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FOLK PREPARES FOR FIRST OF 2005 USED BOOK SALES




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



When FOLK says the books and other materials are sold at minimum prices here is what they mean: Hardback and large softback books start at \$1.00 while standard size paperback books are only \$.50. Newer released hardbacks and coffee table books sale for a mere \$3.00. Children and young adult books range in price from \$.25 to \$1.00. Videos, CDs, Cassettes, and several other items of interest are sold at the same bargain prices.

Book, magazine, and other donations are accepted (all year round) during business hours of the library. All donations are tax deductible. Something you may not know, the library has first choice to all donated items. So you may see your donated item on a library shelf, or you may see it at one of FOLK's Used Book Sales. Either way the KW library is the benefactor of your generous donations. To learn more about FOLK and how becoming a 'friend' of the library will enhance the material and services offered by the library, stop by the library's circulation desk @ 4102 Rustic Woods Dr. 'Friend' memberships start as low as \$15 annually.



 [Click here to view photos from past FOLK Used Book Sale Events](#)

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Join the Dragoneers

Christine Heinrich (left), Edda Richards (right), and Jose Valezequez (not pictured) presented Christmas Around the World to the Dragoneers on Dec. 7 at the Kingwood Library. Each of the ladies shared Christmas celebrations in their native countries. For pictures of the Dragoneer Club meetings, log onto [kingwoodnow.com's](#) Web site. The Dragoneer Club is a Kingwood library program designed for elementary age children. For dates and time of club meetings, watch the *Observer*, log onto [kingwoodnow.com](#) community calendar, or call the library at 281-360-6804.

Friends Of the Kingwood Library (FOLK) and The Kingwood Library Say Thanks...

FOLK's November Used Book Sale was a tremendous success. You, the Kingwood community, are a major force behind the success of this FOLK fundraising project. Continuing to graciously donate quantity and quality of books, magazines, and much more for FOLK's Daily and Quarterly Used Book Sales you are putting on the shelves materials for sale which are wanted by our patrons at bargain prices. Thus increasing the revenues by which FOLK can assist the library in providing more programs and books for the community.

FOLK will hold its first Used Book Sale on Friday, February 18, 2005 (FOLK members ONLY) and Saturday, February 19, 2005 for the general public. Need to make room for those new books you received for Christmas? Donations are accepted during normal business hours of the library. For hours of the Kingwood library, log on to hcpl.net Branch information.

The Dragoneer Club for elementary age children has two meetings in January and one in February. For dates and time of the Dragoneer Club meetings, check the Village Section of the Kingwood Observer and kingwoodnow.com's community calendar.

Additionally, the Kingwood Library offers numerous story times and craft time for children of all ages. Information about these events can be found in the library's yearbook, or by calling the library at 281-360-6804.

When writing articles regarding the success of FOLK activities and campaigns, I often wonder if I am conveying to the public the purpose behind FOLK. The following information gives you a better understanding of FOLK and its partnership with the Kingwood library. As defined in the Bylaws of FOLK, "The purpose of this (nonprofit) organization shall be to maintain an association of persons interested in books, and libraries; to focus public attention on library services, facilities, and programs; and to stimulate gifts of books, magazines, desirable collections, endowments, and bequests." And further to promote the cause of the Kingwood Branch Library and the Kingwood community by fund raising events and cultural activities...."

FOLK raise funds for the benefit of the Kingwood library through many avenues. The major ones are shown below:

• **Membership dues.** Again, FOLK's Bylaws state, "Membership in this organization (FOLK) shall be open to all individuals in sympathy with its purposes, including representatives of organizations and clubs... in which case dues shall be paid...." Membership dues start at \$15.00 annually (April - March).

• **Daily and Quarterly Used Book Sales** of donated materials.

• **Annual contribution solicitation** from the community via of the Buy-A-Book campaign. This annual event is held in October. Contribution solicitations are asked for through word-of-mouth; newspaper articles; kingwoodnow.com's website; direct mail, etc.

• **Contributions from corporations** for volunteer hours provided by employees and retirees. Additionally, matching contributions by corporations to the various programs of their employees and retirees.

• Although not a fundraiser, FOLK encourage the community to gift books, magazines, desirable collections, endowments, and bequests to the library in the honor of and/or memory of a special event, or person. The daughters of Helen Spector, Laura Hawkins and Judith Rozelle, recently made a memorial contribution to the library. This generous contribution purchased twenty books to start a juvenile collection of classics in remembrance of their mother's love for books and children.

Want to expand your support of the Kingwood Library in 2005? Here are three easy ways to do so:

1. Join FOLK. The library staff at the library's circulation desk can sign you up today.
2. Sign up as a FOLK volunteer. Leave your name with one of the Kingwood librarians, or call the library at 281-360-6804.
3. Patronize FOLK events and/or contribute to FOLK campaigns. Don't forget the 'matching funds' through your workplace.

FOLK, and the Kingwood library staff look forward to working with you, and for you to continuously improve on the books and programs offered by the Kingwood Branch library in 2005 and many years to come.

Kingwood Branch Library offers January programs

The new children's (elementary school ages 7-11 year olds) program, Dragoner Club, will meet on Jan. 4 at 4-5 p.m.

The program this week is "Yes I Can!" by Battenberg's ATA Blackbelt Academy. On Jan. 18, salute the sun and have some fun; then pretend you're a tree in the Livable Forest with Marita Gardner-Anopol of Yoga 4 Kids.

Preschool craft will be held on Jan. 20 at 10:30 a.m. and 2:20 p.m.; sign-ups preferred so we have adequate materials for all.

Storytimes for preschoolers, Thursdays at 11 a.m., featuring "Mother Goose Lapsit," is designed for children 0-18 months and their parents. No sign-up is required. The program includes nursery rhymes, finger plays, and songs.

Toddler time is Tuesdays at 10 a.m. and Thursday at 10 a.m. The program is individualized for 18 months to 3 years. Sign-ups are required. A new series begins Jan. 11. Call Library for further information, 281-360-6804.

Preschool storytime is Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. and 2:20 p.m. Although the program is designed for 3-6 year old children, all are welcome.

Nugamers is a young adult program and will meet on Jan. 22 from noon to 4 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Join in playing tactical combat games using miniature scale figures.

For adults, the library will have Night at the Opera with Ann Thompson - Il Tovatore and Lysistrata on Jan. 12 from 7-9 p.m.

Kingwood Calendar of Events

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February 2005

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In the Villages

Feb. 9 - 15

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BENEFIT GARAGE SALE

Kingwood Specialty Hospital, Kingwood's newest surgical hospital, will sponsor a garage sale on Saturday, Feb. 19 from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Proceeds will be donated to the American Cancer Society, Relay for Life of Humble/Kingwood. Items to be sold will range from antiques to children's clothes and toys. The sale will be held in Kingwood Specialty Hospital's parking lot at 300 Kingwood Medical Drive. For further information, call 281-312-4000.

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In addition to the large selection of newer-released and children's books, books can be found in the following categories at the used book sale: fiction

(including mysteries and romance), non-fiction, science fiction, biographies, arts/literature/classics/poetry, business/computer/reference, religion/inspiration, self-help, gardening, cooking, crafts/hobbies, home improvement, humor, western, coffee table, parenting, medical/diet/exercise, travel and young adult books. Also for sale are media materials: videos, CDs, cassettes and music.

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frances pelham

From: "Kingwood Now" <info@kingwoodnow.com>
To: <fpelham@msn.com>
Sent: Monday, February 14, 2005 2:20 PM
Subject: Newsletter from Kingwood Now

Sent by Kingwood Now on 14 February 2005 Topic: Kingwood This Week

It is Monday again and that means it is time for your Kingwood Now weekly update.

So What has Happened?

We learned that the Kingwood High School swimmers and divers won district and if you have not been to an opera, you should give it a try. We learned how to use the Kingwood Now discussion forums and about the 2nd Chance Lunch that had a surprise ending. Texas Heatwave Senior soccer players signed letters of intent and a 3rd grade student got involved in Tsunami relief and met former President George Bush.

What to Look Forward to?

Cebridge is doing a major upgrade to their email system for cebridge.net users. There is going to be a loving feeling (and many golf balls) in the air this Wednesday. Reforestation and beautification is underway on parts of Lake Houston Parkway. FOLK (Friends of the Library Kingwood) is having their Used Book Sale this Friday & Saturday, plus many other events can be seen on our event calendar.

The Weekly Winner!

This weekly winner will receive a 1 hour massage at the Spa at QLS and 1 month membership to QLS Family Fitness! And the winner is....

RusticCreek

All the winner has to do is email iwon@kingwoodnow.com with the words I Won! in the subject line.

Have a great week in Kingwood!

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Our 10 latest articles & news items

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- 7 - HOW TO USE OUR FORUM DISCUSSIONS SECTION
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- 10 - ABOUT OUR ONLINE SURVEYS?

Our 5 latest forum posts

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Danny Sullivan 0 marklinabury 17 12/02/2005 om 10:50

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10th Annual Christmas in the Park - December 3, 2005 0 mrsannacampbell 11 07/02/2005 om

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Fall Car Show 2005 - October 2, 2005 0 mrsannacampbell 6 07/02/2005 om 21:33

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Kingwood's July 4th Celebration 0 mrsannacampbell 8 07/02/2005 om 21:32

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From: "Sparky" <sparky@kwchamber.org>
To: <generalmembership@kwchamber.org>
Sent: Wednesday, February 23, 2005 8:20 AM
Attach: ATT00119.htm
Subject: Kingwood Chamber Marches forward with our Go Texan 'Lifter's' Lunch - Please respond with your answer.

!!!Attention Texan Lifters!!!

History teaches us that behind every great and worthwhile mission stands an army of Volunteers ready to charge forward at a moment's notice. These 'armies' are made up of dedicated individuals that serve tirelessly, unselfishly, and often silent in their public service position, church, civic club, school, or non-profit organization. Giving over and beyond in monetary resources, time, and talents is something they do every single day for the sake of the mission they support. Our own Kingwood Chamber of Commerce is made up of just such individuals that have guaranteed our sincerest hospitality has been extended to every visitor that has walked in every function we have had. We call these incredible men and women. Volunteers! (Mr. and Mrs. Volunteer to us grateful recipients.)

If you are a Volunteer, or you LOVE Volunteers, you won't want to miss this lunch. This one's for you!

Kingwood Chamber of Commerce's

Go Texan LIFTER'S Lunch

Wednesday March 2nd, 2005

The Ever-Beautiful Kingwood Country Club

Only 15.00 with your prompt RSVP

Doors Open at 11:30 AM for those with an RSVP

Your prompt response is politely requested.

P.S. The Club can only hold about 500 people, so guarantee your seat today with an RSVP. RSVP TODAY and we will have you a table tent made that day with your name on it! Thanks in advance for your RSVP. (RSVP is French for Respond Please) Love to hear back from you. Can't wait to hear from you. How's that e-mail working? Don't be a stranger. ('Give us a holler' is Texan for RSVP) We'll leave the modem light on.

2/27/2005

Committees formed at public safety mee

By SARAH MERTINS
Observer Reporter

The new chairman of Kingwood Association's public safety committee, Robert Westover, is starting his new term with some new ideas.

At the well-attended committee meeting held on Feb. 9, Westover asked that each committee member sign up for one of three subcommittees: Houston Police Department (HPD), Houston Fire Department (HFD) and special projects. Those on the HPD committee will assist the department with projects such as child fingerprinting, and the HFD committee members will "go around to the stations, meet with the guys and let them know that we care about them," he said.

Westover also said he cares about our finances. Each year we are given money (\$17,000) from the Kingwood Service Association and we don't use it. I want to efficiently use the budget we have towards safety programs."

As is typical at the meetings, various representatives of public safety organizations gave updates to the committee. Lt. Matthew Bullock of HPD reported that the bike patrol unit has maintained eight officers, six of whom are regularly stationed in Kingwood. The other two are on two-week rotations from other divisions. He said that Capt. McKinney, who is in the Northeast Division but is also currently overseeing Kingwood, has committed to continuing the bicycle patrol program, and will provide officers from

Northeast.

Chief Steve Sparks of HFD said that the quint equipment that Kingwood has been awaiting for so long is due for delivery soon.

Doug Clough, a representative of the centralized 911 dispatch center, said that there is an ongoing problem with calls made to the center through computers.

He said that two weeks ago, a woman had been shot. When her daughter used internet protocol rather than a conventional landline to call the center, she received a recording that instructed her to use a conventional phone line to call for emergency assistance.

"Just like cell phone companies, Internet providers feel that they don't need to follow the same rules the phone companies do. So far, only Time Warner has agreed to work with us to direct emergency calls to the 911 system. Four cell phone companies have installed towers to help locate people who make 911 calls on their cell phones, and Sprint and Nextel have five years to install their towers as old phones wear out," he explained.

Gwendolyn Condeleo of Mayor Bill White's citizens' assistance office said that the recent Kleenwood event was an overwhelming success. "It was such a joy to see more than 400 volunteers join this community effort," she said.

As part of the area clean up, she also announced that Republic Waste had cleaned up seven tons of trash discarded on Seville Road, which is near Reeve's Furniture on the southbound feeder road. The

site is being used by contractors to dump construction debris, and will be closely monitored.

She also announced the upcoming Capitol Improvement Project (CIP) meeting that will be held with Councilwoman Addie Wiseman at the Heritage Center on Feb. 23, and free tax preparation being offered to low and moderate income individuals. The service will be provided every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Kingwood Library through April 15.

The renaming of the Kingwood Municipal Service Center to the "Robert W. Hadaway Municipal Building" is being considered by the city's building services department, and comments and input about the change may be submitted until the March 7 deadline.

Dee Price of the Super Neighborhood Council said that 10 items had been submitted for consideration at the CIP meeting. They deal with mobility issues as well as a community center and library improvements.

Diane Harding, chair of the Positive Interaction Program (PIP), said that Officer Dwayne Wright will speak about detecting deception while interviewing at the Feb. 15 meeting.

Ray Anderson, vice chair of the committee, reported that a deputy constable had attended the Hunter's Ridge Community Association meeting the night before and had provided a handout about the illegality and dangers of mini pocket bikes.

"They can't be registered, so they are not allowed on streets. It's important that people recognize that these bikes

are illegal," he stated.

The public safety committee meets at 7 p.m. on the second Wednesday of every

month at the Hills Anyone Kingwood

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FOLKs NEED NEW FRIENDS



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FOLK was instrumental in the opening of the Kingwood library in August of 1983 as FOLK members went door-to-door collecting money to buy books for the new library. In 1986 the Texas State Library selected Kingwood library FRIENDS' Buy-A-Book Campaign as the (Texas) State Library Project of the Year.

The numbers of people who patronize the library and FOLK fundraisers are high. For this, we (the library and FOLK) are forever grateful. However, FOLK members are in the 200 hundred range, while there are over 60,000 residents in Kingwood. YOU can change the percentage of FOLK members vs. Kingwood residents today by becoming a FRIEND of the Kingwood library.

By now, you may be asking yourself how can I, my family or my club help add books, equipment and enhance programs at our local library? I'm glad you asked. Becoming a member of FOLK is easy. You can either stop by the library's circulation desk, or you may complete a Membership card and mail it along with your check to FOLK - Membership, P.O. Box 5353, Kingwood, Texas, 77325-5353. FOLK membership fees, like other fundraising monies, are used to enhance the services and programs of the library. Additionally, membership fees (like other donations to FOLK) are tax deductible.

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'Spring' into action by joining Friends of the Library Kingwood

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"The Kingwood community does it again..."

Dear Editor:

Record numbers of books, magazines and other media materials were sold at Friends of the Library-Kingwood's (FOLK) February used book sale.

The money raised at the used book sale will be used to enhance the services and programs at the Kingwood Library. However, because of your generous book and magazine donations, FOLK was able to further assist others with their charitable projects.

Examples include: Kingwood Women's Club (young adult books for Health South); books and magazines for the three Houston area veterans' hospitals; books for soldiers in Afghanistan; books for English reading rooms in Malabo, Equatorial Guinea and West Africa.

Books and magazines were also contributed to a library in Grapeland.

We continue to be impressed with the generosity of the Kingwood community. We thank you and so do the Kingwood library and other (book/magazine) benefactors.

Friends of the Library-Kingwood

March 26 — Nugamers gaming, from 12-4 p.m., for young adults to adults, Tactical combat games. All programs are at the Kingwood Library.

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Kingwood Library February 2005 programs

The Kingwood Library has programs designed for every age group. The schedule below is for the month of February:

- Dragoner Club - designed for elementary school age children, 7-11 years of age.
- Kingwood Garden Club — "How Does Your Garden Grow," Feb. 1 and 22, 4-5 p.m.
- Preschool craft - Make a Valentine Mouse, Feb. 10, 10:30 a.m. and 2:20 p.m., sign-ups preferred so adequate materials are on

hand for all.

- Storytime for Preschoolers — (Every) Thursday at 11 a.m.
- Mother Goose Lapsit — Designed for children 0-18 months and their parents. No sign-up required. Program includes nursery rhymes, finger plays, and songs.
- Toddler time - Program individualized for 18 months to 3 years, (every) Tuesday and Thursday at 10 a.m. Must be pre-registered.
- Preschool Storytime - Designed for 3-6 year olds, but all

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Young Adult Programs

- Nugamers - join in playing tactical combat games using miniature scale figures. Feb. 26, 12-4 p.m. - Everyone welcome. For more information, call the library at 281-360-6804, or visit the www.nugamers.com

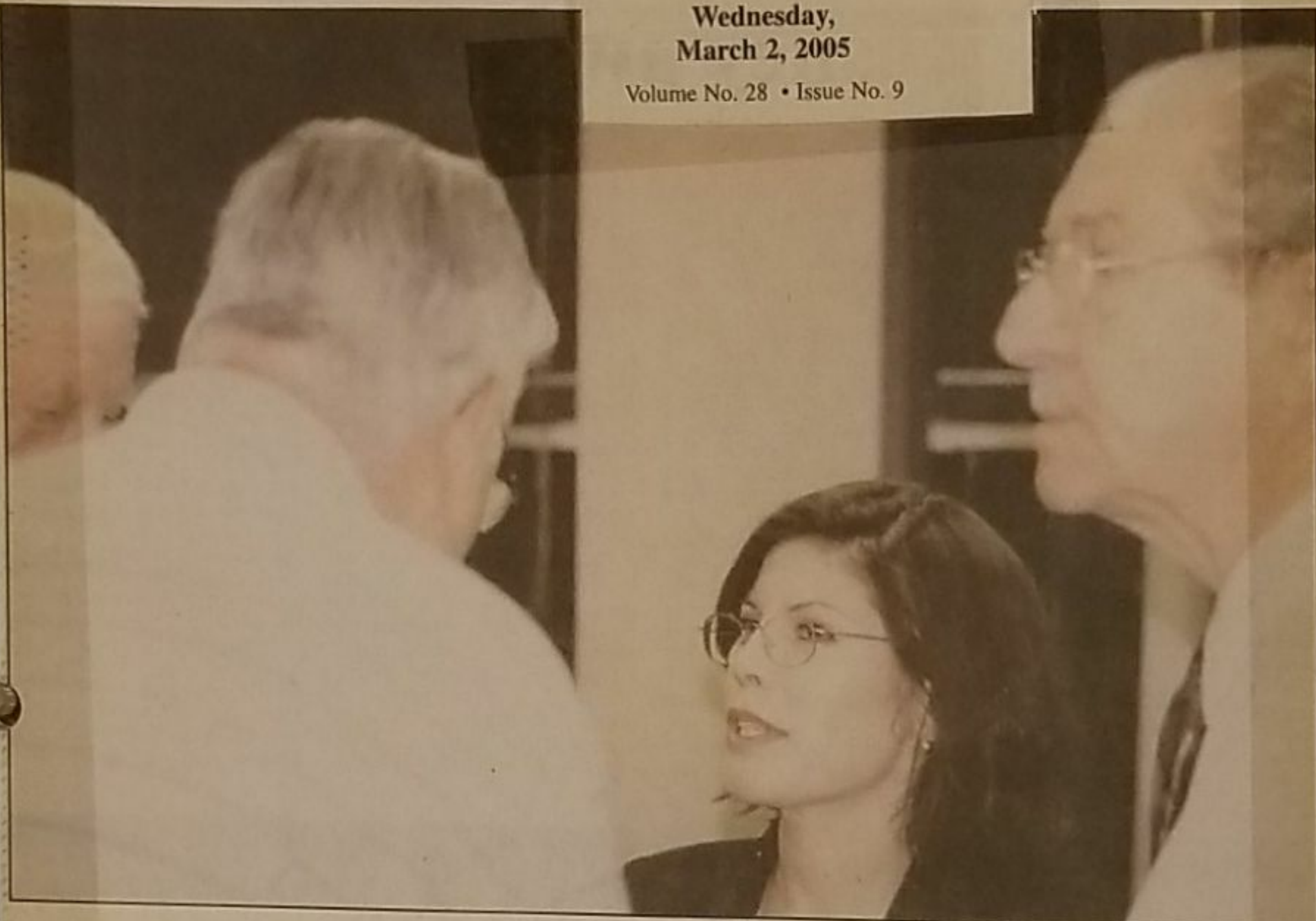
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- Internal Revenue Service help courtesy of AARP — Every Wednesday in February from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

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Houston City Council member Addie Wiseman addressed the community to discuss Capital Improvement Projects of interest to Kingwood residents at the Heritage Center. Photo by Shirley Crowley

Wiseman discusses ongoing projects

By SHIRLEY CROWLEY
Observer Reporter

More than 100 Kingwood residents gathered at the Heritage Center in Town Center to meet with Addie Wiseman, District E city council member, and various Houston city officials to hear the city's proposed plans for Capital Improvement Projects in Kingwood.

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Mills Branch Road," said Wiseman.

Wiseman said a traffic signal should be in place within 45 days.

Other completed projects mentioned by Wiseman were the Kingwood Skate Park and Forest

Cove drainage.

"I have reports that the skate park is heavily used and being enjoyed," said Wiseman.

One resident from Forest Cove was referred to the public works department when he complained of what he perceived as

a design problem with grates placed over drainage ditches that were installed as a part of the project.

Wiseman reported that 9.2 acres of land was acquired on Jan. 12 as a site for the Community Center to be located in the 2700 block of Bens Branch.

According to Wiseman, there is plenty of land for future growth and expansion at the site, beyond building the center.

"The \$1.7 million project

CIP

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now moves into planning and design phases. We have scheduled this meeting in order to be sure we receive community input. You are seeing your tax dollars at work," said Wiseman, smiling.

A public meeting will be held on March 8 at 7 p.m. at the Heritage Center to continue with plans on the development of the new community center.

Wiseman said she had succeeded in initiating plans to develop a joint city/county library.

"I met with Jerry Eversole, Harris County Precinct 4 Commissioner, who agreed that we need a better and larger library. With the help of Mayor White, we have been able to make a land swap near the existing Kingwood Library to go forward with the project," she said. Regarding the issue of Kingwood being without a per-

manent police chief, Wiseman said she had sent a written request to Houston Police Chief Hurt to find out when a permanent chief would be in place, asking for a response by July 1.

"I was informed that this position will fall into next year's fiscal budget, beginning in June," she said.

Wiseman informed the group that Northpark Drive would be widened from two lanes to four from West Lake Houston Parkway to Mills Branch Road. The project was not initially a part of the CIP plan but the need for this to be done came about as a result of additional homes being built that will increase traffic flow on that section of roadway.

Wiseman said the traffic flow project surrounding Kingwood High School is about to begin. She expressed satisfaction that Humble ISD had agreed to partner with the city to coordinate traffic patterns within the schools' exits and entrances of their parking lots to align with city plans.

Dee Price, president of the Super Neighborhood Council (SNC), addressed Wiseman, saying SNC supports the building of the community center that topped the list of CIP projects recommended by SNC.

"An item that is not on our list that we feel needs to be addressed is traffic light synchronization. If the signals are interrupted by storms or other disruptions, the lights have to be redone," said Price.

"The other issue that needs to be taken into consideration is egress and ingress in Kingwood. An extension of Woodland Hills Drive needs to be evaluated; an additional exit to our neighborhood is needed," she said.

Wiseman responded by saying that an extension to Woodland Hills has been evaluated and assessed.

"An extension of Woodland Hills involves a floodway. We need to revisit the feasibility of such an extension. It is doable if we can partner with other agencies," said Wiseman.

A city official responded to the

synchronization question by explaining that a fiber optic system would be installed within the year using federal funds to alleviate the problem. In the future, the city will have the ability to reset the lights remotely.

A 10-page, full-color final executive summary of the Kingwood Transportation Mobility Area Study was available for residents to take.

Also provided were planned project sheets listing all projects included in District E, and a list of active projects.

In addition, an overview of CIP project estimated costs for 2005-2009 were handed out.

Following comments by Wiseman residents were given the opportunity to voice concerns and ask questions.

The majority of those approaching the microphone expressed annoyance that the community center would be located so close to those living in the vicinity of Kingwood Greens, in particular when there are other vacant buildings that could be used.

They criticized the city for

building the structure when the city complains of budget constraints and the fact that users of the facility could come from outside Kingwood.

One resident requested the data that shows the community desires to have the center.

Still others said building the center is a waste of taxpayer money when so many other projects are needed.

Others were concerned that once the building was erected that there would not be money to keep it running.

Wiseman responded by saying that this is a bond project.

"As far as the location for the facility, I assure you that this is the best thing for the area. The property is commercially designated. At least by building this facility we can protect residents by controlling light, noise and the green-scape. This is much better than a shopping center being built there," said Wiseman.

Wiseman also assured citizens that the city would not go forward with building plans without knowing that funding is available to

operate the facility.

Wiseman assured the citizens of Kingwood Greens who appeared to be agitated that they would not have to choose between police services and funding the center.

One resident expressed concerns that the center would take business away from the Heritage Center. Wiseman assured her that there is a need for both to be utilized.

"We will cut waste where the waste is. There is a lot of waste downtown," said Wiseman, referring to projects in other areas.

Wiseman said she had had a meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 22 with the YMCA at Lake Houston who plans to partner with the city to complement, not duplicate, services and activities made available to residents.

Joe Turner, Houston public parks director, expressed that he is excited about the project.

"We desire full public input regarding the project. We tentatively plan to begin construction in October, with completion by August 2006.

'SPRING' into action by joining Friends Of the Library Kingwood.

Friends Of the Library Kingwood's annual membership drive is in April of each year.

Friends Of the Library Kingwood (FOLK) was chartered in April of 1981 for the purpose of focusing public attention on library programs, its facilities, and the needs of the library. The objective of FOLK is to promote the cause of the Kingwood Branch Library in the community by holding fundraising events and funding cultural activities. In layman terms, to be a FRIEND of the Kingwood library.

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YES! I want to be a FRIEND of my (Kingwood Branch) library. Enclosed/Attached is my check (made payable to FOLK) for the (annual) type membership I have indicated below:

\$15.00 Regular \$25.00 Patron \$50 \$100 Sustaining
 \$500 Benefactor \$1000 Life Member

Name: _____ **Address:** _____

_____ **Phone number:** _____

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FOLK'S USED BOOK SALE JUST AROUND THE CORNER

Date: Tuesday, April 26 @ 14:57:01 CDT

Topic: Announcements



Friends Of the Library Kingwood's (FOLK's) next Used Book Sale is Saturday, May 14, 2005 at the Kingwood Library, 4102 Rustic Woods Dr @ West Lake Houston Parkway from 9am - 3pm. FOLK members shop early:

Friday, May 13, 2005 from 5pm - 8pm.

Because of the generous donations from the community and library patrons, you will find a large selection of newer released (published between 2003 - 2005) books and another awesome selection of children's books.

In addition to the large selection of newer released and children's books, you will find books in the following categories: fiction (including mysteries and romance), non-fiction, science fiction, biographies, arts/literature/classics/poetry, business/computer/reference, religion/inspiration, self-help, gardening, cooking, crafts/hobbies, home improvement, humor, western, coffee table, parenting, medical/diet/exercise, travel and young adult books. Also for sale are media materials: videos, cds, cassettes and music.

Hardback and large softback books start at \$1.00 while standard size paperback books are only \$.50. Newer released hardback and coffee table books sale for a mere \$3.00. Children



and young adult books range in price from \$.25 to \$1.00. Videos, CDs, Cassettes, and other items of interest are also sold at bargain prices.

Book, magazine, and other donations are accepted during library business hours. All donations are tax deductible. Something you may not know, the library has first choice to all donated items. So you may see your donated item on a library shelf, or you may see it at one of FOLK's Used Book Sales. Either way the KW library is the benefactor of your generous donations.

To learn more about FOLK and how becoming a 'friend' of the library will enhance the material and services offered by the library, stop by the library's circulation desk @ 4102 Rustic Woods Dr. 'Friend' memberships start as low as \$15 annually.

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CRAWFISH BOIL

The Coastal Conservation Association's Northeast Houston chapter will celebrate its 17th annual banquet and crawfish boil on Saturday, April 30, 5 p.m. at the Humble Civic Center Expo Arena. The \$25 ticket will purchase a crawfish dinner with trimmings, free beer and soft drinks, an opportunity to participate in the raffle and auction and visit with the donors and exhibitors. For tickets and corporate sponsor information call 713626-4CCA. Early bird ticket purchasers will go in to a drawing for an American Rodsmith rod and a Shimano Calais reel.

T.O.P.S

Kingwood Area T.O.P.S. will host a "Spring Into a New You Brunch" on Saturday, April 30 at 10 a.m. The selection of low-calorie, good-tasting foods will delight. There will also be recipes to take home. Please RSVP to smilesldr@earthlink.net by April 27. Both events will be held at the Kingwood Christian Church, 3910 West Lake Houston. For more information on T.O.P.S., please call Sherry at 281-814-9078.

HOUSTON N.E. AGLOW

Houston N.E. Aglow will host Ifeoma Edoziem, speaker and prayer intercessor, on Thursday, April 28, at 7 p.m. at the Nathaniel Center, 804 Russell Palmer Rd. in Kingwood. All women are welcome.

UPDATE YOUR WARDROBE

Have you been cleaning your closets? Take those items you need to update to Talbots on Friday or Saturday, April 29 and 30, and challenge them to give your wardrobe a new look. What can't be "made new," or any other clothing donations you may have, will be given to FamilyTime in Porter. Tax receipts will be available. Talbots is located at 880 Kingwood Drive. Call 281-312-0375 for more information.

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Volunteers mean everything!

Dear Editor:

Once again, the Kingwood Branch Library honored their volunteers with a luncheon. The library staff recognizes that without the help of the numerous volunteers, we could not serve the community in the manner we wish. Our volunteers shelve, sort, and mend items; host book sales, man the doors for patron count week, create beautiful bulletin boards, help with delivery of requested items and perform many other assignments — always with smiling faces and wonderful attitudes.

In addition to the individuals who volunteer directly at the library, there are many organizations that also make Kingwood Library a special place in the community. These include the Kingwood Garden Club who creates and maintains the beautiful garden; the Kingwood Women's Club, National Charity League-Kingwood Chapter, and National Charity League-Livable Forest Chapter, who are quick to pitch in on projects and everyday tasks.

We have ESL tutors who work year-round with students wishing to learn English and the AARP gentlemen who help the public prepare their taxes every year from February through April 15.

FOLK — Friends of the Library-Kingwood — is a stalwart and true friends group. They are behind us and beside us every step of the way helping us to bring our best to the community.

Harris County Public Library administration is always there to guide us and help whenever we need them. We need and appreciate each and every one of these individuals and groups.

"Thank you's" also go out to the Starbucks and Randalls in Town

Center for their support of the volunteer luncheon; Diane Pagano of Balloon Craft for her imaginative centerpieces; and last, but not least, to the wonderful staff of Kingwood Branch Library.

Christl C. Whittington,
branch librarian
Kingwood Branch Library



IT IS NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

Date: Monday, April 11 @ 07:38:44 CDT

Topic: Did You Know

This week, schools, campuses and communities across the country celebrate National Library Week, reminding the public about the valuable contribution of our libraries, librarians and library workers and that there's something for everyone @ your library.

Libraries have always been part of the American dream – places for education, self-help and lifelong. Today, there are at the forefront of the information age, making information accessible in multiple formats to people of all ages.

Libraries offer us a world of opportunity just for the asking, but they can't live on love alone. They need our support. National Library Week is a great time to stand up and speak out for your library. How can you help? Here are just a few ways:

- **Join the Friends of the Libraries group**
- **Write or email your congressmen in support of library issues when a referendum or bond issue comes up for a vote**
- **Read to other adult learners or work with ESL students**
- **Tutor school children with their homework**



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RECENT FOLK USED BOOK SALE A REAL SHELF CLEANER



"The shelves are bare..."

Thanks to all who patronized FOLK's most recent Used Book & Magazine Sale. Adults, children, young adults and young at heart were thrilled with the many book selections at bargain prices. Where does that large selection of books, magazines, and media materials come



from? YOU! FOLK and the recipient of the fundraising monies (the Kingwood library) continue to be so grateful for your generosity. Book, magazine and media material donations are tax deductible, and accepted during library hours:

Monday 1pm - 9pm; Tuesday 10am - 6pm; Wednesday 10am - 9pm
Thursday 10am - 6pm Friday 1pm - 6pm Saturday 10am - 5pm

There are many 'behind the scene' volunteers who have a hand in making FOLK's Used Book Sale such a success. Those volunteers come from the Kingwood Women's Club, the Livable Forest and Kingwood chapters of the National Charity League, library patrons and of course FOLK. So a huge THANK YOU to the community for all your generous donations, the patrons of the library and FOLK Used Book sales, and all of the many volunteers.

FOLK's next Used Book/Magazine Sale is Friday, August 19, 2005 from 5pm - 8pm at the Kingwood library for FOLK members and Saturday, August 20, 2005 from 9am - 3pm for the general public. To become a "Friend" of the library, stop by the library's circulation desk. FOLK memberships start at a mere \$15.00.

FOLK's August Used Book sale is a special one because it offers an opportunity for parents, students and teachers to get ready for the new school year without stretching their budgets. Where else can you buy books ranging from \$.25 cents to \$3 dollars.

The 2005 Teen Summer Reading Program and 2005 Children's Summer Reading and Read-To-Me Program are underway. Visit the following websites for more information regarding the Summer Reading programs at the Kingwood library: www.kingwoodnow.com; www.hcpl.net.

The library's DRAGONEER CLUB, a program designed for elementary age children and funded by FOLK, starts it's second year in September. For dates and times, check out the many 'voices' of the library and FOLK: Forest Image, www.kingwoodnow.com; www.hcpl.net, Kingwood Observer; Kingwood College's KWC-TV (Channel 42) and The Times. Pictures taken at previous Dragoneer Club meetings can be seen on www.kingwoodnow.com in the Dragoneer Club's photo album.

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


(Ray & Pat Guard of the Forest Image are presented with "The Handbook of Texas Music" which will be placed in the Kingwood Library in their name)

The Friends of the Library Kingwood (FOLK) held their 2004-05 Honoraria ceremony on Wednesday May 18th. The event was a way for FOLK to say thank you and honor those that helped make 2004 & 2005 successful including leaders, readers, program presenters, used book sale helpers, community contacts, and for publicity. Those honored had a book placed in the Kingwood Library in their name for their contributions. The honorees and books placed in their name are listed below:

Honorees	Book Placed In Their Name
Kathleen and Jenna Aten (Leader and Helper) & Kim and David Andrew (Helpers)	Dr. Ernest Drake's Dragonology: the complete book of dragons
Commissioner Jerry Eversole	Ephemeral City: Cite looks at Houston
Carey and Caroline Damien & Phyllis and Harvey Louderback	The TOS Handbook of Texas Birds
Ceil Dow - Mercer Arboretum	Perennial Gardening in Texas
Sharon Miller - Alabama-Coushatta Indian Nation	The Capitol of Texas
Marita Gardner-Anopol - Yoga Studio of Kingwood	K*I*S*S Guide to Yoga
Monica Davis - Battenburg ATA Black Belt Academy	Taekwondo
Patty Thiroll, Mrs. Barbara Kyzar, & Sam Kyzar - Kingwood Stamp Club	Arts & Crafts Movement in Europe & America
Kathy Carroll, Bill Carroll, Michael Russo, Cheryl Litherland, Charlie Saulmon - Kingwood Photo Club	Shooting & Sharing Digital Photos for Dummies
Edda Richards, Christine Heinrich, Josie Velazquez - International Ladies' Club	Christmas Almanac
Brenda Siebert & Lisa Kelly - National Charity League-Kingwood Chapter	Great Events from history: The Middle Ages, 477- 1453, v. 1
Darlene Beaman & Jacqueline Harren - National Charity League-Livable Forest Chapter	Great Events from history: The Middle Ages, 477- 1453, v. 2
Huguette Dishongh & Rita Klein - Kingwood Women's Club	Effective Fundraising for Nonprofits
Robert T. Blanchard	Prehistory of Texas
John Morris	Smithsonian Earth
Wade Bartels - UBS Grand Slam	Bobby Jones, America and the story of Golf
Roland Alley - UBS	Jackie Robinson: An intimate portrait
Patty Abshire - Kingwood Garden Club	Encyclopedia of plant care
Judy Hopkins - Keller Williams	Garden Ornament
Rick Alspaugh - Alspaugh's Ace Hardware	Complete Do-It-Yourself Manual

Sparky Nolan – Kingwood Chamber of Commerce	Big Cotton: How a humble fiber created fortunes, wrecked civilizations, & put America on the map
Brenda Themis – Kwik Kopy	New French Country
Mark Linabury – KingwoodNow.com	Creating Cool Web Sites with HTML, XHTML, and CSS
Stephanie Gillette & Linda Woehst - KWC-TV Channel 42	Leonardo Da Vinci: Flights of the Mind
Cynthia Calvert – Kingwood Observer	Complete Cartoons of the New Yorker
Gwyn Davis – JP Morgan-Chase Bank	Birth of Plenty: How the prosperity of the Modern World was created
Pat & Ray Guard – Forest Image	Handbook of Texas Music


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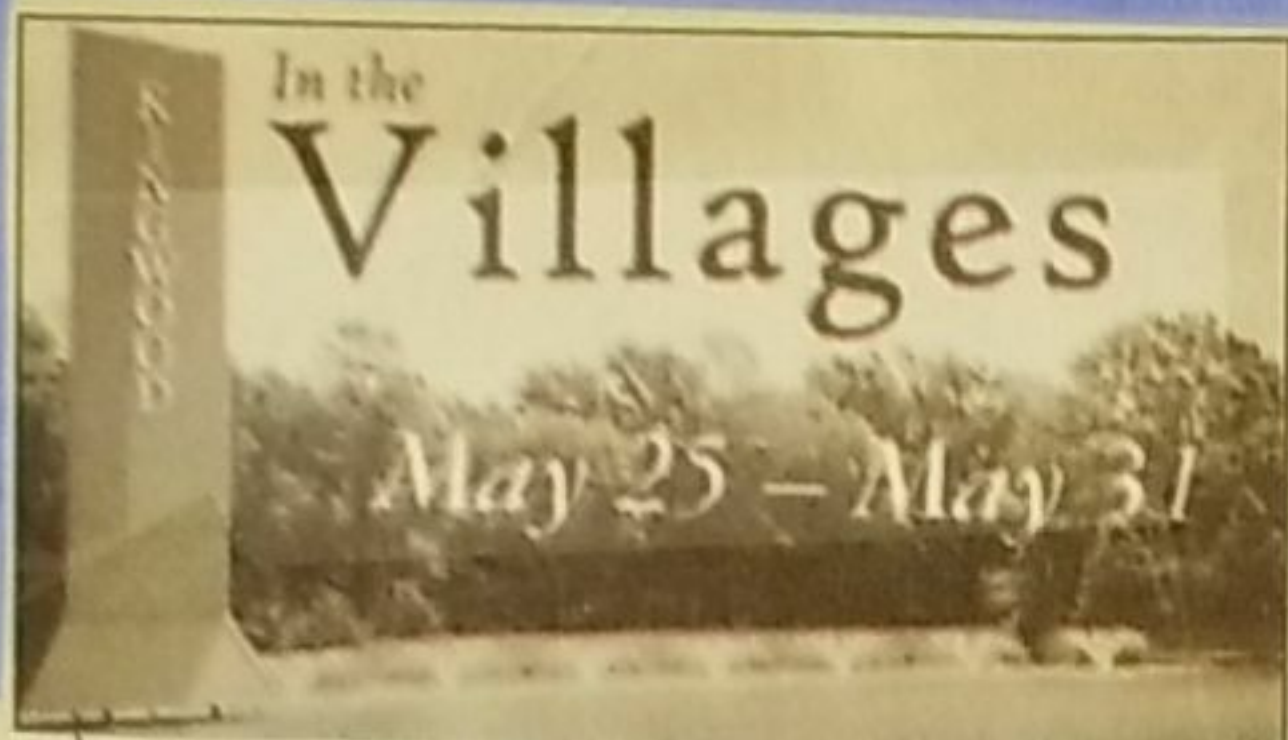
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TODDLER TIME REGISTRATION

The new series of nine Toddler Time programs at the Kingwood Library begins on Tuesday, June 7. These programs are specifically designed for children from 18 months to 3 years. Each week, the program will have themed songs, stories and fingerplays specifically for toddlers. Registration is the week of May 24 through Saturday, May 28. The Toddler Time programs will be each Tuesday at 10 a.m., and each Thursday at 10 a.m. Because of the age of the children, each session has only 10 children and their caregivers, so registration is important. For more information, or to register, call the Kingwood Library at 281-360-6804.

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What's new at the Kingwood Branch Library

If you have been to the Kingwood Branch Library lately, you have noticed something new at the circulation desk. They now have three self-checkout machines for your convenience.

In order to keep the high customer service standards that you have come to expect, the Harris County Public Library (HCPL) system installed self-checkout machines in the libraries that have high circulation.

The Harris County Public Library system now has the highest circulation in the state. Last year, they circulated over 10 million items, a 19 percent increase system-wide.

The Kingwood Branch is one of the highest circulating branches in the system. They circulated 459,756 items last year.

That was an increase of 22 percent from previous year and puts Kingwood in seventh place out of 26 branches (that includes the newest, biggest branches — Barbara

Bush/Cypress Creek, Clear Lake City/County, and Cy-Fair College/County branches).

They also answered 21,078 reference questions, requested 9,606 items from other HCPL branches, loaned out 93,583 items to other HCPL branches, requested 981 items through InterLibrary Loan and presented 290 programs with an attendance of 6,628.

All of this was accomplished without an increase in staffing.

As you can see, the staff at the Kingwood Branch has been very busy and welcomes the addition of the self-checkout machines. These machines will help them keep up with the added responsibilities higher circulation brings without sacrificing excellent customer service.

So, the next time you visit Kingwood Branch library give the new self-checkout machines a try. The staff will be there to help you.

Kingwood Branch Library calendar

The following programs are scheduled for June at the Kingwood Branch Library.

Children

Wild to Read Aloud!

May 31, 1:30-2:15 p.m. - First summer read-aloud for grade school kids. Trickster tales, ghost stories, silly stories and books just for fun.

Wild & Crazy Fun Club

June 1, 8, 16, and 22, at 2:15 p.m. - Program of crafts, activities, and videos designed for school age children. No signup required. Just come and have fun!

Bearclaw's Primitive Tools

June 2, 2:15 p.m. - Find all about how people made tools and weapons before there was iron and gunpowder. Recommended for kids K-fifth-grade. Free tickets are available beginning May 23.

June Kuechner's Marionettes

June 15, 2:15 p.m. - "Sleeping Beauty and the Handsome Prince" - For laughs, and excitement, see marionettes act in the play "Sleeping Beauty and the Handsome Prince" Recommended for school age kids. Free tickets are available beginning June 6.

Annual Variety Show

June 23, 10:15 a.m. and 2:15 p.m. - Come on get silly! It's time for the annual variety show with silly songs, silly puppets shows and silly skits. So get in a silly mood and get free tickets beginning Monday, June 13. Recommended for children 4 through 9 years.

Wild & Crazy Fun Club

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Now is the time to don your "getting wet" clothes and come battle for the Honor of your Clan! This activity is recommended for children K through fourth-grade. Come Loaded for Bear.

Snakes Alive!

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Storytimes for preschoolers

Mother Goose Lapsit

Thursdays at 11 a.m. - Designed for children 0-18 months and their parents. No sign-up required. Program includes nursery rhymes, finger plays, and songs.

Toddler time

Thursdays at 10 a.m. - Program is individualized for 18 months to 3 years. Signups required. Call the library for further information at 281-360-6804.

Preschool Storytime

Tuesdays 10:30 a.m. and 2:20 p.m. - Everyone welcome. Designed for 3-6 year old children, but all are welcome.

Young adults

School's out!

May 27, 2 p.m. - Join you friends at the Library for a sci-fi/comedy movie.

Live Clue

June 8, 7 p.m. - Come to the library for a game of Live Clue. Signup will be required.

Lotions & Potions

June 15, 7-9 p.m. - Gift yourself or a friend!

Teens Got Game!

June 18, 1-4 p.m. - Old standards, new favorites - challenge your friends.

Adult

Final Twist Mystery Writers

June 20, 7 p.m. - Panel discussion with the Final Twist chapter of the "Sisters in Crime" mystery writers organization.

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JUNE

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BETWEEN JOBS MINISTRY

On Thursday, June 2, at 9 a.m., Jeannette Coom, image consultant and owner of Professional Polish will speak about "Image = Income." The Between Jobs Ministry meets at Christ the King Lutheran Church located at 3803 West Lake Houston Parkway. The ministry meets the first and third Thursdays. For more information, please call Jodi Meyer at 281-360-7936 or e-mail jadim@christ4u.net

MERRY WIDOWS

Widows in the community who are looking for new friendships and the sharing of mutual support and encouragement are invited to attend the monthly gathering of the Merry Widows Friday, June 3 at 12:30 p.m. at the Steak & Ale in Humble for a time of fellowship and conversation regarding issues pertaining just to them. For more information, call 281-446-2332.

TODDLER TIME

The new series of nine Toddler Time programs at the Kingwood Library begins on Tuesday, June 7. These programs are specifically designed for children from 18 months to 3 years. Each week, the program will have themed songs, stories and fingerplays specifically for toddlers. The Toddler Time programs will be each Tuesday at 10 a.m. and each Thursday at 10 a.m. Because of the age of the children, each session has only 10 children and their caregivers, so registration is important. For more information, or to register, call the Kingwood Library at 281-360-6804.

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Go wild at the Kingwood Library

Go Wild! Read at the Kingwood Library this summer.

The summer reading program is here, and they are planning a busy summer. The sign-up for summer reading and Read-To-Me Clubs began May 31, the Tuesday after Memorial Day. Keep track of everything you read, or have read to you, (storytimes count, too). When you get 10 books read, show your list to a librarian and start helping the tree get new leaves and flowers. At the same time, pick up your certificate and choose a free new paperback book provided by the sponsors.

They still have preschool storytime every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. and 2:20 p.m. for kids from 3-years-old to 6-years-old.

For the old kids, they have a special Wild to Read Aloud at 1:30 p.m. These are stories of humor, adventure with heroes, tricksters, and scalawags galore and a new chapter of an exciting chapter book each week just right for listening to on a hot summer's afternoon. Drop in and join the fun.

Every Wednesday at 2:15 p.m., the Wild & Crazy Fun Club has some type of craft, video, or activity to keep you busy. On June 1, the first Wild & Crazy Fun Club will make Wild & Crazy beaded and braided bookmarks. The other

week's activities will be posted in the library lobby each week.

The first week will be busier yet when Lee Oates of Bearclaw Knives shows how people made primitive tools and weapons. This is for school age children.

Jean Kuecher's Marionette Theatre will present "Sleeping Beauty and the Handsome Prince" on Wednesday, June 15. This play is so funny even boys will like this show (Even if it does have a princess in it). This is intended for school-age children. Free tickets are available beginning June 6.

The Wild & Crazy Fun Club isn't cancelled, just moved to Thursday at 2:15 p.m. for an afternoon of War, Sorry, Uno, Candyland, and all those other exciting games.

The annual summer variety show is Thursday, June 23, at 10:15 a.m. and 2:15 p.m. It's back, sillier than ever, with puppets, skits, songs and rhymes. This is for kids from 4 to 8 year old. Free tickets are available beginning Monday, June 13.

Nancy Leary of Jesse Jones Park will tell all about venomous snakes Thursday, June 30 at 2:15 p.m. Find out which of those innocent snakes you see around Kingwood are deadly snakes in the grass. Pick up your free tickets beginning Monday, June 20.

To get in the mood for the new Harry Potter book, we will have a Harry Potter marathon beginning Wednesday, July 13 at 2:25 p.m. with "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone." Thursday will be "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets." Friday afternoon will be "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban." Don't forget, if you aren't buying your own copy, you can reserve a library copy of "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince" at the library.

Our last big program before the end of summer celebration is Jungle Jim's World of Bugs. If you didn't see him the last time he came to visit, you owe it to yourself to come a see him this time. If you like creepy crawlies, and ootie-gooies, this is your program. This is recommended for kids second through sixth-grade. Jungle Jim will be at the Kingwood Library July 21 at 2:15 p.m. You can get your free tickets beginning July 11.

The whole family is invited for one last blast before school. The end of summer celebration will be Wednesday, July 27 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. There will be snacks, games and fun. Have some fun before you go back to school.

The folks at the library are looking forward to a fun summer. They hope they can count on you to join them as they go wild and read.

— FOLK 2004-05 Honoraria —

The following members of the Kingwood community have given their time, effort and support to Friends of the Library Kingwood. The library recently honored them by presenting them with a book for their support, which they in turn donated to the library.

