8
Carver	6
Milwood	6
North Village	6
St. John	5
Spicewood	3
Hampton	2
Old Quarry	2
Pleasant Hill	2
Yarborough	2
Howson	1
University Hills	1

To see the complete up to date listing of events visit
<http://library.austintexas.gov/events>

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