Dragoneers Club - leaders and program presenters

Kathleen and Jenna Aten (Leader and Helper), Kim and David Andrew (Helpers) - "Dr. Ernest Drake's Dragonology: The Complete Book of Dragons";

Commissioner Jerry Eversole - "Ephemeral City: Cite Looks at Houston";

Carey and Caroline Damien (birding), Phyllis and Harvey Louderback - "The TOS Handbook of Texas Birds" (Texas Ornithological Society);

Ceil Dow, Mercer Arboretum - "Perennial Gardening in Texas";

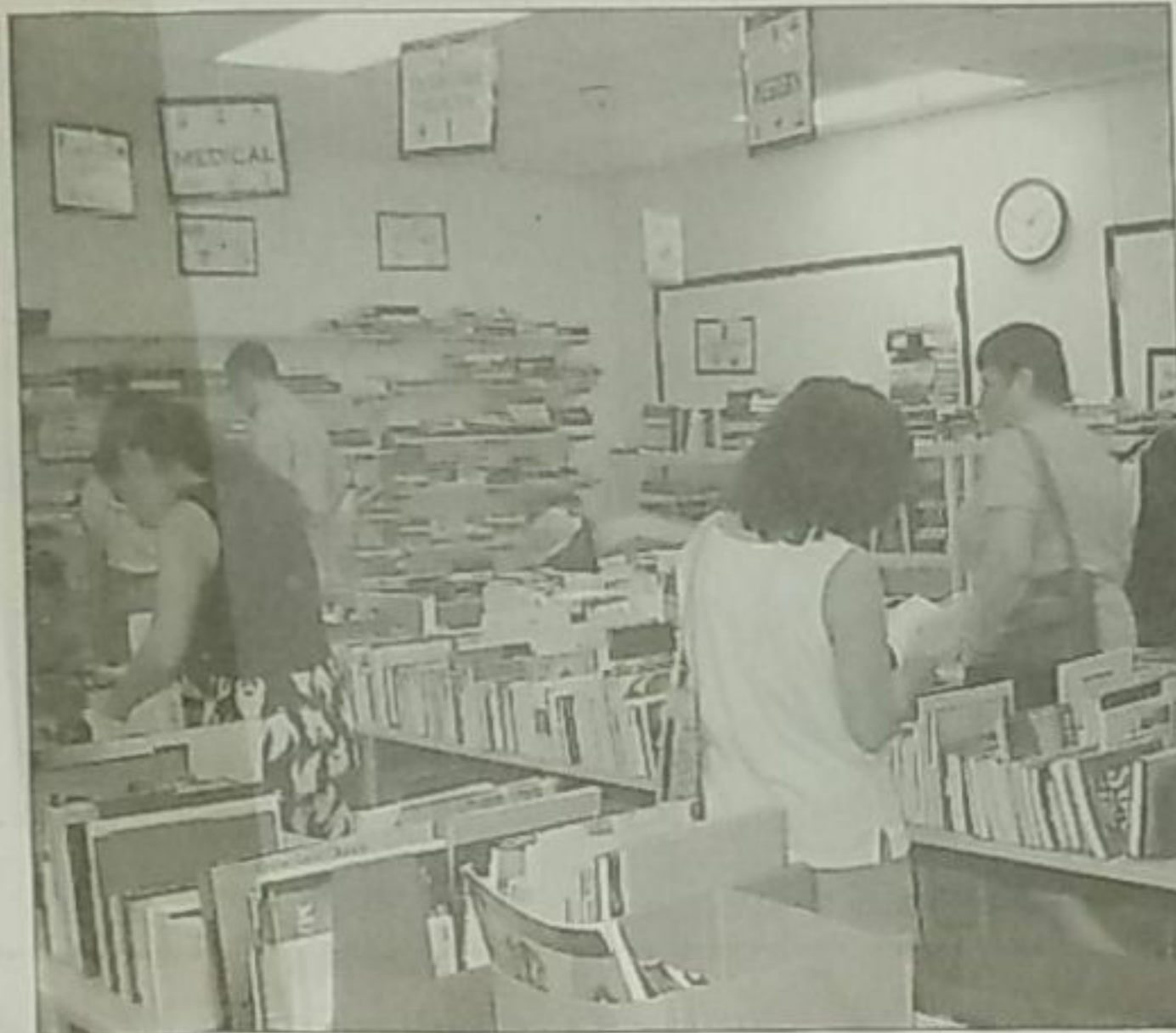
Sharon Miller, Alabama-Coushatta Indian Nation, "The Capitol of Texas";

Marita Gardner-Anopol, Yoga Studio of Kingwood, "K*I*S*S Guide to Yoga";

Monica Davis, Battenberg ATA Black Belt Academy - "Taekwondo";

Patty Thirolf, Barbara Kyzar, Sam Kyzar, Kingwood Stamp Club - "Arts & Crafts Movement in Europe & America";

Kathy Carroll, Bill Carroll, Michael Russo, Cheryl



one of the great benefits of living in Kingwood is getting great deals at FOLK sales.

Litherland, Charlie Saulmon, Kingwood Photo Club - "Shooting & Sharing Digital Photos for Dummies";

Edda Richards, Christine Heinrich, Josie Velazquez, International Ladies' Club - "Christmas Almanack."

Used book sale

Brenda Siebert, Lisa Kelly, National Charity League-Kingwood Chapter - "Great Events From History: The Middle Ages, 477-1453, v. 1";

Darlene Beaman, Jacqueline Harren, National Charity League-Livable Forest Chapter - "Great Events From History: The Middle Ages, 477-1453, v. 2";

Huguette Dishongh, Rita Klein, KW Women's Club - "Effective Fund-raising for Nonprofits";

Robert T. Blanchard - "Prehistory of Texas"; John Morris - "Smithsonian Earth";

Wade Bartels, UBS - "Grand Slam: Bobby Jones, America and

the Story of Golf"; Roland Alley, UBS - "Jackie Robinson: An Intimate Portrait."

Kingwood Library garden

Patty Abshire, Kingwood Garden Club - "Encyclopedia of Plant Care."

Community contacts

Judy Hopkins, Keller Williams - "Garden Ornament"; Rick Alspaugh, Alspaugh's - "Complete Do-It-Yourself Manual";

Sparky Nolan, KW Chamber - "Big Cotton: How a Humble Fiber Created Fortunes, Wrecked Civilizations, & Put America on the Map."

Publicity - printing - mailing

Brenda Themis, Kwik Kopy - "New French Country";

Mark Linabury, KingwoodNow.com - "Creating Cool Web Sites with HTML, XHTML, and CSS";

Stephanie Gillette, Linda Woehst, KWC-TV Channel 42 - "Leonardo Da Vinci: Flights of the Mind";

Cynthia Calvert, Kingwood Observer - "Complete Cartoon of the New Yorker";

Gwyn Davis, JP Morgan Chase Bank - "Birth of Plenty: How the Prosperity of the Modern World was Created";

Pat and Ray Guard, Fore Image - publicity - "Handbook of Texas Music."

FOLK's shelves are bare thanks to you

Thanks to all those who patronized FOLK's most recent used book and magazine sale. Adults, children, young adults and young at heart were thrilled with the many book selections at bargain prices. Where does that large selection of books, magazines, and media materials come from? It comes from the community.

Book, magazine and media material donations are tax deductible, and accepted during

library hours: Monday, 1-9 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Friday, 1 p.m.-6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

There are many 'behind the scene' volunteers who have a hand in making FOLK's used book sale such a success. Those volunteers come from the Kingwood Women's Club, the Livable Forest and Kingwood chapters of the National Charity

League, library patrons, book lovers and of course FOLK.

So a huge thank you to the community for all your generous donations, the patrons of the library and FOLK used book sales, and all of the many volunteers.

FOLK's next used book/magazine sale is Friday, Aug. 19 from 5-8 p.m. at the Kingwood library for FOLK members and Saturday, Aug. 20 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. for the gen-

eral public. To become a "Friend" of the library, stop by the library's circulation desk. FOLK memberships start at \$15.

FOLK's August used book sale is a special one each year because it offers an opportunity for parents, students and teachers to get ready for the new school year without stretching their budgets. Where else can you buy books ranging from \$.25 cents to \$3 dollars.

Kingwood Branch Library announces July programs

Kingwood Branch Library will be closed on July 4, 2005 for Independence Day.

The following events are planned for children:

June 29, 2:15 p.m. - *Wild & Crazy Fun Club Water Balloon Battle for Freedom* - Now is the time to don your "getting wet" clothes and come battle for the honor of your clan. This activity is recommended for children K through fourth grade. Come loaded for bear. On July 6, 13, and 20, The Wild & Crazy Club will have a program of crafts, activities, and videos designed for school age children. No sign up required. Just come and have fun.

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p.m. - End of summer celebration - Games, fun, and surprises for the whole family. Everyone welcome.

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Tuesdays 10:30 a.m. and

2:20 p.m. - *Preschool story time* - Everyone welcome. Designed for 3-6 year old children, but all are welcome.

Young adults will enjoy the following:

July 16, 1-4 p.m. - *Teens Got Game!* - Old standards, new favorites - challenge your friends.

July 20, 7-9 p.m. - *Flip-Flop Follies!* - Make your own flip-flops from duct tape.

Finally, adult programs for July include:

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JULY

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New Books at the Kingwood library:

Fiction:
"Highway 61 Resurfaced" by Bill Fitzhugh

"Leeway Cottage" by Beth Gutcheon

"In a tale that spans a long-term twentieth century marriage, wealthy Sydney Brant marries Danish pianist Laurus Moss on the eve of the Nazi Invasion of Denmark and finds their marriage challenged by disparate views of the world."

"The Coal Tattoo" by Silas House

"The Hummingbird's Daughter" by Luis Alberto Urrea

Non-Fiction:

"Strong Women, Strong Hearts: Proven Strategies To Prevent and Reduce Heart Disease Now" by Miriam E. Nelson, Ph.D. and Alice H. Lichtenstein, D.Sc.

"Perfect Balance: Dr. Robert Greene's Breakthrough Program For Finding the Lifelong Hormonal Health You Deserve" by Robert A. Greene, M.D.

"Take Big Bites: Adventures Around the World and Across the Table" by Linda Ellerbee
"Caring For Your Baby and Young Child: Birth To Age 5" (rev ed.)

"A Hundred and One Days: a Baghdad Journal" by Asne Seierstad

"The Story of My Life: an Afghan Girl on the Other Side of the Sky" by Farah Ahmed with Tamim Ansary

Free books at the library

The Harris County Public Library 2005 Summer Reading Program, "Go Wild...Read!", provides reading related programs during the summer months. The library brings scientific and cultural events to children who might not otherwise have access.

The library has partnered with the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Young Audiences, Houston Grand Opera, and other community organizations in order to provide free educational and fun activities.

Each branch offers two or more activities per week during a nine-week period at HCPL's 26-branch libraries. Several libraries are hosting summer art camps with a free bus field trip to The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston

for Art Storytime.

Children who participate in the "Go Wild...Read!" program are encouraged to read 10 books or finish five hours of reading over the summer. Participants in the program use a reading log to keep track of the number of books read or the amount of time spent reading. After participants have read 10 books or complete five hours of reading, they can choose a free book for their achievement. These books and some summer reading activities are provided through grants from foundations like the Strake Foundation of Houston.

Contact your local Harris County Public Library or go online at www.hcpl.net for more information on summer reading activities.



Paul L. Robison, executive director of the Strake Foundation, with summer reading participants receiving free books.

Villages

July 6 - 12

OPERA AT THE LIBRARY

On Wednesday, Oct. 12, from 7 until 9 p.m. at the Kingwood library, Ann Thompson will preview the two operas of Houston Grand Opera's fall repertory period: "Boris Godunov" by Mussorgsky and "The Marriage of Figaro" by Mozart. Visuals, musical selections and informed, informal commentary will make for a pleasant evening even for those whose primary interest is not in opera. For information, call the library at 281-360-6804 or Ann Thompson at 713-465-0755 or awthompson@mindspring.com

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KINGWOOD BRANCH LIBRARY

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In the Villages

July 20 - 26

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Adult Programs

- August Friday 19 5 - 8 PM FOLK Booksale Preview
 Booksale preview open to FOLK members. Membership costs \$15.00 per year and may be purchased at the preview.
- August Saturday 20 9 AM - 3 PM FOLK Booksale
 Open to the general public. Proceeds help sponsor library programs.
- August Saturday 27 12 -4 PM Nugamers
 A game club open to young and old alike, mostly playing tactical miniature combat games. For more information, see their new website at www.nugamers.com. THIS MONTH: Blitzkrieg, Flames of War, Commander and Chasing!!
- September Monday 5 AM - PM Labor Day
 LIBRARY CLOSED
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- October Wednesday 12 7 PM - 9 PM Opera Preview
 Preview the fall season of the Houston Grand Opera with Ann Thompson.
- October Monday 17 6:30 -9 PM Books on the Bayou
 Book discussion.
- November Friday 18 5 - 8 PM FOLK Booksale Preview
 Booksale preview open to FOLK members. Membership costs \$15.00 per year and may be purchased at the preview.
- November Saturday 19 9 AM - 3 PM FOLK Booksale
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- November Thursday 24 AM - PM Thanksgiving
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November Friday 25 AM - PM Thanksgiving

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November Saturday 26 AM - PM Thanksgiving

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December Friday 23 AM - PM Christmas Holiday

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December Monday 26 AM - PM Christmas Holiday

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Children's Programs

August Tuesday 2 1:30 PM - 2:15 PM Wild to Read-Aloud

Summer Read-Aloud for school age children. Plenty of exciting stories, and some pretty silly ones too.

September Tuesday 20 4 TO 5 PM Dragoneers

Dragoneers are school age children who meet the first and third tuesdays of each month, for special programs, activities, and crafts. this month we will give Dragoneer ID cards and a Free book!

September Thursday 22 10:30 AM & 2:20 PM PreSchool Craft

A fall craft just for kids 3 to 6 years old. Don't forget to sign up beginning Monday Sept 14.

October Tuesday 4 4- 5 PM Dragoneers-- Going Batty!

Nancy Leary of Jesse Jones Park has a program all about Bats! Don't forget to come and get credit for your Dragon Dollars!

October Tuesday 18 4--5 PM Dragoneers Go Harry Potter!

Now is the time for all good Dragoneers and their friends to rally around good old Hogwarts thor a wild celebration. Get Sorted, Make Potions, try and capture Aragog! Everyone welcome, and we do exchange Galleons for Dragon Dollars!

Storytimes

Pre-School storytime is every Tuesday at 10:30 AM & 2:20 PM

Designed for 3 to 6 year olds. Everyone is welcome!

Toddler storytime is every Tuesday at 10 AM

Ends Aug 2, 2005; for 18 mos to 2 yr olds Required registration for Aug-Nov begins Aug 8. First session is Aug 23 Don't forget to preregister!

Toddler storytime is every Tuesday at 10;00 AM

Toddler Times will not be held Tuesday Aug 9 and Tuesday Aug 16 New Session begins Aug 23.

Toddler storytime is every Thursday at 10:00 AM

Toddler Times will not be held Thursday Aug 11, & Thursday Aug 18. New Session begins Aug 25. Don't forget to preregister!

Toddler storytime is every Thursday at 10 AM

Ends Aug 4, for 18 mos to 2 yrs old. Required sign-up for Aug-Nov begins Aug 8. New Session begins Aug 25.

Infant storytime is every Thursday at 11:00 AM

Mother Goose Lapsit cancelled Aug 18. Will resume as usual Aug 25

Infant storytime is every Thursday at 11 AM

"Mother Goose Lapsit" for children 0 - 18 months. Lapsit is cancelled June 23.

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Displays

Gourd Birdhouses from August 11 to August 31

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Kingwood This Week - August 15, 2005



Hello Kingwood Now Readers,

Hey, where is my weekly update for my daily dose of positive news and information for Kingwood? Well here it is!

Also don't forget to check out the latest talk at www.kingwoodtalk.com.



What Happened?

School is back in session and we learned how you can be a part. Junior lifeguards jump at the chance to save lives. ExxonMobil retirees built a shed to help with an elementary school's science program. Six ways to save money and improve your printer's performance. We met candidate Roy Morales and the Kingwood Alliance U-15 soccer girls win the tournament.

See the latest stories at www.kingwoodnow.com.



What To Look Forward To?

FOLK's used book sale is this August 20th. Keller Williams Realty Northeast has announced plans for the city-wide KW Cares 3rd Annual Charity Golf Classic. A wealthy retirement with the combination of 401(k) and Roth IRA.

Even more can be seen on our event calendar.

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE KW LIBRARY



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When I say the books and other materials are sold at minimum prices here is what I mean: Hardback and large softback books are \$1.00 while standard size paperback books are only 50 cents. Newer released hardbacks and coffee table books sell for a mere \$3.00. Children and young adult books range in price from 25 cents to \$1.00. Additionally, you will find media materials priced to sell.

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Ms Henry, a FOLK Board Member, is on hand to assist the Dragoneers with their Field Guide search.
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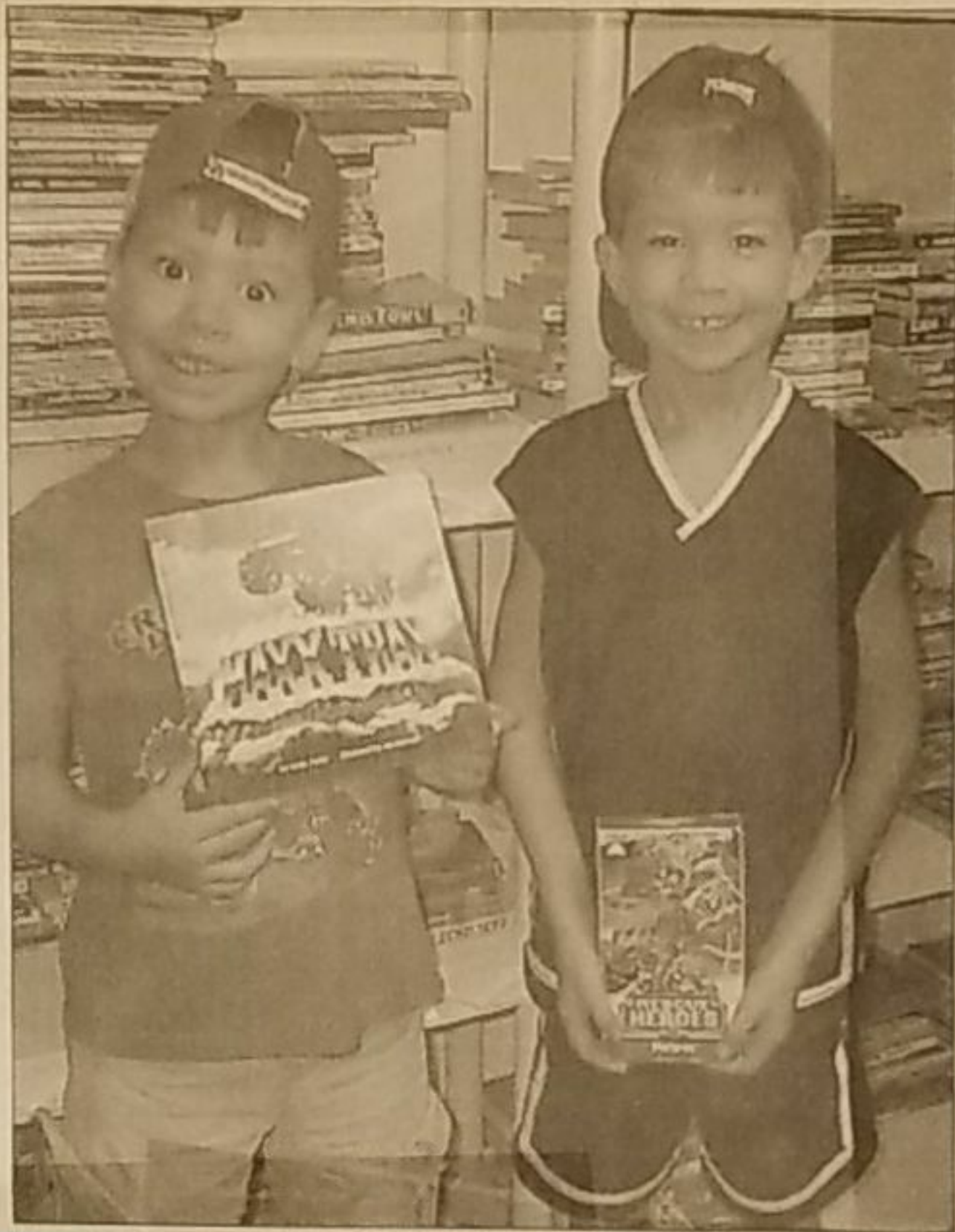
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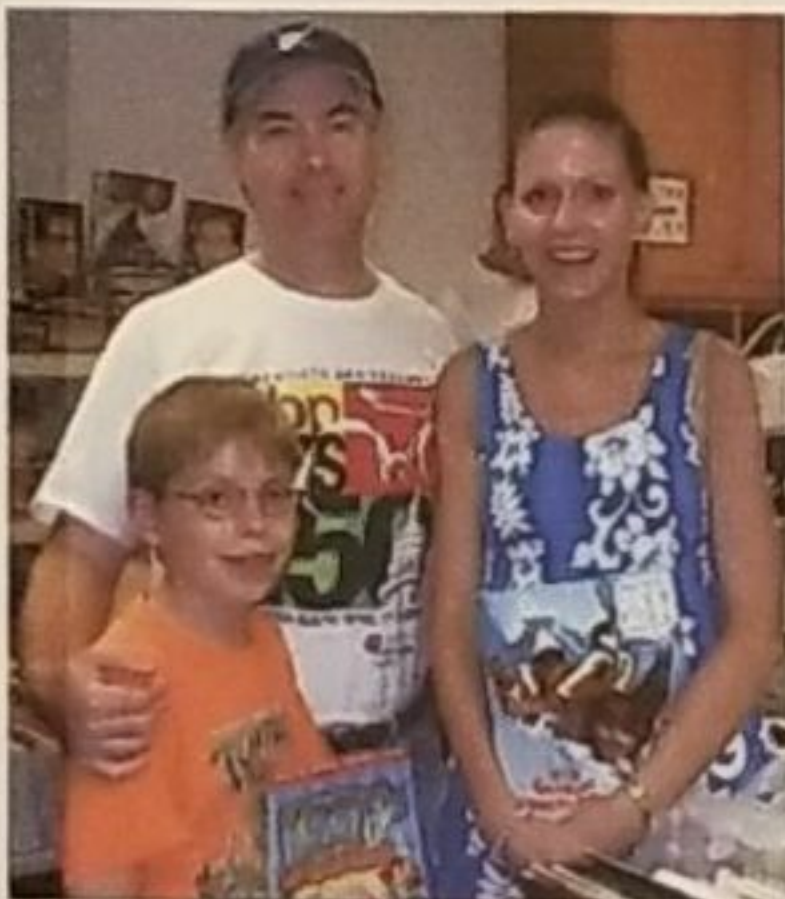
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KINGWOOD BRANCH LIBRARY

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Programs at the Kingwood Branch Library

Storytimes for preschoolers:

Thursdays at 11 a.m. - Mother Goose lapsit - Designed for children 0-18 months and their parents. No sign-up is required. The program includes nursery rhymes, finger plays, and songs.
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Children:

Sept. 20 - 4 to 5 p.m. - Dragoneers - Dragoneers are

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Sept. 22 - 10:30 a.m. and 2:20 p.m. - Preschool craft - A fall craft just for kids 3 to 6 years old. Don't forget to sign up beginning Monday Sept 14.

Adult:

Sept. 17 - 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. - Nugames

New books at the Kingwood Library:

Fiction:

"The Hallowed Hunt" by Lois McMaster Bujold - an epic tale of devotion and strange destiny.
"The Summer He Didn't Die" by Jim Harrison - a collection of short novellas.
"A Change of Heart" by Phillip Gully - a tale that captures the flavor of small-town America.

Non-Fiction:

"The Divine Visitor: What Really Happened When God Came Down" by Jack Hayford
"Matchbook: The Diary of a Modern Day Matchmaker" by Samantha Daniels - America's hippest matchmaker borrows from her real-life experiences to create an urban love story about

searching for "The One."
"Baby Laughs: The Naked Truth About the First Year of Mommyhood" by Jenny McCarthy.

"Mary Pride's Complete Guide to Getting Started in Homeschooling" by Mary Pride.
"The Wal-Mart Way: The Inside Story of the Success of the World's Largest Company" by Don Soderquist - a guide for students, entrepreneurs, and seasoned corporate veterans alike.

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Today, the generous contributions to the Buy-A-Book campaign by the Kingwood community and library patrons, provides the library with not only new books but also audio/visual materials of all kind. By contributing to FOLK's annual Buy-A-Book you will be providing a 'gift' that can be given again and again and again. Every time a book, audio, or other materials are checked-out of the library, the 'gift' you invested in will provide a time of leisure and/or will assist in the improvement of knowledge for library patrons for many years to come.

It has often been said of the Kingwood community, if they (the community) know of your need they (the community) will always be there to help. FOLK and the library staff/patrons thank you, the Kingwood community, for your continued support. To contribute to FOLK's Buy-A-Book campaign checks should be made payable to FOLK Buy-A-Book.

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Dragoneer Club ready to enchant young readers

By JESSICA WELLINGTON
Managing Editor

The Kingwood Library and Friends of the Library Kingwood (FOLK) have been making preparations and are ready to captivate children with another year of the popular Dragoneer Club.

The Dragoneer Club is a program designed for elementary aged children. Participants enjoy special events, activities, books and prizes at the monthly meetings.

The club meets the first and third Tuesday of each month from 4 to 5 p.m. at Kingwood Library located at 4102 Rustic Woods Drive.

Children are invited to the kick-off meeting of the Dragoneer Club on Tuesday, Sept. 20, from 4-5 p.m. at the Kingwood Library.

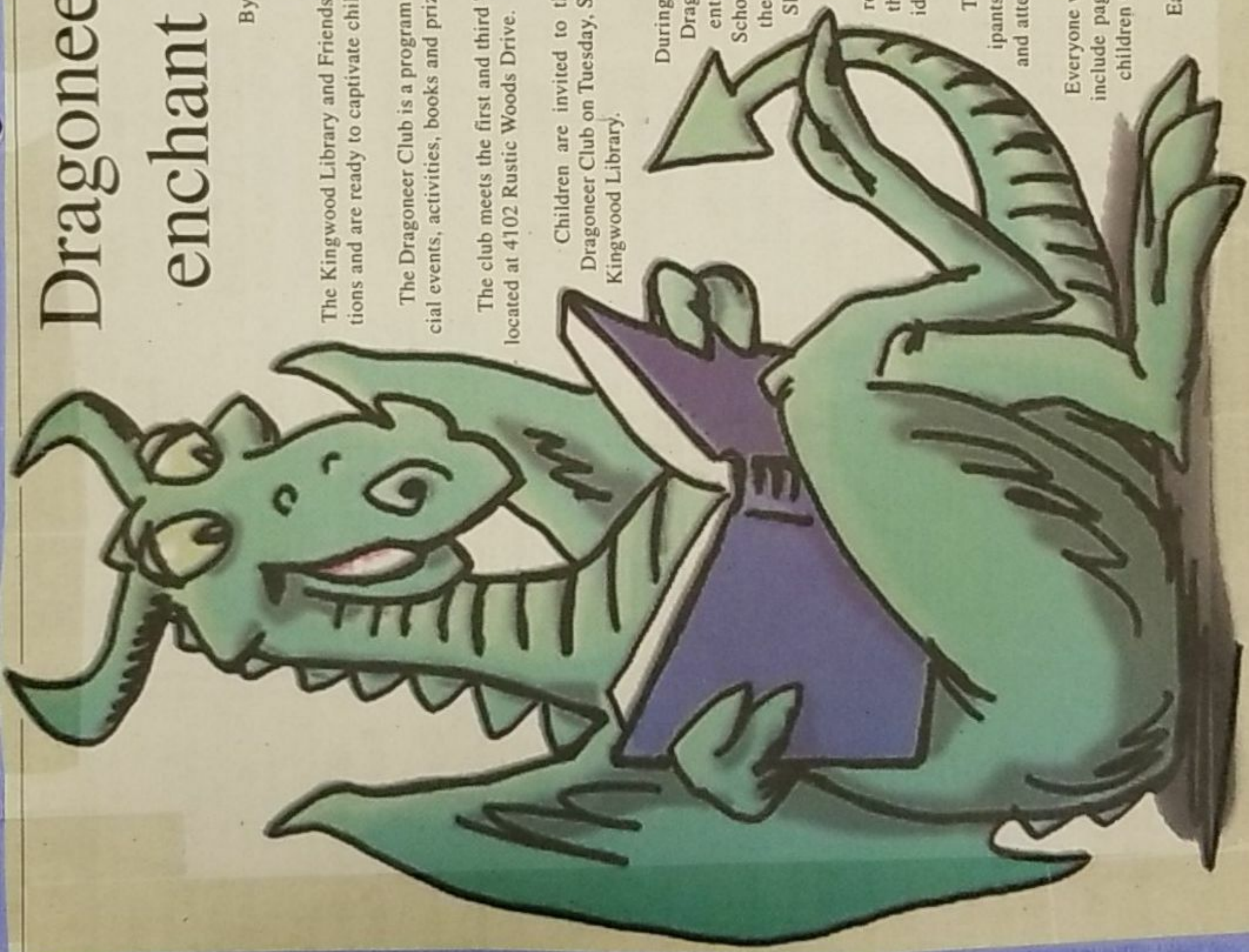
During the first meeting, Dragoneers will receive a book entitled "The New Kid at School," by Bill Basso. It is the first in the Dragon Slayers' Academy series.

In addition to the book, children will also receive a T-shirt and their official Dragoneer identification card.

Throughout the program, participants will be able to earn special titles by reading books and attending meetings.

Everyone who attends the club is automatically a varlet. The next levels include page, squire and knight. In order to achieve the highest level, children will have to read 10 books and attend seven meetings.

Each child will be given an amulet and as each level is reached,



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a jewel will be placed in the amulet.

On Oct. 4, the Dragoneers are going batty. Nancy Leary of Jesse Jones Park will give a program about bats.

Later in the month on Oct. 18, the Dragoneers will enjoy a Harry Potter celebration. Participants will have the opportunity to get "sorted," make

potions and try to capture Aragog.

On Nov. 1, the Dragoneers will learn how to make Pioneer and Indian foods.

"We are actually going to make and eat some," said Connie Dye, children's librarian at Kingwood Library.

On Nov. 15, Dragoneers will have the opportunity to purchase books at the FOLK sale. Each child will be given a Dragoneer buck for each meeting attended. The currency can then be used to buy books from the children's

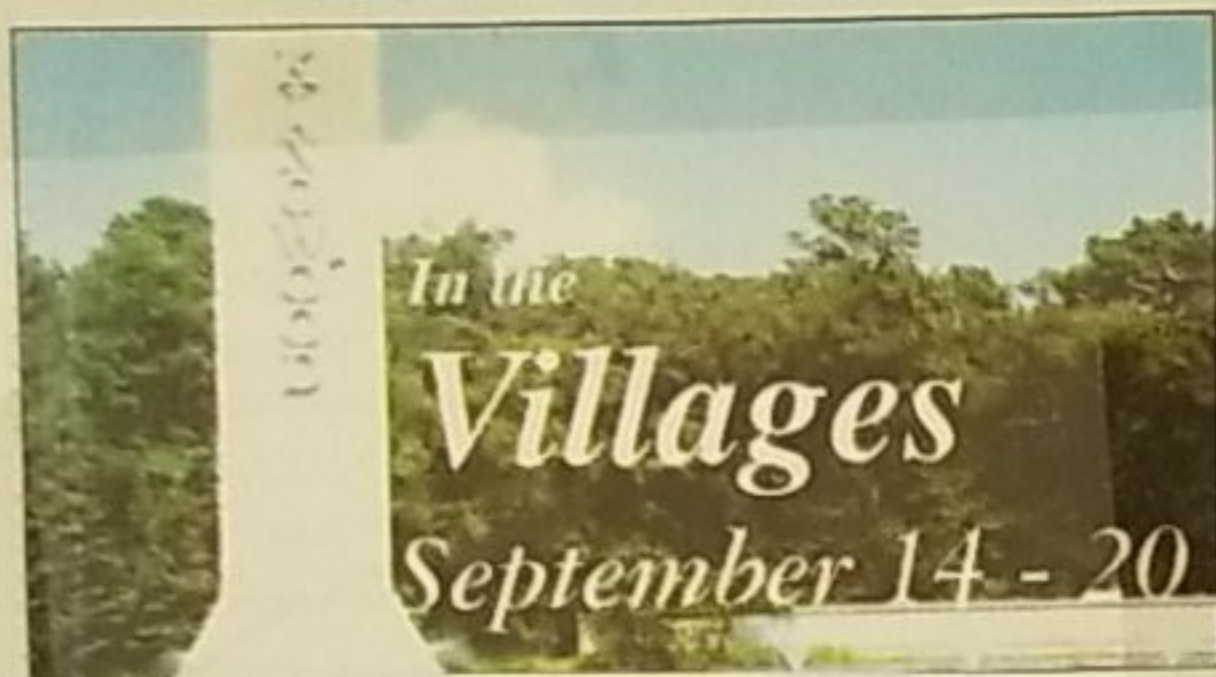
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According to Dye, the whole point of the club is to get children excited about books. Through the club, they have organized activities and events to accomplish this goal.

"We would like to get the children interested in books and reading," said Dye.

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Book discussion.

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5 - 8 PM

FOLK Booksale Preview

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FOLK buy-a book campaign kicks off with generous donation

By: SUSAN MEINHOLZ, Observer Reporter



Kingwood Branch Librarian Christi Whittington, and FOLK Publicity Chairman Frances Pelham are happy to accept a donation from Keller Williams Realty owners Judy Hopkins and Mark Heinrich to kickoff this year's buy-a-book campaign.

Judy Hopkins and Mark Heinrich, owners of Keller Williams Realty Northeast, proved to be great friends to the Kingwood library by being the first in line to donate to the Friends of the Library Kingwood (FOLK) annual buy-a-book campaign. Hopkins and Heinrich presented Frances Pelham, FOLK publicity chairman, and Christi Whittington, branch librarian, with a \$1,000 check at a recent Kingwood Chamber luncheon.

"Keller Williams is proud to support community organizations like FOLK," said Hopkins.

"Without the volunteer activities of these wonderful people, we wouldn't be

able to have such a wonderful library. Our community library is an

essential element of this thriving community and an asset that many people

looking to relocate to Kingwood are seeking."

The FOLK buy a book campaign was launched in 1983 by a group of dedicated residents who went door to door asking neighbors to help the newly-opened Kingwood branch library fill its shelves with books.

The ambitious effort raised \$30,000 its first year and has been generously supported by Kingwood residents each year

thereafter.

Pelham said that FOLK appreciates the generous support of the community. "It's our major campaign of the year and Kingwood has always been extremely supportive," said Pelham. "Kingwood is an awesome community."

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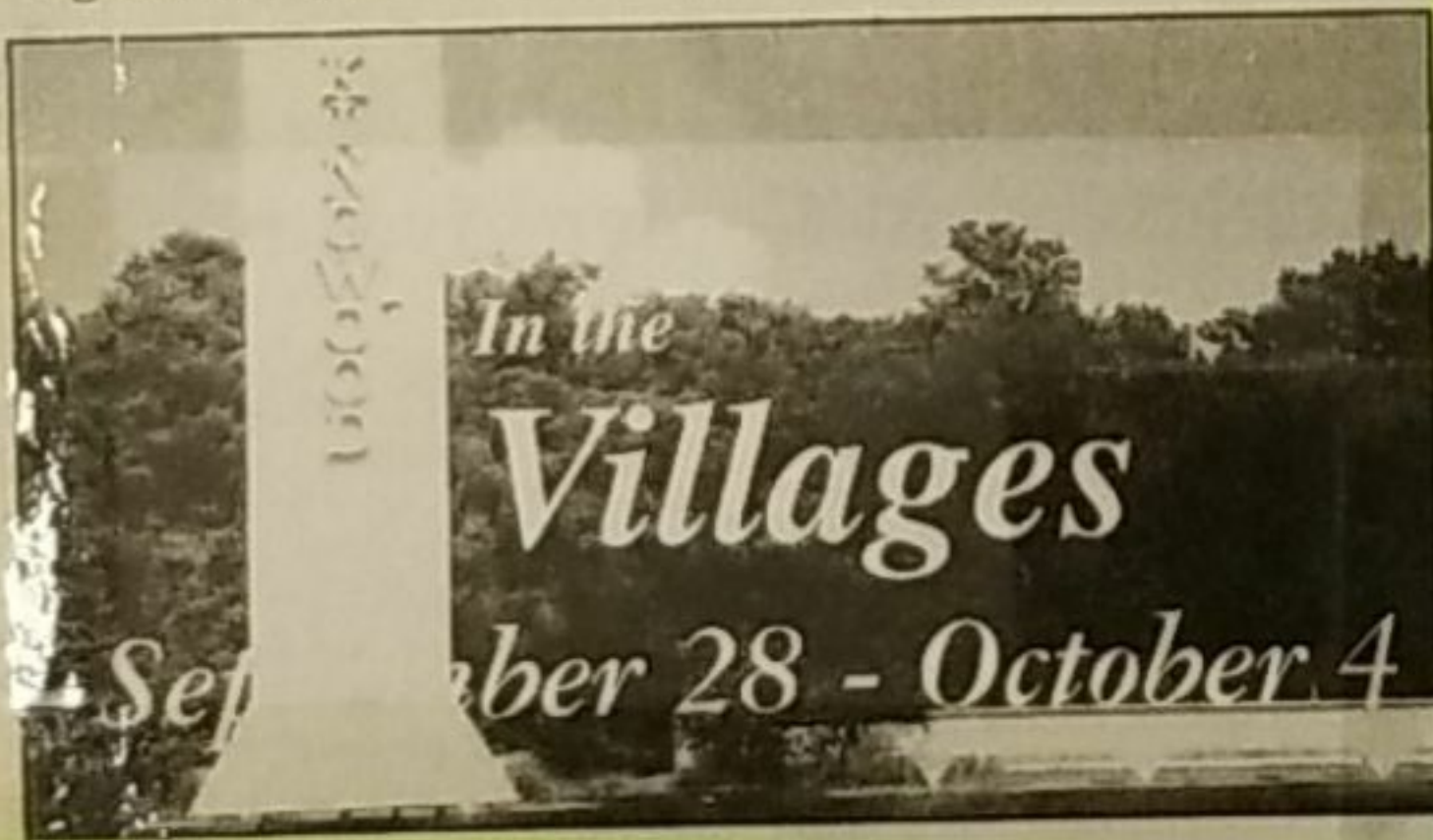
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Dragoners - Bats, Oct. 4 and Harry Potter, Oct. 8, 4 to 5 p.m.

Adult:

Nugamers - Oct. 8, 11 a.m. to 7 to 9 p.m.

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Opera Preview with Ann Thompson - Oct. 12, 7 to 9 p.m.

Books on the Bayou - Oct. 17, 6:30 to 9 p.m. - Book discussion of "The Kite Runner" by Khaled Hosseini with Kingwood Book Group.

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To be eligible to enter the prize drawing, answer at least 18 of the scavenger hunt questions correctly and return your answer sheet by noon on Saturday, Oct. 22.

Prizes will be awarded by drawing at 4 p.m. on Oct. 22. Participants may pick up their questions sheets anytime after Oct. 13. You do not need to be present to win.

Kingwood Library to host Veterans Day program

country. Pictures and memorabilia will be on display from the various theaters of war.

Take a day to remember those who bravely served. The story field will be open all afternoon and all are encouraged to come and visit with local veterans, young and old.

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"Stories from the War" is the theme of the day. Armed Service veterans will share stories of the victories and heartbreaks they experienced while serving our

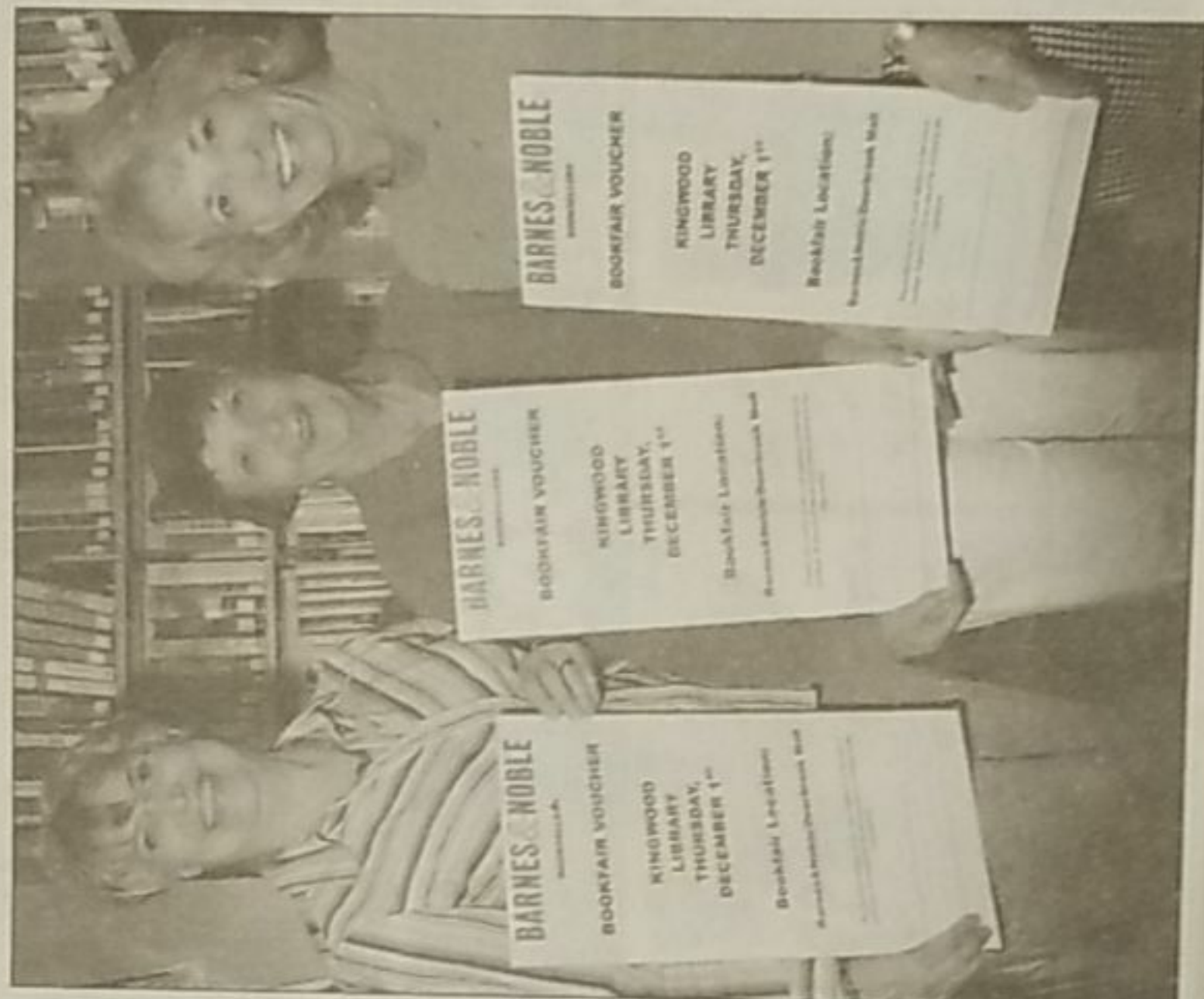
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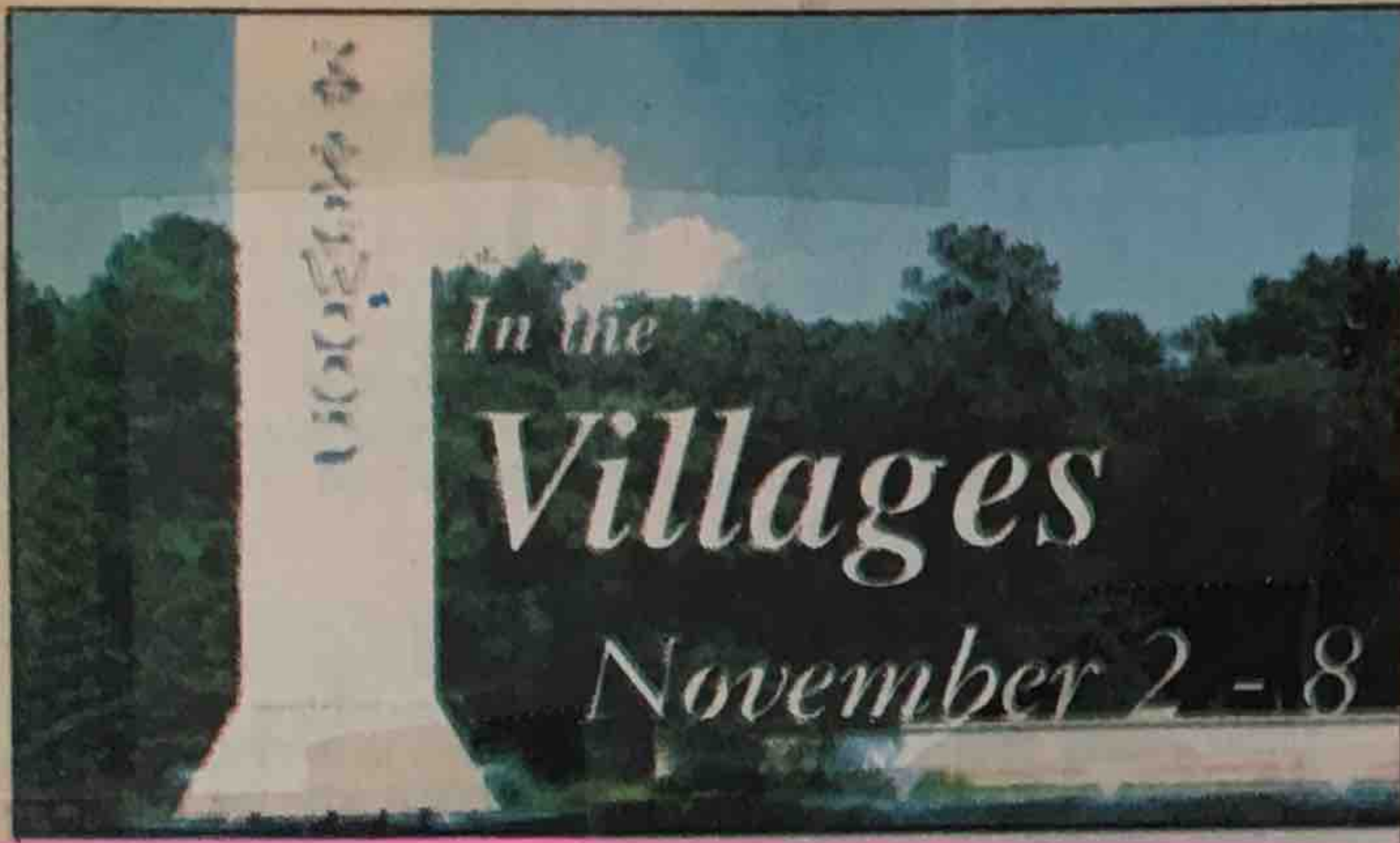
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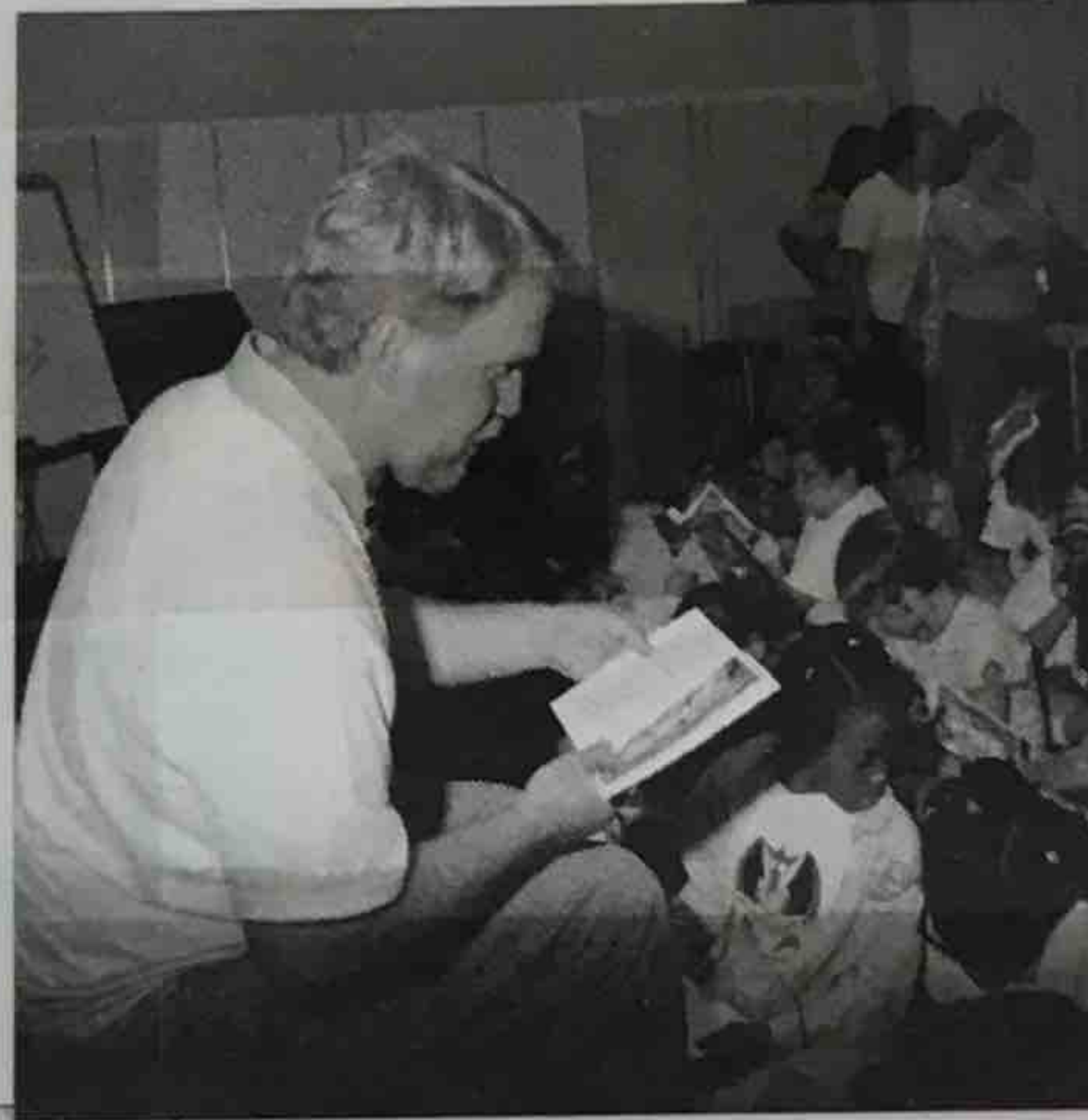
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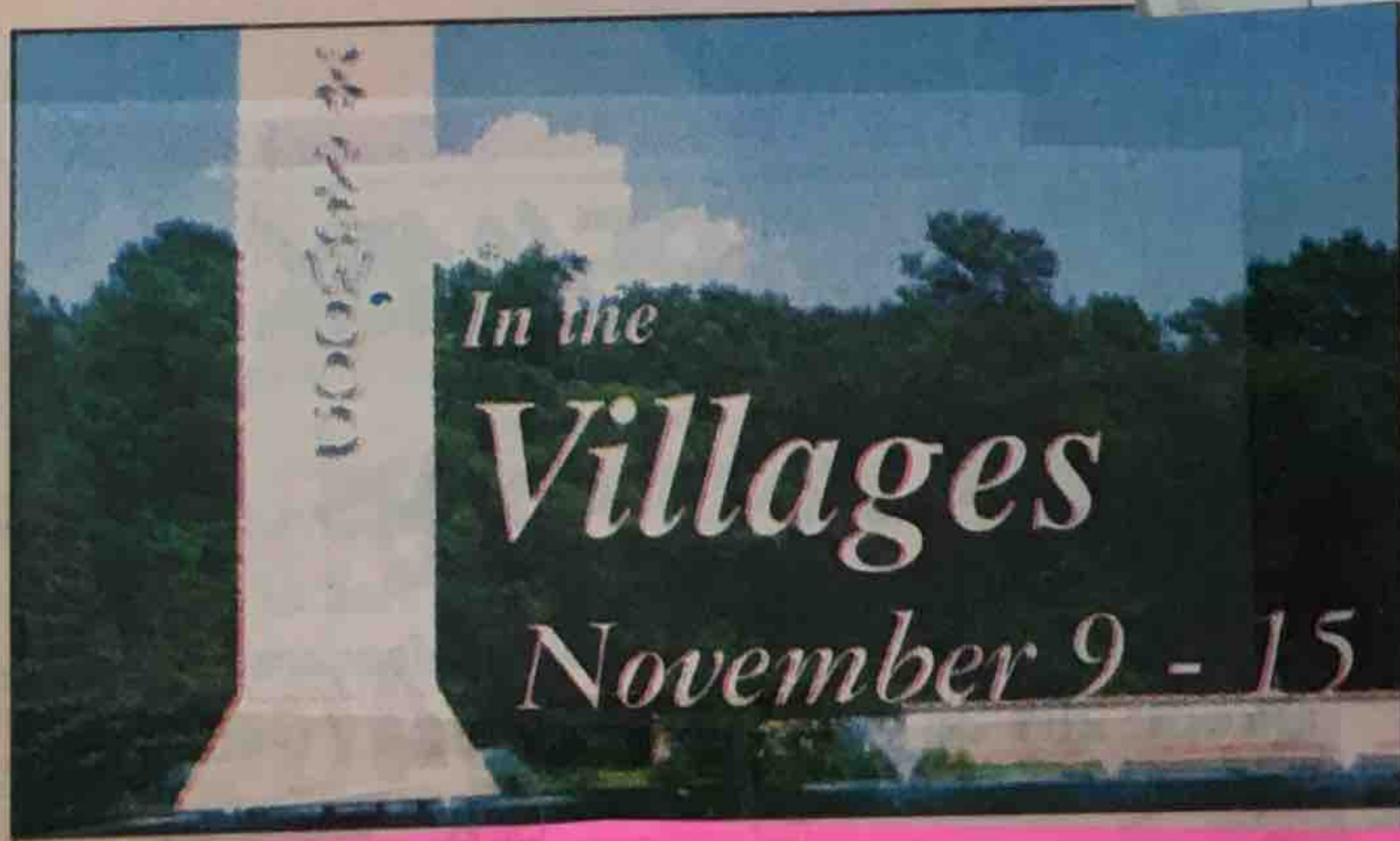
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HOUSTON EVENTS



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November 24-26, 2005 - Library Closed for Thanksgiving

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Rotarians find time for fitness

By COREY L. TURNER
Observer Reporter

In recent years there has been growing media attention on Americans being out of shape and unhealthily overweight. At the same time, more Americans have struggled with trying to balance their daily routines with some form of fitness to help alleviate that problem.

So Jay Trigg offered some words of wisdom during the weekly Rotary Club of Humble Intercontinental meeting at the Humble Civic Center on Nov. 9.

Trigg has operated Pure Strength Training Systems in Kingwood since 2000. He works with everyone from Division I college and high school athletes, to individuals of all ages and backgrounds looking to get in better shape.

"Sometimes we don't realize how important it is for us to work-out," said Trigg. "It is true that more people are living longer lives than we used to. But the thing is, we are living longer unhealthy lives as well."

Life changing experience

Trigg once worked in criminal justice and went to work for the University of Texas. It was there

that he had a life changing experience that also changed how he viewed the importance of working out.

While working at one of the facilities, he found that many of the workers did not want to work with a certain group of people. That group included people who were HIV positive, were addicted to drugs, were mentally ill and homeless, to name a few.

Trigg took it upon himself to work with them by taking them down to the small gym in the facility.

"I couldn't get any of them to talk to me," he said. "So I just took them down to the gym and they worked out on the machines and weights."

The fact that those troubled individuals worked out, despite the fact that they had almost given up on life, really inspired Trigg, who had always worked out himself.

"Their perception was that they were each dying," he added. "But when they worked out, it was like they all came alive. They began to perceive themselves as humans again just for that moment."

Ever since that day, the former competitive power lifter and martial artist has maintained a stronger appreciation for physical fitness. With that appreciation Trigg has

continued to help others reach their physical goals.

"A lot of people come into my gym and say that there isn't a whole lot they can do to make a real difference," said Trigg. "They have a preconceived idea of where they can't be physically. But I just encourage everyone to get to know their bodies and bring their bodies back in tune. It is really a wonderful thing."

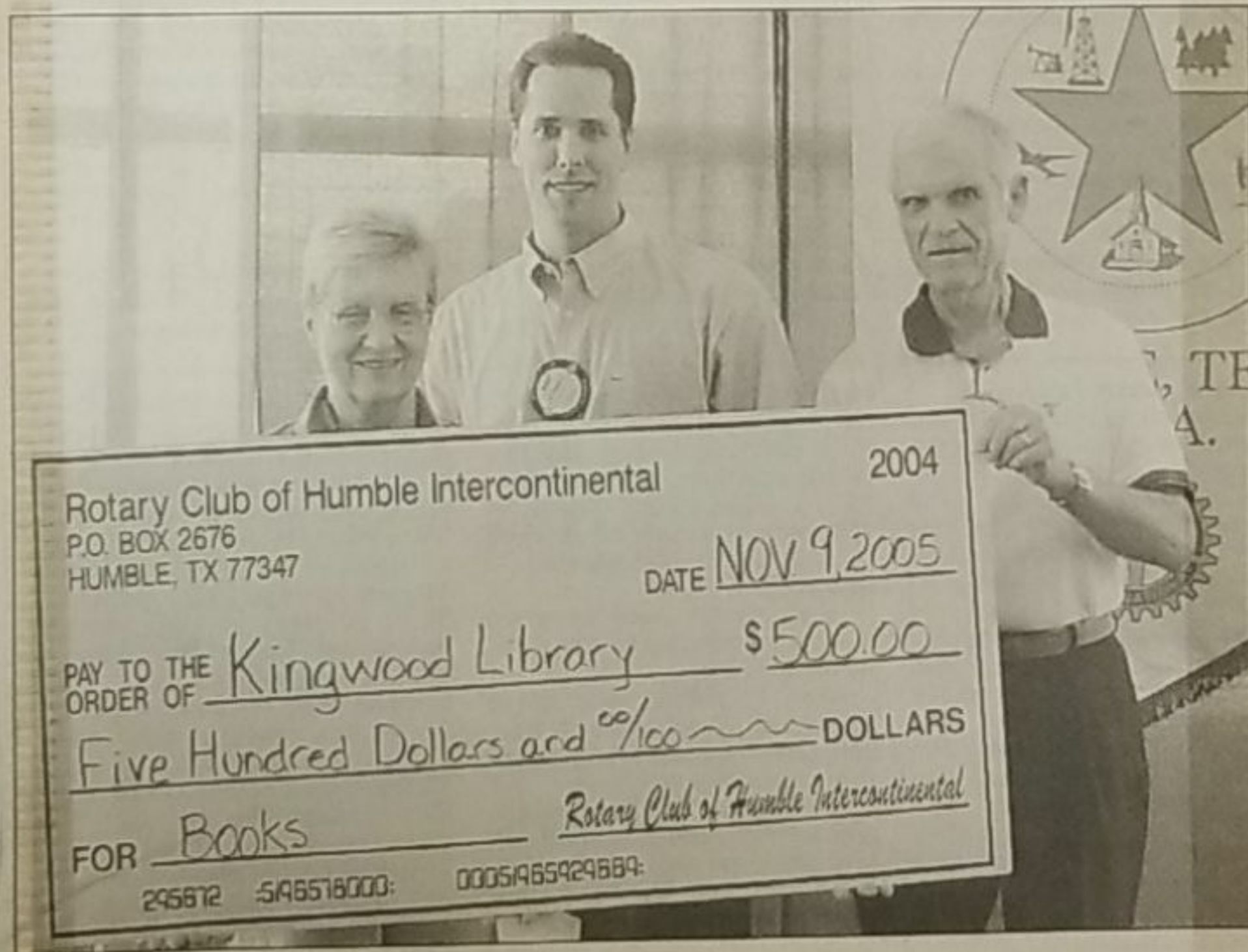
Rotary helps Kingwood Library

Other highlights at the meeting included a donation from the Humble Rotary to the Kingwood Library. Bruce Ward presented Frances Pelham from the library with a check for \$500 on behalf of the club.

"This money will go toward our annual campaign to keep new books on the shelves at the library," said Pelham. "We really appreciate it."

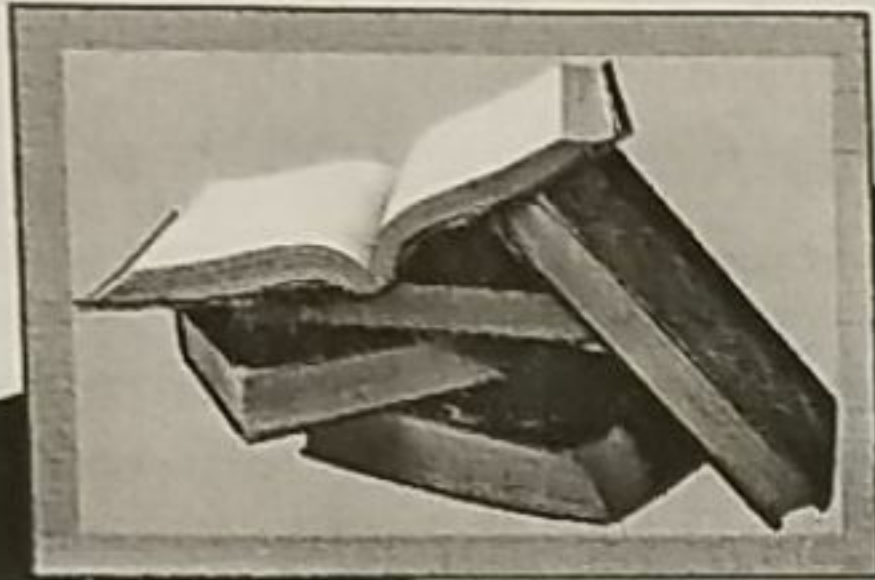
The Rotary meets every Wednesday at noon at the Humble Civic Center. For more information on the club, go the Web site at www.humbleintercontinentalrotary.com

Corey L. Turner welcomes your comments at cturner@mail.hcnonline.net



The Rotary of Humble Intercontinental donated a check for \$500 to the Kingwood Library for books. Frances Pelham (left) received the check on behalf of the library as Rotary club president Brent McQueen (center) and Bruce Ward (right) gladly pass the donation. Photo by Corey L. Turner

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November 2005—January 2006 Issue

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Good Old Times



We started our *Good Old Times* program in October. Each Monday from 3 to 4 PM, we hold a short story reading at the library for seniors. If you are over 50 or just want to hear some interesting short stories, come on in. We will be reading mysteries, romances, westerns, science fiction, and the occasional classic. If you have a favorite author, story, or genre, let us know and we'll add it to our list. For a change of pace, solve a brain twister, or join a trivia team. For a relaxing hour on a Monday afternoon, add us to your schedule.



Dragoneers Strike Again

This year's Dragoneers' Club for school-aged children got off to a roaring start. The book for this year is *Dragon Slayer's Academy #1, A New Kid in School* by Kate McMullen. The meetings are the first and third Tuesday of each month from 4 to 5 PM. Children earn their way from Varlet to Page to Squire to Knight, by reading books, and attending meetings.

Each meeting has a different activity. October brought Bats with Nancy Leary of Jesse Jones Park, and a Harry Potter Party. November brings Pioneer and Native American food and the first chance to receive Page status.

F.O.L.K. will open the November book sale to Dragoneers so they may spend their Dragon Dollars, earned by attending meetings, for something fun to read. December has only one meeting and time to make a present for someone special. Come join us, and earn your way to a Knighthood.

Kingwood Teens "Get Real" with Kingwood Library Survivor

The theme for the 2005 Teen Read Week (Oct. 16-22) was "Get Real @ Your Library". With this in mind, we decided to sponsor the Kingwood Library Survivor Scavenger Hunt. Teens had to answer 18 of the 22 total questions correctly to be eligible for the prize drawing. Prizes were Barnes & Noble gift certificates, which were graciously donated by F.O.L.K. The prize drawing was held at the end of Teen Read Week.

Incidentally, one of the questions on the scavenger hunt was the following: "What does the abbreviation F.O.L.K. stand for?"

- 1) Follow Our Library Kindly
- 2) Four Old Lonely Kites
- 3) Friends of the Library Kingwood
- 4) Friendly Only to the Librarians in Kingwood"

Trading Shelves Contest

If you have been to the library lately and wandered back by the Young Adult area, you will no doubt have noticed some changes. The Harris County Public Library (HCPL) Administration sponsored a contest among branches where teams from the participating branches would give a selected area of another branch a "make over". Kingwood was paired with the Crosby branch and they gave our Young Adult area a much needed lift. At the request of the Crosby team, we moved one range of shelves over about two feet and rearranged the location of different parts of the Young Adult collection to make it more appealing to our teens. Also, the far reference desk was moved so that it sits at an angle facing the front door of the library. The Crosby team also made an attractive Young Adult sign and put down some floor cushions in the aisle that was made wider by the shelf movement.



The Kingwood team revamped the New Book area of the Crosby library.

Holiday Used Book Sale

F.O.L.K.'s November Used Book Sale is the perfect time to do some 'early' holiday shopping. Books are perfect gifts for those bookworms on your holiday shopping list. Hardback and large softback books start at \$1.00 while standard size paperback books are only \$.50. Newer released hardbacks and coffee table books sell for a mere \$3.00. Children and young adult books range in price from \$.25 to \$1.00. Videos, CDs, Cassettes, and several other items of interest are also sold at bargain prices.

Buy-A-Book Campaign

For the past twenty-two years, Friends of the Library Kingwood (F.O.L.K.) has solicited community support through the *Buy-A-Book* effort to help keep the Kingwood Branch Library's collection and services on a first rate level. *Buy-A-Book* donations are used to augment Harris County's funding support of our library. With donated funds, F.O.L.K. has provided new adult books, audio-visual materials, large print collections, children's picture books and juvenile literature, computer financial subscriptions, such as Value Line, and numerous other types of library materials. All these additions to the collection, above and beyond the level funded by Harris County, have enabled the Kingwood Library to maintain a well-rounded, current and relevant collection to offer our community.

To contribute to this campaign, please cut and fill out the form on the back page of this newsletter.

Used Book Sale

Friday, November 18, 5—8 PM

F.O.L.K. Members Only!

Saturday, November 19, 9 AM—3 PM

General Public!

Book and magazine donations for F.O.L.K.'s Used Book/Magazine Sale are accepted at the library during normal business hours:

1-9 PM	Tues. 10 AM—6 PM	Wed. 10 AM—9 PM	Thurs.
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Kingwood Garden Club Presents

Christmas in the Forest

HOMETOUR

Friday, December 2: 10 AM—3 PM

Candlelight Tour: Friday, Dec. 2: 6—10 PM

Saturday, December 3: 10 AM—5 PM

Sunday, December 4: 12 Noon—5 PM

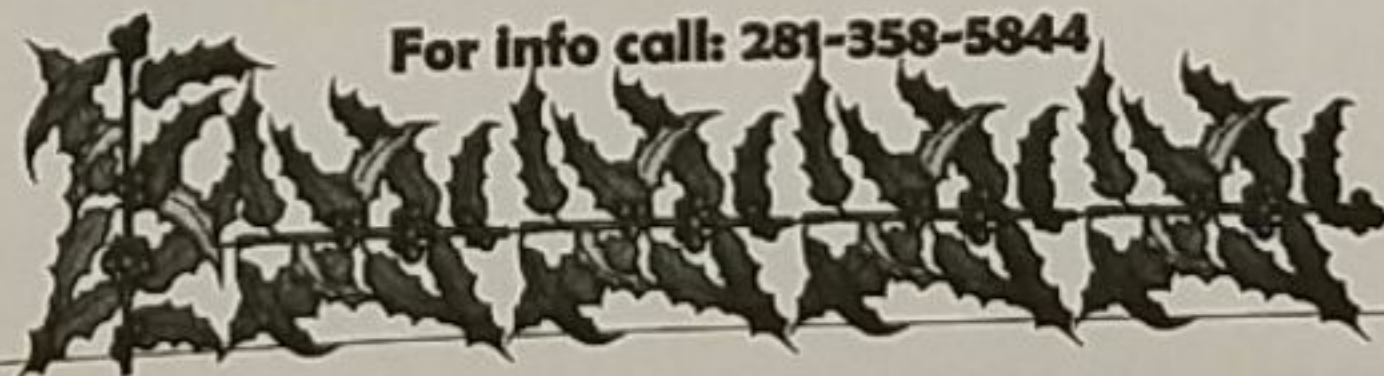
Kick your holiday season off with a holiday event you will not want to miss. One of the finest home tours in all of Houston!

Tickets: Kingwood Kroger and HEB stores, Amaryllis Floral Designs, Inside Story, Designs Two U, Grimm's Gift Boutique, and Kingwood Garden Club members.

Tickets: \$12 thru Dec. 1; \$15 Dec. 2—4

Candlelight Tour: \$20 (available only from garden club members—limited numbers)

For info call: 281-358-5844





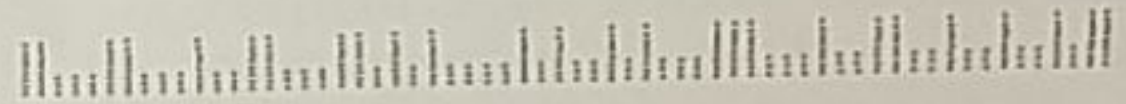
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Buy-A-Book in 2005

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FOLK and Barnes & Noble's first Bookfair was enjoyed by all. And because so many people patronized the event, it was an awesome success. Likewise, FOLK's Used Book Sale was patronized by a lot of people shopping for those bookworms on their holiday list. FOLK's next Used Book Sale is Friday, February 17, 2006 (FOLK Members* ONLY) from 5pm - 8pm and Saturday, February 18, 2006 from 9am - 3pm for the general public. FOLK Used Book Sales are held at the Kingwood library located at 4102 Rustic Woods Drive. Tax deductible donations are accepted throughout the year during library hours. *FOLK memberships start at \$15.00 annually.



Thank you veterans

Dear Editor:

Thank you to the many veterans who gave of their time and helped to make the Veterans Day celebration on Nov. 11 at the Kingwood Library a success.

The theme for the day was "Stories from the War." Customers and staff who are armed services veterans were invited to share stories of the victories and heartbreaks they experienced. They displayed pictures and memorabilia from the various theaters of war.

Community members, young and old, appreciated hearing from those who bravely served. Punch and a birthday cake celebrating 230 years of the Marine Corps was served to all.

Speakers included Mr. Kerrigan and Mr. Hoffman from the U.S. Navy; Jim Shaffer, Naval Air Force; and Bill Severtson who served as a USMC Gunner in Okinawa, Japan, all of whom served in World War II; Richard Russ, who served in the USMC Hospital Corps in Korea; Capt. Connie J. Dye, USAF Aircraft Maintenance Officer-Airlift Command/Hospital Red Cross, who served in Vietnam; and Sgt. David Plyansky, USMC Enduring Freedom, who served in Iraq.

Thanks also go out to Bob Watkins who lent newspapers from the 40s and Charles Saulmon who lent numerous artifacts including a Japanese sword. Children's librarian Connie Dye displayed her embroidered jacket from Vietnam along with pictures and other memorabilia. Schaffer brought his French horn made from a garden hose and funnel to show how it was done and entertained everyone with a song. Ruth Lancaster, Aimee Hoffschneider and the Nakanishi family all contributed artifacts for the display.

Thank you to Hoffschneider, a Kingwood library staff member, who planned, cajoled and implemented the display and program.

And a big thank you to the community who came to listen, question, share and honor our veterans. We couldn't do it without them.

Christi C. Whittington
Branch librarian
Kingwood

BUSINESS

Chronicle's This Week

Mudpie Company turns clay into cash



FOLK

The month of October is FOLK's (Friends Of the Library Kingwood's) annual buy-a-book campaign. Contributions to the BAB' campaign provide FOLK with the money to buy new books, audio and visual materials for the Kingwood Library. For more information, call the Kingwood library at 281-360-6804. To contribute to FOLK's buy-a-book campaign, make check payable to FOLK Buy-A-Book and mail to FOLK at P. O. Box 5353, Kingwood, Texas, 77325-5353, or drop your check by the library located at 4102 Rustic Woods Drive. All donations are tax deductible.

KINGWOOD BRANCH LIBRARY

The following programs have been announced for May at the Kingwood Branch Library: Toddler time, for 18 months to 3-year-olds, sign-ups required - Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10 a.m.; Preschool Storytime, designed for 3 to 6-year-olds - Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. and 2:20 p.m.; Mother Goose lapsit, for 0-18 months and their parents, no sign-up required - Thursdays at 11 a.m.; Nugames will meet on May 21 from 12-4 p.m.

Books will be collected at Barnes & Noble bookstores through Jan. 1. All donated books will be distributed during the holiday season to children's non-profit organizations, schools, libraries and local literacy partners.

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Nonprofit organizations can also raise money this holiday season through the Gift Wrap Program. This allows all non-profit groups to increase their visibility by wrapping gifts for donations. In-store signage and booksellers help highlight this service for organizations.

For more information about how to help support a local book drive, for information about that Holiday Book Drive or receive a calendar of events, contact Pam Lang, Community Relations Manager at Deerbrook Mall Barnes & Noble.

Lang can be reached by calling 281-540-2047 or 281-540-3060.

Local Marine speaks about experience in Iraq

By MARTIN WILLHOITE
Contributing Writer



David Polyansky spoke to a group at the Kingwood Library on Veterans Day. Pictured are Alice Rekeweg (Polyansky's mother), Polyansky, Vicki Williams, Donna Stroh, Karen Fleming, Terrie Bauer, Carmen Greigo and Glenn Rekeweg. The women are part of the organization Blue Star Moms. Photo by Martin Willhoite

Sgt. David Polyansky, a Houston lawyer who left his job to reenlist in the Marines, addressed a group of veterans and other attendees on Nov. 11 at the Kingwood Library's commemoration of Veterans Day. Polyansky's mother, Alice Rekeweg, sporting a "Marine's Mom" temporary tattoo on her cheek and fresh from participating in the Veterans Day parade in downtown Houston, introduced the Marine.

The Marines accepted Polyansky's request to reenlist with the Houston-based First Battalion, 23rd Marines in August 2004 and after a brief training period in California, he was deployed to al-Anbar province in Iraq, the largest and one of the most volatile of Iraq's provinces.

Polyansky's talk came as thousands of United States military personnel continued to take part in Operation Steel Curtain, begun November 5, in al-Anbar up to the Syrian border.

Polyansky served with the intelligence unit attached to the First Battalion gathering information and conducting raids. He described his experiences in Iraq and addressed the issues of intelligence collection, foreign insurgents and the rule of law for the crowd assembled at the library.

The Marines would establish their presence in towns from which insurgents operated and begin to interrogate residents.

"The first night is horrible," Polyansky said in describing the resistance of the insurgents who would soon thereafter attempt to leave the towns or blend into the population.

Following their entrance into the city, Polyansky and the Marines would go door-to-door throughout the city and collect and pursue intelligence leads. Families would be segregated by gender and interrogated.

"The process is immediate," Polyansky said of the turnaround time on much of the information they would gather. He would speak with countless people in a day and almost invariably they would say, "There are no terrorists here."

Fear of terrorist reprisals is a serious problem for those who the insurgents believe to be cooperating with American forces. Polyansky told the story of a man who sought assistance from the Marines after insurgents kidnapped his family. The insurgents believed the man to be working with American troops.

"Of course he wasn't," said Polyansky.

Using the information provided by the man, the Marines

set out to free the man's family.

"We showed up, busted through the doors, and pulled his family out," Polyansky said.

It was there that the Marines discovered a basement filled with weapons and explosives under the house where insurgents held the man's family. The American troops proceeded to detonate the weapons under the house and made a further discovery: the insurgents had hidden weapons in the support beams of the house as well.

Polyansky discussed the difficulty of countering reprisals against informants, as well.

"I hesitate to say this, but the only way to counter this is to have a long-standing presence in these cities and that is a terrifying prospect," he said.

Reliability of information poses another major problem. Polyansky described an incident in which bad intelligence was received and its consequences. An informant presented information that al-Qaida members were operating from an area near the Marine base. The Marines attempted to conduct a raid on the al-Qaida operatives, only to learn in the field that the intelligence was bad and an ambush awaited them.

Polyansky and the Marines of the 1/23rd would attempt to build relationships with locals in the towns they entered to collect intelligence.

Intelligence officers would also attempt to assemble field intelligence and information back in the barracks, establishing patterns and connections before acting upon it. Polyansky described the disconnect between the modern accommodations of the barracks with their computers, iPods, and VCRs and the field situations to which he and other soldiers would soon return, which included 130 degree heat, extended periods away from the base and few resources.

"It's a surreal experience," he said.

Polyansky also addressed the nature of the insurgency and the issue of foreign terrorists and insurgents in Iraq coming across the porous border shared by Iraq and Syria.

Polyansky told the audience that large numbers of foreign fighters streamed across the Syrian border on a daily basis. Some of these fighters came from as far away as France, Saudi Arabia, Morocco and Chechnya he said. They crossed the border with money to disperse to local Iraqis who would assist them.

"There is no economy out there," Polyansky said of al-Anbar province.

To add to the problems, insurgents extort money dispensed by Americans to Iraqis for reconstruction efforts.

This money typically funded infrastructure projects such as police stations. And once the police station or school funded by the American forces is built, the insurgents blow it up.

Polyansky discussed the development of the rule of law as well in Iraq. While noting that this is progressing, he stated that the "most important question is how they incorporate the Sunnis."

"They have incorporated some American aspects but they have really developed it around their own beliefs," Polyansky said of the mixed nature of the Iraqi constitution.

When asked about the media coverage, Polyansky replied, "Do I get frustrated that the media is not reporting the positives? Absolutely."

"We have made incredible gains," he added.

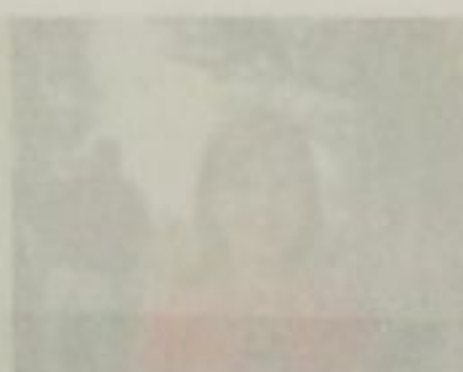
Polyansky has returned to his legal career and married his fiancée, Kirsten, since returning to the United States this past spring.

His talk was part of a commemoration of Veterans Day organized by Aimee Hoffschneider, head of circulation at the library. Veterans from World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War and Operation Enduring Freedom spoke about their experiences and displayed memorabilia collected during their service.

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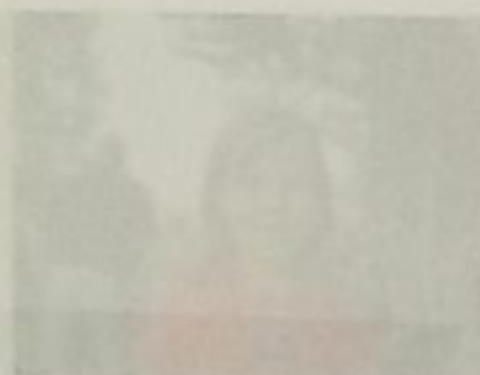
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Library located at 4102 Rustic Woods Drive. Tax deductible donations are accepted throughout the year during library hours.

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January programs at the library

The Kingwood Branch Library has the following programs planned for January:

Storytimes for preschoolers:

- Mother Goose lapsit, designed for children 0-18 months and their parents. No sign-up is required. The program includes nursery rhymes, finger plays and songs. Thursdays at 11 a.m.

- Toddler time-The program

is individualized for 18 months to 3 years. Sign-up is required. Call the library for further information, 281-360-6804. Thursdays at 10 a.m.

- Preschool storytime - Designed for 3-6-year-old children, but all are welcome. Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. and 2:20 p.m.

Children:

- Dragoneers Club: crafts and

fun for schoolage children. Jan. 17, 4 to 5 p.m.

Adults:

- Opera preview with Ann Thompson: Preview the spring opera season with Ann Thompson. Jan. 18, 7 to 9 p.m.

- Disaster preparedness: learn how to be prepared for disasters with professional organizer Ellen Delap. Jan. 23, 7 to 9 p.m.

Once Upon a Monday will honor Barbara Bush Mar. 13

In appreciation for her enduring support of libraries, the Harris County Friends of the Library will honor Mrs. Barbara Bush at their first ever award dinner. This special evening will feature dinner, a silent auction, musical entertainment and the award presentation.

The Once Upon a Monday

event will benefit all branches in the Harris County Public Library system by funding additional resources and materials for adults and children who participate in family learning programs. Outreach programs, our annual Summer Reading Club and family literacy activities are some of the many programs that the

library system offers to Harris County residents.

Once Upon a Monday will take place on Monday, March 13, at 6 p.m. at The Houstonian, 111 North Post Oak Lane.

For more information, please contact Sarah Booth or Stephanie Thompson at 713-749-9000 or visit www.hcpl.net

Let's Grow and area Democrats donate trees to the community

Chevron Corporation and the Texas Forest Service partnered with the Kingwood Area Democrats in December to donate trees to community organizations through Chevron Texaco's "Let's Grow" program.

Baby trees are donated in the spring by the National Tree Trust, employees and retirees, and community volunteers then plant the trees in plastic containers.

The planted trees are nurtured at the tree farm in Humble Field. They are watered and fertilized throughout the year and at year's end, they are transplanted into the community by volunteers and community organizations.

Ten trees were picked up in December from the Humble tree farm. Seven trees were donated to Harris County Precinct 4 for placement at the May Community Center in Huffman and at the Little Cypress Creek Preserve. A Mexican oak and three redbuds were accepted for planting at the Kingwood Library. They will be planted on the library grounds by the Kingwood Garden Club.



President Toni Medellin, Vice President Sarah Reinemeyer and Melissa Schmid, of ChevronTexaco/Texas Forest Service, load trees into a pickup for planting at the Kingwood Library.

Chevron Texaco retiree Sarah Reinemeyer served as chair of the Kingwood Area Democrats Tree Project in 2005. Reinemeyer also serves as vice president and Webmaster of the club.

The Kingwood Area Democrats provide a progressive message in the Kingwood, Humble,

Atascosita and Huffman areas. They meet the first Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. at the Kingwood Library.

For more information on the Kingwood Area Democrats and how you can become more involved in your community, please visit www.KingwoodAreaDemocrat

s.org or call Toni Medellin at 281-361-8568.

The Kingwood Area Democrats would like to sincerely thank the National Tree Project, Chevron Texaco, the Texas Forest Service and the Kingwood Garden Club for help in keeping the Livable Forest alive in Kingwood and Harris County.

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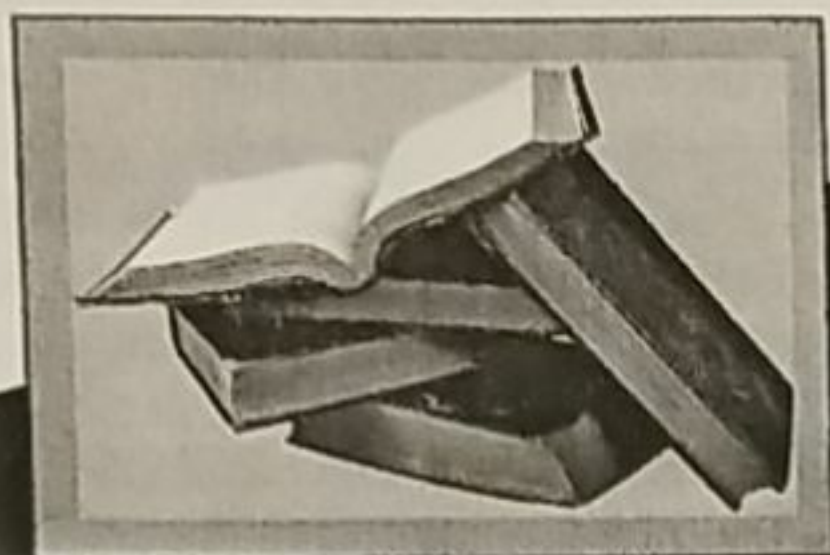


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November 2005—January 2006 Issue

BOOKS, CDS, AND/OR DVDS ARE AWAITING YOU ...

at Barnes & Noble/Deerbrook Mall on December 1, 2005.

Friends of the Library Kingwood (F.O.L.K.) have joined with Barnes & Noble for a *Bookfair*. This event provides a perfect time to do some early holiday shopping.

F.O.L.K. and Barnes & Noble's *Bookfair* benefits all participants. Barnes & Noble will donate a percentage of sales made with *Bookfair Vouchers* to F.O.L.K.

During the month of November, *Bookfair Vouchers* will be available to the community via many sources. Those sources include, but are not limited to, the following entities: newspapers, kingwoodnow website, Kingwood Branch Library, this newsletter, and local businesses.

The next step is easy. Bring your *Bookfair Voucher* along with your holiday list to Barnes & Noble/Deerbrook Mall (only this site) on:

Thursday, December 1, 2005
(during normal business hours).

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Your shopping will be made more enjoyable as various groups will be on hand to entertain you. There will be a children's story hour. And, to assist you with your shopping, F.O.L.K. members will be available.

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**THURSDAY,
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Bookfair Location:

Barnes & Noble/Deerbrook Mall

Present this voucher at the cash registers at the time of purchase. A percent of the net sale will be donated to the organization.

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Amount of sale before tax less purchase of Gift Cards, Membership Cards and café consumables:

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The following transactions are not included in *Bookfair* totals: The purchase of Gift Cards, Membership Cards, and café consumables.

(Bookfair Voucher)

Good Old Times



We started our *Good Old Times* program in October. Each Monday from 3 to 4 PM, we hold a short story reading at the library for seniors. If you are over 50 or just want to hear some interesting short stories, come on in. We will be reading mysteries, romances, westerns, science fiction, and the occasional classic. If you have a favorite author, story, or genre, let us know and we'll add it to our list. For a change of pace, solve a brain twister, or join a trivia team. For a relaxing hour on a Monday afternoon, add us to your schedule.



Dragoneers Strike Again

This year's Dragoneers' Club for school-aged children got off to a roaring start. The book for this year is Dragon Slayer's Academy #1, A New Kid in School by Kate McMullen. The meetings are the first and third Tuesday of each month from 4 to 5 PM. Children earn their way from Varlet to Page to Squire to Knight, by reading books, and attending meetings.

Each meeting has a different activity. October brought Bats with Nancy Leary of Jesse Jones Park, and a Harry Potter Party. November brings Pioneer and Native American food and the first chance to receive Page status.

F.O.L.K. will open the November book sale to Dragoneers so they may spend their Dragon Dollars, earned by attending meetings, for something fun to read. December has only one meeting and time to make a present for someone special. Come join us, and earn your way to a Knighthood.

Kingwood Teens "Get Real" with Kingwood Library Survivor

The theme for the 2005 Teen Read Week (Oct. 16-22) was "Get Real @ Your Library". With this in mind, we decided to sponsor the Kingwood Library Survivor Scavenger Hunt. Teens had to answer 18 of the 22 total questions correctly to be eligible for the prize drawing. Prizes were Barnes & Noble gift certificates, which were graciously donated by F.O.L.K. The prize drawing was held at the end of Teen Read Week.

Incidentally, one of the questions on the scavenger hunt was the following: "What does the abbreviation F.O.L.K. stand for?"

- 1) Follow Our Library Kindly
- 2) Four Old Lonely Kites
- 3) Friends of the Library Kingwood
- 4) Friendly Only to the Librarians in Kingwood

Trading Shelves Contest

If you have been to the library lately and wandered back by the Young Adult area, you will no doubt have noticed some changes. The Harris County Public Library (HCPL) Administration sponsored a contest among branches where teams from the participating branches would give a selected area of another branch a "make over". Kingwood was paired with the Crosby branch and they gave our Young Adult area a much needed lift. At the request of the Crosby team, we moved one range of shelves over about two feet and rearranged the location of different parts of the Young Adult collection to make it more appealing to our teens. Also, the far reference desk was moved so that it sits at an angle facing the front door of the library. The Crosby team also made an attractive Young Adult sign and put down some floor cushions in the aisle that was made wider by the shelf movement.



The Kingwood team revamped the New Book area of the Crosby library.

Holiday Used Book Sale

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Buy-A-Book Campaign

For the past twenty-two years, Friends of the Library Kingwood (F.O.L.K.) has solicited community support through the *Buy-A-Book* effort to help keep the Kingwood Branch Library's collection and services on a first rate level. *Buy-A-Book* donations are used to augment Harris County's funding support of our library. With donated funds, F.O.L.K. has provided new adult books, audio-visual materials, large format collections, children's picture books and juvenile literature, computer financial subscriptions, such as Value Line, and numerous other types of library materials. All these additions to the collection, above and beyond the level funded by Harris County, have enabled the Kingwood Library to maintain a well-rounded, current and relevant collection to offer our community.

To contribute to this campaign, please cut and fill out the form on the back page of this newsletter.

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Kingwood Garden Club Presents

Christmas in the Forest

HOMETOUR

- Friday, December 2: 10 AM—3 PM
- Candlelight Tour: Friday, Dec. 2: 6—10 PM
- Saturday: December 3: 10 AM – 5 PM
- Sunday, December 4: 12 Noon—5 PM

Kick your holiday season off with a holiday event you will not want to miss. One of the finest home tours in all of Houston!

Tickets: Kingwood Kroger and HEB stores, Amaryllis Floral Designs, Inside Story, Designs Two U, Grimm's Gift Boutique, and Kingwood Garden Club members.

Tickets: \$12 thru Dec. 1; \$15 Dec. 2—4
Candlelight Tour: \$20 (available only from garden club members—limited numbers)

For info call: 281-358-5844



Used Book Sale

Friday, November 18, 5—8 PM

F.O.L.K. Members Only!

Saturday, November 19, 9 AM—3 PM

General Public!

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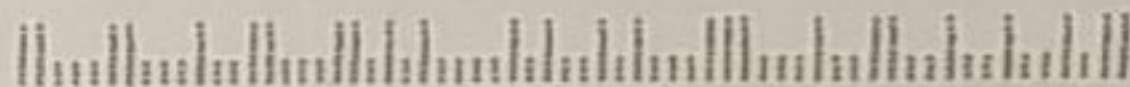
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THE OBSERVER

Wednesday,
February 22, 2006

Wiseman announces plans for community center and library

By SUSAN MEINHOLZ
Observer Reporter

At the annual Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) meeting, held at Creekwood Middle School on Feb. 16, District E City Council member Addie Wiseman announced that a new 35,000-square-foot library will be built on the property located on Bens View, originally purchased by the city of Houston for a community center.

The community center will move into the 12,000-square-foot library building, currently located on Rustic Woods Drive, that will be renovated to accommodate the center.

Originally, funds were allocated for a 6,000-square-foot community center to be built at Bens View next to the Kingwood Greens Village. Problems arose from concerns expressed by the residents of Kingwood Greens about the proximity of the center

to their neighborhood and the realization that 6,000-square feet would not be sufficient space for the center.

It was also determined that plans to add on to the existing county library in Kingwood were going to be a challenge and costly due to the technological requirements.

Wiseman said she knew the task was hers to solve and decided the best solution was to swap land with the county.

After Issa Dadoush, director of the city's building services, determined that the library could be converted into a community center, Wiseman met with Harris County Pct. 4 Commissioner Jerry Eversole, Houston Mayor Bill White and attorneys from the city and county to discuss the details.

The idea for the swap originated with *Observer* editor

WISEMAN

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in two years.

Cynthia Calvert.

White had been presented with this idea by Calvert over a year ago when he called her to get her feedback regarding negative comments about the community center planned in Kingwood that he had heard expressed at a Kingwood luncheon.

Calvert told the mayor that the community desperately needed a larger library and was the one to suggest the idea to use the city property and funds, which were originally designated for a community center, for a larger library. The old library, a county property, could then be used as a community center. She suggested it would be prudent and make sense to simply switch.

Wiseman thanked members of Friends of the Library Kingwood (FOLK), some of whom were present at the meeting, for their diligence, dedication and patience with the library, and expressed her excitement about the projects moving forward. "When I first came to you five years ago and asked if I could have the honor of representing you down in City Hall, I shared with you the many things I hoped to accomplish during my time there," said Wiseman.

She said it was very important to her, Eversole and the mayor to get the project rolling while they were all still in office.

"It's a done deal," she said. "We're going to make sure it reaches a point of no return before any of us are out of office."

Due to term limits, Wiseman will finish her third and final term

Dee Price, president of the Super Neighborhood Council, shared some of the top 10 items on the council's action plan, which included the library and community center.

"We are glad to see those are coming to fruition," said Price.

Wiseman assured Price that they will welcome input from the community regarding the renovations to the existing library. Price said the remaining items dealt with traffic improvements and mobility, in particular the need for synchronization of traffic lights by remote.



Houston City Council member Addie Wiseman addressed citizens' questions at the annual CIP meeting. Photos by Susan Meinholtz



CITY OF HOUSTON
City Council

Addie Wiseman
Council Member, District E

February 06, 2006

Ms. Frances Pelham
1934 Lake Hills Drive
Kingwood, TX 77339

Ms. Pelham:

Thank you for contacting my office regarding the Kingwood Library. I appreciate the opportunity to share exciting news on the future of the Kingwood Library and the Kingwood Community Center with you.

Five years ago, when I sought your support, I also sought to serve you by partnering with County Commissioner Jerry Eversole to pursue an improved joint City-County Library. In addition, I sought to pursue a community center to serve our community. I am happy to announce that plans are underway for the addition of both projects to our Capital Improvement Plan.

Our first focus and efforts in these projects was the acquisition of land for the community center. The design and construction of our community center has brought us a unique opportunity to make the best use of existing land, at West Lake Houston Parkway and Ben's View, originally purchased for the purpose of constructing the community center. I felt it would be well suited for a new 35,000 to 45,000 square foot library facility, to better meet the technological needs associated with modern library amenities. At the same time, it was our desire to provide a community center much larger than the 6,000 square feet that new construction would allow us to build. By acquiring the existing library facility from Harris County, located at Rustic Woods Drive and West Lake Houston Parkway, we will be able to provide approximately 12,000 square feet of community center amenities. Thus, we are able to double the area we are able to provide and save a substantial amount of money, as well.

The new library will be a joint City-County facility and the community center will be made possible because of our partnership with the County. I am extremely appreciative of Commissioner Eversole's strong desire to provide the best library facility possible for Kingwood, and his eagerness to collaborate on this exciting venture.

Best regards,

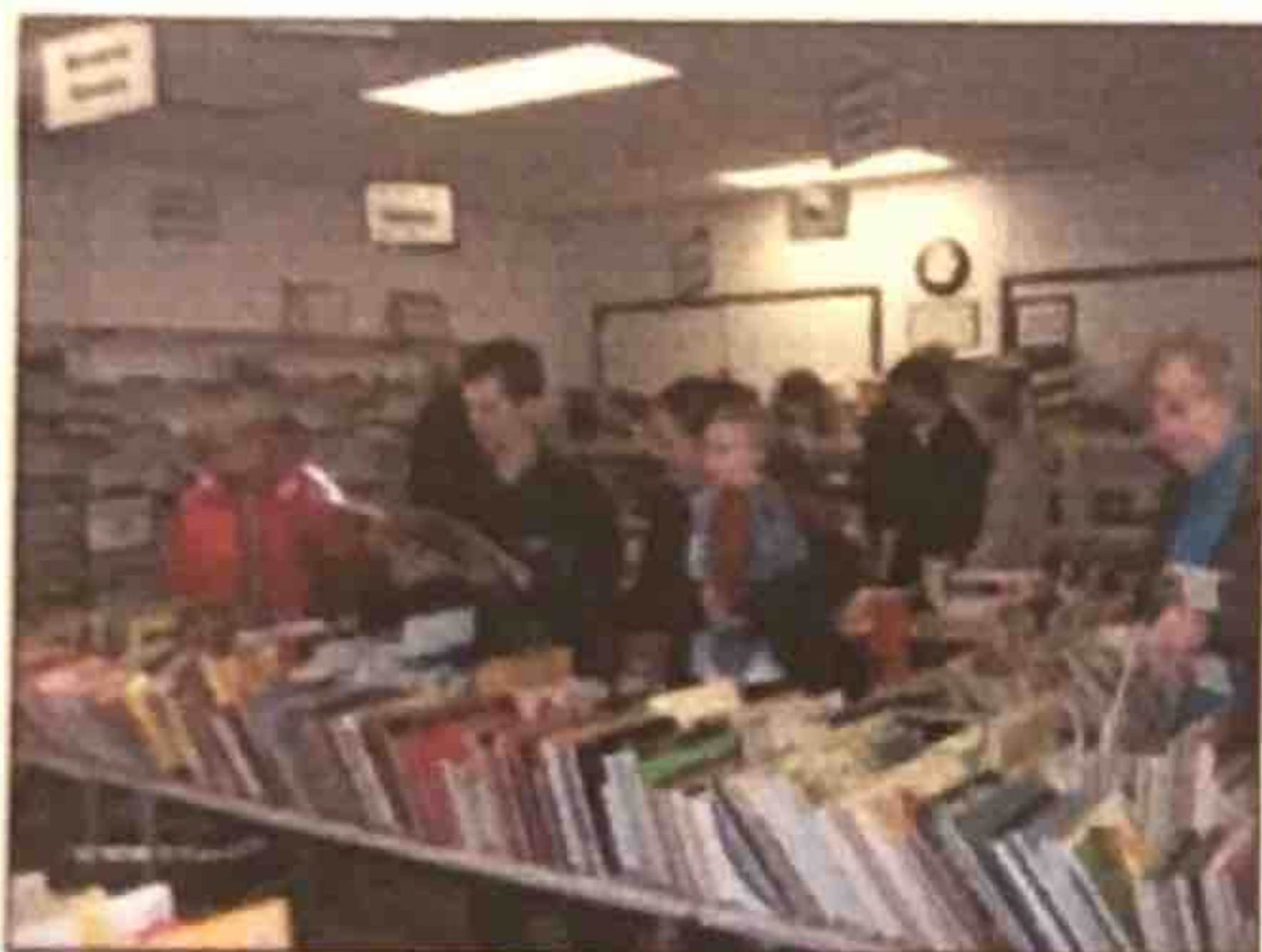
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Addie Wiseman".

Addie Wiseman

friendly Mardi Gras event!

FOLK's USED BOOK SALE A SUCCESS, NOW MORE BOOKS ARE NEEDED

Posted by kingwoodnow on Thursday, February 23 @ 06:36:49 CST ([Read More...](#) | Score: 0)



Friends Of the Library Kingwood's February Used Book Sale held on February 18th was such a tremendous success that more books are now needed for the upcoming May book sale.

FOLK's next Used Book Sale is Saturday, May 13, 2006 at the Kingwood Library, 4102 Rustic Woods Dr @ West Lake Houston Parkway from 9am - 3pm. FOLK members are invited to shop early on Friday, May 12th from 5pm - 8pm.

Tax deductible books, magazines, and other donations are accepted during library business hours*. The library has first choice of all donated items; you may see your donated items on a library shelf, or at one of FOLK's Used Book Sales. Either way, the KW library is the benefactor of your generous donations. Another way to increase the the library's revenue from FOLK's book sales is to recycle your books. After reading your bargain purchases, return them to be sold again!

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*Library hours:

Monday: 1 pm - 9 pm

Tuesday: 10 am - 6 pm

Wednesday: 10 am - 9 pm

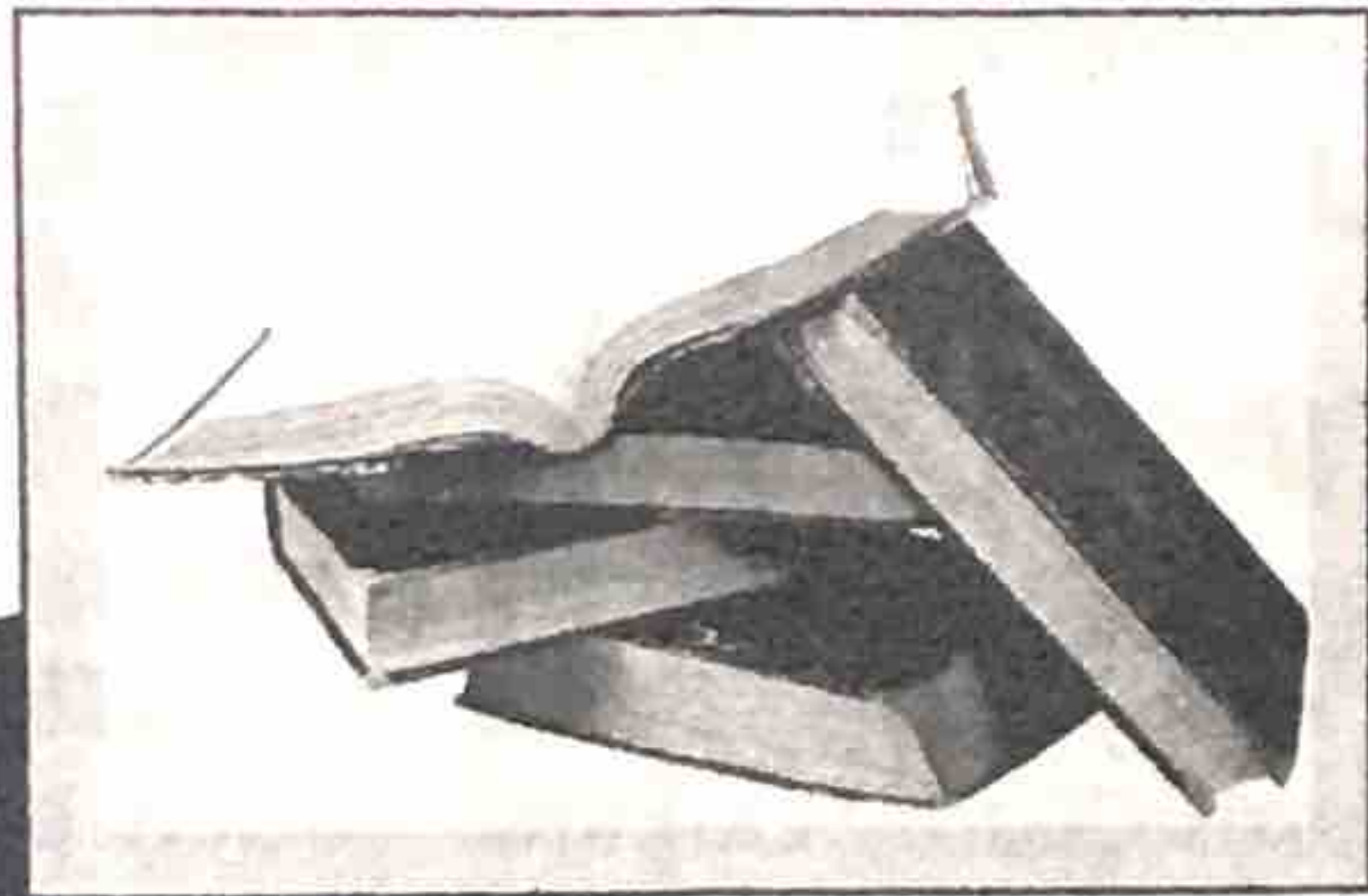
Thursday: 10 am - 6 pm

Friday: 1 pm - 6 pm

Saturday: 10 am - 5 pm

Sunday: Closed





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Support F.O.L.K. and Help the Kingwood Library

Did you receive new books for Christmas? Were old and trusted 'book friends' displaced on your bookshelves? If so, F.O.L.K. has a home for your overflow. By continuing to graciously donate books, magazines, and other materials, bargain prices can be offered to the patrons of the Kingwood Library. Quarterly **Used Book Sales** are held, starting February 16, 2006. You can find books in the following categories: Newly Released, Children; Fiction, Biographies, Arts/Literature/Classics/Poetry, Business/Computer/Reference, Religion/Inspiration, Parenting, Medical/Diet/Exercise, Travel, and Young Adult books. Also for sale are media materials: videos, CDs, DVDs, cassettes and music. Miscellaneous items such as puzzles and games round out the offerings.

You, *Friends of the Library Kingwood*, and the Kingwood community, are a major force behind the success of F.O.L.K. in its partnership with the Kingwood Library. The purpose behind F.O.L.K. is defined in the F.O.L.K. Bylaws, "The purpose of this (nonprofit) organization shall be to maintain an association of persons interested in books, and libraries; to focus public attention on library services, facilities, and needs; and to stimulate gifts of books, magazines, desirable collections, endowments, and bequests. And further to promote the cause of the Kingwood Branch Library in the community by fund raising events and cultural activities..."

Want to expand your support of the Kingwood Library in 2006? There are four easy ways to accomplish this.

1. Spread the word about F.O.L.K. and invite your friends, neighbors, family, and all acquaintances to join. The library staff at the library's circulation desk can sign them up.
2. Sign up as a F.O.L.K. volunteer. Leave your name with one of the Kingwood librarians, or call the library at 281-360-6804.
3. Encourage your friends, neighbors, family, and all acquaintances to support the F.O.L.K. **Used Book Sale** through the giving of books, magazines, and other materials and to attend these quarterly fund raisers.
4. Invite your circle of friends and family to patronize and/or contribute to F.O.L.K. campaigns. Don't forget 'matching funds' through your workplace.

See you at the library!



Winter 2006

The Dragoners are charging along, working hard to make Page, Squire, and Knight. The February meetings are dedicated to creating our own coat of arms.

During the first meeting on the first Tuesday, February 7, from 4 PM to 5 PM, we are learning about heraldry and some of the terms and symbols. We will need to create our own Coat of Arms. Each Dragoner will receive instructions and worksheets, so that on the third Tuesday, February 21, we will be ready to make our own Coat of Arms on blank shields. The library, courtesy of F.O.L.K., will supply everything you need. If you would like to join us, there is still time. If you miss the first meeting on February 7, drop by the library and pick up copies of directions and worksheets and join us on the third Tuesday.

Come join the Loyal Order of Dragoners. You'll have Fun!

Connie Dye, Children's Librarian

Used Book Sale

Thursday, February 16, 10:30 AM—12 Noon

For the Physically Challenged!

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Thurs. 10 AM—6 PM Fri. 1-6 PM Sat. 10 AM—5 PM

Donations are tax deductible.



Here & There at the Kingwood Branch Library

We had a busy December as Santa visited the library on the 5th of December, the North Harris County Dulcimer Society played during the evening, and F.O.L.K. provided refreshments. It was an evening of enjoyment for all ages. The children loved Santa, our own Jeff Coyle, with his ever-helpful assistant, elf Anna Coyle. The dulcimer music sounded so good in this library—the acoustics are perfect for music. It was a tradition in the making.

The IRS forms on CD-Rom have come in! The last 2 years we did not get these until March—just when everyone was getting desperate. We've set up the F.O.L.K. computer for printing out those IRS forms we do not have. I look for this to be a most popular service—we've already had several requests from those who remember this from last year.

Harris County has removed some of the dead trees in the front area of the library and trimmed others to keep a clear walkway. With the hard work the Kingwood Garden Club puts into the garden, we're looking forward to a lovely blooming garden. It is a wonderful thought to keep our spirits up during the cold of winter.

Aimee Hoffschneider, our Head of Circulation, has tendered her resignation. She is taking a job with better hours and while we will miss her sense of humor, not to mention her hard work, we do wish her the best of luck. She has brought many hours of laughter to us and I will never look at a tiara or sticker again without thinking of Aimee. She certainly will be missed.

Christi C. Whittington, Branch Librarian

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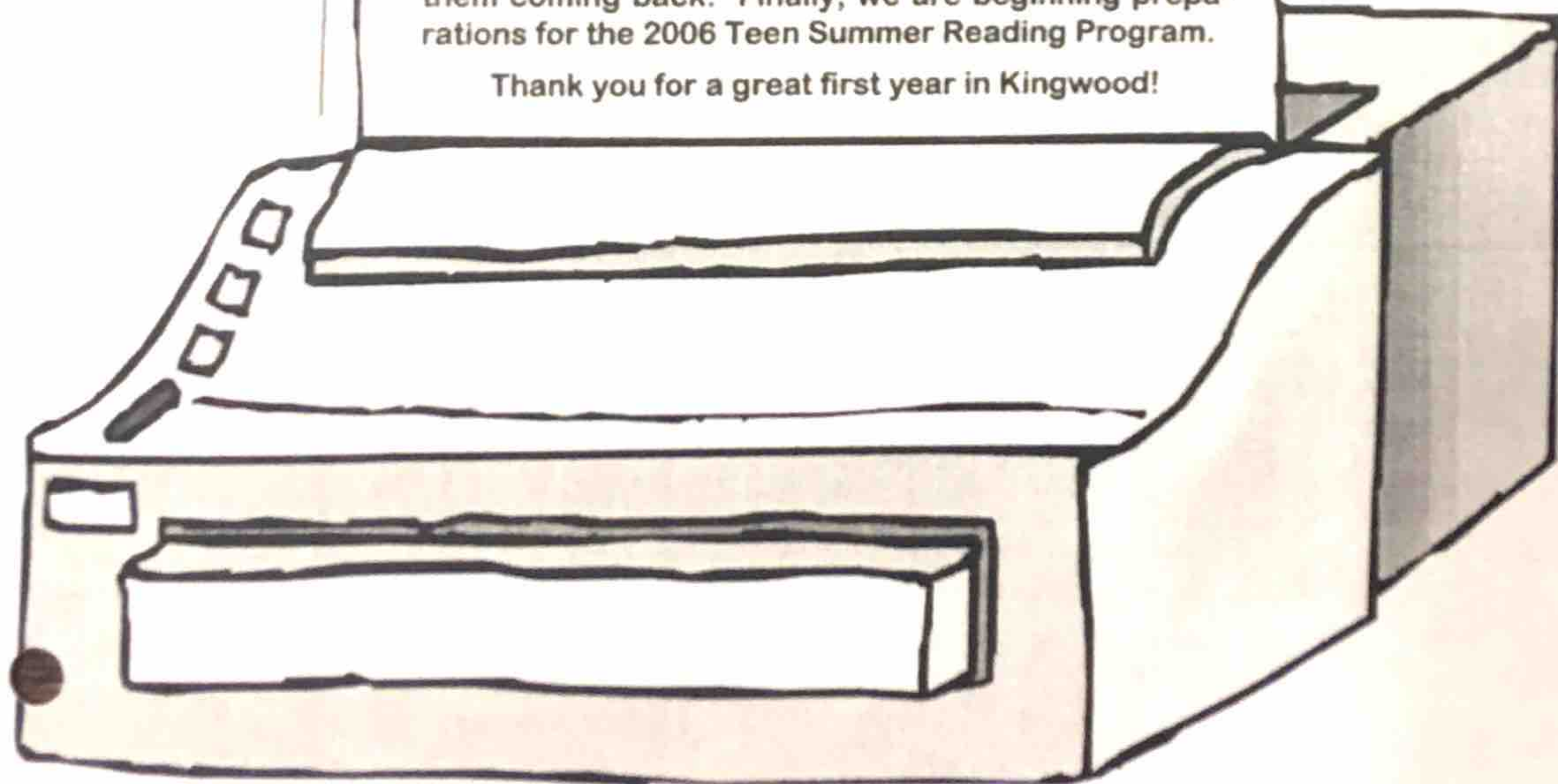
Young Adult (YA) Happenings At the Kingwood Library

By Jeff Coyle, Assistant Branch Librarian

This March will mark the first anniversary of my arrival as Assistant Branch Librarian here in Kingwood. The first year has been great and I would like to thank F.O.L.K. for all of the support that you give to us here at the library. I am looking forward to more great things in the years to come.

One of my responsibilities is providing services to our young adults, and we have made several improvements in the services we offer. First, the Kingwood branch participated in a "Trading Shelves" program last fall. We had staff from the Crosby branch come and spruce up our Young Adult area while a team of our staff, headed by Reference Librarian, Elizabeth Ronald, gave a face lift to their New Book area. The result on our end was a better area for our teens to read and a better way to display materials in the Young Adult area. Second, we have also started to plan more programs on a regular basis that might interest our young adults and keep them coming back. Finally, we are beginning preparations for the 2006 Teen Summer Reading Program.

Thank you for a great first year in Kingwood!





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F.O.L.K. Membership Application

Your membership dues are used to enhance the services and programs of the Kingwood Library as well as develop the library's collection. Renew your membership for the 2006-2007 year!

F.O.L.K.

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Kingwood, TX 77325-5353

(Please make check payable to F.O.L.K.)

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Membership
Year runs from
April, 2006
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2007.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Yes, I am a friend! Enclosed is my check for the type of membership indicated.

\$15 Regular \$25 Patron \$100 Sustaining \$500 Benefactor \$1,000 Life Member

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FOLK needs more donations for May sale

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Library is the benefactor. Another way to increase the library's revenue from FOLK's book sales is to recycle books; after reading the bargain purchases, return them to be sold again.

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• Library hours are Monday, 1-9 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Friday, 1-6 p.m.; and Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. The library is closed on Sunday.



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FOLK's annual board meeting will be held in the Kingwood Library's meeting room on Monday, April 3, at 7 p.m. The public is invited.

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In the Villages
March 29 - April 4

Programs announced at the Kingwood Branch Library for March 2006

school-age children.

Adult

On March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., the library will hold the AARP for those requiring tax help.

On March 11, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Nugamers will meet to play tactical combat games using miniature scale figures.

School age children

On March 2 at 10:30 a.m., the library will have Dr. Seuss' birthday party. The Cat in the Hat will visit with stories and a birthday cook-

ie. On March 21, from 4-5 p.m., the Dragoners will meet with activities for

welcome.

rhymes, finger plays and songs.

Toddler time, a program individualized for 18 months to 3 years, is on Thursdays at 10 a.m. Sign-ups are required. Call library for further information at 281-360-6804.

Preschool storytime, Tuesdays at 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., is designed for 3-6-year-old children, but everyone is

The Kingwood Branch Library has programs for all ages planned for the month of March:

Storytimes for preschoolers

Mother Goose lapsit, designed for children 0-18 months and their parents, will be held on Thursdays at 11 a.m. No sign-up is required. The program includes nursery

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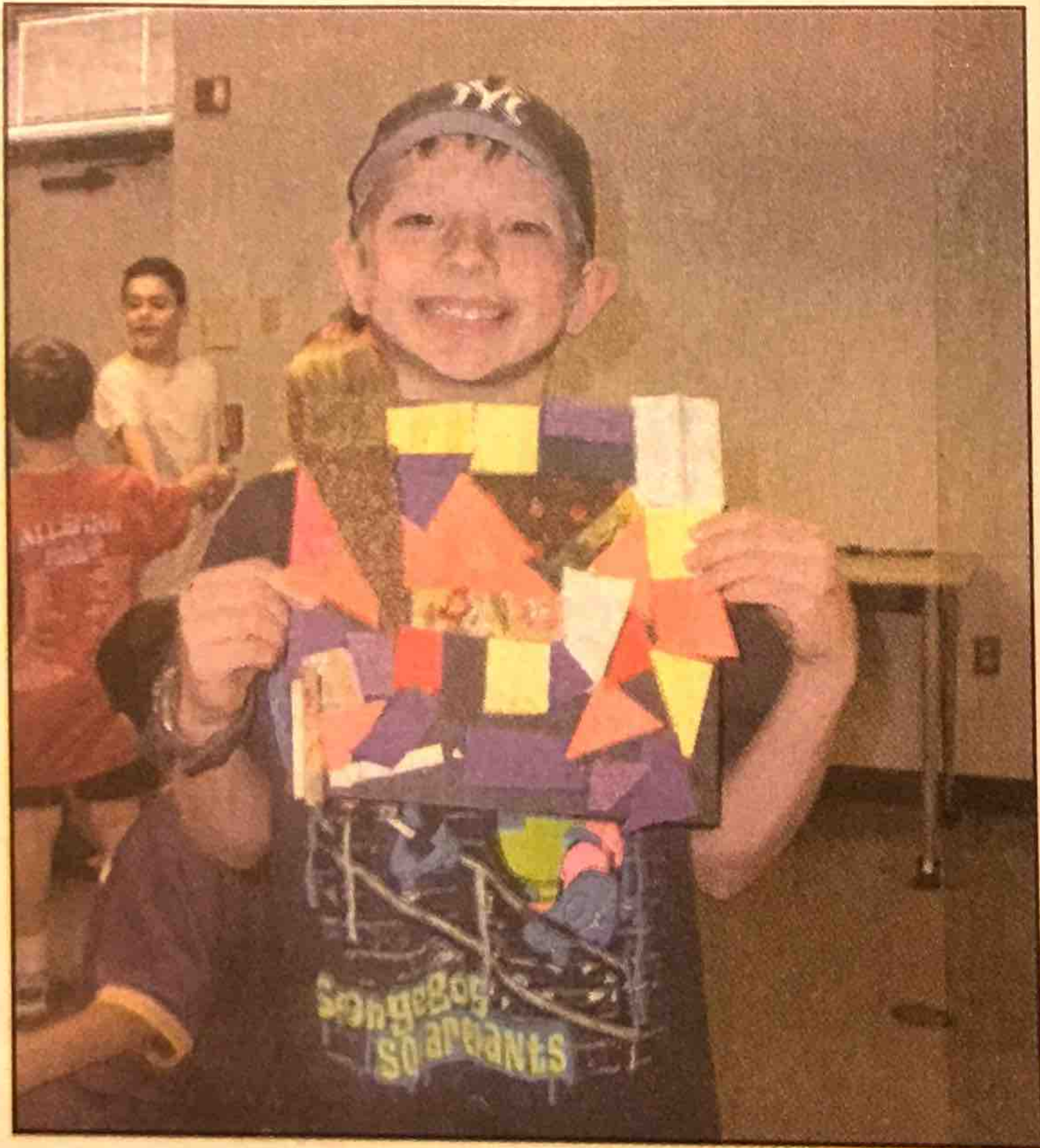
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Abakadoodle supports Arts Advocacy Day

Abakadoodle joined Americans for the Arts in conjunction with the Congressional Arts Caucus and The Creative Coalition to cosponsor Arts Advocacy Day 2006. This national event (www.americans-forthearts.org/events/2006/aad/01.asp) took place March 13-14, in Washington, D.C.

Abakadoodle franchises nationwide participated in such ways as providing free art workshops/shows; delivering creativity supplies to family shelters, children's hospitals and schools in need; as well as talking to parents about inspiring creativity at home. In Kingwood, Abakadoodle celebrated Arts Advocacy Day by providing free art activities at the Kingwood Branch public library.

Arts Advocacy Day kicked off in Washington, D.C., on Monday, March 13, with a day of legislative training sessions and guest speakers, capped by the 19th annual Nancy Hanks Lecture on Arts and Public Policy by William Safire, a Pulitzer Prize-winning author and longtime political columnist for the *New York Times*. During his presentation at the John F. Kennedy Center, Mr. Safire previewed new preliminary research results linking brain activity with arts education learning. On March 14, a Congressional Arts Breakfast featured brief talks by members



Free art classes at the library brings smiles.

of Congress and other elected officials, as well as celebrity guests, followed by visits to Capitol Hill.

In support of Arts Advocacy Day, Abakadoodle held a free

art class at the Kingwood Library for children 3-12 years of age.

To learn more, contact Brenda Males, director, at 281-360-9001 or BMales@abakadoodle.com

Geocaching at the Kingwood Library

Do you share a love of computers, electronic gadgets and the outdoors with your friends, relatives and neighbors? If so, geocaching may be for you.

Geocaching is a high-tech treasure hunt using a global positioning system device.

This adventure is one of the hottest hobbies on the planet. If interested, please

attend a geocaching presentation on Friday, April 21, 2006, at 4 p.m., in the Kingwood Branch Library, 4102 Rustic Woods. Attendees will leave library

premises and walk to a nearby geocache site. Parents or guardians are asked to attend with their children. If you have a GPS device, please bring it along.

For more information, please contact Jeff Coyle at 281-360-6804.

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HOLDS ANNUAL HONORARIA AND ANNOUNCES NEXT USED BOOK SALE

Posted by [kingwoodnow](#)

Nancy (Gus) Watkins, wife of Bob Watkins, Christi Wittington, KW Library Branch Manager, Carolyn Humphrey, FOLK President, Patricia Watkins, daughter of Bob Watkins. Nancy (Gus) and Patricia Watkins are seen accepting books honoring the memory of Bob Watkins for his many years of service to the Friends Of the Library Kingwood organization. For a complete listing of FOLK's 2005-2006 list of Honoraria, [click here](#).



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Saturday: 10 am - 5 pm

Sunday: Closed

Nancy (Gus) Watkins Christi Carolyn Patricia

Friends Of the Library Kingwood
2005- 2006 Honoraria

Honorees	Book Placed in Their Name
County Commissioner Jerry Eversole	To The Flag: The Unlikely History of the Pledge of Allegiance by Richard Ellis
City Councilwoman Addie Wiseman	Houston: a Chronicle Of The Bayou City by Stanley E. Siegel & John A. Moretta
Kathleen Aten – Dragoneer Club Leader	To Be Continued: An Annotated Guide To Sequels by Merle L. Jacob & Hope Apple
Jenna Aten – Dragoneer Club Assistant	Wizardology: The Book of the Secrets of Merlin by Anne Yvonne Gilbert
Kim Andrew – Dragoneer Club Assistant	Wizardology: The Book of the Secrets of Merlin by Anne Yvonne Gilbert
David Andrew – Dragoneer Club Assistant	Egyptology: Search for the Tom of Osiris by Helen Ward, Wayne Anderson
Sparky Nolan – KW Chamber of Commerce President	Spark: Be More Innovative Through Co-Creation by John Winsor
Nancy Leary – Jesse Jones Park	America's Neighborhood Bats: Understanding and Learning to Live in Harmony with Them by Merlin D. Tuttle and Lone Star field guide: Texas snakes by Alan Tennant.
Kalen Webb – Nat'l Charity League – KW Chapter	Adventure Divas: Searching the Globe for a New Kind of Heroine by Holly Morris
Jacqueline Harren – Nat'l Charity League – Livable Forest Chapter	Going Places: How America's Best and Brightest Got Started Down the Road of Life by E. D. Hill
Tina Stanford – KW Women's Club	Furniture: World Styles From Classical To Contemporary by Judith Miller
Roland Alley	A War Like No Other: How The Athenians And Spartans Fought The Peloponnesian War by Victor Davis Hanson
Karen Collier	The Complete Dog Book – 20 th Edition by American Kennel Club
Will Collier	Rock and Gem by Ronald Louis Bonewitz
Chris Davis	Elements of Murder: A History of Poison by John Emsley
Dee Reiser	Artisanal Cooking: A Chef Shares His Passion for Handcrafting Great Meals at Home by Terrance Brennan, Andrew Friedman
Regina Ripley – Kingwood Garden Club	Passalong Plants by Steve Bender, Felder Rushing
Judy Hopkins and Mark Heinrich – Keller Williams Realty	Arts and Crafts: (DK Collector's Guides) by Judith Miller
Tracy Stunja – ReMax Northeast	A History of Thought and Invention, from Fire to Freud by Peter Watson
Jim McCary – HBL Intercontinental Rotary	The Perfect Team: The Best Players,

Friends Of the Library Kingwood
2005- 2006 Honoraria

Club	Coach, and GM – Let The Debate Begin! By National Basketball Association
Bruce Ward – Ward Brothers & Associates	Fantasyland: A Season on Baseball's Lunatic Fringe by Sam Walker
Rick Alspaugh – Alspaugh's Hardware	Weber's Real Grilling by Jamie Purviance
Barry Chappell – Sign Designs Now	Masters of American Comics by Various Contributors
Dr. Karen Perkins, Humble ISD	Enlightening the World: Encyclopaedia, The Book That Changed the Course of History by Philip Bloom
Brenda Themis – Kwik Kopy	Coffee: A Dark History by Antony Wild
Mark Linabury – Kingwood Now	Bag the Elephant: How to Win and Keep Big Customers by Steve Kaplan
Stephanie Gillette – KW College TV Ch 42	National Geographic Visual History of the World by Douglas Brinkley
Linda Woehst – KW College paper – The Times	
Cynthia Calvert – Kingwood Observer	Slam Dunks and No-Brainers: Language in Your Life, the Media, Business, Politics, and, Like, Whatever by Leslie Savan
Gwyn Davis – JPMorgan Chase	Future Think: How to Think Clearly in a Time of Change by Edie Weiner, Arnold Brown
Jennifer Wisdom – Wells Fargo	The Future for Investors: Why the Tried and the True Triumph Over the Bold and the New by Jeremy J. Siegel
Pat and Ray Guard – Forest Image	Rock and Roll Year by Year by Luke Crampton, Dafydd Rees
Jennifer Jozwiak – Coffee News	Poems That Live Forever by Hazel Felleman
Ed Corino	Divine Wind – The History and Science of Hurricanes by Kerry Emanuel
In Memory of Bob Watkins	The Michaels Book of Arts and Crafts and The Michaels Book of Paper Crafts (both) by Lark

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From: "carolyn humphrey" <wchumphrey@kingwoodcable.net>
To: "frances pelham" <fpelham@msn.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 23, 2006 2:50 PM
Subject: Re: 2 Things

Just use Mrs Bob Watkins and the daughter is Patricia Watkins. Bob was Used Book Chairman for a few years and treasurer for quite a while. Wanda would know more about what he did if he had anything but those two jobs. I will check with Mike to see if there has been any e bay bites on the books. If we have any other books that you have found that might sell, just put them in the closet with my name on it and I will get them to him. Save you a trip. I haven't found anything lately but maybe you have. I got a e mail from Addie regarding the letting of bids for the library and the square footage in the specs was 30,00 to 35,000 square feet to be completed by 2007. Maybe they have quit feuding and make some progress.

— Original Message —

From: frances pelham
To: Humphrey Carolyn
Sent: Saturday, April 22, 2006 1:02 PM
Subject: 2 Things

Carolyn,

1) I am going to distribute the Honoaria information to the appropriate 'voices' of FOLK. I would like to use the picture of the Bob Watkins family with this info. What I need from you are the names of the family members accepting the books and a brief caption of Bob's contributions to FOLK.

2) Before I take any of the other Zane Grey books to Mike, I wanted to check on his progress. Has Mike placed the Zane Grey books on Ebay? Did he have any luck selling them? Do you want me to take any other of the books to him?

I delivered the Zane Grey book I sold to Mark Linabury on the Kingwood Auction Website and we have received the selling price of \$5.00.

Frances

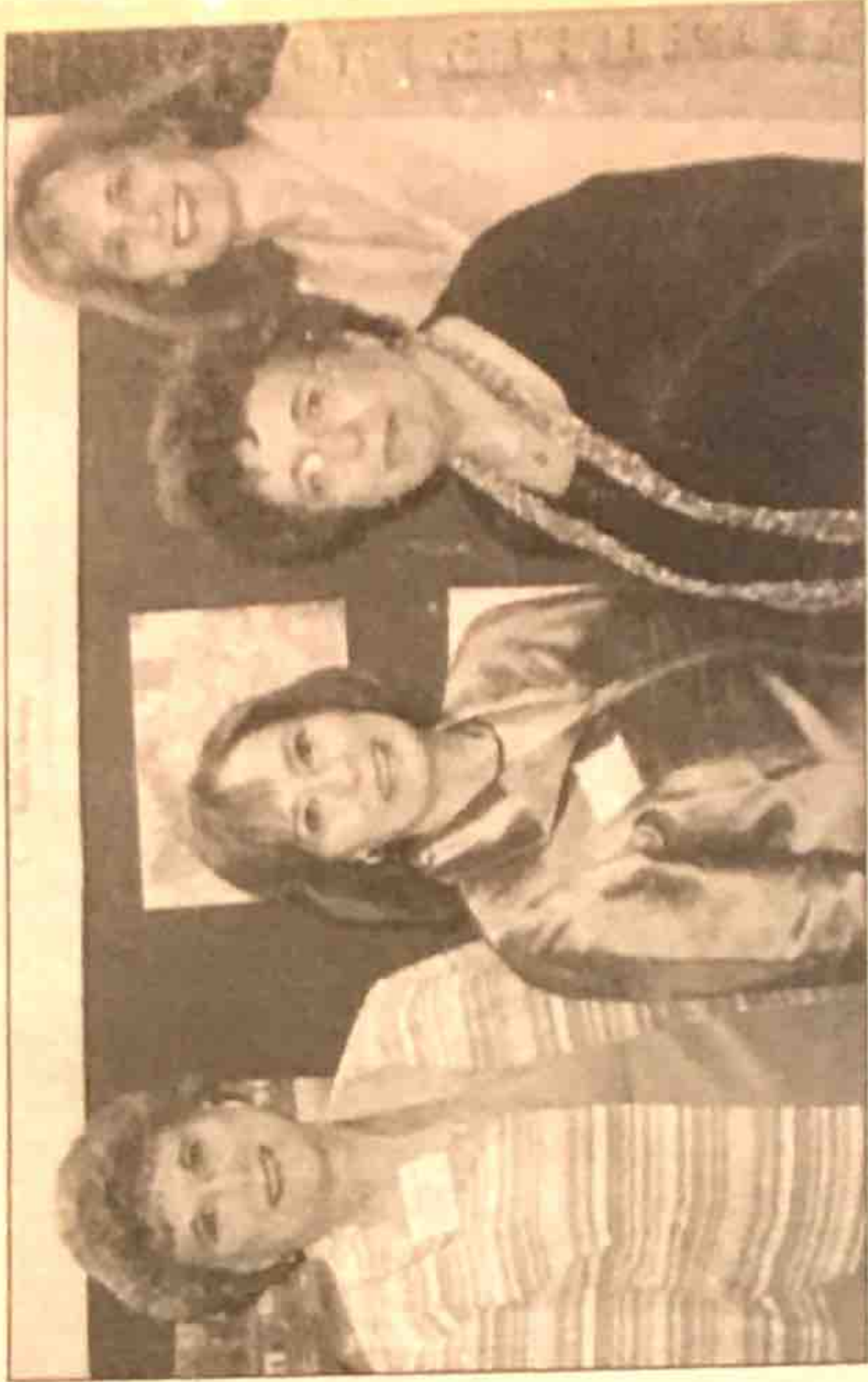
'Once Upon a Monday' event held to benefit Harris County Public Library System

In appreciation for her enduring support of libraries and literacy, the Harris County Friends of the Library honored Mrs. Barbara Bush at their first-ever award dinner on Monday, March 13, at the Houstonian. Since Mrs. Bush was unable to attend the event, she sent a video message of her acceptance where she spoke about the importance of libraries and literacy. On her behalf, Peter Roussel, former White House deputy press secretary under President Reagan, accepted the award.

The Friends of Harris County Public Library raised more than \$28,000 for library programs and materials. Event-goers enjoyed the silent auction, which offered items such as original artwork, a publishing contract, and box seats to the Astros. After viewing the auction items, event-goers were then treated to dinner and a presentation of last year's Summer Reading Club activities throughout HCP.



Pictured from left to right: Peter Roussel, former White House deputy press secretary; Christi Whittington, branch manager, Kingwood branch; and Greg Burns, branch manager, Evelyn Meador branch.



From left to right: Cathy Park, library director; Rhoda Goldberg, library deputy director; Peggy Kussner, Harris County Friends of the Library president.

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KINGWOOD OBSERVER, Wednesday, April 26, 2006



Funds to philanthropies

The Kingwood Chapter of National Charity League awarded checks to ten of their philanthropies at a recent dinner held at Kingwood Country Club. Those present to receive the donated funds were (pictured from left) Carolyn Humphrey, Friends of the Library Kingwood; Diana Garbis, Humble Area Assistance Ministries; Margaret White, Society of St. Stephen; Dr. Cecilia Hawkins, Schools Outside Kingwood; Judy Cox, Family Time; Marie Halvatzis, Lake Houston YMCA; Lisa Prusak, Village Learning and Achievement Center and Lacey Ogburn, Jesse Jones Park and Nature Center.

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Kingwood Branch Library
Schedule of Events

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The events that require sign up are designated by the underlined event titles. Click on the underlined event title to up for the event.

Click on "Display Your Personal Schedule" to see the events for which you are currently signed up.

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WEEK 16	16 ◦ All Day-All HCPL Branches Closed for Good Friday & Easter	17	18 ◦ 10:00 AM-Toddler Time ◦ 10:30 AM-Pre-School Storytime ◦ 2:20 PM-PreSchool Storytime ◦ 4:00 PM-Dragoneer's Club	19	20 ◦ 10:00 AM-Toddler Time ◦ 11:00 AM-Mother Goose Lapsit	21	22 ◦ 11:00 AM Nugamers

Resigned for 18 months to 3 years

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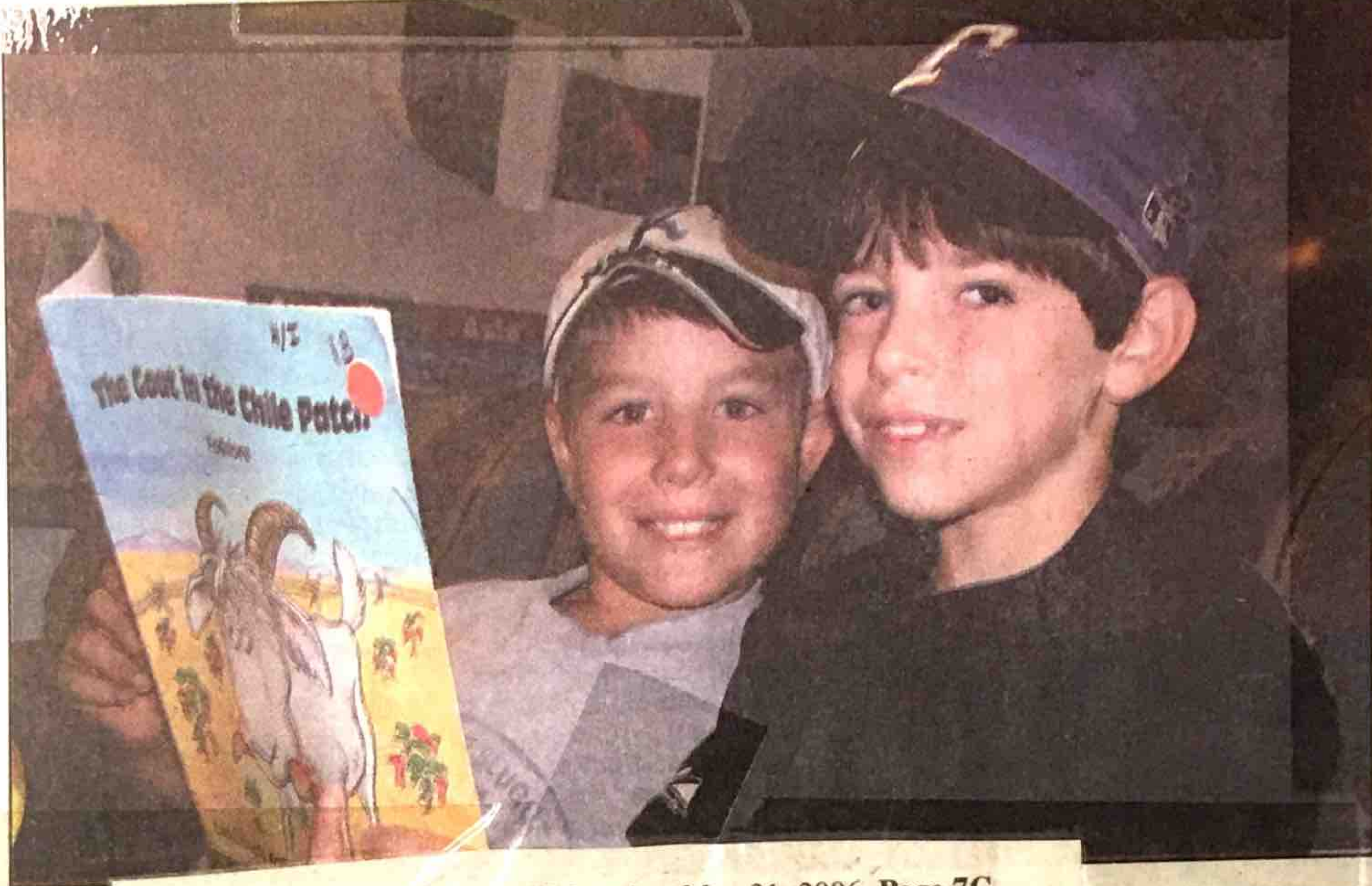
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Reading buddies

Steven Hodgson, left, and Sean Steinhilber enjoy reading books together in Mrs. Clift's second-grade class at Shadow Forest Elementary School.

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Susan Meinholz

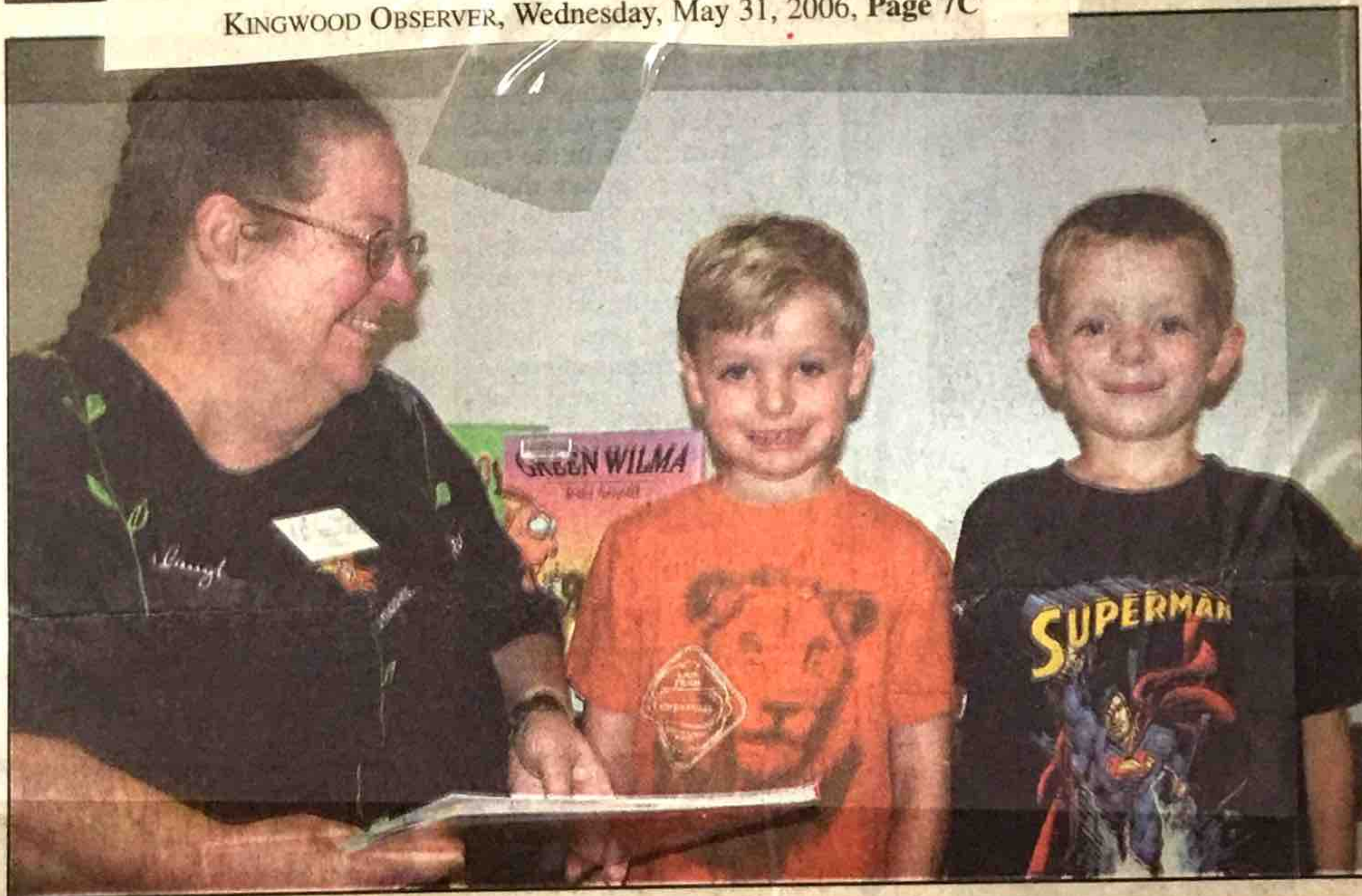


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Library fun

The Harris County Public Library in Kingwood, located at 4102 Rustic Woods Drive, has pre-school story time year-round on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 2:20 p.m. For more information about activities at the library, stop by for a calendar of events. Children's librarian Connie Dye helps Pierce Dietrich, left, and Samuel Johnstor., right, choose books for story time.

Photo by
Susan Meinholz



Kingwood Library Offers Summer Fun

The Summer Reading Club, Reading: The Sport of Champions, kicks off Tuesday May 30. Children may begin signing up to read ten books over ten weeks that day. When they have read or have read to them 10 books, they will receive a certificate and a free paperback book of their choice. They may continue their race to a 100 books and beyond!

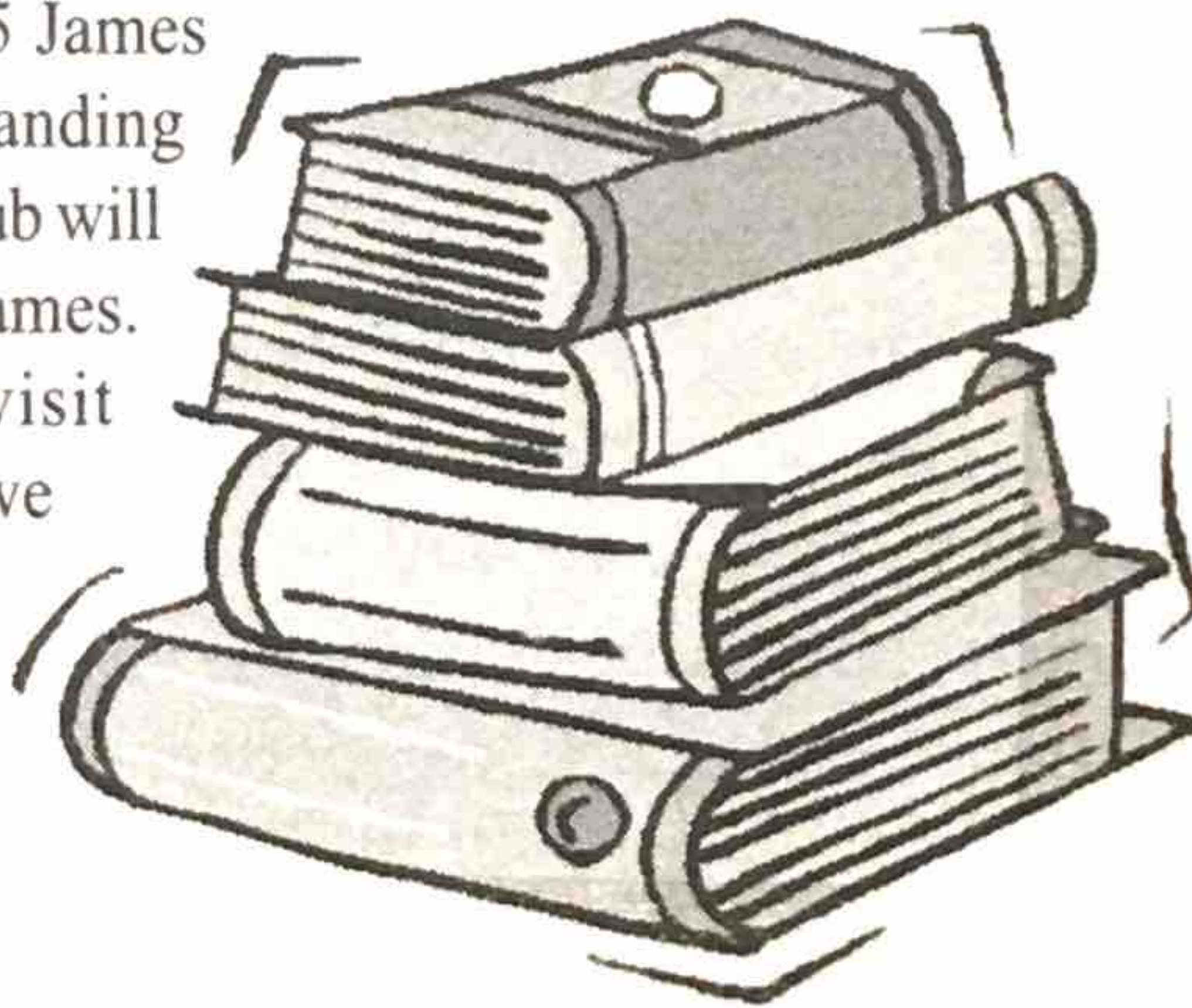
The Champion's Read-Aloud will begin the first week of Summer Break. We will read and tell exciting stories, ghost stories, stories from mythology, trickster tales and other stories for school age kids every Tuesday all summer.

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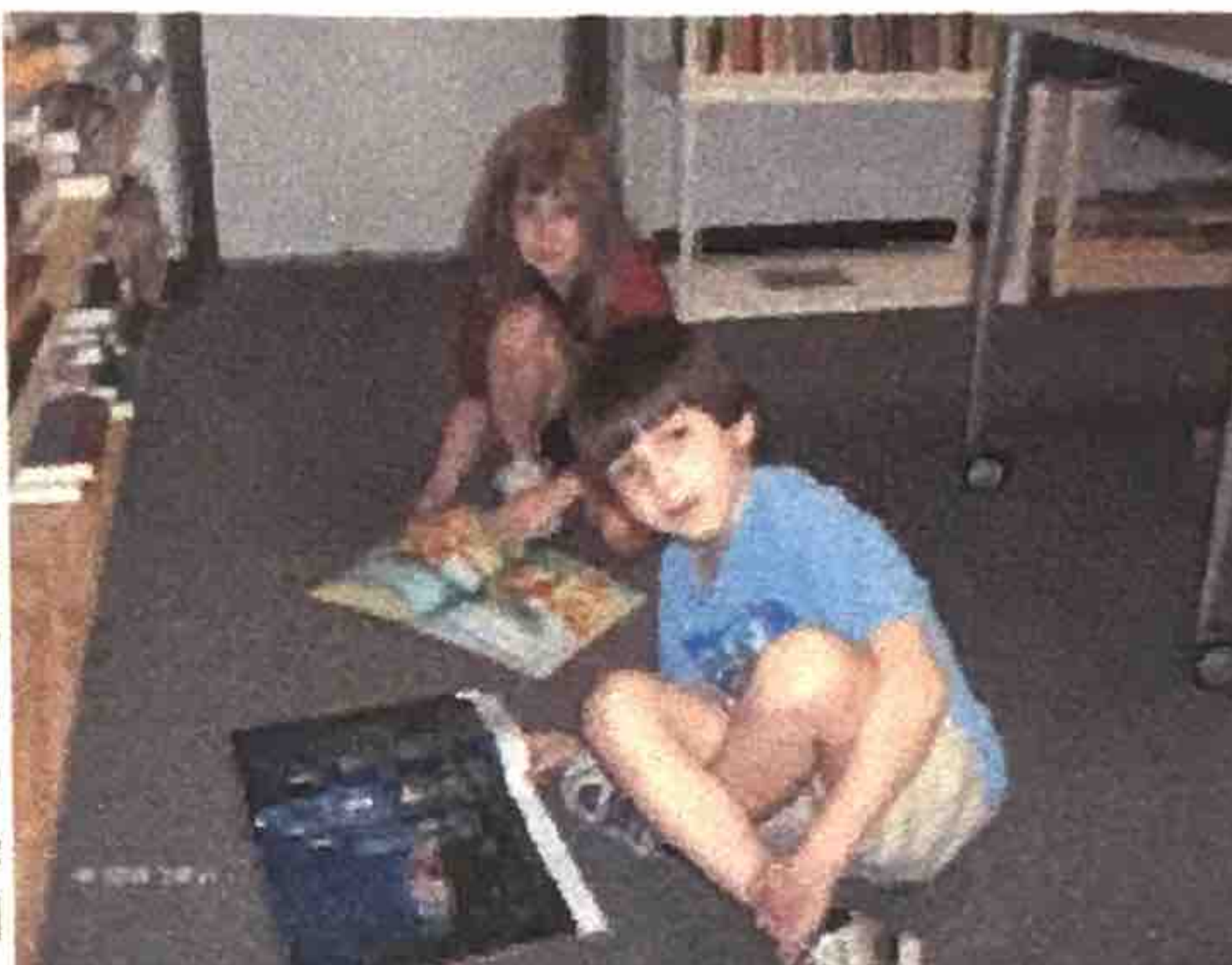


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THE SHELVES ARE BARE AFTER FOLK's MAY USED BOOK SALE

Posted by [kingwoodnow](#)

William Pollard and Katelyn Boothe take time to read a couple of books they found at FOLK's May Used Book Sale



Thanks to all who patronized FOLK's most recent Used Book & Magazine Sale. Adults, children, young adults and young at heart were thrilled with the many book selections at bargain prices. Where does that large selection of books, magazines, and media materials come from? YOU! FOLK and the recipient of the fundraising monies (the Kingwood library) continue to be so grateful for your generosity. Book, magazine and media material donations are tax deductible, and accepted during library hours:

- Monday 1pm – 9pm
- Tuesday 10am – 6pm
- Wednesday 10am – 9pm
- Thursday 10am – 6pm
- Friday 1pm – 6pm
- Saturday 10am – 5pm

There are many 'behind the scene' volunteers who have a hand in making FOLK's Used Book Sale such a success. Those volunteers come from the Kingwood Women's Club, the Livable Forest and Kingwood chapters of the National Charity League, library patrons, book lovers and of course FOLK.

So a huge THANK YOU to the community for all your generous donations, the patrons of the library and FOLK Used Book sales and all of the many volunteers.

FOLK's next Used Book/Magazine Sale is Friday, August 18, 2006 from 5pm – 8pm at the Kingwood library for FOLK members and Saturday, August 19, 2006 from 9am – 3pm for the general public. To become a "Friend" of the library, stop by the library's circulation desk. FOLK memberships start at a mere \$15.00. FOLK's August Used Book sale is a special one each year because it offers an opportunity for parents, students and teachers to get ready for the new school year without stretching their budgets. Where else can you buy books ranging from \$.25 cents to \$3?

The Kingwood Library's annual Summer Reading Program is underway for all ages. Stop by the library at 4102 Rustic Woods Drive, or log onto www.hcpl.net for the various programs and their dates/times.

Timberwood Middle School

18450 Timber Forest • Humble, Texas 77346 • (281) 641-3800

Carol Atwood
Principal

May 24, 2006

Ms. Frances Pelham
1934 Lake Hills Drive
Kingwood, Texas 77339

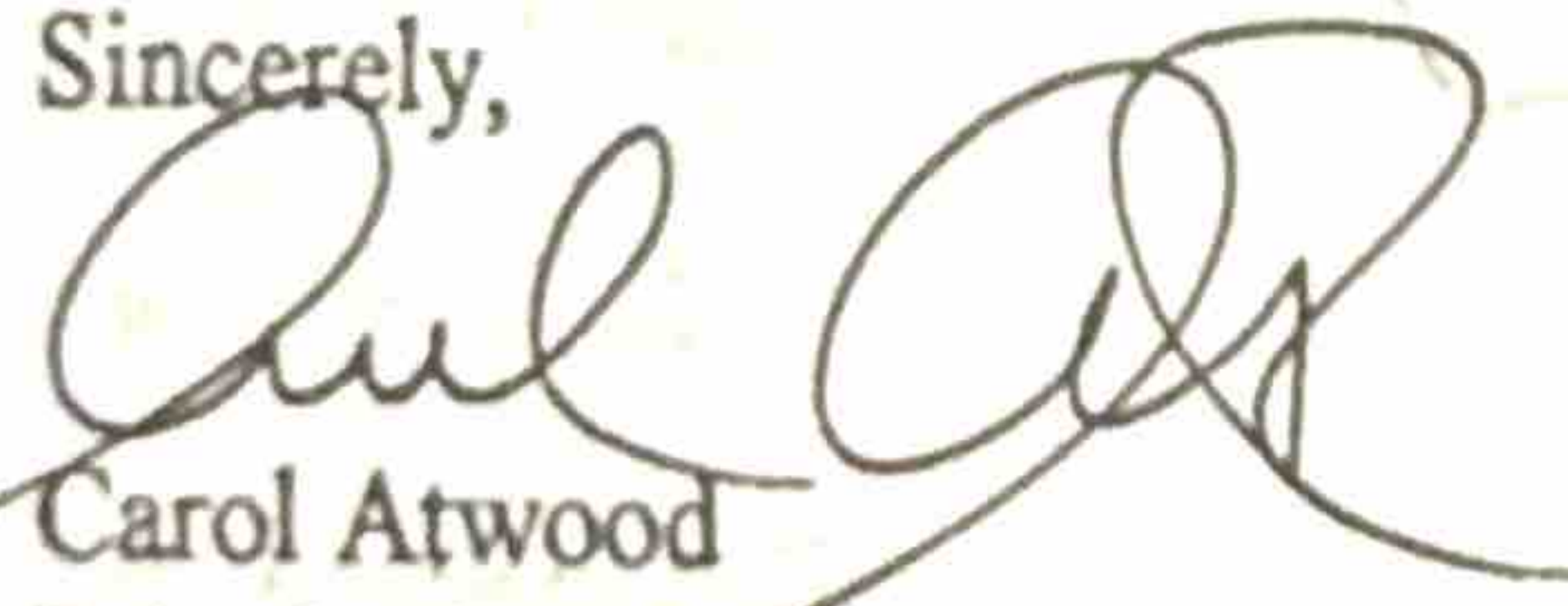
RE: Book Donation

Dear Ms. Pelham:

On behalf of the students at Timberwood Middle School, I would like to thank you and the Friends of Kingwood Library for your donation. The books were distributed to a variety of students who have limited access to personal reading material at home. Several students delighted in selecting their titles or topics to read this summer.

Thank you again for you donation.

Sincerely,



Carol Atwood
Principal

Chris Fox
Assistant Principal

Kenneth Buck
Assistant Principal

Harriet Stewart
Assistant Principal

Kathleen Norwood
Counselor

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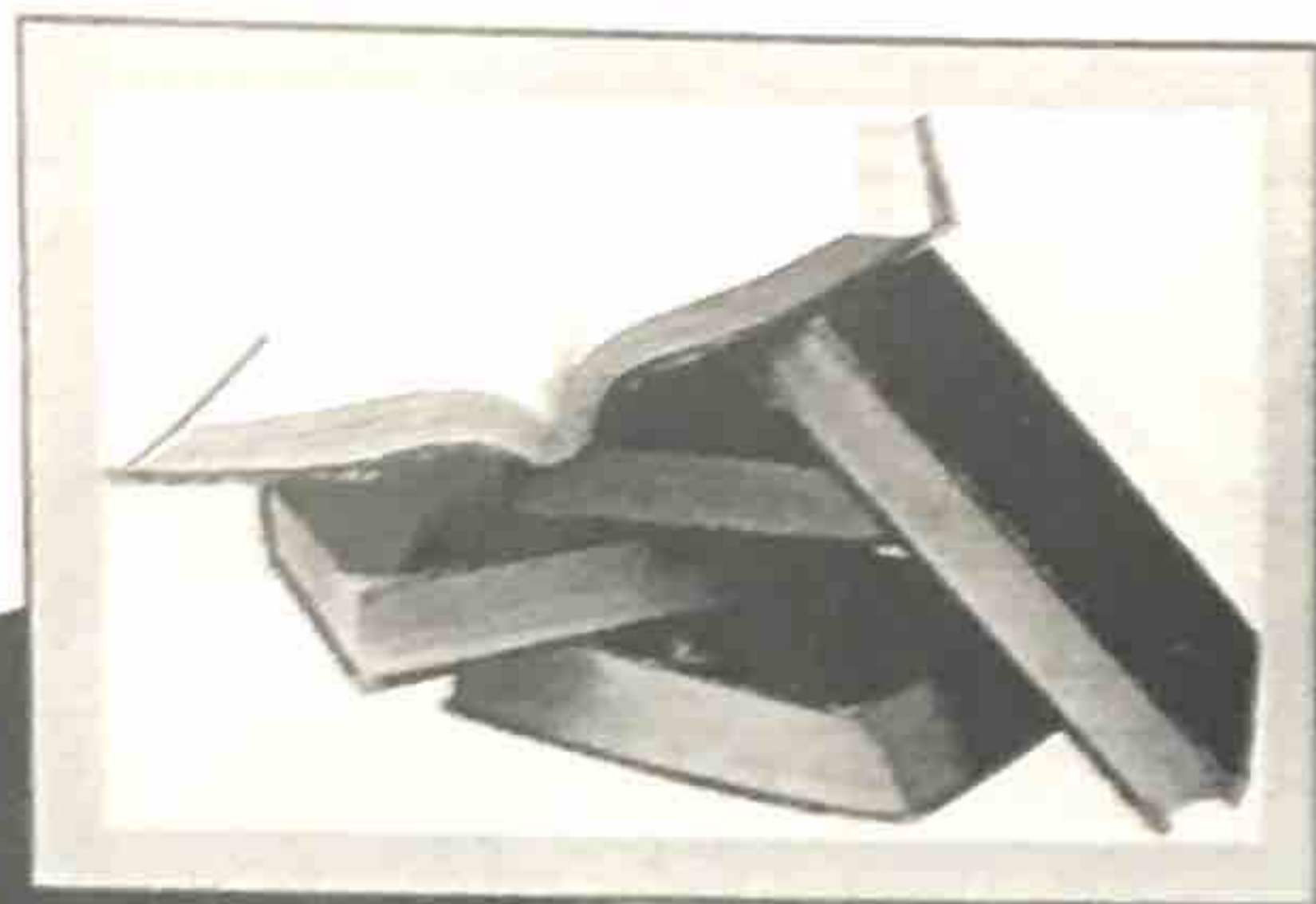
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Retirement has introduced me to more good F.O.L.K.s in Kingwood...

By Frances Pelham

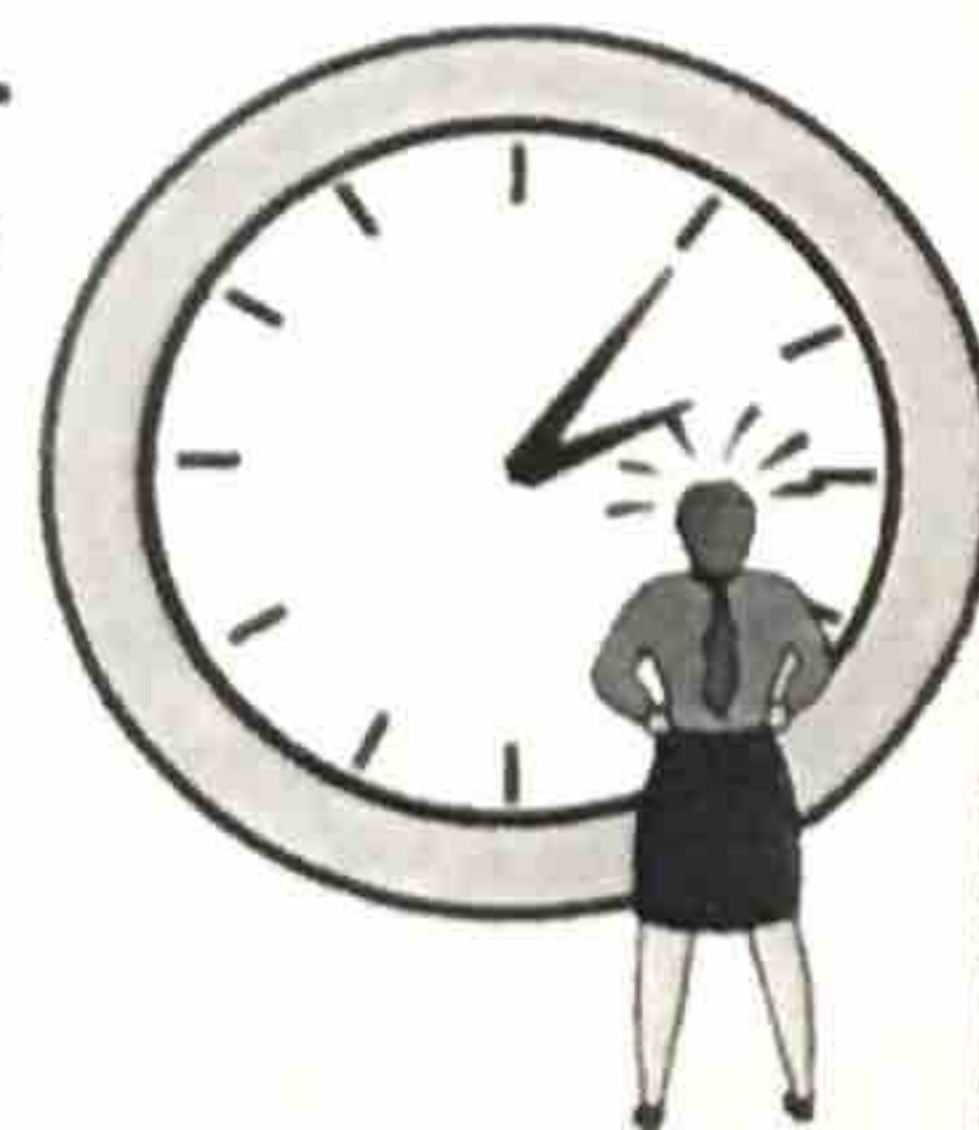
In August of this year, I will have lived 30 years in the Livable Forest. When I retired from JPMorgan Chase, I was asked what I was going to do. I said, "I think I'll write a book". Well, I haven't written that book yet but I'm working with lots of books. You see, I am a volunteer for and a member of F.O.L.K.

The Observer's February 23, 2006 front page story of a new library in Kingwood was an awesome announcement. However, we know that announcement does not mean there will be a groundbreaking ceremony tomorrow. BUT there are things we can do today through F.O.L.K. to help ready the Kingwood Library for a newer and more spacious facility.

There are basically four ways F.O.L.K. raises money for the Kingwood Library. They are as follows:

1. **Used Book Sales.** There are two ways individuals can help. Donate (tax deductible) books, magazines, and audio-visual materials. Patronize the book sales.
2. **Buy-A-Book Campaign.** This annual campaign is held in October of each year. However, you can donate money to buy books at any time. Many patrons purchase books in memory of loved ones or as a tribute to a friend or family member. With the purchase of an honorary book, your name along with the name of the person being honored will be placed in the front of the book.
3. **Contributions and grants from corporations and non-profit organizations.** When you donate money to F.O.L.K., don't forget to attach your company's matching fund document to your check. If you belong to an organization that issues grants, please remember the library.

It's time to re-new your membership for the new year which runs from April, 2006 thru March, 2007!



4. **—Membership fees.** These fees come from you and me when we become members of F.O.L.K. It's as simple as writing a check annually. See back of this newsletter to view the different levels of membership. Like the Buy-A-Book Campaign, memberships are accepted all year round. However, April 1 thru March 31 of the next year is F.O.L.K.'s official membership year.

F.O.L.K.'s role in the building of a new library facility is to participate in the purchase of books, audio-visual aids, and equipment for the building. As the reality of a new library get closer, there will be new and different fundraising activities you will be asked to support. In the meantime, I ask you to join me today by supporting F.O.L.K.'s ongoing fundraisers described above.

I love the time I spend at the library and the time with my new friends. If you see me in the library, be sure to say hello. Of course, I see many of you at the back door as you drop off your donations.

Spring and Summer 2006

It's that time again! Spring is winding down and the Dragoneers with all their new Varlets, Pages, Squires, and Knights will be celebrating a successful year at one last party May 2. Everyone is invited to help us celebrate with games, crafts, prizes, and snacks. Even if you've missed the earlier meetings come help us celebrate!

Just as Dragoneers finishes, the summer reading program, *Reading: the Sport of Champions*, begins Tuesday, May 30. If you read ten fun books, you get a Certificate and a free paperback book of your own choosing. Continue through 100 books and win medals for display. Every Tuesday at 1:30 PM, the Champion's *Read-aloud* meets to listen to tales of heroes, tricksters, ghost stories and generally entertaining stories to while away a hot afternoon. Each Wednesday afternoon at 2:15 PM, the Champion's club will meet for crafts, games, activities, or movies. Wednesday, June 28, we will have our annual water fight. This year we are going with squirt guns. You can bring your getting-wet clothes and get out there and squirt! James Austen Banner, the stage magician, will have a show Wednesday, July 5.

On Thursdays we have special programs: Jean Kuecher's Marionette Theatre will present "Aladdin"; the Annual Variety Show will give two performances; Nancy Leary of Jesse Jones Park will tell us all about frogs; and ASPCA will have a program about pets. We will wind up the summer with a big *End-of-Summer Celebration* the first Wednesday in August for the whole family.

Get ready for action this summer. We're expecting you!

Connie Dye, Children's Librarian



YOUNG ADULTS HAPPENINGS AT THE KINGWOOD LIBRARY

Summer is rapidly approaching and we are getting ready for our second year of hosting a YA Summer Reading Program. The theme for this year's program is "I.M. Reader" (I.M. being the abbreviation for Instant Messaging that is so popular with teens). Activities the teens will participate in this year include an updated version of last year's hit: *Live Clue*, where the library will be the game board and the teens the players. We will also have a few teen movies and game days. The final activity will be our version of *Library Fear Factor* where the teens will compete for prizes in our version of the popular television program. We hope to have a Great Summer.

IRS forms on CD-Rom

Once again F.O.L.K. has provided paper for a computer dedicated to printing out I.R.S. forms. The public has been appreciative and so has the staff since it is very easy to generate these forms when we are out of them. Thank you F.O.L.K.



Volunteer Luncheon

The annual Volunteer Luncheon will be held May 1 at the Kingwood Library. The volunteers will be feted with an old-fashioned "tea party". This is a very special day for the staff to celebrate and thank the many dedicated volunteers who help us serve the community. Without their help, it just wouldn't be the Kingwood Library.

New Staff Member at the Library

Kim Capps is our new Head of Circulation. She has lived in Atascocita for 20 years and has a daughter, Crystal, in the 6th grade. She also has 2 dogs, 7 fish and a hamster in the household. There would be more if Crystal had her way. Kim has been in the HCPL system for 9 years and knows her stuff backwards and forwards.

Her hobbies are camping, bike riding, and water sports. Kim likes to read horror and science fiction/fantasy, which is great because no one else on staff does so she can give pointers on authors.

Kim states, "I'm excited to be here at Kingwood and will enjoy getting to know everyone." Please join us in welcoming her and do stop by to introduce yourself.

Books Needed for May Used Book Sale!

WOW.....

Friends of the Library Kingwood's February Used Book Sale was such a tremendous success that books are needed for the upcoming May book sale.

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Summer Teen Volunteers Needed!

Teens entering the 9th grade, sophomores, juniors, and seniors are needed this summer as volunteers at the Kingwood Library. Just two (2) hours a week can make a big difference in how efficiently the library runs. What benefits the library will in turn benefit the volunteer. Shelving books and other jobs like clerical and organizational tasks are the types of jobs that need to be filled.



Call Elizabeth Ronald, at 281-360-6804 or come to the library and fill out a Summer Volunteer Application today.

Used Book Sale Adds New Shopping Opportunity

Early shopping for the "physically challenged" will be Thursday, May, 11 from 10:30 AM to 12 Noon.

Used Book Sale

Thursday, May 11, 10:30 AM—12 Noon

For the Physically Challenged!

Friday, May, 12, 5—8 PM

F.O.L.K. Members Only!

Saturday, May, 13, 9 AM—3 PM

General Public!

Book and magazine donations for F.O.L.K.'s Used Book/Magazine Sale are accepted at the library during normal business hours:

Mon. 1-9 PM Tues. 10 AM—6 PM Wed. 10 AM—9 PM

Thurs. 10 AM—6 PM Fri. 1-6 PM Sat. 10 AM—5 PM

Donations are tax deductible.





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Your membership dues are used to enhance the services and programs of the Kingwood Library as well as develop the library's collection. Renew your membership for the 2006-2007 year!

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FOLK needs more donations for May sale

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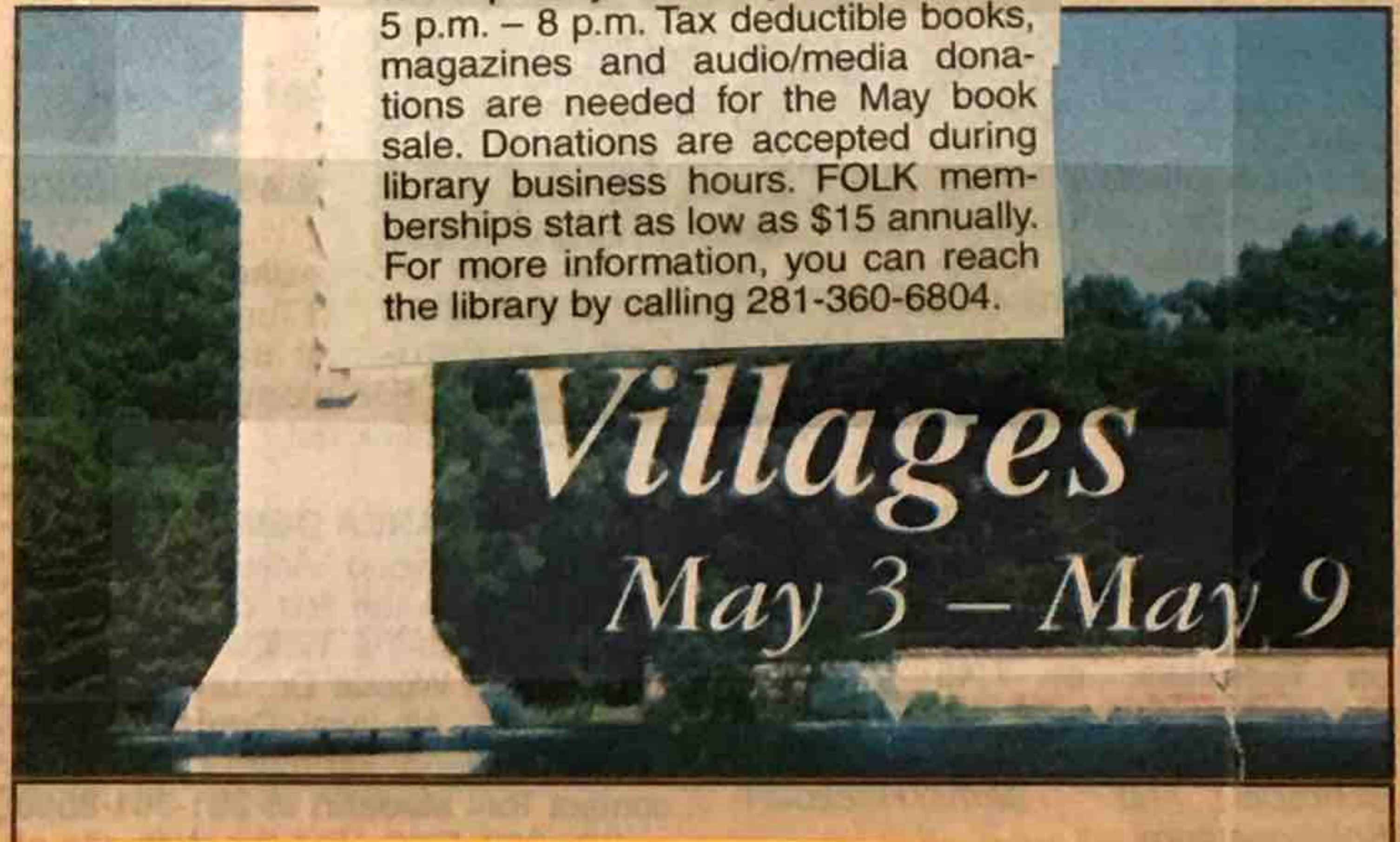
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Geocaching at the Kingwood Library

Do you share a love of computers, electronic gadgets and the outdoors

with your friends, relatives and neighbors? If so, geocaching may be for you.

Geocaching is a high-tech treasure hunt using a global positioning system device.

This adventure is one of the hottest hobbies on the planet. If interested, please

attend a geocaching presen-

tation on Friday, April 21, 2006, at 4:00 p.m., in the

Kingwood Branch Library, 4102 Rustic Woods. Attendees will leave library premises and walk to a nearby geocache site. Parents or guardians are asked to attend with their children. If you have a GPS device, please bring it along!

For more information, please contact Jeff Coyle at 281-360-6804.

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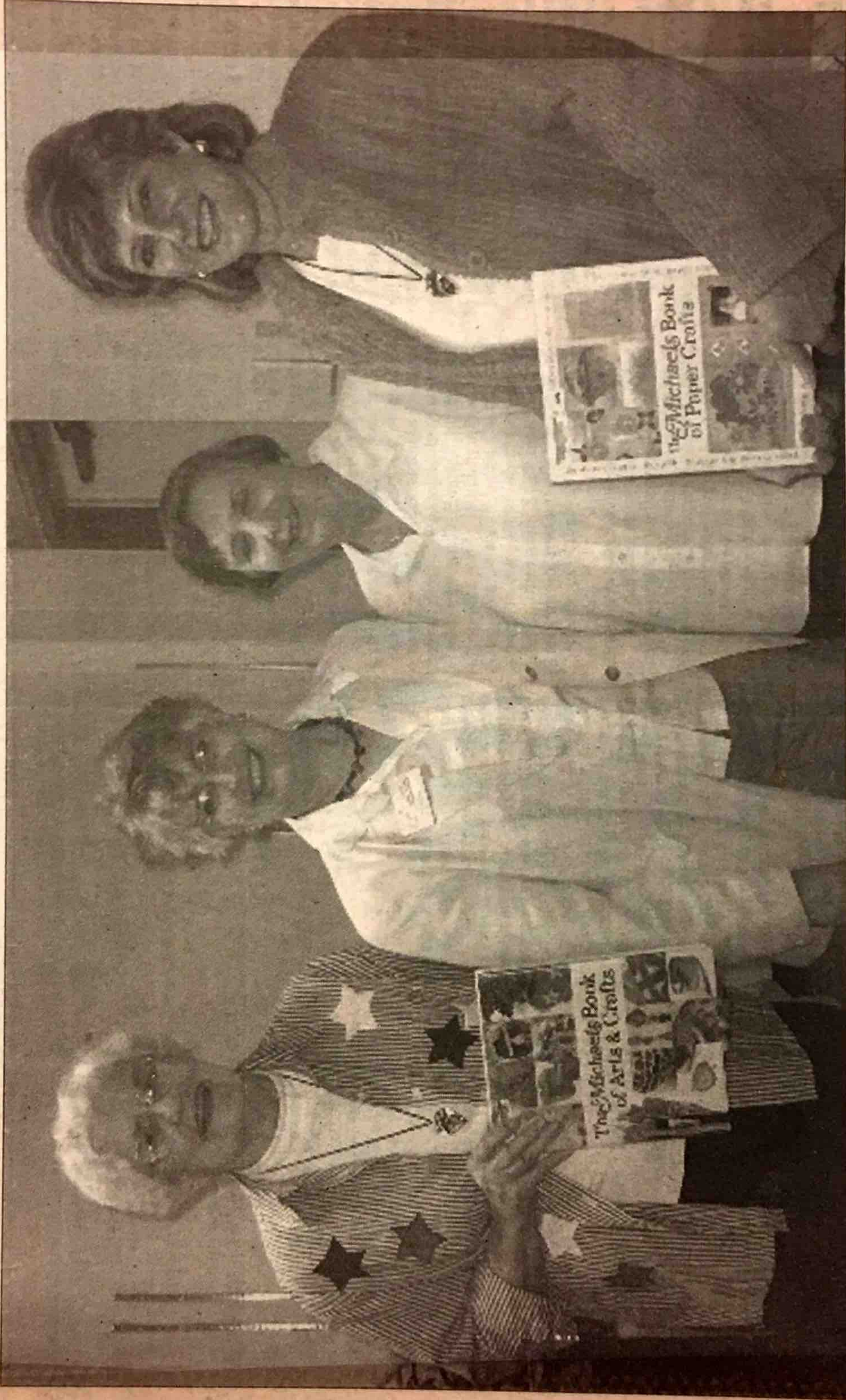
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FOLK honors contributors

The Friends of the Library Kingwood (FOLK) held their annual honoraria ceremony on April 19 at the Kingwood library. FOLK thanked the individuals and businesses for their contribution to the success of FOLK. As a thank you gift, a book was placed in the Kingwood library in honor of each honoree. Pictured left to right are Nancy (Gus) Watkins, wife of Bob Watkins; Christi Wittington, KW Library branch manager; Carolyn Humphrey, FOLK president; Patricia Watkins, daughter of Bob Watkins. Nancy (Gus) and Patricia Watkins are seen accepting books honoring the memory of Bob Watkins for his many years of service to the Friends Of the Library Kingwood organization.

Kingwood Branch Public Library Honors its Volunteers

The Kingwood Branch Library, a Harris County Public Library, honored its volunteers at the annual Volunteer Luncheon on May 1, 2006. The theme was tea party and we saw a few "June Cleavers" attending. The Kingwood Branch volunteer program encompasses year-round volunteers, summer volunteers and teen volunteers. They help get the items ready for pick-up that are being held for customers; shelve books, CDs and audio cassettes, DVDs and videocassettes; put up bulletin boards; help with children's and young adult programs; mend damaged books, replace torn covers on books and AV materials; and any other tasks as needed. They are a vital part of the Kingwood Branch Library and always seem happy to be of such much needed help. We appreciate each and every one of them. We thank them for their help, we thank them for their sense of humor; we thank them for keeping us grounded in why we are here – to serve the community.

KINGWOOD LIBRARY HONORS ITS VOLUNTEERS

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Summer's Here!

The Summer Reading Club, Reading: The Sport of Champions, kicks off Tuesday May 30. Children may begin signing up to read ten books over ten weeks that day. When they have read or have read to them 10 books, they will receive a certificate and a free paperback book of their choice. They may continue their race to a 100 books and beyond!

On the very first day Tuesday, May 30, at 1:30, the Champion's Read-Aloud begins. We will read, and tell exciting stories, ghost stories, stories from mythology, trickster tales, and other stories for school age kids every Tuesday all summer.

Beginning Wednesday, May 31, the Champion's Club begins. We will start by making a bookmark to use this summer. Each week on Wednesday at 2:15 we will have a craft, activity, or movie, for school age children. On Wednesday, June 21st we are planning a Squirt Gun Battle. Everyone is invited to wear their getting wet clothes and bring their own squirt gun or use one we provide, and get wet! Or better yet, get someone else wet.

Some programs will require a ticket. All tickets are free and available at the circulation desk eight days before the program. Jean Kuecher's Marionette Theater will present "Aladdin" on June 8. Nancy Leary of Jesse Jones Park will be coming June 22 to tell us all about frogs, and help us identify the ones in our area.

The Annual Variety show will appear at the Kingwood Library Thursday, June 29 at 10:15 and 2:15. It will be as full of silly stories and songs as always. Wednesday July 5 James Austin Banner will perform his outstanding magic act. That week the Champion's Club will be on Thursday with an afternoon of games. The Houston SPCA will come to visit Thursday the 27th. The night before, we are having our End-of-Summer Party from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00. Every one is invited for games, prizes and snacks.

It's going to be a busy summer at the Kingwood Library. I hope you'll join us.

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FOLK and the Kingwood Library need you....

By Frances M. Pelham, FOLK's Publicity Chairperson
The Observer's February 23, 2006 front page story of a new library in Kingwood was an awesome announcement. However, we know that an announcement does not mean there will be a groundbreaking ceremony tomorrow; **BUT** there are things we can do today through FOLK to help ready the KW library for a newer spacious facility.

There are basically four ways by which the Friends Of the Library Kingwood raise money for the KW library. They are as follows:

- Used Book Sales. There are two ways to assist with this fundraiser. First: Donate (tax-deductible) used books, magazines and audio-visual materials. Second: Patronize the book sales. You will need to replace your donated items, right?

- Buy-A-Book Campaign. The annual Buy-A-Book Campaign is held in October of each year. However, you can donate money to buy books at any time.

Many patrons purchase books in memory of a loved one, or as a tribute to a friend, acquaintance, or family member. With the purchase of an honorary book, your name along with the name the person being honored will be placed in the front of your purchased book

- Contributions and grants from corporations and non-profit organizations. Contributions are received mostly from corporate matching fund programs. When you donate money to FOLK, don't forget to attach your company's matching fund document to your check. Grants are received out of the generosity of profit and non-profit entities. If you belong to an organization that issues grants, please remember the library.

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And last but not least, it's never too late to visit 'your' library located at 4102 Rustic Woods Drive. You can also view all of the programs going on at the library by visiting their website: <http://www.hcpl.net>, Branch Information/Kingwood. FOLK's mailing address is: P. O. Box 5353, Kingwood, Texas 77325 (for those membership and buy-a-book monies). Or, leave a message for a FOLK representative by calling the library at 281-360-6804.

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— Community —

'The shelves are bare...'

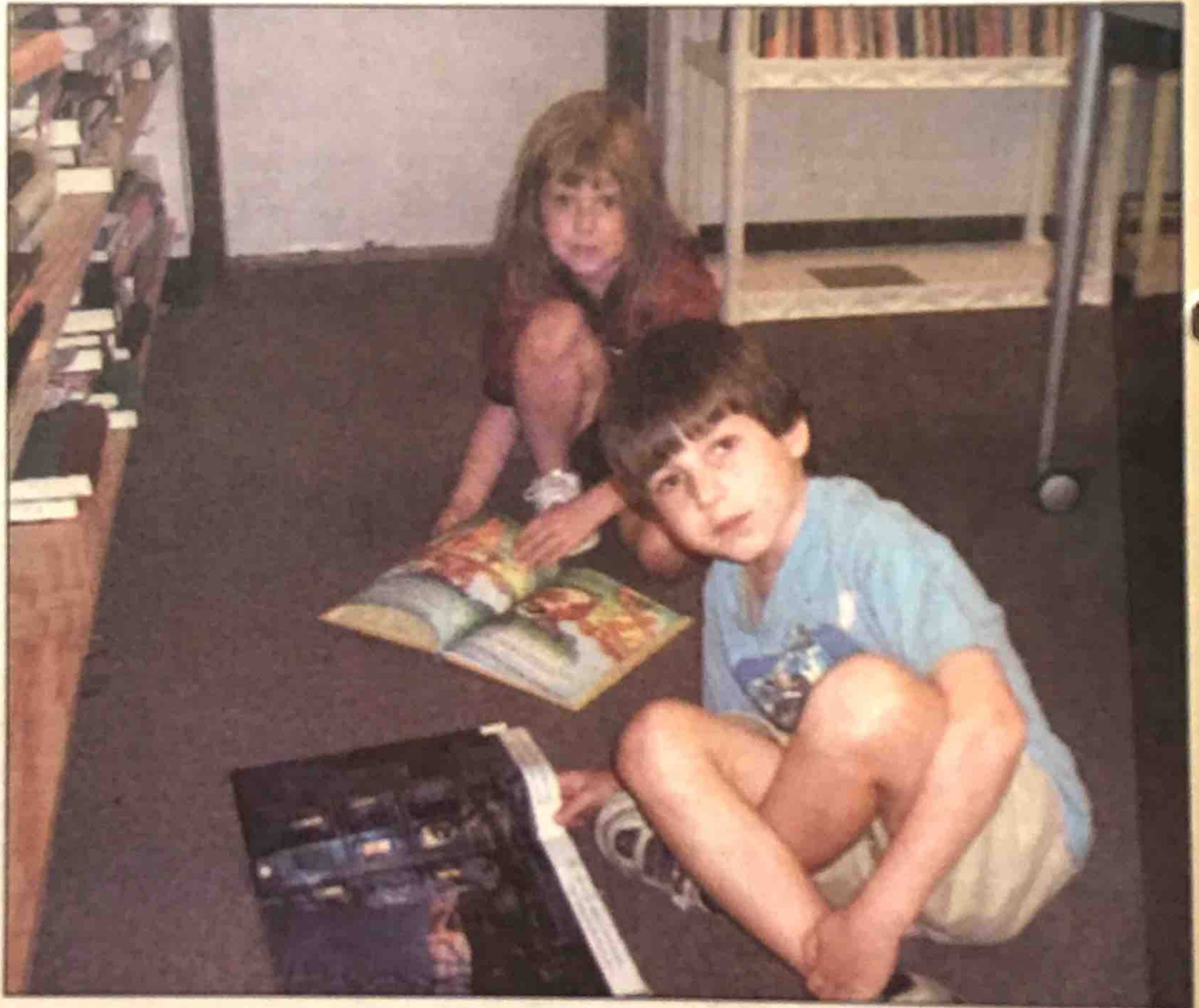
Thanks to all who patronized FOLK's most recent Used Book & Magazine Sale. Adults, children, young adults and young at heart were thrilled with the many book selections at bargain prices. Where does that large selection of books, magazines, and media materials come from? You. FOLK and the recipient of the fund-raising monies (the Kingwood Library) continue to be so grateful for your generosity.

Book, magazine and media material donations are tax-deductible and accepted during library hours: Monday, 1 p.m. - 9 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Friday, 1 p.m. - 6 p.m.; and Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

There are many behind-the-scenes volunteers who have a hand in making FOLK's Used Book Sale such a success. Those volunteers come from the Kingwood Women's Club, the Livable Forest and Kingwood chapters of the National Charity League, library patrons, book lovers and of course, FOLK.

So a huge thank you to the community for all your generous donations, the patrons of the library and FOLK Used Book sales and all of the many volunteers.

FOLK's next Used Book/Magazine Sale is Friday, Aug. 18, from 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. at the Kingwood Library for FOLK members, and Saturday, Aug. 19, from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. for the general public. To become a "Friend" of the library, stop by the library's circulation desk.



William Pollard and Katelyn Boothe take time to read a couple of books they found at FOLK's May Used Book Sale.

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FOLK's August Used Book sale is a special one each year because it offers an opportunity for parents, students and teachers

to get ready for the new school year without stretching their budgets. Where else can you buy books ranging from 25 cents to \$3?

The Kingwood Library's

annual Summer Reading Program is underway for all ages. Stop by the library at 4102 Rustic Woods Drive, or log onto www.hcpl.net for the various programs and their dates/times.

Page 8B, Observer Newspapers, Wednesday, June 21, 2006

Internationally known author moves to Kingwood

By BONNIE MCKENNA
Contributing Writer

If you ran away from home and joined a convent at age 14, ran away again to become a soda-jerk in Woolworth's, then a telephone operator, all by age 16, married, had five children, and even lived for a time on welfare, it just might be that you would have stories to tell.

That is actually a description of the life of internationally recognized author Meg O'Brien. And, she does have stories to tell. O'Brien has authored 16 books in the past 15 years.

Meg O'Brien will be the featured author at Barnes and Noble on Thursday, June 22, at 6:30 p.m. O'Brien will be reading and signing her recently published suspense thriller, "The Final Kill."

"I have always liked writing. My only formal writing education was a story I wrote for my 8th grade class newsletter titled,

"Twinkle Toes The Mouse." It was based on a boy I had a crush on.

"I only really started writing after my daughter asked me why I did not write those romance stories. I had never even read one.

"I went to a used book store and bought a box full of romance novels. I went home and divided them up until I recognized the formula: they meet, they fall in love, they break up and then they kiss and make up. Next, I categorized the words and phrases common to romance novels. After that, I began writing. I wrote 18 hours a day, day in and day out. It took eight long years before I had my first book.

"I went to a lot of writers' conferences; I met agents; I met publishers and I met other writers. Eventually, I obtained an agent who suggested I write mysteries because all the romance stories I was writing were mysteries.

"That is when I wrote my first book in the Jessica James mystery

series. I was on my hands and knees, scrubbing someone else's bathroom, when my agent called to tell me my book sold. It was not a fortune, but it seemed like it then.

"I wrote five books in that series. Jessica, or Jessie, as she was called, was a reporter. Jessie was always involved in solving crimes; she was an amateur detective. It was a lot of fun to write about her. The books are out of print now, but if you search, you can find them.

"My next venture, at the suggestion of another agent, was to write suspense. I was not even sure I knew what that was. I went to a bookstore and asked the owner, "What is a good suspense novel written by a woman?" she told me there were none to her knowledge.

"So, I went home and started writing. My first suspense novel was, "The Keeper." I have continued to have success in this genre. I believe I have angels helping me

along the way.

"I settle for happy endings in my books and I put romance in them even though they are not romantic suspense, but dark psychological thrillers. I want my readers to feel satisfied on as many levels as possible when they put down one of my books and romance is, after all, a part of life – or at least a part that many dream of having.

"My books have done very well internationally, especially in England and Japan.

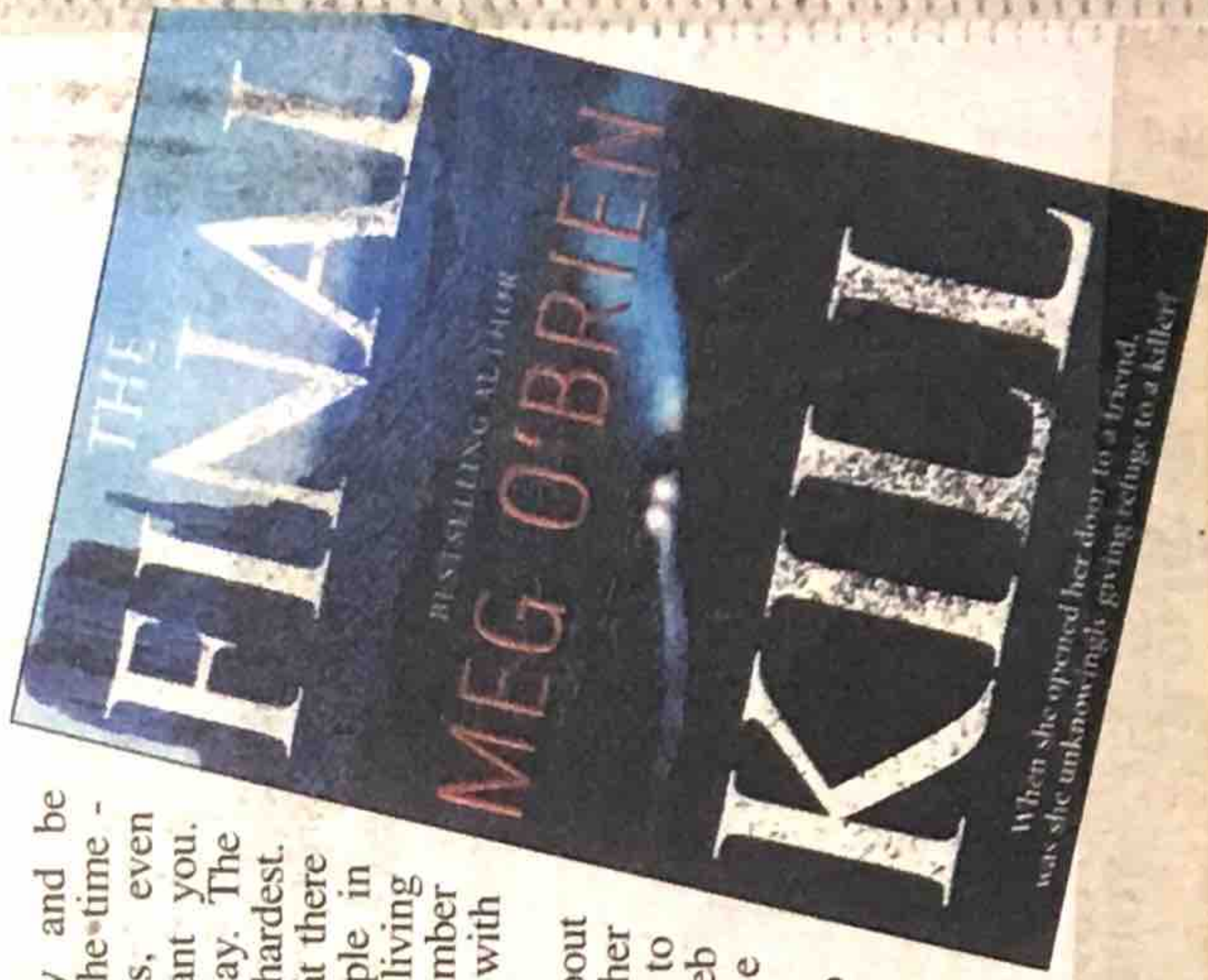
"Now that I have settled here in Kingwood, I would like to start teaching writing again. I would like to have classes in a library or someone's home. The course would run for approximately eight weeks and I would charge a modest fee. I hope I will find some interest out there.

"Writing is hard work and you must be dedicated. You must have

that fire-in-the-belly and be willing to work all the time – weekends, holidays, even when your kids want you. There is no time to play. The first years are the hardest. Someone told me that there are only 4,800 people in America that make a living at writing. I say, be number 4,801," said O'Brien with a smile.

To read more about Meg O'Brien and her incredible journey to success, visit her Web page www.megobrien.com

Remember to mark Thursday, June 22 at 6:30 p.m. on your calendar as a reminder to go to Barnes and Noble to meet Meg O'Brien.



Kingwood Area Republican Women donate books

In 1961, the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW) established the Mamie

Eisenhower Library Project (MELP) as a memorial honoring our former first lady. In 1992, tapes and videos were added to the book list.

Kingwood Area Republican Women have participated in this project for many years, and through the leadership of

Sidey; "The First Ladies of the United States of America, from Martha Washington to Laura Welch Bush" by Margaret Klaphor and Ollida Black; "The White House Garden" by William Seale; "General Ike - A Personal Reminiscence" by John Eisenhower; "American Heroines: The Spirited Women Who Shaped Our Country" by Kay Bailey Hutchison; and "Our Country's

Presidents" by Ann Bausum."

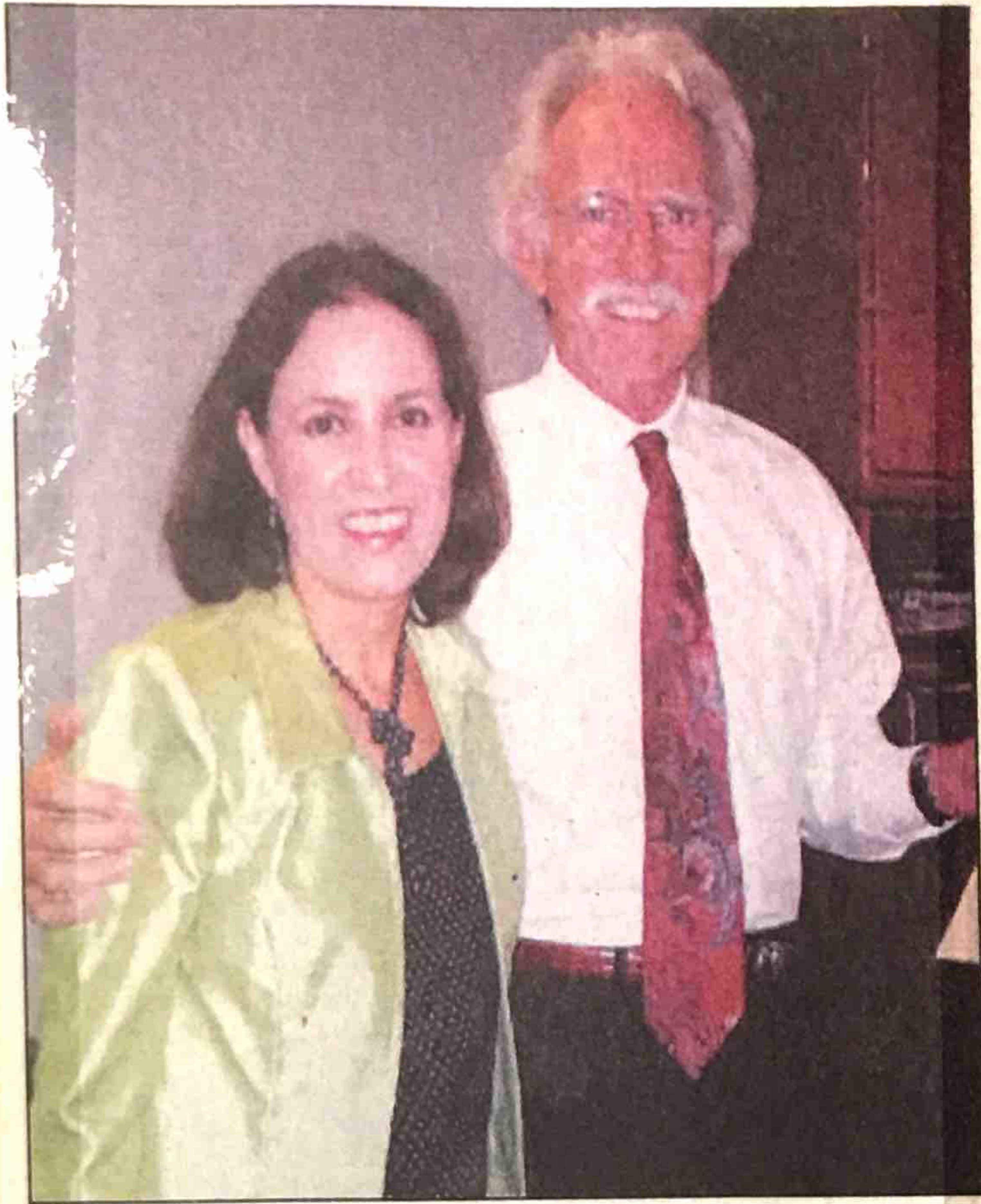
Through this project, Kingwood Area Republican Women hope to contribute to the citizenship education of our community. For information about KARW and how you can become involved in this active group, please contact Halene Crossman at 281-361-5454 and check the Web site at www.kingwoodarearepublicanwomen.org

Page 10A, KINGWOOD OBSERVER, Wednesday, June 21, 2006



Standing left to right are Cindy Bosze; Glenda Piacenti; Skippy Lupton; Audrey Peterson; Jeff Coyle, asst. branch librarian; and Halene Crossman. Seated left to right are Anne Geldens, Betty Newton and Nancy Fulton.

Cindy Bosze, literacy chairman, and member Nancy Fulton, recently donated the following books to the Kingwood Library: "The White House: An Historic Guide"; "The Presidents of the United States of America, from George Washington to George Bush" by Frank Freidel, Hugh



Appraisal lecture held at library

On May 22, the International Society of Appraisers and the Kingwood Branch Library hosted a lecture on the appraisal of books and documents. Lecturer John Payne gave an informative talk illustrated with some of his most renowned cases such as the appraisal of Andy Warhol's archives and the Nixon documents. Pictured are Maria Josefa Velazquez from the International Society of Appraisers and speaker John Payne.

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Super Neighborhood Council discusses drainage, library

■ *METRO representative discusses routes, security*

By SHAE RYMAL
Observer Intern

Members of the Super Neighborhood Council met Monday, July 17, to discuss drainage issues, and a representative from METRO attended the meeting to talk about bus routes and the new security systems for the park and rides.

Diane Trautman, candidate for State Representative District 127 also attended the meeting.

"I am on a quest to see how many community meetings that I can attend," Trautman stated.

Super Neighborhood members also welcomed new member Mike Sullivan.

"I wanted to get involved with the Super Neighborhood Council, and I am glad to be here," said Sullivan.

Community Center Update

A request for qualification was sent to several architects to bid on the design of the new library which is still proceeding

as planned. Also, on the corner of West Lake Houston Parkway and north of Bens Branch, a new Amegy bank is under construction.



Sullivan

Drainage Update

There are eight drainage projects (Super Plan) listed. Those are Lane, Sycamore, and three others. "They are progressing well," said the president of the Council.

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Credit where credit is due

It is time for Kingwood's city councilwoman Addie Wiseman to resist taking credit for ideas that are not her own.

Wiseman on occasion has claimed that Kingwood's skate park was her project. That is incorrect. Former Mayor Lee Brown while running for re-election, traveled to the Kingwood *Observer* at his request, to announce he had OK'd the land purchase for his project of a skate park. Brown was first with this idea, before Wiseman was even elected. Whether this was a campaign stunt or not, Brown was initially responsible for the project.

Wiseman recently purchased ad space in this paper and addressed two issues: Kingwood Drive mobility and the Kingwood Library/community center.

Several years ago, the city of Houston purchased land to build a community center, a project pushed through by former Kingwood resident George Fastuca and the Kingwood Super Neighborhood Council. Neither Fastuca nor the council enjoyed much support from the councilwoman until after the city had purchased the property.

Houston Mayor Bill White spoke to the Lake Houston Exxon Annuitants more than two years ago where he was surprised to hear of their displeasure and lack of support for the proposed center. White called Cynthia Calvert, *Observer* editor, to ask her opinion about the center; that is when she suggested swapping the small, over-utilized library site with the larger (and much less needed) community center site. Using the center property for a bigger library and using the former library as a community center was Calvert's idea, subsequently written about in the *Observer* and discussed many times in public.

Within the last 18 months, Wiseman has claimed credit for this idea several times, saying, when asked, that it came to her in the middle of the night and "That great minds think alike."

Just weeks ago, *Observer* reporter Bonnie McKenna, who has been following the area transportation construction projects for the newspaper, deduced, and subsequently published an article alerting the community to the fact, that the highway department and the city of Houston had projects planned simultaneously that would severely impact traffic flow. McKenna dutifully called all the officials involved with the projects. After the *Observer* article came out, Wiseman contacted Humble ISD Superintendent Dr. Guy Sconzo to ask that he delay the turn lane project planned for Kingwood High School. Wiseman told McKenna that she had spoken to the district weeks before, a statement not supported by Sconzo's records.

Kingwood appreciates the hours of devotion to the city council meetings and to serving the public by the councilwoman. But in these cases, credit should go to the *Observer* Newspapers and the preliminary work done by Kingwood Super Neighborhood Council.

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Friends of the Library to hold used book sale this month

By MELECIO C. FRANCO
Observer Reporter

The Friends of the Library Kingwood (FOLK) will host their quarterly used book sale on Aug. 18 and 19 at the Kingwood Library.

The group is currently accepting book donations at the library to resell. The book sale is to raise money to purchase items for the library such as more books, furniture and computers.

"We raise funds for the library to make it more enjoyable for the people of Kingwood," said Carolyn Humphrey, president of FOLK.

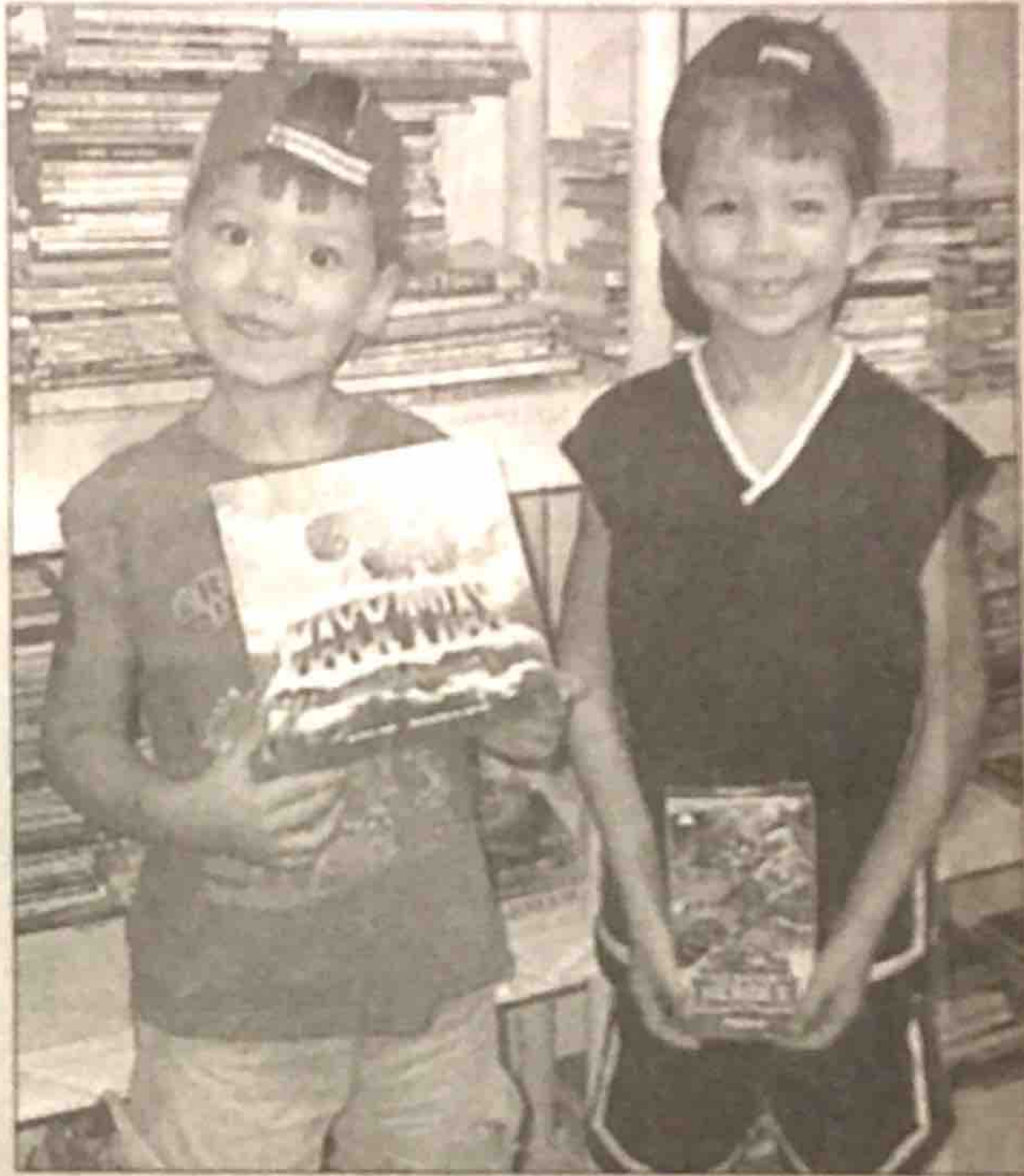
The book sale draws a large crowd and a long line forms at the door before the library opens, according to Humphrey.

Paperback books will cost 50 cents. Trade paperback books will cost \$1. Hardback books will cost \$1. New books will cost \$3. Magazines will cost 25 cents.

Only FOLK members will be allowed to shop on Aug. 18 at 5 p.m. The sale for the general public will be on Aug. 19 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

"FOLK members get first choice," said Humphrey. "That's one of the perks of being a member."

Membership in the organization is \$15 a year for a family. For membership information, contact the circulation



Book lovers will find great bargains at the Friends Of the Library Kingwood book sale set for Aug. 18 and 19. Grant Gens, left, and Drake Gens show off some of the books they found at a previous book sale.

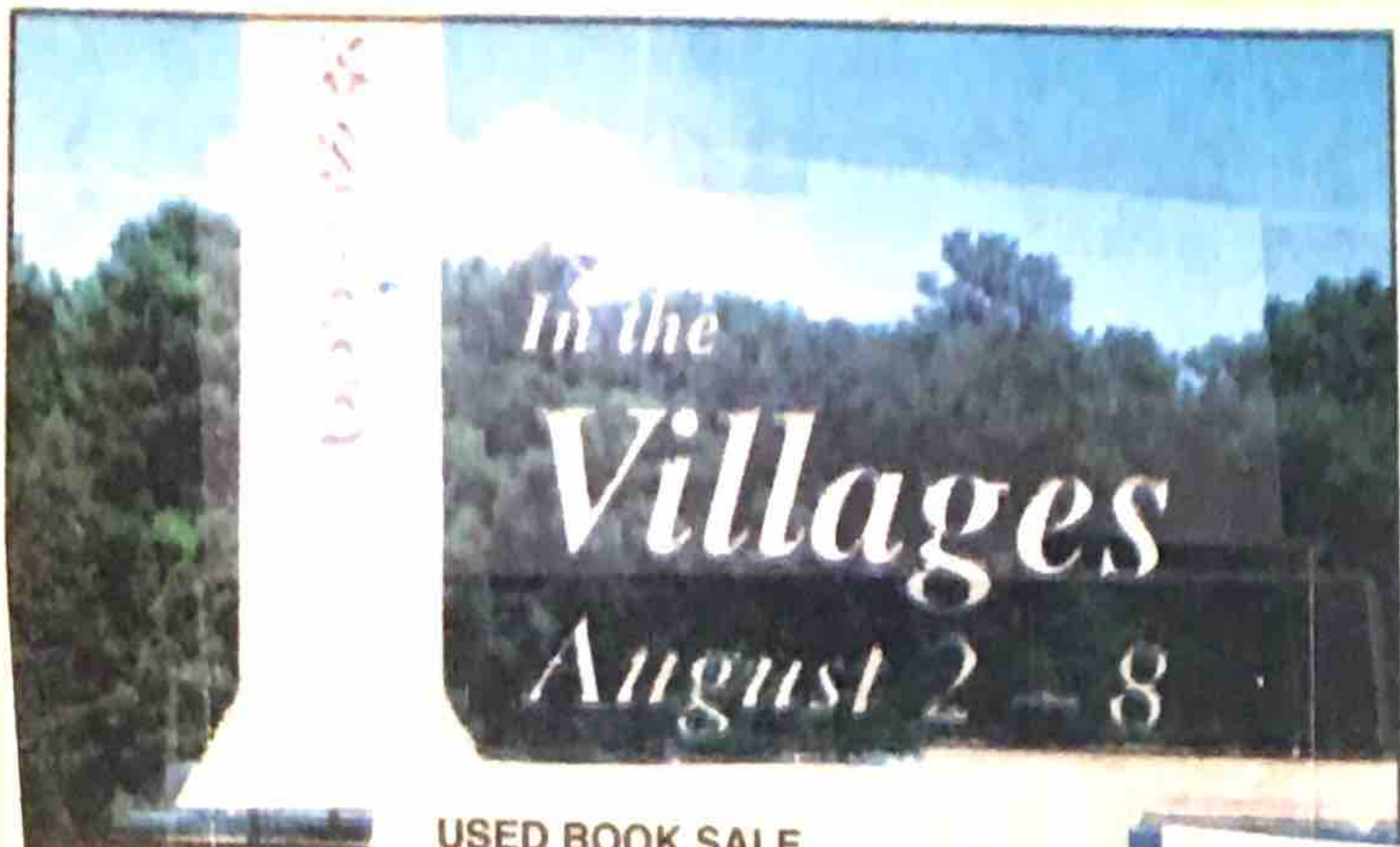
desk at the library.

"We would love for the public to come out," said Humphrey.

The Kingwood Library is located at 4102 Rustic Woods Drive at the intersection with

West Lake Houston Parkway. For more information, visit www.hcpl.net/branchinfo/kw/winfo.htm or call 281-360-6804.

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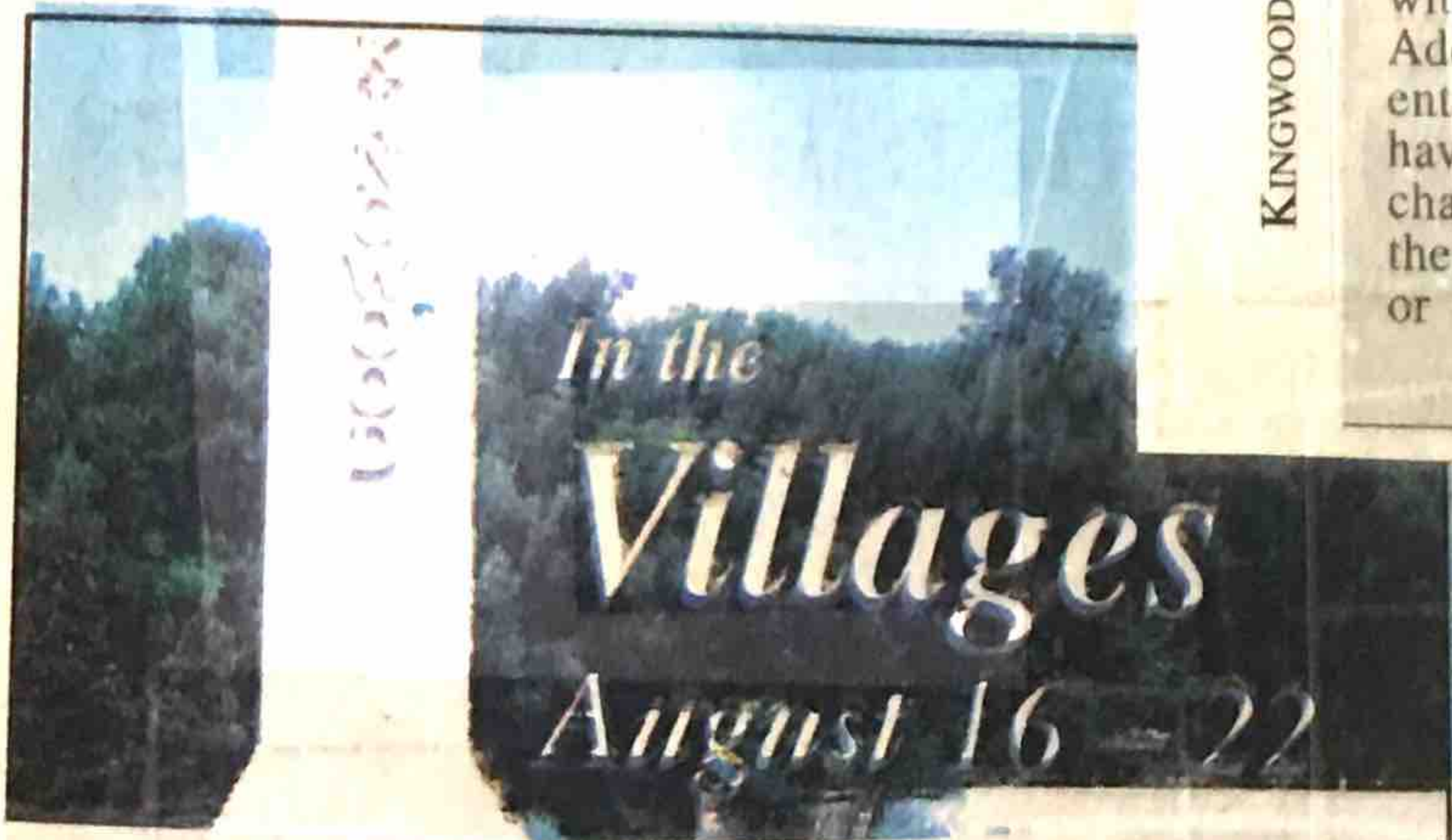
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Tax-deductible book, magazine and media donations are accepted (all year round) during business hours of the library.

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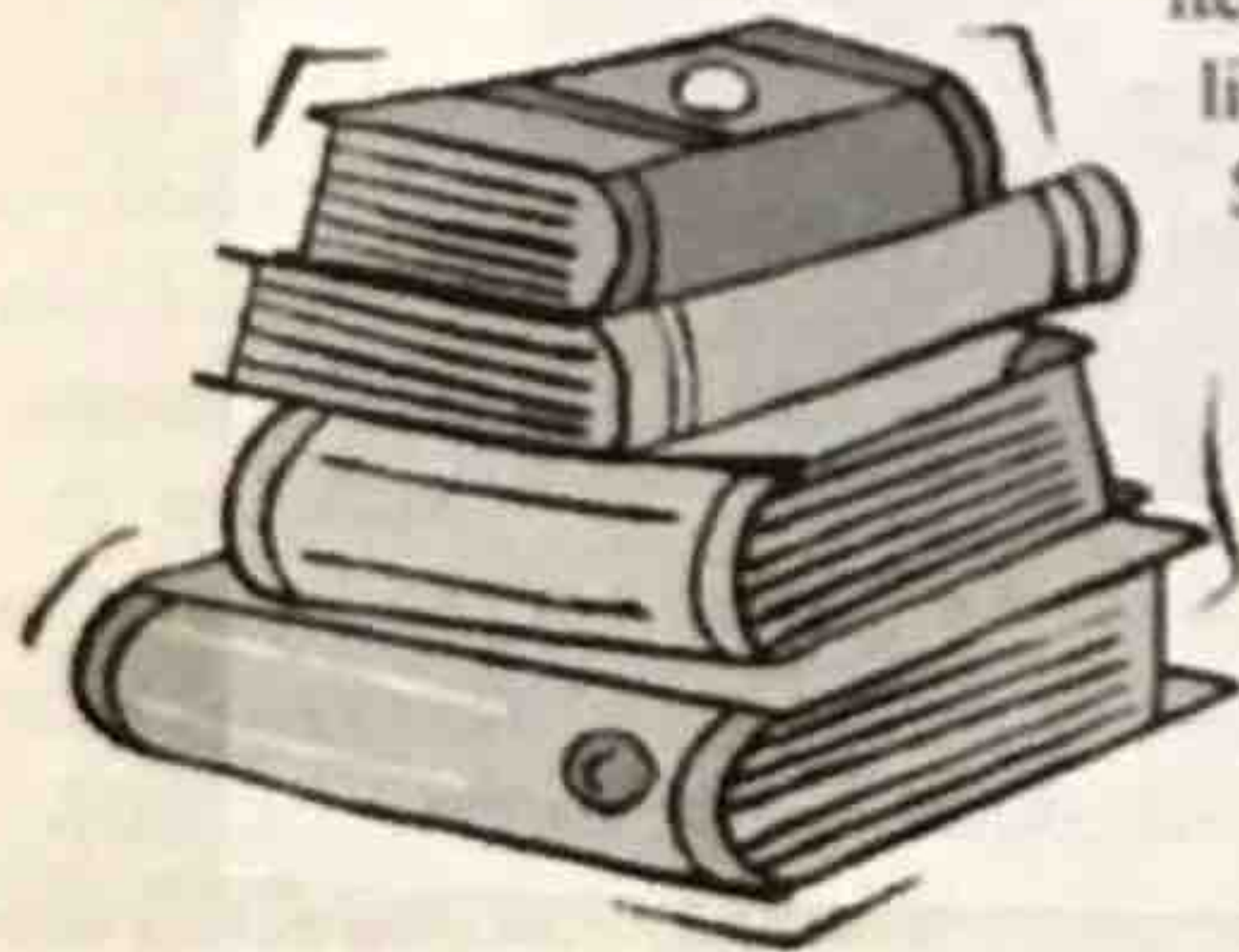
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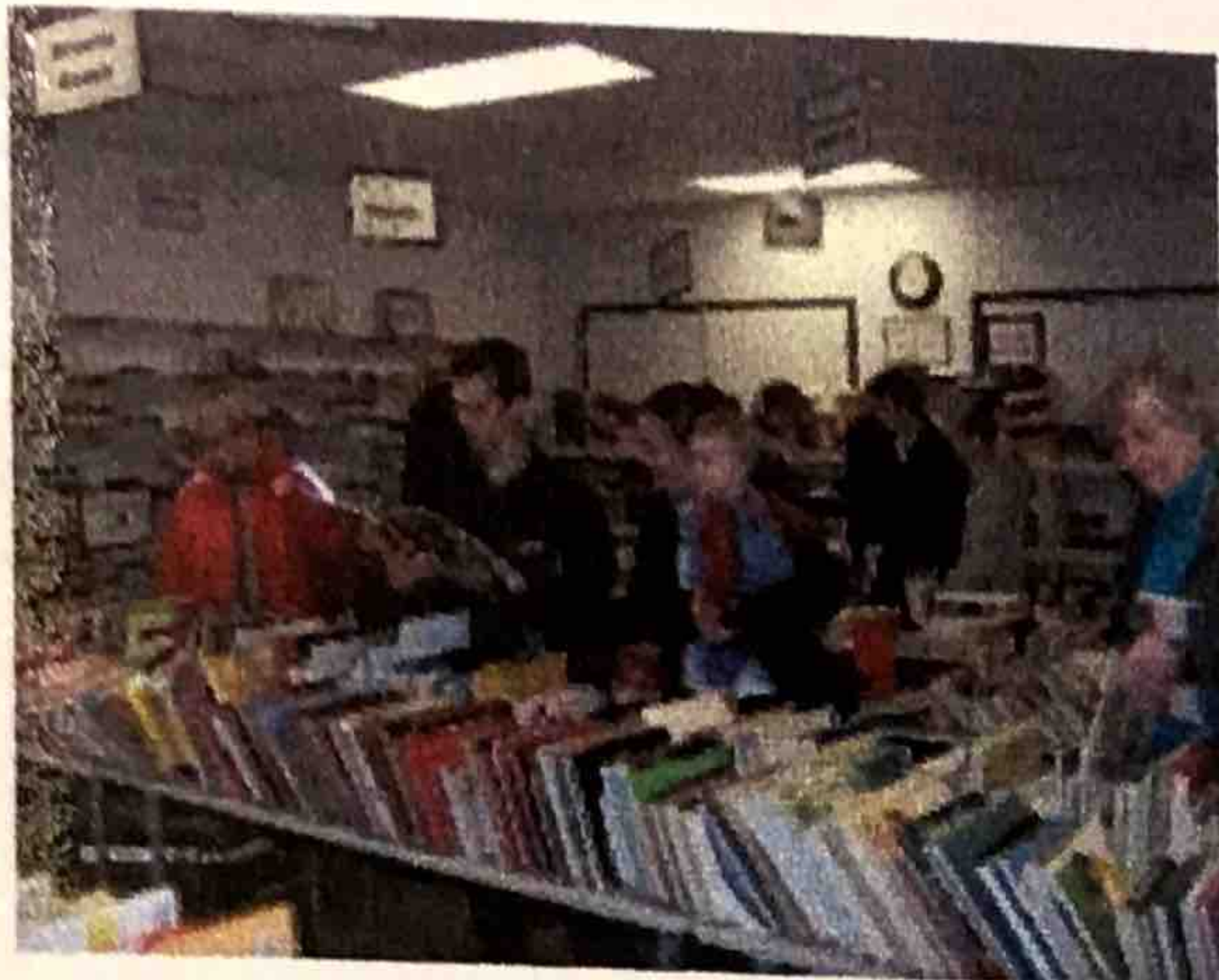
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FOLK's USED BOOK SALE SET FOR AUGUST 18th

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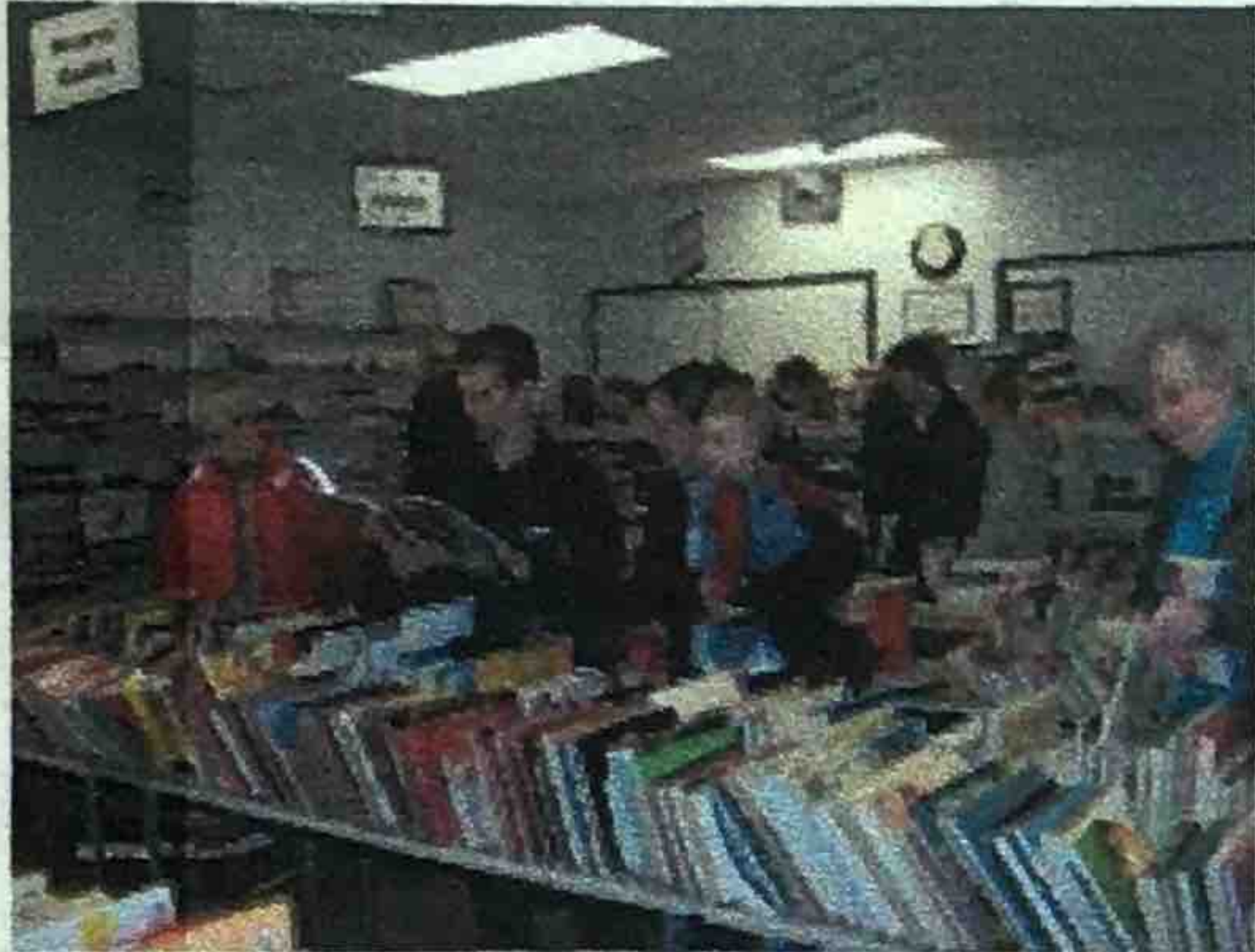


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FOLK's USED BOOK SALE REMINDER

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UPDATE: 14 boxes of sheet music was donated to FOLK for their upcoming August Used Book Sale!

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Angel Food passes out tons of food

Chuck Jones, director of Angel Food at First Assembly of God Church in Humble, helped distribute customers' orders. On July 29, First Assembly distributed more than 24,000 lbs. of food to local residents who signed up for the program. More than 500 orders were placed to participate in the Angel Food Program. Food stamps are being accepted. To receive more information, please call First Assembly of God Church at 281-446-7215.

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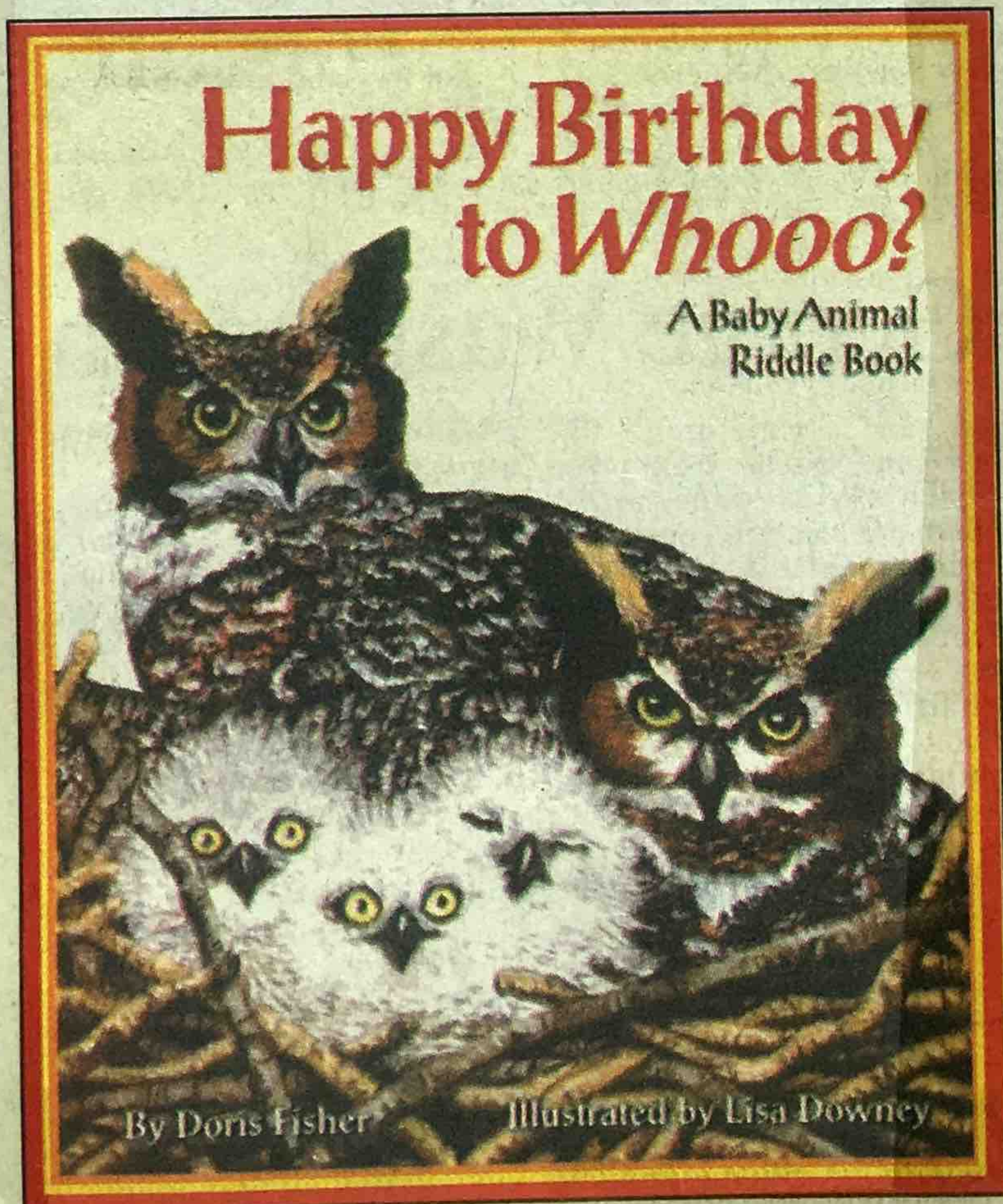
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and "One Odd Day" will have a book reading at the Kingwood Library at 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. on Aug. 29.

The library is located at 4102 Rustic Woods Drive. The phone number is 281-

on Aug. 31, from 5 to 8 p.m. The theme for the evening will be "Rain, Rain Go Away," and the evening will have a special story time for grades two and under at 7 p.m.

The library hopes Family Night events will give the



The book's author, Doris Fisher, will hold a book-reading at the Kingwood Library on Aug. 29.

Early Childhood Kits now available at Kingwood Branch Library

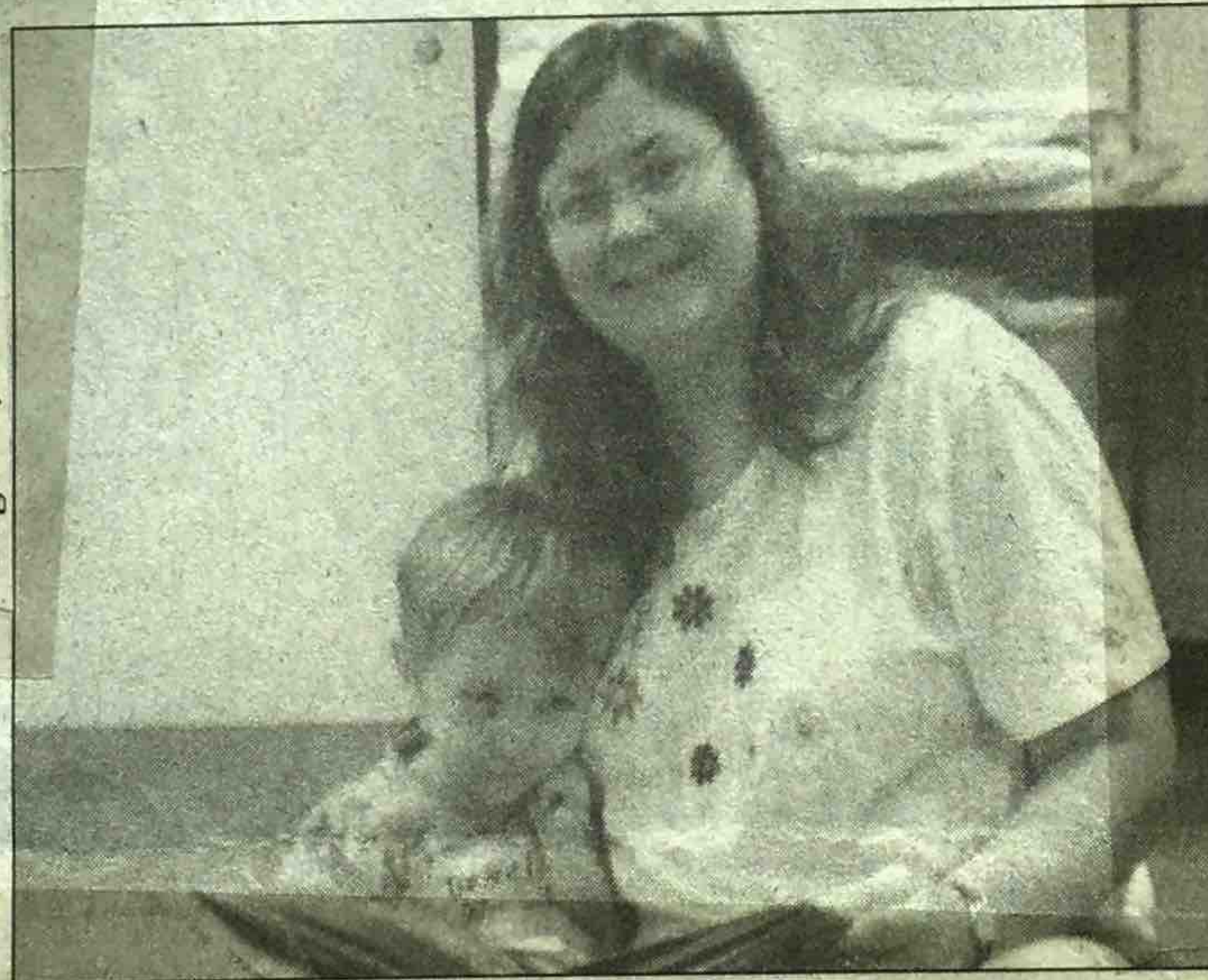
One of the surest ways to help children become life-long readers is to read to them. Reading to children encourages them to read on their own when they get older. They build upon the experience of being read to for years. Usually children develop an interest in reading that will help them for the rest of their lives. Reading to children prepares them for school by improving their attention span and by developing their vocabulary.

A child's education usually begins long before he or she enters school. One way parents can contribute to the future success of their children is to read to them. Reading out loud to children is important and will help them in many ways as they get older. Reading to children gives parents quality time with them

and shows them that reading is important. Children whose parents or other caregivers read to them often learn to read earlier than other children.

To help parents who are not sure where to begin, the Kingwood Branch Library, a Harris County Public Library, now has several themed kits intended to promote early childhood development available for checkout. These kits can be used for reading to children at home and consist of several picture books and a tape or CD with a common theme. Themes include animals, bedtime, family, shapes and more. Ask to see a list of available kits at the Information desk at the Kingwood Library, 4102 Rustic Woods Dr., Kingwood, or call 281-360-6804 for more information.

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Janice and Daniel Alexander read a book from an Early Childhood Development Kit at the Kingwood Library.

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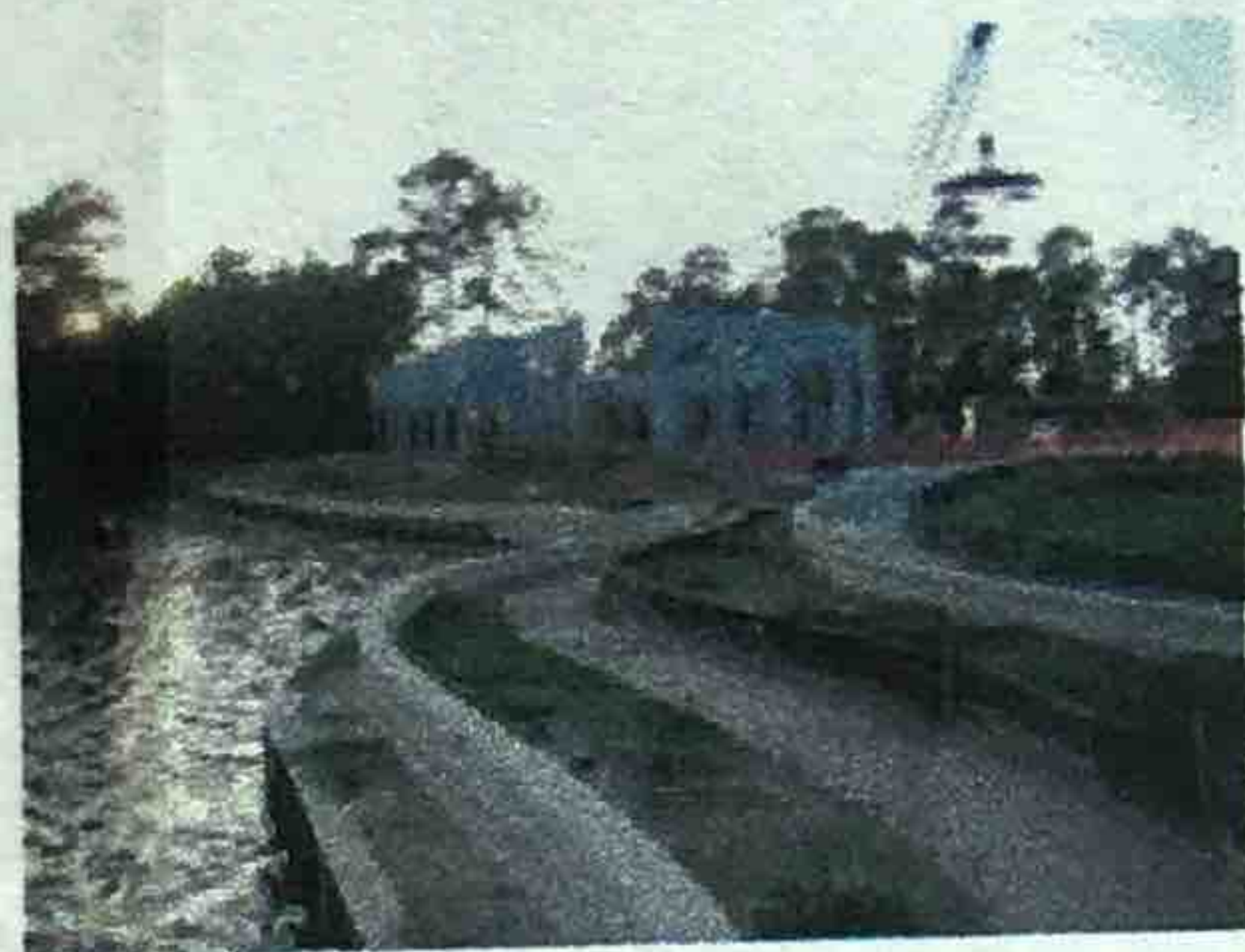
Kingwood Now This Week



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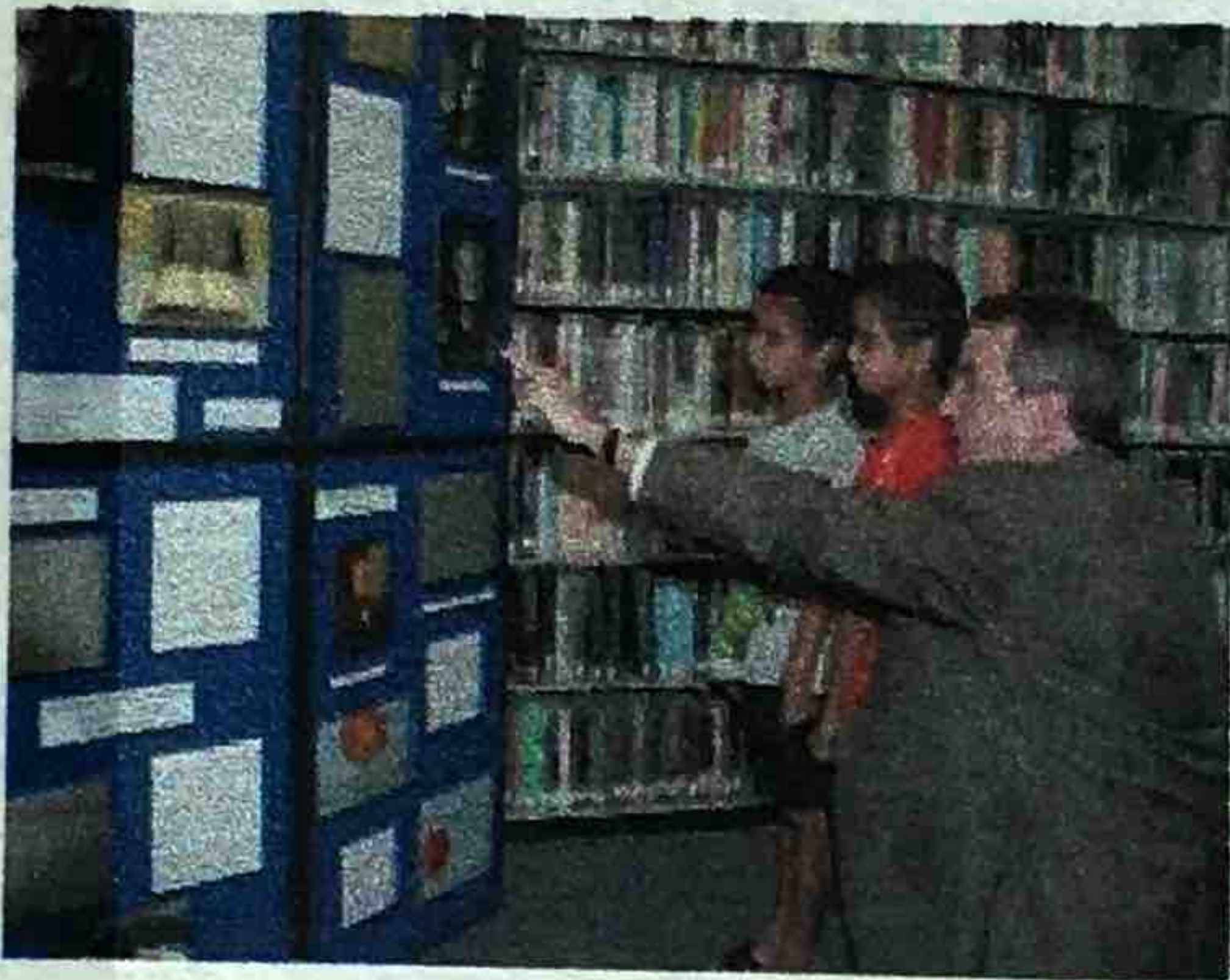
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PRESENTATION OF HISTORIC RECORDS TO DISPLAY AT KINGWOOD BRANCH LIBRARY

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Harris County District Clerk Charles Bacarisse shows 8-year-old twins Alex, left, and Christian Lozano that Sam Houston listed mosquito netting among his possessions in a lawsuit between him and his successor as president of the Republic Texas.

Harris County District Clerk Charles Bacarisse on Thursday, Aug. 31, will present a display that will rotate through the Harris County Public Library branches.

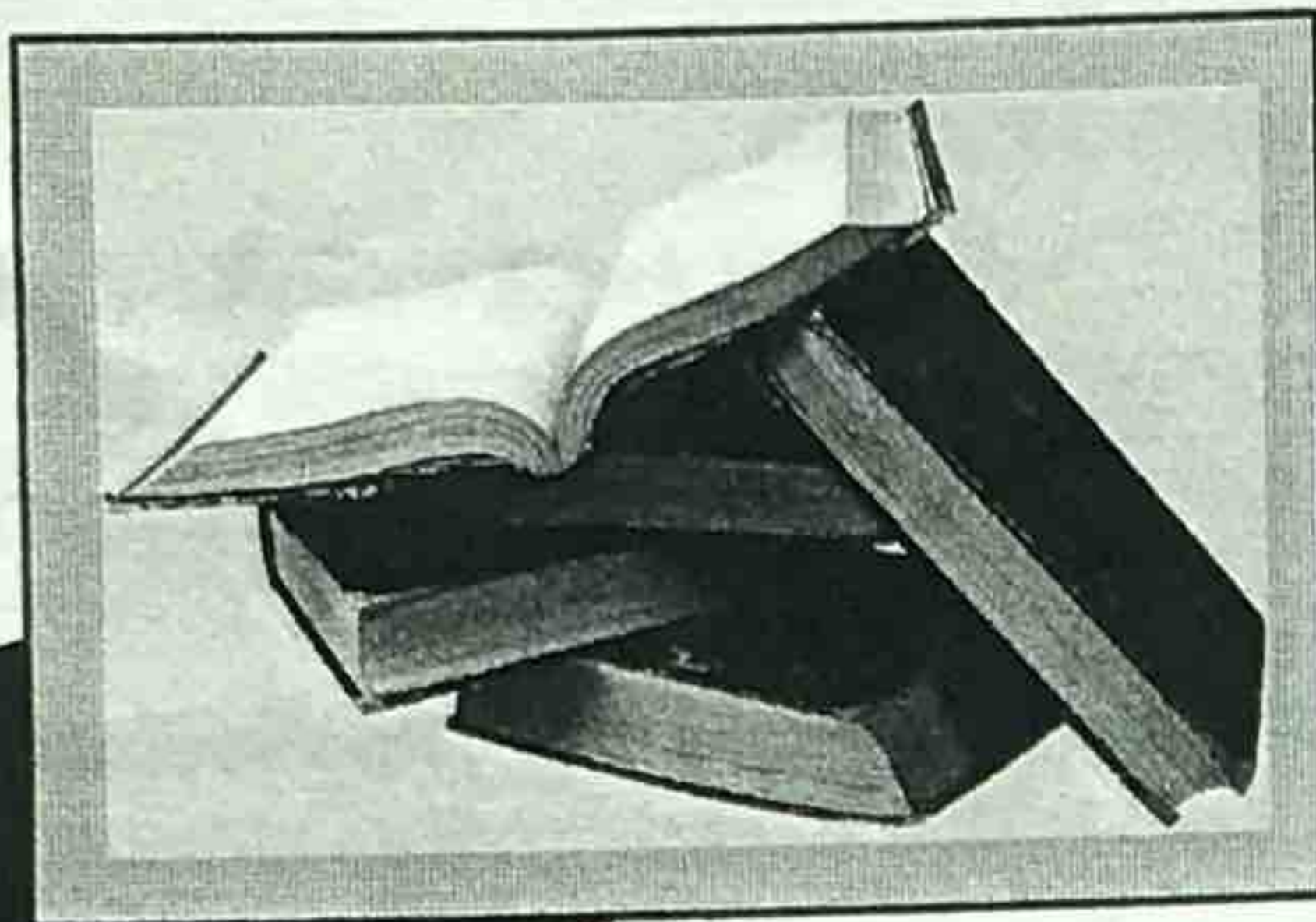
The display, highlighting interesting documents in the history of Texas, will be presented at 2:30 p.m. Thursday at the Kingwood Branch, 4102 Rustic Woods Drive.

There will be a photo opportunity and brief remarks as Bacarisse presents the display to Rhoda L. Goldberg, HCPL's Deputy Director.

Among the cases featured in the display are an 1837 criminal case with a sentence that would be considered cruel and unusual today; the lawsuit between the first two presidents of the Republic of Texas; the 1847 case in which a free black woman won her freedom a second time; and the lawsuit that laid the cornerstone for the Texas Medical Center.

This display, one of three that will rotate through the Harris County Public Library branches, will be set up through Sept. 30 at the Kingwood Branch.





New Library Plans

What is happening with the projected new library? Addie Wiseman, Houston City Council member, District E, addressed this in the July 5, 2006 *Kingwood Observer*. It read as follows:

“Kingwood Library/Community Center: I made a commitment to you when I first asked for your support, to bring you a community center and a new, joint city-county library. After much hard work, creative solutions and negotiations, we’ve begun both projects. *I can’t thank Commissioner Eversole enough for the common desire and his dedication to partner to make this endeavor of ours a reality.* The design for the project will begin this fiscal year. The state of the art facility will be nearly three times the size of our current library and feature modern technological and periodical resources. Our current library will become the home for our new Community Center. Once the library resources are transferred to the new location, renovations will begin on the current structure.”

Drive by the library’s future site on Ben’s View in the curve of the road. Take W. Lake Houston Parkway south from the intersection of Kingwood Drive. Just before you come to the bayou bridge, Ben’s View will be on the right.

Foot traffic at the library is ever increasing. There was a 29% increase from June 2005 through June 2006, and an 11% increase this year. Most recently, from May 2006 to June 2006, there has been a 19% increase in the use of the library. The new library can’t come soon enough!

Lazy Hazy Days of Summer are Here!

Summer has rolled around again, and with it has come the Summer Reading Club, *Reading: the Sport of Champions*. One child got her ten books read the very first day! Several children read more than 100 books by the end of June! They have been busy. We made bookmarks, placemats, and had some serious board game competitions. We had a major squirt gun war planned, but it was rained out. Twice. It was just too wet to get wet. We’ll try again next year, so practice up. Jean Kuecher’s Marionette Theater presented “Aladdin” and then did a Neon Puppet workshop where everyone made fearsome eye-poppin’ puppets. Shivers went up spines when the snake guy let us wear snakes or at least pet them. Of course, the Annual Variety show was as silly as always. James Austin Banner’s magic kept us on the edge of our seats. We are looking forward to the visit from the Houston SPCA in July and the *End of Summer Party* in August and of course books, books, and more books. See you in the fall for *Dragoneers*.

Connie Dye, Children’s Librarian

YA Happenings at the Kingwood Library

Summer is nearly over and we have been having a great time with the teens this year. Children’s Librarian Connie Dye led our teens through a Henna temporary tattoo program in June. We also had a *Teens Got Game* day and two teen movies. In July our teens played *Live Clue* for the second year and we held our *Library Fear Factor*. I want to personally thank F.O.L.K. for your sponsorship of these programs, our teens truly appreciate everything we do for them!

Jeff Coyle, Assistant Branch Librarian

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Harris County Commissioner Jerry Eversole	<i>To The Flag: The Unlikely History of The Pledge of Allegiance</i>
Houston City Councilwoman Addie Wiseman	<i>Houston: a Chronicle of the Bayou City</i>

DRAGONEERS CLUB – LEADERS and PROGRAM PRESENTERS

Kathleen Aten - Leader	<i>To Be Continued: An Annotated Guide to Sequels</i>
Jenna Aten - Helper	<i>Wizardology: The Book of the Secrets of Merlin</i>
Kim Andrew- Helper	<i>Wizardology: The Book of the Secrets of Merlin</i>
David Andrew - Helper	<i>Egyptology: Search for the Tomb of Osiris</i>
Sparky Nolan - KW Chamber - 1 st meeting Read 1 st chapter of Dragon Slayer's Academy: "New Kid at School".	<i>Spark: Be More Innovative Through Co-Creation</i>
Nancy Leary – Jesse Jones Park Presented program on bats.	<i>America's Neighborhood Bats: Understanding and Learning to Live in Harmony with Them;</i> <i>Lone Star Field Guide to Texas Snakes</i>

USED BOOK SALE

Kalen Webb - National Charity League-Kingwood Chapter	<i>Adventure Divas: Searching the Globe for a New Kind of Heroine</i>
Jacqueline Harren - National Charity League-Livable Forest Chapter	<i>Going Places: How America's Best and Brightest Got Started Down the Road of Life</i>
Tina Stanford - Kingwood Women's Club	<i>Furniture: World Styles From Classical to Contemporary</i>
Roland Alley - Used Book Sale	<i>A War Like No Other: How the Athenians and Spartans Fought the Peloponnesian War</i>

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Karen Collier	<i>The Complete Dog Book: 20th Edition</i>
Will Collier	<i>Rock and Gem</i>
Chris Davis	<i>Elements of Murder: A History of Poison</i>
Dee Reiser	<i>Artisanal Cooking: A Chef Shares His Passion for Handcrafting Great Meals at Home</i>

KINGWOOD LIBRARY GARDEN

Regina Ripley - Kingwood Garden Club Head Gardener - Kingwood Library	<i>Passalong Plants</i>
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Tracy Stunja - ReMax

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Humble Intercontinental Rotary Club
Bruce Ward - Ward Brothers & Assoc.
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FutureThink: How to Think Clearly in a Time of Change

Future for Investors: Why the Tried and the True Triumph Over the Bold and the New

Rock and Roll Year By Year

Poems That Live Forever

SPECIAL MENTION

Divine Wind: The History and Science of Hurricanes

The Michaels Book of Arts & Crafts;

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Used Book Sale

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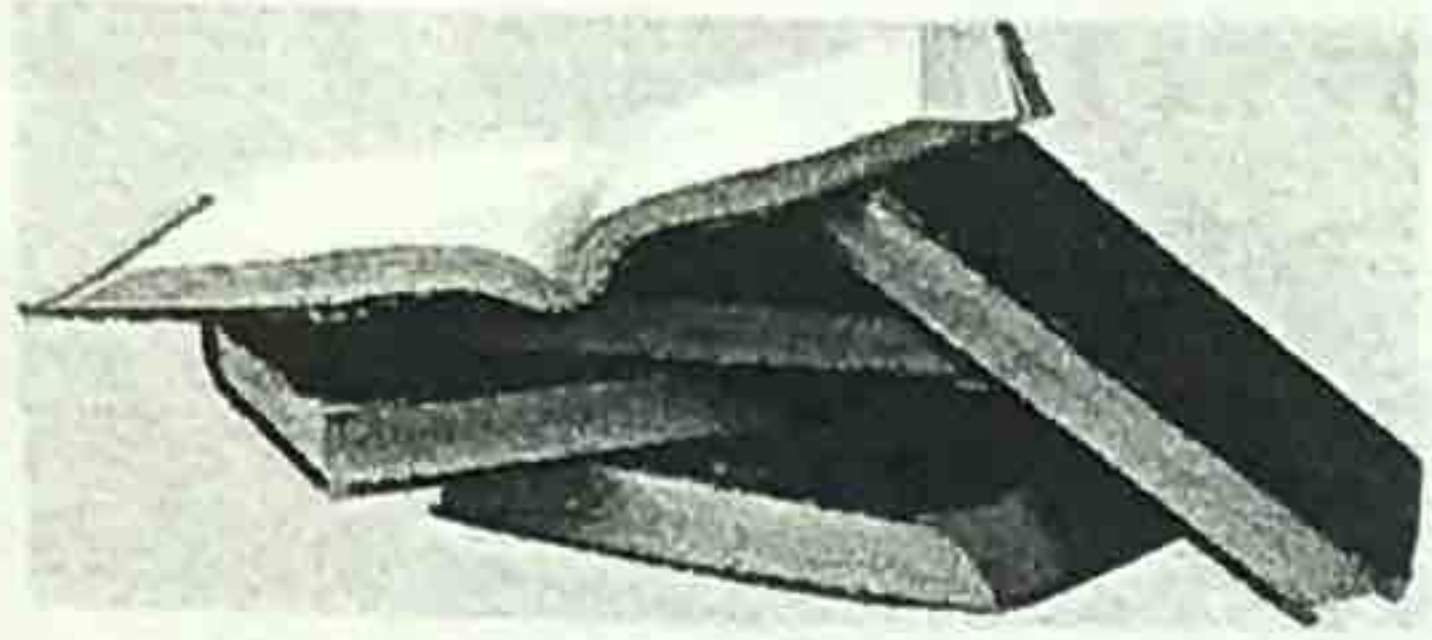
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DRAGONEER CLUB STARTS THIRD YEAR OF KEEPING READING FUN

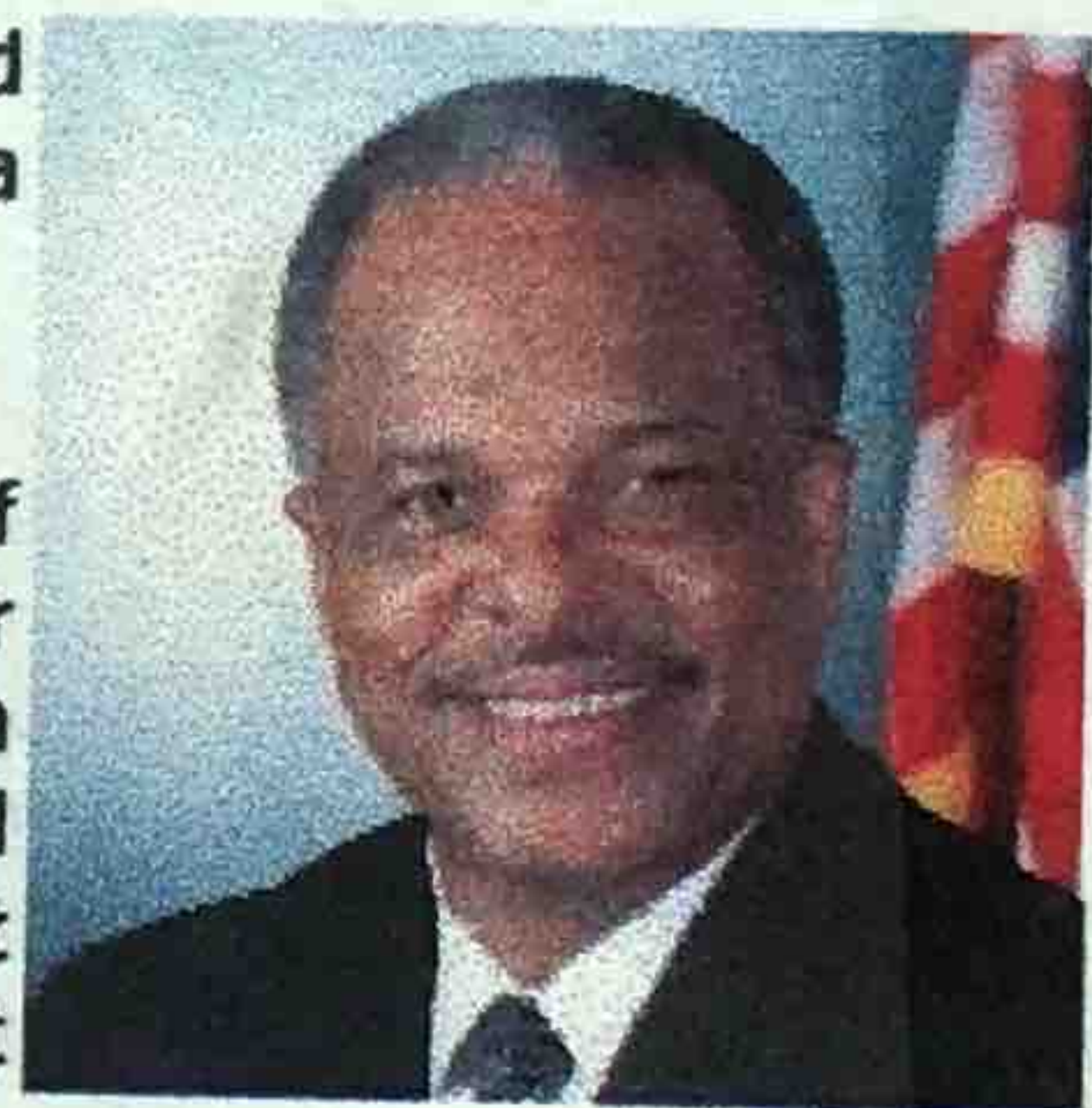
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Two Dragoneers dressed up for the occasion. Dress provided by Connie Dye, KW Library's Children Librarian.

The Dragoneer Club will hold its first meeting on Tuesday, September 12, 2006 from 4pm – 5pm at the KW library, 4102 Rustic Woods Drive. Subsequent meetings will be every 2nd and 4th Tuesday from 4 pm – 5pm at the library. At the September 12th meeting, each Dragoneer will receive his/her Official Dragoneer ID card and new members will receive a Dragoneer shirt.

Houston Police Department's Chief of Police, Harold L. Hurtt, will read the first chapter of Hatching. Magic of which each Dragoneer will receive a FREE copy.



The Dragoneer Club was formed two years ago for the purpose of continuing to keep the 'fun' in reading during the school year for elementary school age children. The third year will be no different from the past two years. Club meetings will be packed with exciting and interesting projects, including: a puppet show, Halloween Party, gift making crafts and much, much more. We look forward to seeing past Dragoneers, as well as a host of new children.

 [Click here for this year's schedule](#)

The Dragoneer Club is just on of the examples of the Friends Of the Library Kingwood's (FOLK) fundraising monies at work for the community. If you would like to support the efforts of the Kingwood library's friends' group:

- Join FOLK for as low at \$15.00 annually. Membership fees are used to support library programs/services.
- Donate to FOLK's annual Buy-A-Book campaign and put books on the shelves of the library.
- Donate (tax-deductible) books to be re-sold at FOLK's quarterly Used Book Sales, then patronize the book sales to replenish your donated books.

Children slay their way through books with library program

By SUSAN MEINHOLZ
Observer Reporter

Molly and Patrick McShane participated in the program last year and are looking forward to another year of fun.

Calling all varlets! Read books and be welcomed into the knighthood of the Kingwood Library's Dragoneer Club.

Any varlet (a "young child" in middle English language) of elementary school age is encouraged to join in the fun of creating fun craft activities, participating in special events and moving up the ranks towards knighthood and receiving colored jewels by reading books.

It is a popular program that many area children enjoy.

"I love Dragoneers because you learn about different animals and other nations," said 9-year-old Molly. "You get to make art projects and it encourages a love for reading."

"I love Dragoneers because you get to compete for a cool dragon trophy, and I won it in 2006 for reading the most books," said Patrick, 6.

The club meets the first and third Tuesday of each month from 4 to 5 p.m. at the

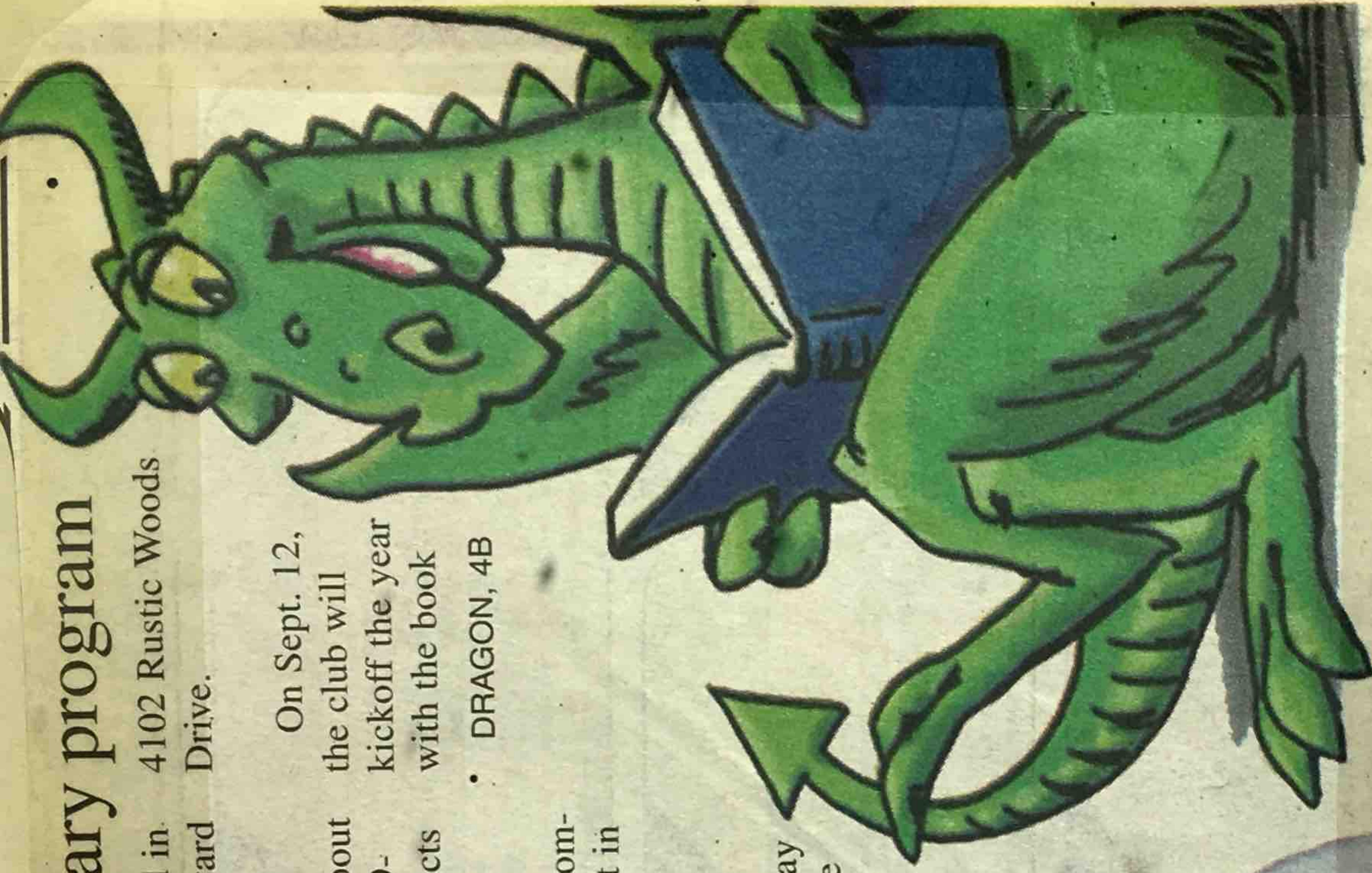
Kingwood Library located at



Jamie Kadinopoulos, left, joined fellow Dragoneers Tobin Johnson and Sam Kadinopoulos in reading books and participating in fun activities to reach the rank of knighthood. Photo by Susan Meinholz

On Sept. 12, the club will kickoff the year with the book

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"Hatching Magic" by Ann Downer. All varlets will receive a free book, T-shirt, official Dragoner identification card and booklogs.

Throughout the program, varlets will be able to move through the ranks of page, squire and knight by attending three meetings and reading four books of their choice.

As participants move up the ranks, they will be given a colored jewel representing various positive character traits.

Jamie Kadinopoulos, 11, really enjoyed the fun and practical things they planned for the group. "Making the shield was the best. We had a really fun party at the end," he said. His brother, Sam, 8, joined because he loves to

read.

"It is fun and active. Miss Connie (the children's librarian) is the best. She keeps on teaching us fun things."

Their mom, Raine Kadinopoulos, said it was a great way to encourage her sons to read.

"It was a fun way to encourage age reading by advancement through the ranks to knighthood," she said. "It encouraged Sam to move on and enjoy reading through a series of books from easy chapter books to Dragon Slayer's Academy, and now he is enjoying the Harry Potter series."

Each meeting there are creative activities planned, and three times a year they have an advancement ceremony, which includes a parade.

At the first meeting, Houston Police Department's Chief of Police Harold L. Hurtt will read the first chapter from

Downer's book, and future meetings include puppet making and puppet shows, participation in the FOLK (Friends of the Library Kingwood) book sale and a re-enactment of pioneer days.

Once a participant reaches knighthood, there is an opportunity to continue on to the Order of the Red Dragon, which includes more jewels and special recognitions.

The club is free to participants; FOLK underwrites the cost of the program.

"It's educational fun for the kids," said Frances M. Pelham, FOLK's publicity chairperson. "It's one of the many ways FOLK's fundraising monies are spent for the betterment of the Kingwood Library programs and the community."

Abby, Maddy and Tobin Johnson have received the rank of knighthood and will be working on the Order of the

Red Dragon. They are excited about participating in the Dragoner Club again.

"I loved going to the meetings and hearing about new books," said Abby.

"I liked designing and making our shields. Being a member of the club made me want to read even more books," said Maddy.

"We had great parties and got to design our own shields when we were made knights," said Tobin. "It was fun reading lots of books."

Tracy Johnson was happy to find a program that both her son and daughters liked.

"It's something that both girls and boys can enjoy," she said. "My kids love it; they get upset if we miss a meeting."

For more information, contact the Kingwood Library at 281-360-6804.

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Maddy Johnson, left, holds the Dragoner flag with sister Abby. The flag leads the way during the club's advancement parades.

Photo by Susan Meinholz

KINGWOOD OBSERVER, Wednesday, September 6, 2006,



Susan Mitchell, Tammy Waldrop, Chris Mandelski, Doris Fisher, Dana McFarland and Monica Vavra, from left, are members of The Kingwood Area Children's Writers and Illustrators Critique Group, which writes picture books, chapter books, novels, magazine articles and puzzles for children. Photo by Luisa Hart

Authors form writing group for children's literature

By LUISA HART
Observer Reporter

The Kingwood Library is not only home to hundreds of books and the Dragoners, but is also home to the Kingwood Area Children's Writers and Illustrators Critique Group.

"We encourage children's writers," said Doris Fisher, who is the facilitator of the group. "We review and comment on manuscripts for books, articles, poetry, fiction and nonfiction specifically written for children. We love good literature for children. And we all hope to be published children's authors!"

The group was started by Fisher in 2003. "When I discovered other interested children's writers in the Kingwood-Humble area, we started meeting... offering suggestions, comments and sharing publishing news for children's writers," said Fisher.

The group has five published book authors and others have been published in children's magazines and online at Wee Ones Magazine.

Doris Fisher has had two children's books published, "Happy Birthday to Whooo?" and "One Odd Day," with a third slated for release next year.

On Wednesday, Sept. 6, at 11 a.m., Fisher will be reading during the Children's Storytime at Barnes and Noble Bookstore, located at Deerbrook Mall, 20131 Highway 59 in Humble.

The group meets at the Kingwood Library every other Thursday throughout the year from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The library is located at 4102 Rustic Woods Drive in Kingwood.

For more information, contact Doris Fisher at abcdoris@doris-fisher.com or visit her Web site at www.abcdoris.com

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FOLK's USED BOOK SALE EXCEEDS PREVIOUS RECORDS

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Alyssa Ruddell smiles as she finds a book from the children's selection priced from 25 cents to one dollar.

FOLK's Used Book Sale held on August 18 for FOLK members and August 19, 2006 for the public exceeded all records. This success is contributed to the quality and quantity of books donated, the Kingwood Library community; and, to the awesome 'voices' (Coffee News, Forest Image, Humble ISD, Kingwood College, Kingwood Now and the Kingwood Observer) of FOLK who delivered the times and dates of this book sale to the community.

The funds made at this sale and all money made by the Friends Of the Library Kingwood fundraisers are used to augment Harris County's funding support of our library. The money raised by FOLK ensures our community library provides the best possible material and services today and at the new library which is on the horizon.

Friends Of the Library Kingwood have several upcoming fundraisers, so mark your calendar with these dates:

- The next Used Book Sale is October 27 for FOLK members* and October 28 for the public. Needless to say with the success of the August book sale, book donations are needed. Donations are accepted year round during the business hours of the library. Because of storage space, textbooks and encyclopedias are no longer being accepted.
- FOLK's annual Buy-A-Book Sale is held during the month of October. Supporters of the library are asked to contribute money, money that will be used to buy books for the library shelves.
- FOLK is joining forces for the 2nd year with Barnes & Noble Booksellers at Deerbrook Mall on December 1, 2006 for another Bookfair.

Thanks again for such a successful August Used Book Sale, and watch for specific information on upcoming FOLK fundraisers via FOLK's 'voices.'

*Did you know that becoming a member of FOLK is benefiting the Kingwood Library? All membership fees beginning at a mere \$15.00 annually go to support the library. Become a Friend of the Library today!



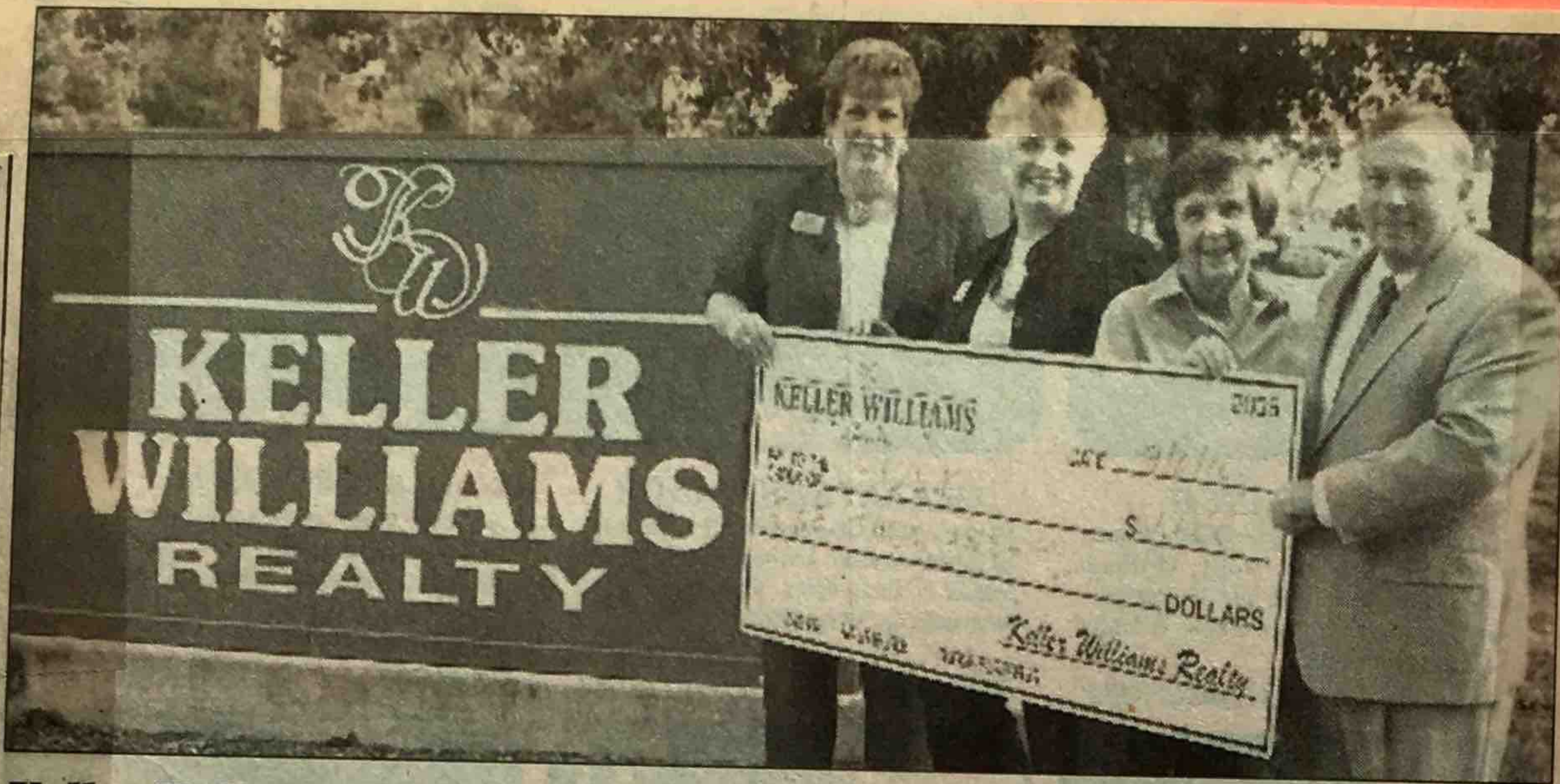
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BUY-A-BOOK CAMPAIGN

October is Buy-A-Book month in Kingwood. Friends Of the Library Kingwood's annual Buy-A-Book campaign is to help fill the shelves at the Kingwood Branch Library. To contribute to FOLK's Buy-A-Book campaign, checks should be made payable to FOLK Buy-A-Book. FOLK's mailing address is P. O. Box 5353, Kingwood, Texas, 77325-5353, or drop checks by the library located at 4102 Rustic Woods Dr. All donations are tax deductible.

KINGWOOD OBSERVER, Wednesday, September 27, 2006,



Keller Williams kicks off campaign

Keller Williams owners Judy Hopkins, far left, and Mark Heinrich, right, donate \$1,000 to the Buy-A-Book Campaign at the Kingwood Library. "Keller Williams is proud to support community organizations like FOLK," says Judy Hopkins. "Without the volunteers of and funds raised by FOLK, our community library could not offer the services and programs that they do." Mark Heinrich adds, "It is also our hope that Keller Williams' donation will stimulate other business owners to contribute to this year's Buy-A-Book campaign." Accepting the check for the library are Christi Whittington, Kingwood Branch Library manager, center left, and Carolyn Humphrey, Friends Of the Library Kingwood president.

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LETTERS

Dear Editor:

I recently noticed that at a home on Woodland Grove Drive in S. Woodland Hills Village, a decorative 24-inch brick wall was erected across the front yard.

When we moved into our home back in the '80s, I asked if I could do something similar to this - and at that time I was told "no" because it would violate the association's deed restrictions.

This shows that things are changing in our neighborhoods.

Name withheld By request
Kingwood

*Our success depends
on you*

Dear Editor:

Thanks to Barbara Vosbein, an *Observer* reporter, for an awesome article on Friends Of the Library

Kingwood's annual Buy-A-Book Campaign. FOLK's success depends not only on the money raised for the Harris County Public Library-Kingwood Branch through various fundraisers, but also on the many volunteers. Both the Kingwood and Livable Forest Chapters of the National Charity League, the Kingwood Women's Club and many individual volunteers assist with FOLK's quarterly Used Book Sales.

FOLK extends a huge thank you to all of their volunteers.

Frances M. Pelham
FOLK Publicity Chairperson

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From: "frances pelham" <fpelham@msn.com>
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Sent: Sunday, October 08, 2006 4:27 PM
Subject: Dear Editor

Dear Editor,

Thanks to Barbara Vosbein, an Observer Reporter, for an awesome article on Friends Of the Library Kingwood's annual Buy-A-Book Campaign. Pictured with Anne Niendorff, Chairman of the BAB Campaign and myself are volunteers from the Kingwood Chapter of the National Charity League. FOLK's success depends not only on the money raised for the Harris County Public Library-Kingwood Branch through various fundraisers, but also on the many volunteers. Both the Kingwood and Livable Forest Chapters of the National Charity League, the Kingwood Women's Club and many individual volunteers assist with FOLK's quarterly Used Book Sales. FOLK extends a huge THANK YOU to all of their volunteers.

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Friends Of the Library Kingwood's holiday used book sale set

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FOLK's October Used Book Sale is the perfect time to do some early holiday shopping. Books are perfect gifts for those bookworms on your holiday shopping list.

In addition to the recently

published (2004 - 2006) and children's books, visitors will find books in the following categories at the sale: fiction (including mysteries and romance), non-fiction, science fiction, biographies, arts/literature/classics/poetry, business/computer/reference, religion/inspiration, self-help, gardening, cooking, crafts/hobbies, home improvement, humor, western, coffee table, parenting, medical/diet/exercise, travel and young adult books.

Also for sale are media mate-

rials: videos, CDs, cassettes and music. For those Ebay junkies, they have added a section for First Edition books.

Hardback and large softback books start at \$1 while standard size paperback books are only \$.50. Newer released hardbacks and coffee table books sell for a mere \$3. Children and young adult books range in price from \$.25 to \$1. Videos, CDs, cassettes and several other items of interest are also sold at bargain prices.

Because it is the holiday sea-

son, FOLK and the library staff would like to remind the community that they have the opportunity (now and throughout the year) to pay tribute to a family member, friend and/or a special event with an everlasting gift, a book. To learn more about FOLK and how becoming a 'friend' of the library will enhance the material, programs and services offered by the library, stop by the library's circulation desk at 4102 Rustic Woods Dr. 'Friend' memberships start as low as \$15 annually.



Members of Friends of the Library Kingwood (FOLK) proudly display their 2006 Buy-A-Book campaign brochures. The first campaign in 1983 had FOLK members raising money by going door-to-door. In the front row, from left, are Bonnie Montgomery, Frances Pelham and Jill Ioeiger. Left to right in the back row are Leslie Willoughby, Judy Hinckfott, Celine Schanzer and Anne Niendorff, 2006 campaign chairman. Photo by Barbara Vosbein

By BARBARA VOSBEIN
Observer Reporter

The Friends of the Library Kingwood (FOLK) was chartered in April of 1981 as an organization made up of people interested in book and libraries. Since then, FOLK has worked to focus attention on library services, facilities and needs, and to stimulate gifts of books, magazines, desirable collections, endowments and bequests.

One of the major ways in which FOLK assists the Kingwood Branch Library is through its annual Buy-A-Book campaign, held during the month of October. The first Buy-A-Book campaign was held in 1983, when FOLK members raised \$30,000 to purchase books for the new library by going door-to-door in the neighborhood.

Although donations to the Buy-A-Book campaign have not matched that amount since then, FOLK member Frances Pelham said, "We feel with the community's generous donations, we will be able to exceed that amount before the bigger and better library is built."

"Kingwood is a community," she added. "We're in a community that works as a community, and the community supports our library. We're extremely lucky to live and work in Kingwood."

According to Anne Niendorff, FOLK's 2006 Buy-A-Book campaign chairman, Buy-A-Book donations will once again be used to augment Harris County's funding support of the Kingwood Branch Library.

"With donated funds, FOLK has provided new adult books, audio-visual materials, large print collections, children's picture books and juvenile literature, financial subscriptions, such as Value Line and Chartist, as well as numerous other types of library materials," Niendorff said. "All of these additions to the collection, above and beyond the level funded by Harris County, have enabled the Kingwood Branch Library to maintain a well-rounded, current and relevant collection to offer our community."

Judy Hopkins and Mark Heinrich, co-owners of Keller Williams Realty Northeast, located at 20665 W. Lake Houston Parkway in Kingwood, have already donated \$1,000 to FOLK's 2006 Buy-A-Book campaign.

"We really believe in FOLK, and we admire the volunteers and what they do," said Hopkins. "We hope our donation will encourage other businesses in the area to do the same."

The Rotary Club of Humble Intercontinental has also been a community supporter of FOLK's Buy-A-Book campaign.

"One of the avenues of service for Rotary is community service," said Rotary Club member Bruce Ward, owner of Ward Brothers Insurance, with offices in Humble and Kingwood.

"What we try to do is find areas in the community where we can be of benefit. We think education is vital. It's a necessity for today's youth. We also know that libraries have budgets, and in many cases, (the budgets) aren't adequate. They need help from the community, and that's where we come in with a donation. We think it's a plus for us. It's just what we're looking for. This is an opportunity to give back to the community."

This year, the Rotary Club of Humble Intercontinental will once again donate \$500 to the FOLK Buy-A-Book campaign.

Kingwood resident Linda Dumas is a major supporter of FOLK's Buy-A-Book campaign, as well.

"I love everything about books – the stories and information they contain, the feel of them in my hands, and they way they look," Dumas said.

"Although my great joy now is that I can afford to have my own library full of books, I have never forgotten the wonderful things I learned and the places I went through library books. Buying book for the library give me enormous pleasure. When it comes to the library, I'm definitely in favor of 'pass it on.' The Buy-A-Book campaign is a fantastic chance to serve the reading community."

Niendorff is enthusiastic about the 2006 Buy-A-Book campaign. "I encourage FOLK members, faithful Buy-A-Book contributors,

friends and volunteers of the library to support our 2006 campaign," she said. "Together we can ensure that our library will continue to be a cornerstone of this fine community."

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THE INFO

■ **What:** Buy-A-Book campaign

■ **Why:** Donations benefit library

■ **How do I contribute:** Call the library at 281-360-6804 for more information

BOOK DONATIONS NEEDED FOR UPCOMING USED BOOK SALE

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Book donations are needed for FOLK's October 27th (FOLK members) and October 28th Used Book Sale. If you are a reader, or know of a reader, please consider purging your book shelves and donating your books to FOLK. Donations are accepted during normal library hours*.

Additionally, October is FOLK's annual Buy-A-Book Campaign. Please consider the value you are adding to someone's life by donating money to buy books for the shelves at the Kingwood Library.



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Friends Of the Library Kingwood Used Book Sale

Kingwood Library 4102 Rustic Woods Dr KW

October 28, 2006 , 9:00am to 3:00pm

Adult/children books range in price from \$.25 - \$1.00. New Released/Coffee Table books sale for \$3.00. Older and 1st edition books sale for \$1.00. 4102 Rustic Woods Dr @ W. Lake Houston Pkway in Kingwood, Tx.

Frances M. Pelham, 281-358-2485, or 281-360-6804

FOLK's BUY-A-BOOK CAMPAIGN RECEIVES JUMP START FROM KELLER WILLIAMS NORTHEAST

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Left to right:, Judy Hopkins, Co-owner of Keller Williams Realty Northeast, Christi Whittington, Kingwood Branch Library Manager, Carolyn Humphrey, Friends Of the Library Kingwood President, Mark Heinrich, Co-owner of Keller Williams Northeast

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We hope YOU, the supporters, customers and friends of the Kingwood Branch Library, will follow Keller Williams's lead and donate to FOLK's Annual Buy-A-Book Campaign.

 [Click Here For Donation Form](#)

To contribute to FOLK's Buy-A-Book campaign, checks should be made payable to FOLK Buy-A-Book. FOLK's mailing address is: P. O. Box 5353, Kingwood, Texas, 77325-5353, or drop your check by the library located at 4102 Rustic Woods Dr. All donations are tax deductible. If the business for which you work, 'matches' employee contributions to non-profit entities, you could double your donation by attaching your company's matching form to your check. For more information about FOLK (Friends Of the Library Kingwood), or how to become a FRIEND of the library, call 281-360-6804.

October 2006 Events at the Kingwood Library

Story times

Mother Goose Lapsit, Thursdays at 11 a.m. - Designed for children 0-18 months and their parents. No sign-up required. Program includes nursery rhymes, finger plays and songs.

Toddler Time, Thursdays at 10 a.m. - Program is individualized for 18 months to 3 years. Sign-ups required. Call Library for further information at 281-360-6804.

Preschool Storytime, Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. and 2:20 p.m. - Everyone welcome. Designed for 3-6-year-old children, but all are welcome.

Children's programs

Oct. 10 and 24 - 4-5 p.m. - Dragoneeers

Oct. 31 - 4-5 p.m. - Halloween Party

Adult programs

Oct. 11 - 7-8:30 p.m. - History of Mexican Cuisine - Hispanic Heritage Month Program

Oct. 18 - 7-9 p.m. - Opera Preview - Preview the upcoming season of the Houston Grand Opera with Ann Thompson

Programs for all ages

Oct. 14 - 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. - Kingwood War Gamers (formerly NuGamers) Join in playing tactical combat games using miniature scale figures.

Oct. 27 - 5 - 9 p.m. - FOLK Book Sale Preview - for FOLK Members, memberships can be purchased at the door for \$15.

Oct. 28 - 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. - FOLK Book Sale - Proceeds support library programs

All programs are free and open to the public. For more information, call the Kingwood Branch Library at 281-360-6804 or log on to www.hcpl.net



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October 2006

Dear Friends,

October is **BUY-A-BOOK** month for the Kingwood Library. It has been designated as such since 1983, when Friends of the Library Kingwood organized a campaign to fill the shelves at the new Kingwood Branch Library.

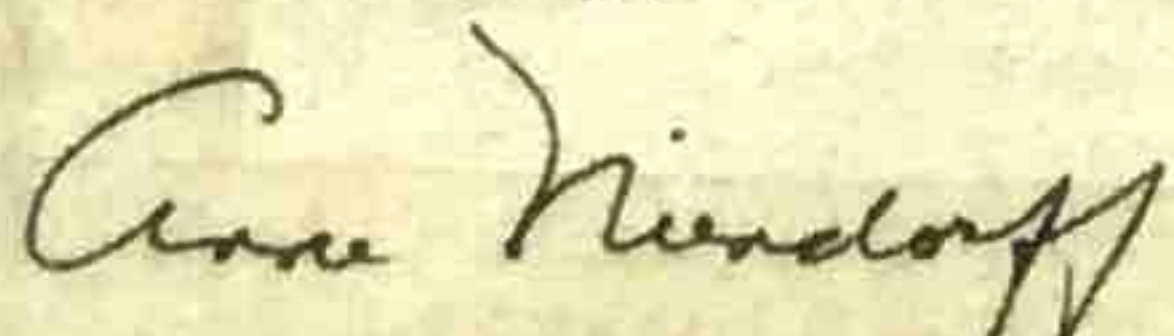
For the past 23 years, FOLK has solicited donations through the **BUY-A-BOOK** effort to help keep our Kingwood Branch Library's collection and services on a first rate level. Now, with all of our focus on a brand new library, the need for community support is even greater.

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I encourage you as FOLK members, faithful **BUY-A-BOOK** contributors, friends and volunteers of the library, to support our 2006 **BUY-A-BOOK** campaign. Together we can ensure that our library will continue to be a cornerstone of this fine community.

FOLK thanks you for your help and vital financial support of this effort.

Sincerely,



Anne Niendorff
Buy-A-Book
Chairman

BUY-A-BOOK DONATION

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Yes, I want to support our library. Enclosed is my donation of \$ _____

Please make checks payable to Buy-A-Book and mail it to:

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Kingwood, TX 77325-5353

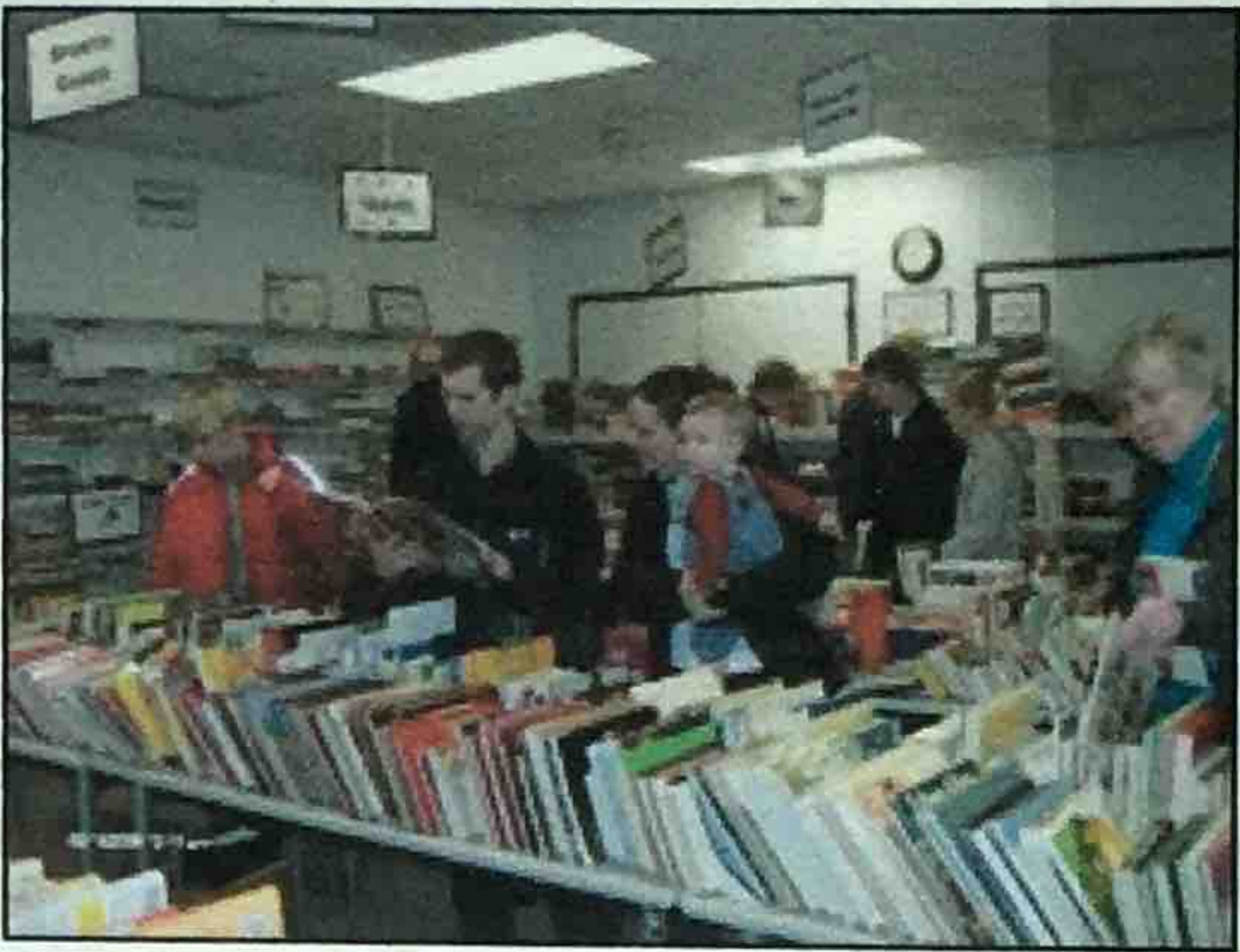
OR, you may drop them off at the library.

Thank you for supporting our Kingwood Branch Library.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY KINGWOOD'S HOLIDAY USED BOOK SALE

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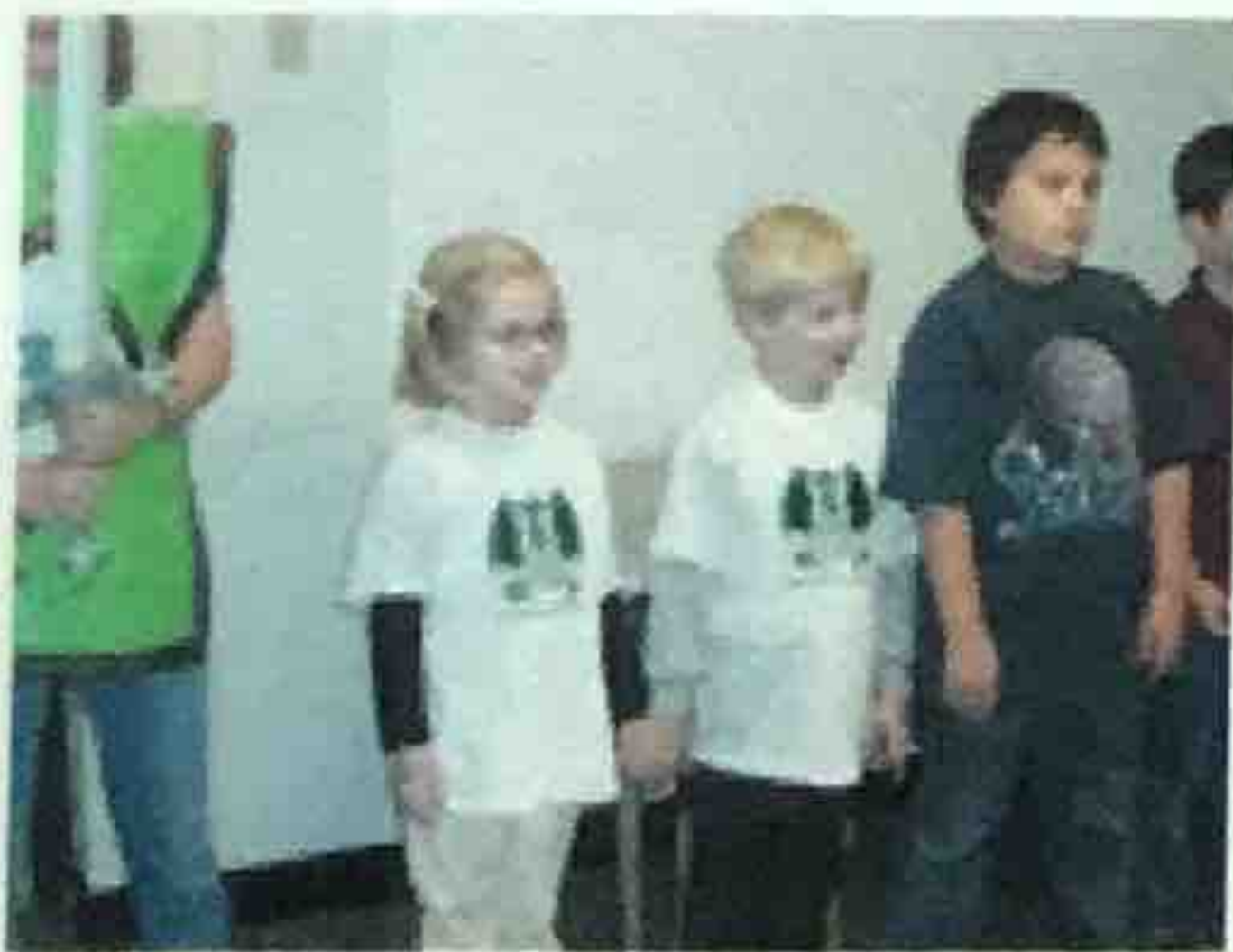
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Hardback and large softback books start at \$1.00 while standard size paperback books are only \$.50. Newer released hardbacks and coffee table books sell for a mere \$3.00. Children and young adult books range in price from \$.25 to \$1.00. Videos, cds, cassettes, and several other items of interest are also sold at bargain prices.

Because it is the holiday season, FOLK and the library staff would like to remind the community that you have the opportunity (now and throughout the year) to pay tribute to a FAMILY MEMBER, YOUR OWN FAMILY, FRIENDS AND/OR A SPECIAL EVENT with an everlasting gift, a BOOK. By purchasing a book for the Kingwood Library in HONOR of that special person and/or event in your life, you will be giving a gift that will be enjoyed by others over and over again. For details on purchasing an HONOREE book for a special person/event, see one of the Kingwood librarians.

Tax-deductible books, magazines, and other donations are accepted during business hours of the library. To learn more about FOLK and how becoming a 'friend' of the library will enhance the material, programs and services offered by the library, stop by the library's circulation desk @ 4102 Rustic Woods Dr. 'Friend' memberships start as low as \$15 annually.

Welcome To Kingwood Now



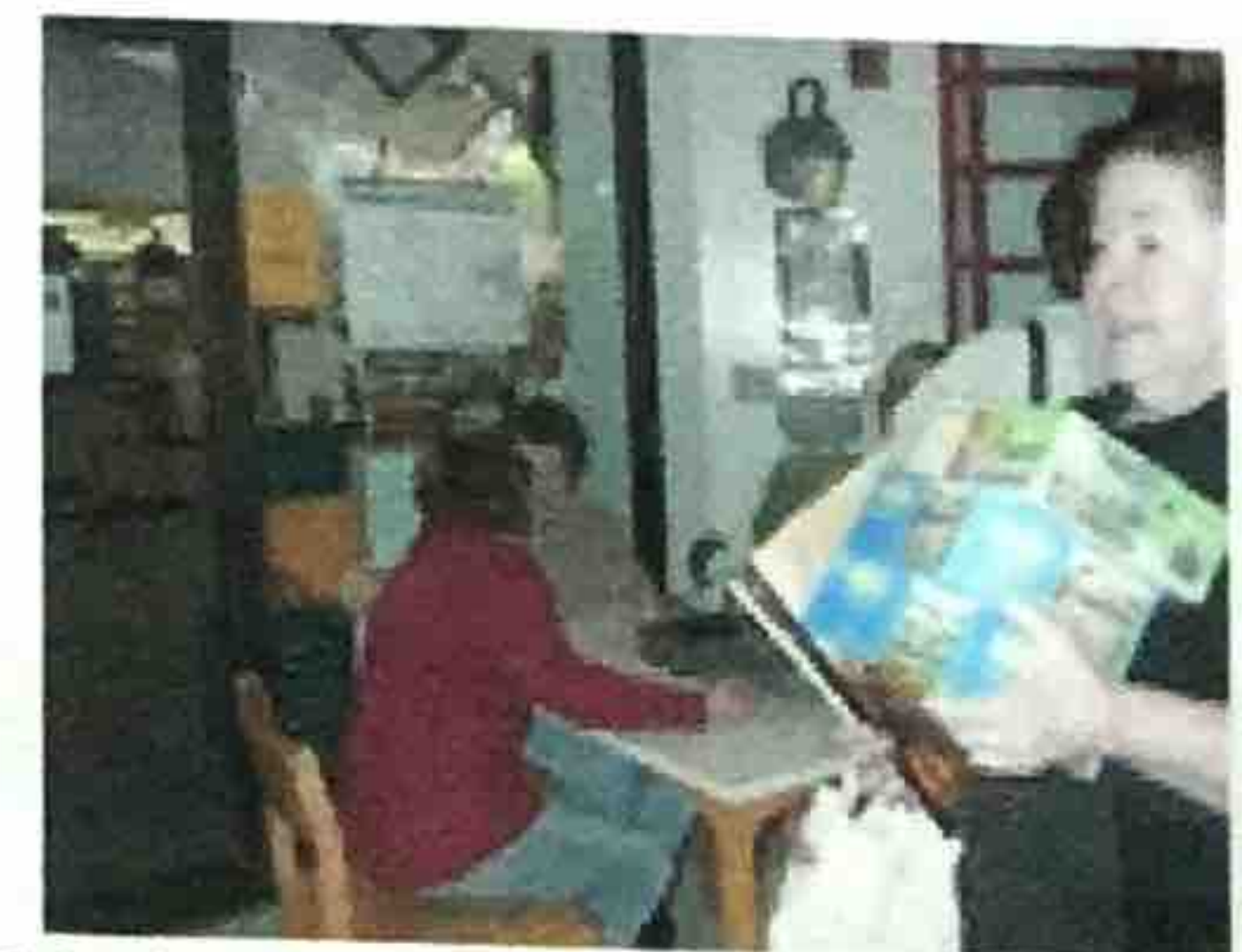
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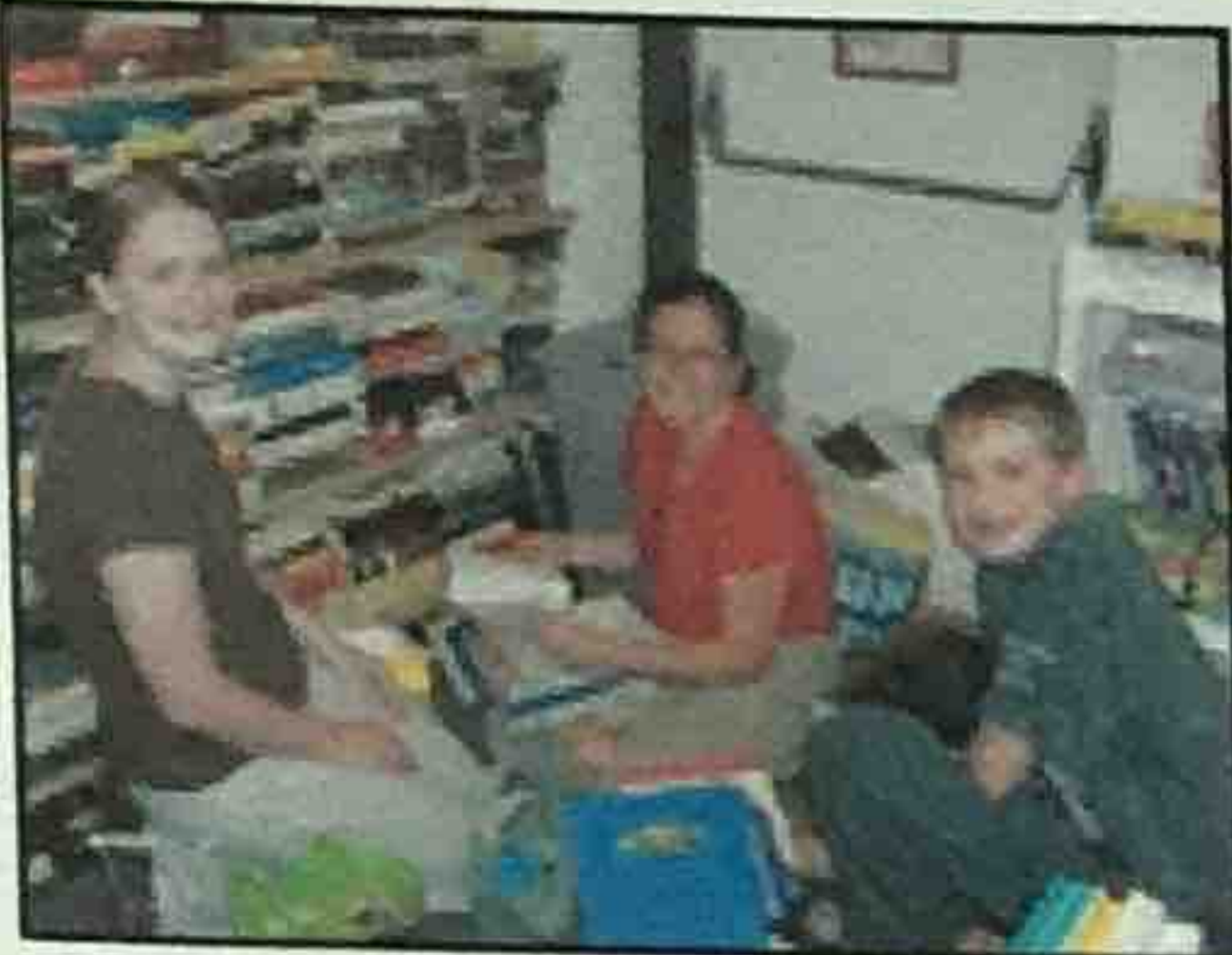
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This is the daughter of the smart lady people watching. Mom's guarding all the purchases of the daughter.
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BOOK DONATIONS NEEDED FOR UPCOMING USED BOOK SALE

Posted by [kingwoodnow](#) on Tuesday, October 17 @ 06:11:52 CDT ([Read More...](#) | Score: 0)



Book donations are needed for FOLK's October 27th (FOLK members) and October 28th Used Book Sale. If you are a reader, or know of a reader, please consider purging your book shelves and donating your books to FOLK. Donations are accepted during normal library hours*.

Additionally, October is FOLK's annual Buy-A-Book Campaign. Please consider the value you are adding to someone's life by donating money to buy books for the shelves at the Kingwood Library.



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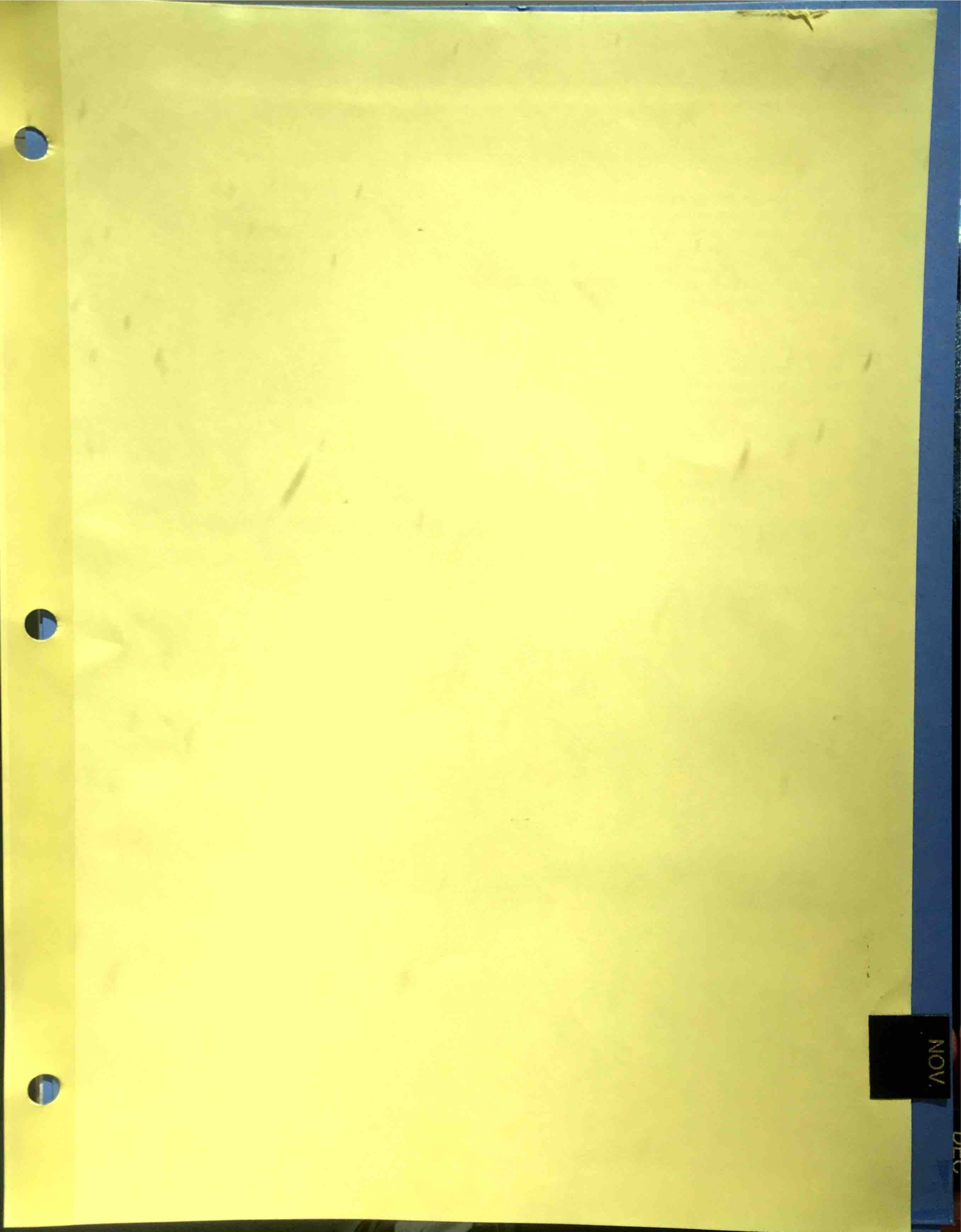
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Friends Of the Library Kingwood Used Book Sale

Kingwood Library 4102 Rustic Woods Dr KW
October 28, 2006 , 9:00am to 3:00pm

Adult/children books range in price from \$.25 - \$1.00. New Released/Coffee Table books sale for \$3.00. Older and 1st edition books sale for \$1.00. 4102 Rustic Woods Dr @ W. Lake Houston Pkway in Kingwood, Tx.

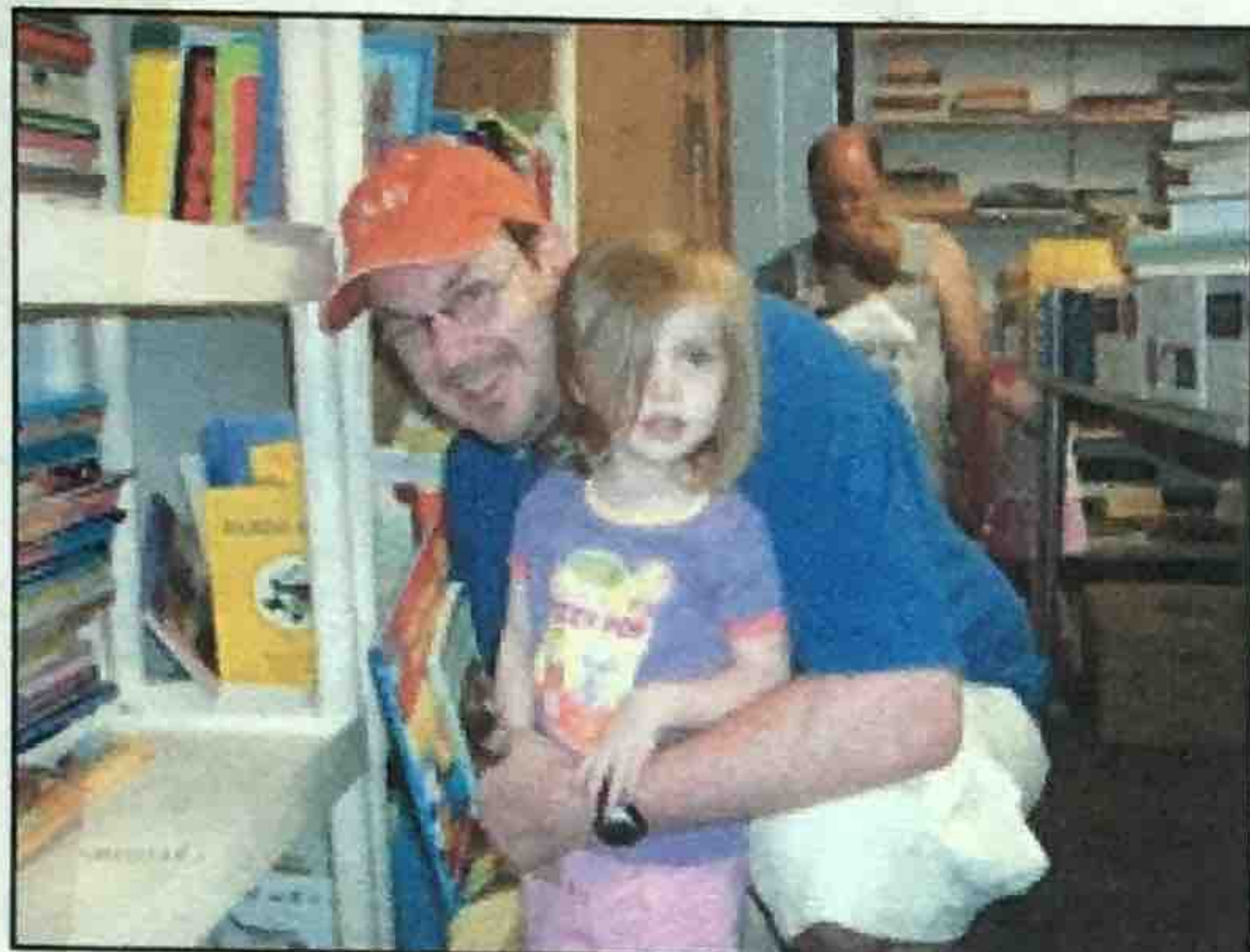
Frances M. Pelham, 281-358-2485, or 281-360-6804



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FOLK THANKS THE KINGWOOD COMMUNITY FOR THEIR SUPPORT

Posted by kingwoodnow on Monday, November 06 @ 06:24:35 CST ([Read More...](#) | Score: 0)



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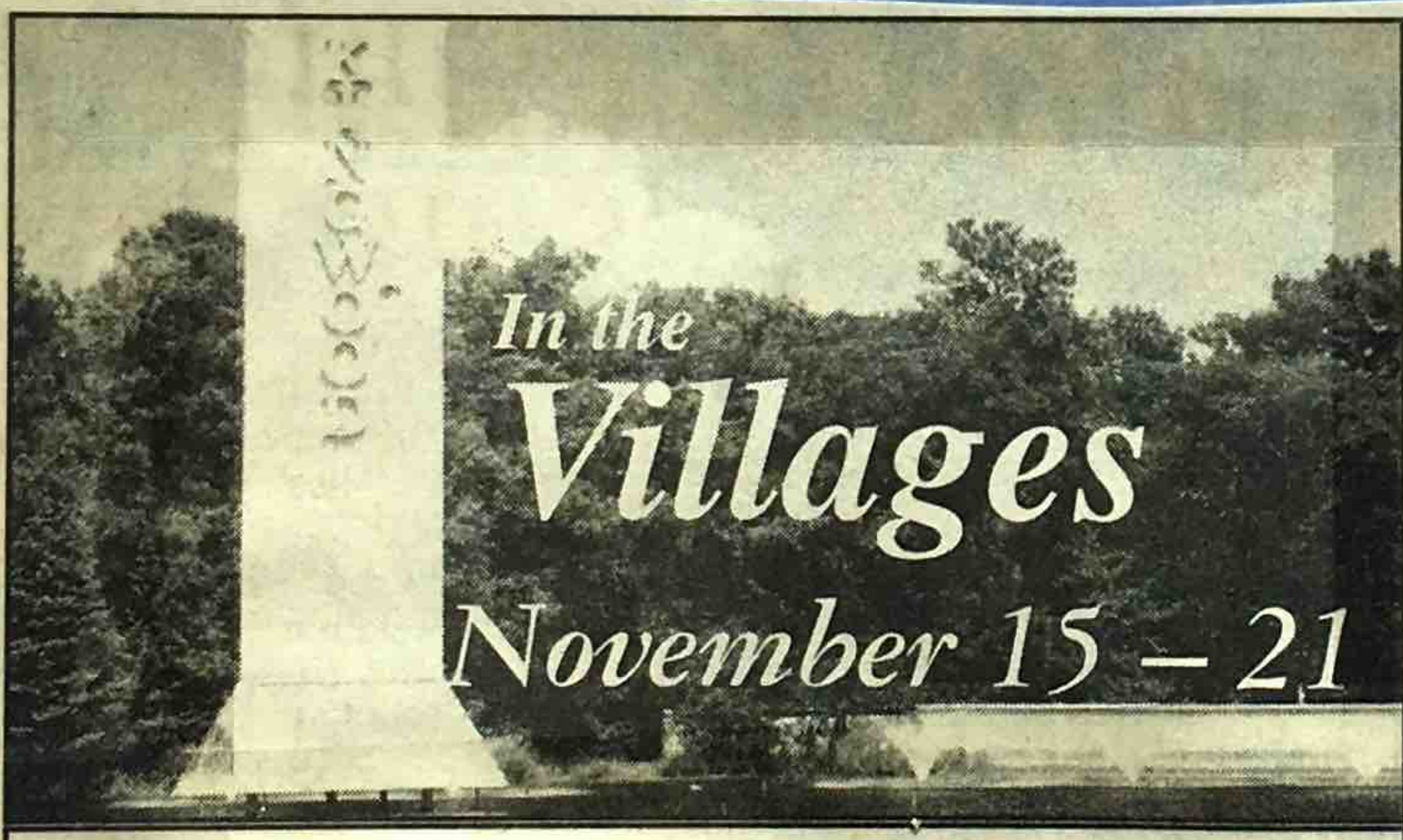
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Z2: Page 4 HOUSTON CHRONICLE

YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

Thursday, November 16, 2006

Benefit book fair: Dec. 1. The Friends of the Library Kingwood is teaming up with Barnes & Noble Booksellers to hold a book fair benefiting the Harris County Public Library - Kingwood Branch at Deerbrook Mall store. Contact Connie Jaeger at dovemtn@aol.com for more information.



WAR GAMERS

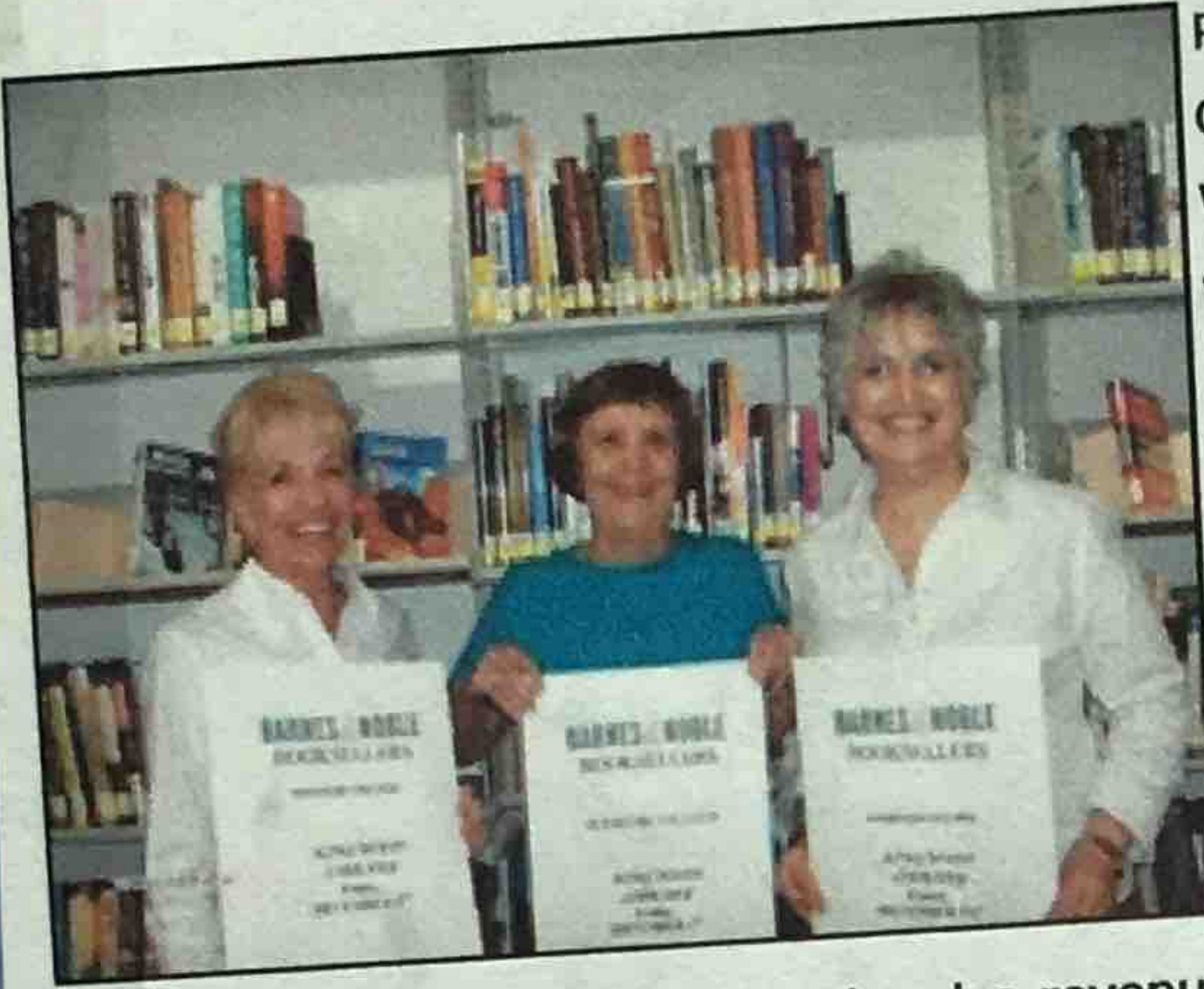
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KINGWOOD LIBRARY TO BENEFIT FROM BOOKFAIR ON DECEMBER 1st

Posted by [kingwoodnow](#) on Tuesday, November 14 @ 06:47:28 CST ([Read More...](#) | Score: 0)




Pictured left to right are: Connie Jaeger, FOLK Special Project Chairperson, Carolyn Humphrey, FOLK President, and Christi Whittington, KW Library Branch Manager. Each are holding a voucher needed when you do your early shopping at FOLK and Barnes & Noble's Bookfair.

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FOLK and Barnes & Noble's Bookfair benefits all participants: Barnes & Noble with sales revenue, Kingwood Library with a percentage of the sales and the purchaser with beautiful gifts for family and friends.

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 [Click here for bookfair voucher](#)

The next step is easy. Bring your Bookfair voucher along with your holiday list to Barnes & Noble/Deerbrook Mall on Friday, December 1, 2006 during normal store hours (10 AM - 10 PM) and SHOP! SHOP! SHOP!

Your shopping will be made more enjoyable with lots of entertainment starting at 10:30 with Ms. Connie reading to the children. Next Doris Fisher, the author of a children's book, will be signing her book. And you don't want to miss the clown, Dottie Dimples AKA Diane Pagano. The afternoon hours will be just as exciting. Starting at one o'clock there will be a Sisters in Crime book signing followed by Home Run Ministries with three types of entertainment. BUT that's not all, The Webb Family Trio and the Bear Branch Choir will perform later in the day.

FOLK Board members, Chairpersons and other volunteers will be available to assist you in any way they can. We hope you spend the day with us being entertained and marking those names off your shopping list. For more information contact a FOLK member by leaving a message at 281.360.6804, or Barnes & Noble at 281.540.3017.

Welcome To Kingwood Now



From: The Parade 7/4/06



Mardi Gras 2005 at the KW Library
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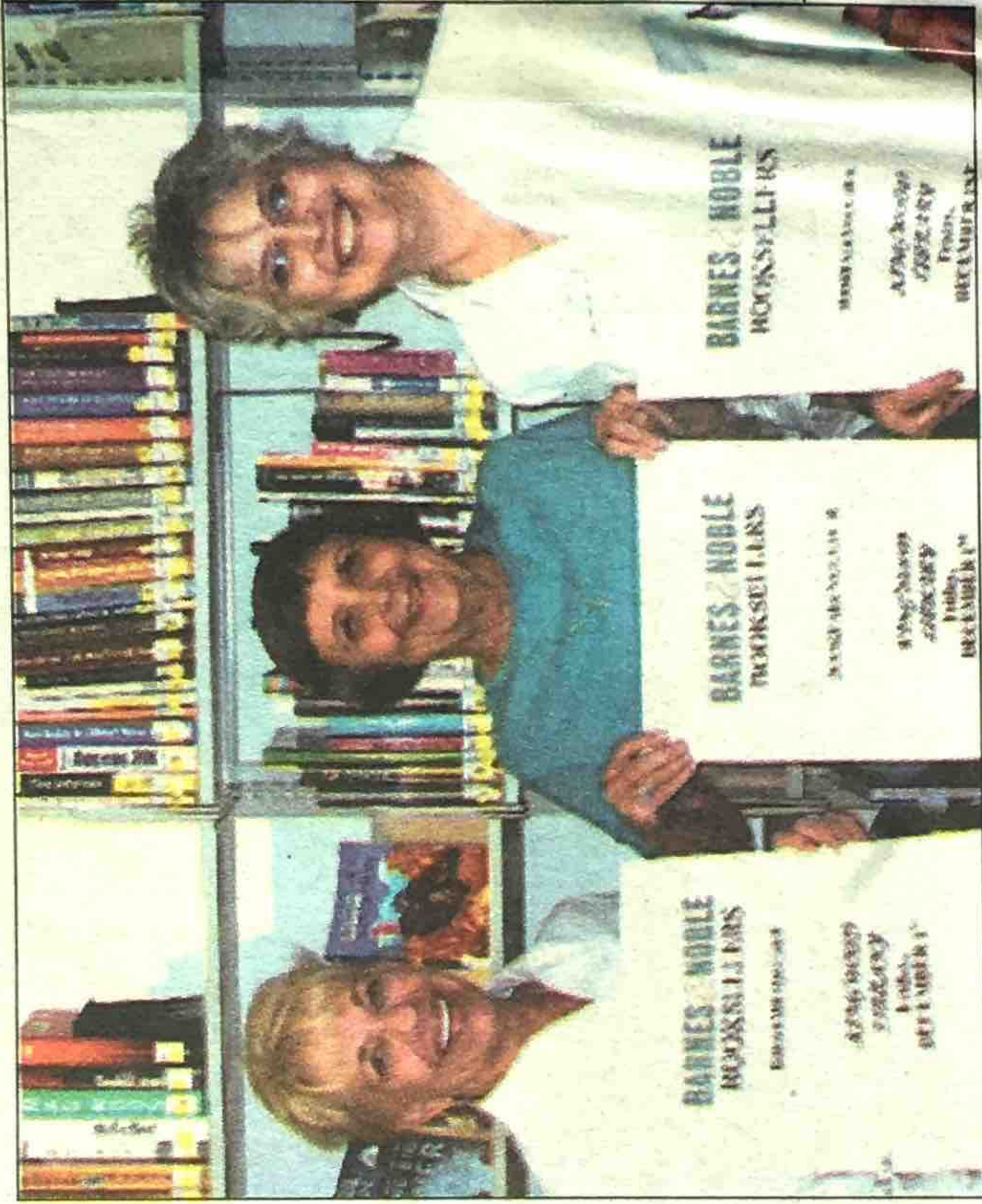
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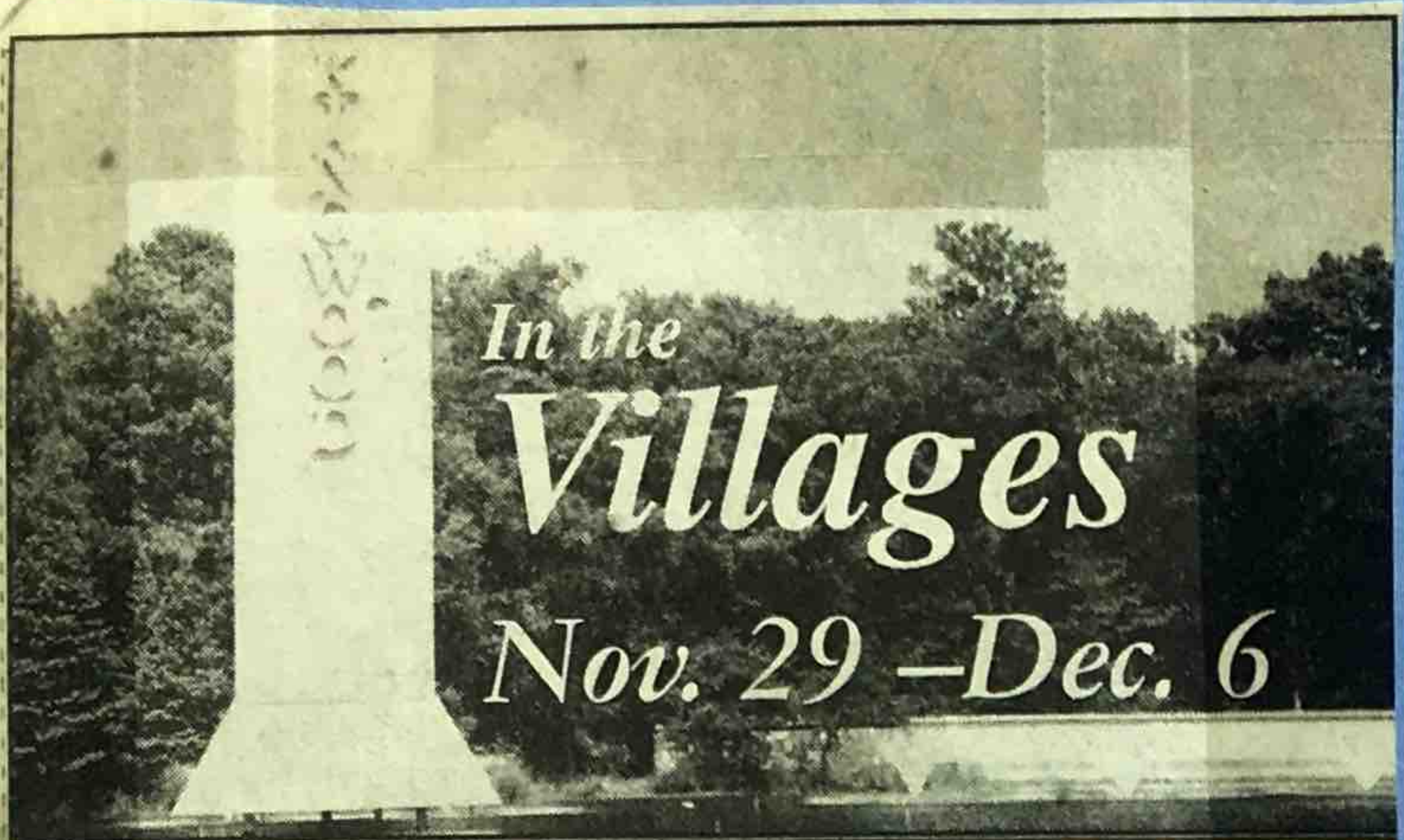
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INFORMATION FAIR

The University Center, part of the North Harris Montgomery Community College District, located at 3232 College Park Drive, The Woodlands, will have an Information Fair on Thursday, Nov. 30, from 4 – 7 p.m. Faculty and advisors from the six partner universities will be available to answer questions regarding registration for the spring 2007 semester. For information, call the Student Services Office at 936-273-7510 or 281-618-7140.

VENDORS WANTED

The Christian School of Kingwood is holding a Merry Marketplace on Thursday, Nov. 30. They are looking for vendors to participate. Call 281-359-4929 for more information or to sign up.

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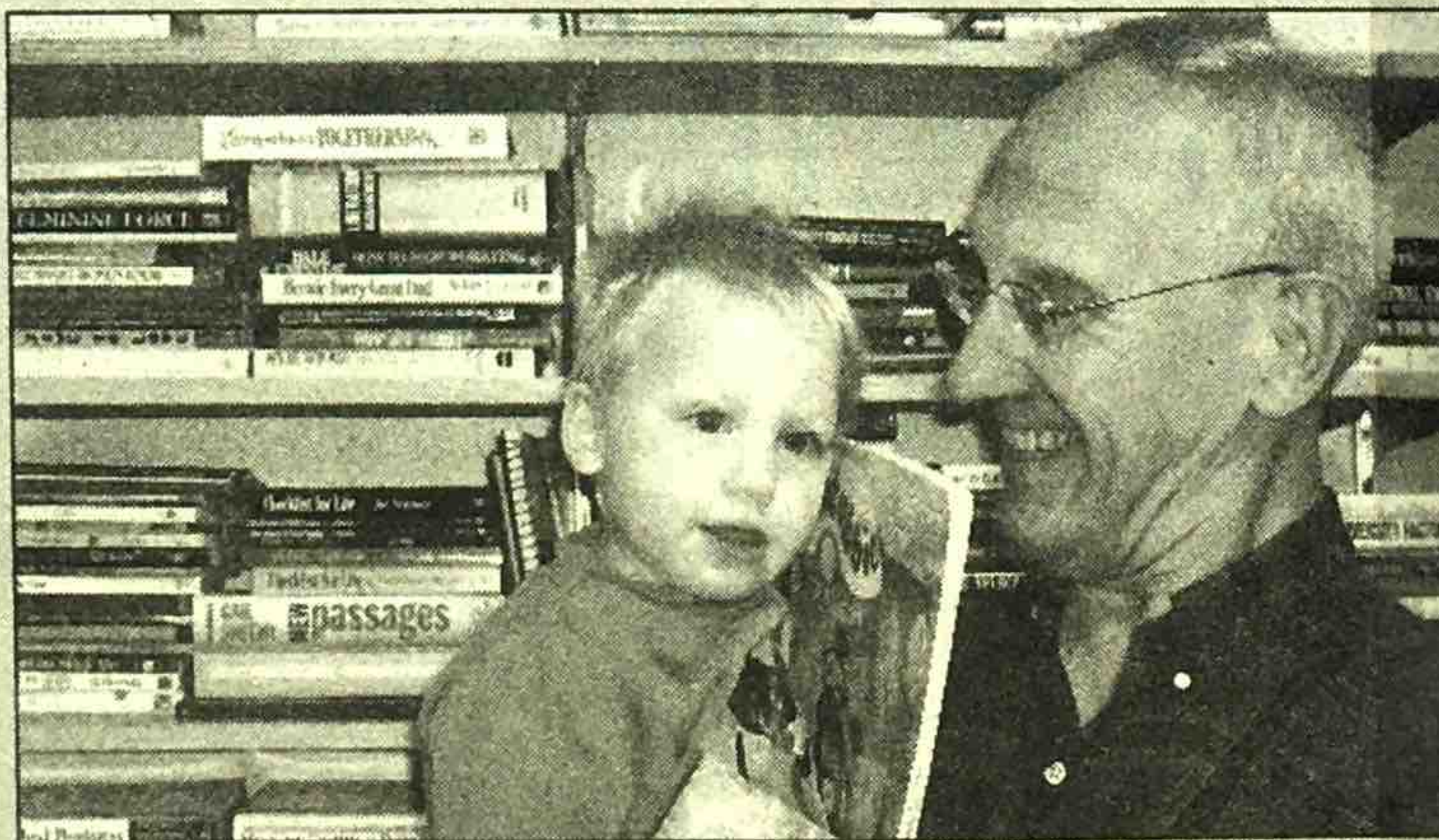
GEOCACHING

The Kingwood Library is hosting an "Introduction to Geocaching" presentation on Saturday, Dec. 9, at 11 a.m. Geocaching is a kind of treasure hunt using GPS units to locate cache containers hidden all around the community. The latitude and longitude coordinates are posted on the Internet site www.geocaching.com and players, known as geocachers, search for them. For more information, call Greg Benson at 281-382-6066.

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Grey and Don Hartman have shopped FOLK's Used Book Sales for more than the past 20 years.

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News Release

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November 2006 Events at the Kingwood Library

WEEKLY STORYTIMES:

Mother Goose Lapsit - Designed for children 0-18 months and their parents. No sign-up required. Program includes nursery rhymes, finger plays, and songs.

Thursdays at 11 AM

Toddler Time - Program is individualized for 18 months to 3 years. Sign-ups required. Call Library for further information. 281-360-6804.

Thursdays at 10 AM

Preschool Storytime - Everyone welcome. Designed for 3-6 year old children, but all are welcome.

Tuesdays 10:30 AM & 2:20 PM

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

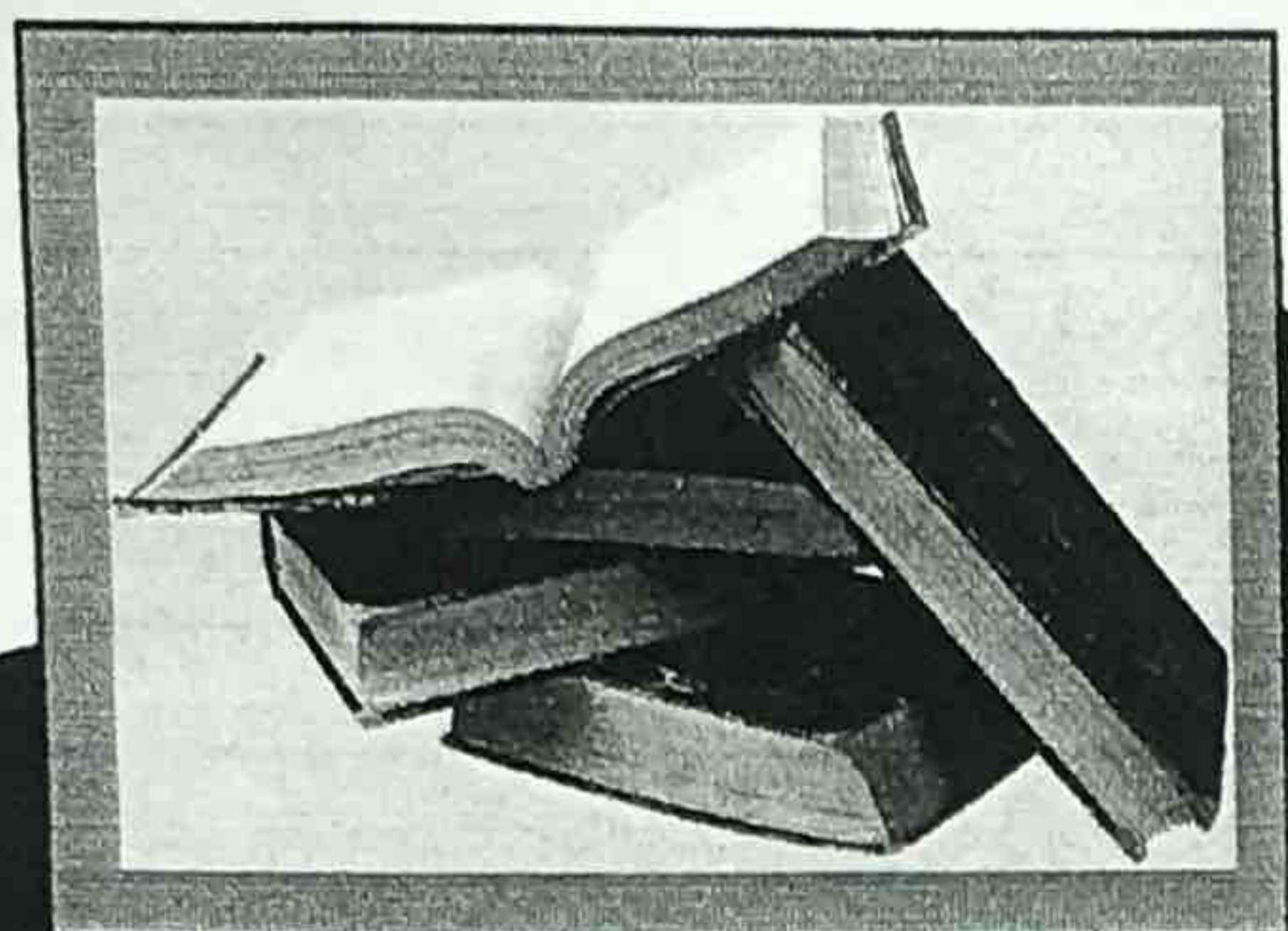
Nov. 14, 28 - 4-5 PM - Dragoneers

PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES

Nov. 11 - 11-5 PM - Veterans' Day War Movie Marathon - Come to the Library to watch classic war movies!

Nov. 18 - 11-5 PM - Kingwood War Gamers (formerly NuGamers) - Join in playing tactical combat games using miniature scale figures

All programs are free and open to the public. For more information call the Kingwood Branch Library at 281.360.6804 or log on to www.hcpl.net



F.O.L.K.

November 2006—January 2007 Issue



Buy-A-Book Campaign Is Underway

This is a community wide fund raiser that was instituted by F.O.L.K. in 1983 to help fill the shelves of the then new Kingwood Library. These annual campaigns have helped put new books on the shelves, purchased audios, videos, CDs and DVDs, provided large print collections, increased the selection of children's picture books and juvenile literature, enriched the library with computer financial information subscriptions such as Value Line and Chartist, and benefited the library in various other ways. All these additions to the collection, above and beyond the level funded by Harris County, have enabled the Kingwood Branch Library to maintain a well-rounded, current and relevant collection to offer our community.

Currently, Kingwood is a uniquely 63,000+ strong community. It is well educated; and the residents are readers who need a viable institution that can be turned to. For the past 23 years, F.O.L.K. has solicited community support through the Buy-A-Book effort to help keep the Kingwood Branch Library's collection and services at a first rate level.

Please help us make this a year to remem-

ber. F.O.L.K. is looking for YOUR support. Keller Williams recently donated \$1,000.00 to kick off this year's campaign. We hope YOU, the supporters, customers, and friends of the library will follow Keller Williams lead and donate to F.O.L.K.'s annual Buy-A-Book campaign. Please use the form on the back of this newsletter to send in your remittance or you may drop it by the library.

Word from the Library

The Kingwood Branch Library has had a busy year. At this time we are up in our circulation statistics from last year. Using May through August as examples: in 2006 our May checkout was up 10% from May of last year, June up 15%, July 18%, and August 21%. At this time, Kingwood has shown the largest increases in the county. We are seeing more young families, with many of them having used the library as youngsters. It is gratifying to see that they are bringing in their children. And so a new cycle begins.

These increases illustrate the need for a larger library and we hope that a joint City/County facility will be built in Kingwood as Addie Wiseman, Houston City Council member, District E, said in the July 5, 2006 *Kingwood Observer*, "...The state of the art facility will be nearly three times the size of our current library and feature modern technological and periodical resources." However, Cathy Park, Director of H.C.P.L. (Harris County Public Library) announced her retirement effective December 31, 2006. Here's hoping the city and county get something for our library worked out before she leaves. After 32 years with the library system, she will be missed.

The Dragoners Are Back!

In September the Dragoners Club roared back to life with celebrity guest, Houston Chief of Police, Harold L. Hurtt. He read the first chapter of *Hatching Magic* by Ann Downer, the book chosen for this year's club. All Dragoners receive a copy of this book and a tee shirt. The children were very interested in him and his work. The question, "Have you ever been involved in a high-speed chase", drew laughter from the adults in the room. A puppeteer was October's program and puppets will be made during the second meeting in October. This club is a reading/activity club for elementary school children. The Dragoners have fun at the meetings as they earn their way to a knighthood. Now in its third year, the Dragoners meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month from 4 to 5 PM. Thanks to F.O.L.K. for funding the club.

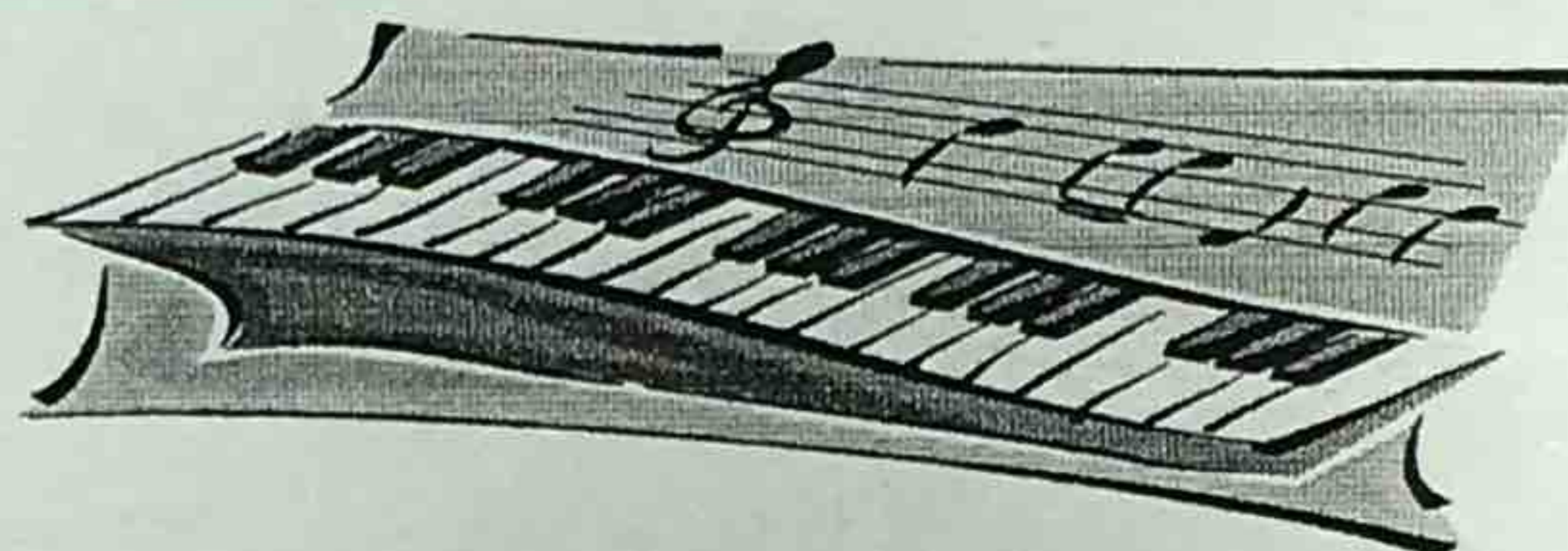
Babies through 18 months absorb the fun of words through the Mother Goose Lapsit program which meets every Thursday 11 - 11:30 AM. Songs are sung, baby games played and bubbles chased. Parents, grandparents and the babies have fun.

Toddler Time is held every Tuesday and Thursday at 10 AM for a half hour. Stories, songs and fingerplay are the activities for the 18 months to 2 year olds. The fall session will come to an end on November, 2. The winter session will start January 2, 2007 with sign ups starting on December 18. Be sure to call or come to the library early since there

are only 10 slots in each session.

If you miss Toddler Time, why not try the Pre-School Storytime? While this program is for the 3 to 6 year olds, many toddlers find this program equally satisfying as they attend with their older brothers and sisters. We meet every Tuesday at 10:30 AM and 2:20 PM. Walk right in and join the fun.

Connie Dye, Children's Librarian



YA Happenings at the Kingwood Library

School has started and plans are underway for Teen Read Week starting October 16 through 21. This annual Teen Read Week trivia contest focuses on "We Didn't Start the Fire", a popular song by 'piano man' Billy Joel. It is replete with references to historic events that occurred from 1949 to 1989. This contest should be fun as well as educational. The prize drawing will be Saturday, October 21 at 3:00 PM. Sometime in the spring I am hoping to host a Kingwood City Limits talent showcase for teens.

I want to personally thank F.O.L.K. for your sponsorship of these programs, our teens truly appreciate everything we do for them!

Jeff Coyle, Assistant Branch Librarian

Kingwood Branch Library Honors its Volunteers

The Kingwood Branch volunteer program encompasses year-round volunteers, summer volunteers, and teen volunteers. They help get the items that were brought in from other branches ready for customer pick-up, shelve books, CDs and audio cassettes, DVDs and videocassettes, put up bulletin boards, help with children's and young adult programs, mend damaged books, replace torn covers on books and AV materials, and other tasks as needed.

Our hats are off to our teen volunteers, which included the 9th Grade Campus Student Council; National Charity League (mother/daughter teams); Women's Club, who helped us with door count; F.O.L.K. volunteers (Used Book Sale); and of course, as always, our regular volunteers who come and help us throughout the year. These year round volunteers were honored at a May 1 'tea party' luncheon and a few 'June Cleavers' were seen.

These volunteers are a vital part of the Kingwood Branch Library and always seem happy to be of help. In addition, many contribute a sense of humor as they go about their tasks. We thank them for keeping us grounded in why we are here - to serve the community. We appreciate each and every one of them.

BARNES&NOBLE

Booksellers

Benefiting Kingwood Library

Present this voucher at the cash register at the time of purchase.
A percent of the net sale will be donated to the organization.

Bookfair Location: Barnes&Noble - Deerbrook Mall (only)

Friday, December 1, 2006 10 AM to 10 PM

Bookfair Voucher

For Office Use Only:

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ables: \$ _____

Bookfair Benefits Library

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All you need is a voucher and of course your holiday shopping list! During the month of November, Bookfair vouchers will be available at many sites including: the library, newspapers, www.kingwoodnow.com website, local businesses, or cut out the voucher above.

Your shopping will be made more enjoyable as various groups will be on hand to entertain you. Details of the entertainment will be in later Bookfair news releases. And to assist you with your shopping, F.O.L.K. members will be available. We'll be looking for you to SHOP! SHOP! SHOP!

The Used Book Sale

now has added a **First Edition** section
and an **Older Book** section. Look for
these special books selling for \$1.

Books Are Needed!!!

The last Used Book Sale was so successful that it created a need for more books and media materials: videos, CDs, DVDs, cassettes and music for the next Used Book Sale at the end of October.

Check your bookshelves, closets, children's rooms, boxes in your garage or attic. Wherever you might have books that you have read or do not intend to read, bring them to the library. Each and every book will help. The library hours are shown below in the Used Book Sale notice.

Book and other donations are tax deductible.

Do you have a **BLUE DOT** on your newsletter? If so, you have not paid your dues for the 2006-2007 year which started in April, 2006. The annual membership fee starts as low as \$15.00. Unless you sign up before the end of the year, this will be your last newsletter. Call Marilyn McCreight, 281-358-4344. Consider joining today.

Used Book Sale

Thursday, October 26, 2 PM - 4 PM

-For the Physically Challenged!

Friday, October 27, 5 PM - 8 PM

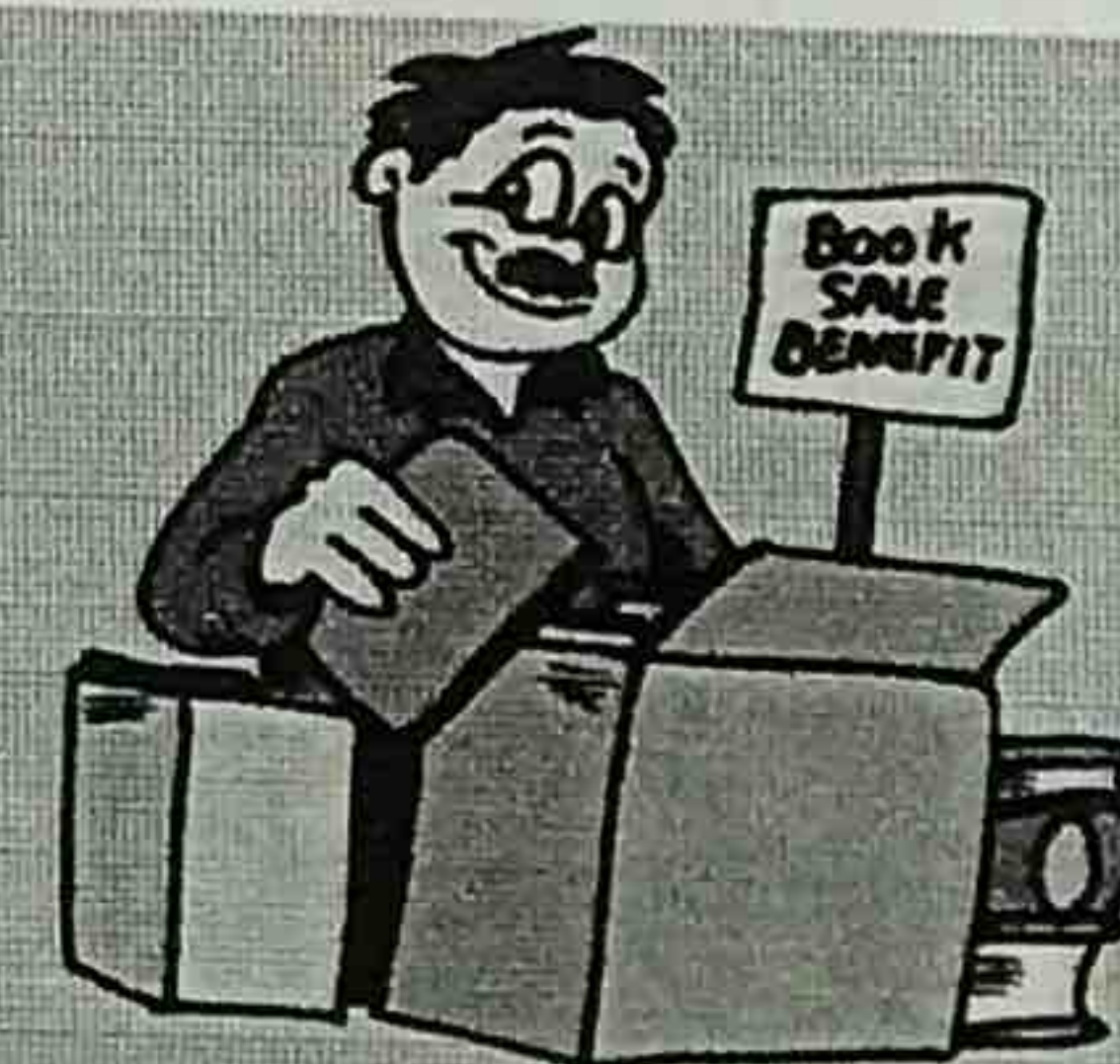
-F.O.L.K. Members Only!

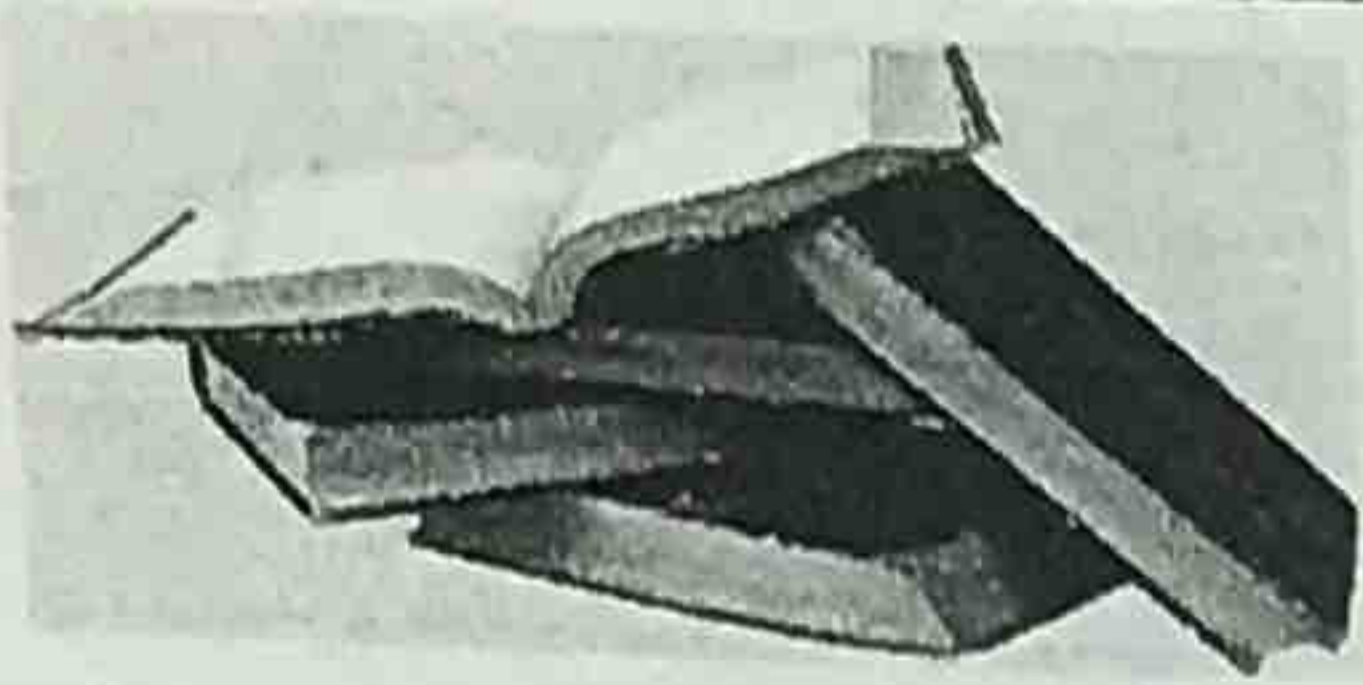
Saturday, October 28, 9 AM - 3 PM -General Public!

Book and magazine donations for F.O.L.K.'s Used Book/Magazine Sale are accepted at the library during normal business hours:

Mon. 1 - 9 PM Tues. 10 AM - 6 PM Wed. 10 AM - 9 PM

Thurs. 10 AM - 6 PM Fri. 1 - 6 PM Sat. 10 AM - 5 PM





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Buy-A-Book in 2006

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Make checks payable to: Buy-A-Book, P. O. Box 5353, Kingwood, TX 77325-5353

You may take your check along with this form to the library.

Please check your company's requirement for matching funds and the minimum donation for matching.

Include your company's matching fund form with your donation.



ASSIGNMENT ALERT AT THE LIBRARY

The Harris County Public Library System is now offering a new resource for teachers, parents and students: Assignment Alert forms. When a teacher gives students an assignment, that teacher can go online to http://www.hcpl.net/kidsite/pandt/assignment_alert.html and tell the library all about the assignment, what materials the kids can use and which branch they are likely to visit. When kids and parents get to the library, the librarians will be able to give them the right information.

HEALING SERVICE FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LOST A CHILD

On Wednesday Dec. 27, at 6:30 p.m., Good Shepherd Episcopal Church, 2929 Woodland Hills, Kingwood, will offer a special healing service for those who have been affected by a child's death. This is Holy Innocents Day, a traditional time to remember children who have died, and to pray for their families, friends and neighbors. For those who have lost a child or have been affected by a child's death, please plan to attend.

LIBRARY CLOSURE

The Kingwood Library will be closed Dec. 31 and Jan. 1 for the New Year's holiday, and on Monday, Jan. 15, for Martin Luther King Day. For more information, call the Kingwood Branch Library at 281-360-6804 or log on to www.hcpl.net

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Kingwood Library offers workshop for English tutors

Learning to read, write and speak English opens up many windows of opportunity for someone first gaining these skills, and it can be just as meaningful for the person assisting people as they learn.

Kingwood Branch Library

offers an opportunity to start the new year off right by joining a program designed to help adults read, write and speak English for work purposes, to help their children in school or for other daily uses. The library hosts a free training workshop for new volun-

teer tutors on Jan. 20 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Because learners come from a variety of language backgrounds and instruction is in English, second language ability is not required for tutors. All materials, including easy-to-follow lesson

plans, are provided. Tutors can meet a student or small group of students at any branch library, including Kingwood, Atascocita or Octavia Fields.

For more information or to register for this workshop, call the library at 281-360-6804.



The Kingwood Library recently hosted a cultural event to celebrate Chinese New Year. Gina Wei, left, from New Tang Dynasty TV Houston, and Connie Dye, librarian, welcome guests to the event.

Chinese culture explored through performances at library

The audience was transported across time and space to the Tang Dynasty, the most glorious era in Chinese history, by viewing the previous year's highlights of New Tang Dynasty TV Chinese New Year Spectacular performances at the Kingwood Library on Dec. 13.

The legend of celebrating Chinese New Year on the lunar calendar with fire crackers was explained to the audience by the musical "Guau Nian" (passing

through New Year) program. One learned that in ancient times, Nian was actually a fiery beast. It lived high up in the mountain. At the end of each year it would come down to the village and harm people. Some villagers discovered that Nian was afraid of fire and loud noise. Thus, villagers started to light up fire crackers during the end of year to scare Nian away. This was how the tradition of celebrating Chinese New Year with fire

crackers got started.

The essence of traditional Chinese culture was also illustrated through other performances. To watch these highlights, visit <http://www.ntdtv.com/>

Teachers interested in showing these performances to their classes can go to <http://www.education.ntdtv.com/> where many different learning materials and lesson plans are available to help children to learn more about the traditional Chinese culture.



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December 2006 Events at the Kingwood Library

The Library will be closed from Dec. 23-26 for the Christmas Holiday

WEEKLY STORYTIMES:

Mother Goose Lapsit - Designed for children 0-18 months and their parents. No sign-up required. Program includes nursery rhymes, finger plays, and songs.
Thursdays at 11 AM

Toddler Time – Program is individualized for 18 months to 3 years. Sign-ups required.
Call Library for further information. 281-360-6804.
Thursdays at 10 AM

Preschool Storytime - Everyone welcome. Designed for 3-6 year old children, but all are welcome.
Tuesdays 10:30 AM & 2:20 PM

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Dec. 12 – 4-5 PM – Dragoneers Craft

PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES

Dec. 9 – 11:00 AM-2:30 PM – GeoCaching – Learn about this popular new hobby that uses GPS devices for a high-tech scavenger hunt.

Dec. 11 – 7-8:30 PM – Holiday Open House – Visit from Santa Claus! Live music from a jazz quintet! Refreshments provided by F.O.L.K.

All programs are free and open to the public. For more information call the Kingwood Branch Library at 281.360.6804 or log on to www.hcpl.net