

President's Message

So much to read, so much to do! Here it is, time for the annual Adult Summer Reading Program, with new events planned by the library system staff (those hard-working, innovative folks we love to visit)! The Friends of CCLS have several new projects and ideas as well, thanks to our Executive Board's efforts. Plan on participating in everything this summer and on into the fall with us! And follow our antics on the Friends of the Chambers County Library System Facebook page. We love it when you like us!



Crafts, anyone? Craft Club events bring out the messy side, but the finished projects are usually fun, decorative, and worth taking home! This group is at the Anahuac Library, taken during the February, 2017 event.

More photos of library system activities and Friends' contributions, next page...

2017 Adult Summer Reading Events

Summer Reading begins on Monday, June 5. Reading rules for this year's program are easier than ever – you only need to read or listen to 2 items for each raffle ticket for weekly prizes, so your chances increase greatly! Drawings will be held at each branch, with a BIG drawing at the end of the program in mid-July.

Adult Programs this Summer (Pre-registration Required)

Chambers County Library, Anahuac:

Tuesday, June 13, 5:00

Book Club

Thursday, June 15, 5:30

DIY Travel Towel Kit Construction

Thursday, June 22, 5:30

Wine 101 – Swirl & sip with Stacy
Rollins from Vine2Wine Vineyard

Tuesday, July 11, 5:00

Book Club

Thursday, July 13, 5:30

Food Tasting from Around the World
Which cuisines do you recognize & love?

Juanita Hargraves Memorial Branch, Winnie:

Tuesday, June 13, 5:00

Summer Reading Safari Painting, part 1

Tuesday, June 20, 5:00

Summer Reading Safari Painting, part 2

Tuesday, June 27, 5:00

Wine Tasting with Stacy Rollins from
Vine2Wine Vineyard

Monday, July 3, 2:00

Book Club

Tuesday, July 11, 5:00

Summer Reading Safari Painting,
Round 2, part 1

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Photos from our library system – *Dinosaurs rule at Anahuac; Teens at the Goss Branch do a little crafting; Winnie youngsters listen to a story; Book Club members make it merry at their Anniversary Dinner; Mont Belvieu tots bring their favorite cuddlers to Storytime PJs and Bears; feathers fly as duckies get decorated; Babygarten Sensory Station playthings.*





Have you joined us on Amazon Smile yet? Please do – once you register on smile.amazon.com with the *Friends of the Chambers County Library System*, we will get a donation based upon your purchases. Thanks for helping in one more way to support our wonderful library system!

Library System “Wish List,” 2017

Each year at the Friends’ Annual Meeting, the system staff members present us with a wish list – things that they would love to have, but which can’t be purchased with limited county budget funds. Well, that’s what Friends are for! We pour over the requests, consider our available funds and the potential for raising more during the year, and after we allocate money for specific projects like the Summer Reading Program, we present the staff with a check for these wish list items. This year, we allocated \$1,647.31 for the wish list. Purchases have been made and are happily being used!

2017 Library System Employee of the Year

Assistant County Librarian Annie Vass was selected at the Friends’ Annual Meeting for her outstanding contributions to our library system. She was recognized at Commissioners’ Court recently as well. The staff says she’s a technology genius! Past Prez Adaire Griffin on the left...



2017 Friends of CCLS Executive Board

- President: A. Lynette Parsons
- Vice President: Stephanie Welch
- Secretary/Treasurer: Diane Garza
- Members: Bobby Baillio
- Elaine Byrd
- Michelle Davis
- Gaynell Leming
- Kandy McBride
- Glenn Sandlin

Immediate Past President: Adaire Griffin

Ex-Officio members (meaning, they’re helping a lot!)

- Heather Puppa
- Jean Abshire Forrest
- Valerie Jensen
- Annie Vass

Volunteers: Our bookstore at the Goss Branch (under the leadership of Elaine Byrd), and our book sales and other events at the other branches, require many willing hands. Many of our members have volunteered their services when paying their dues, and even if we haven’t called you (yet), we thank you for your willingness to put your service towards the success of our libraries.

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Previews of Coming Attractions

Painting with a Library Purpose

You've heard about those fun events where folks gather to paint a picture, chat with friends, and nibble on goodies. NO talent is required; the instructors provide all the supplies and guide you through the process line by line. All 3 library branches are holding these events this year; for \$30 you get a fun night out and take home a very personal work of – art? Pre-registrations are required and payment at time of registration is needed. Funds raised above supply costs go toward library needs (as do all Friends' projects).

Macy's Discount Card

We hope to have this one ready to go soon. You pay \$5.00 for a discount card (they'll be available at each library). On a specific weekend, shop at any Macy's, show the card, and receive a discount over and above any price marked – and you're entered in a national contest as well. Watch for it at your library!

People's Day Out

Need a few hours to work on a hobby? Just want to get away from the house instead of working on your project there? Beginning at the Winnie Library in August, and continuing on a regular day each month, for a donation of \$5.00 you can reserve a table and chair (or a spot for an easel) to craft, work on family history, sew, etc. We can even put you by an electric plug! The event will be held from 10-2; bring your bag lunch and we will have coffee, tea, and water. Pre-registration required – space is limited. We'll expand to the other branches in the coming months.

Tuesday, July 18, 5:00
Summer Reading Safari Painting,
Round 2, part 2

Sam & Carmena Goss Branch, Mont Belvieu

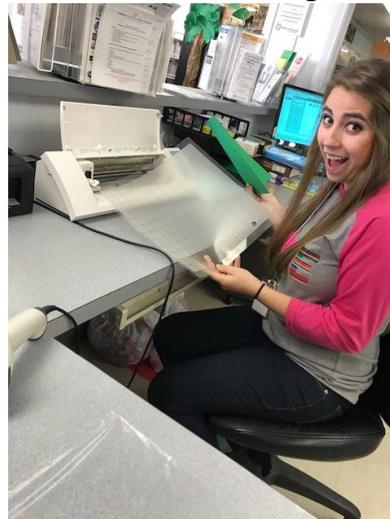
Tuesday, June 13, 6:00
Reds, Whites, & Bleu Cheeses
Yepez Vineyard and Valerie Jensen,
cheese artisan

Thursday, June 22, 5:00
Book Club

Wednesday, July 12, 2:00
Travel, Taste, Explore!
Kellee Traylor and Goss patrons bring
sample foods from different countries

Thursday, July 27, 5:00
Book Club

New Service at Library Branches



Many of you know that large laminating machines are located at Mont Belvieu and Anahuac. These machines can do poster-sized laminating (or smaller items) at the charge of \$1.00 per linear foot.

At the last Board meeting, the Friends voted to purchase small laminators for all 3 branches. Very small items, like insurance cards, or anything up to 8 ½ x 11, can now be done, again at the cost of \$1.00, but the price is per sheet, not per foot. Just one more wonderful service available to our patrons.

Team Trivia Contest Night

Get ready, Know-it-Alls: the Friends of CCLS plan to make you prove it in January at a community building near you! Teams of 1-5 people will be challenged with several rounds of questions in a friendly competition to determine the **Chambers County Kings of Trivia!** A fee of \$10.00 per person will get you in the door and provide you with nibbles; coffee and tea will be available, but feel free to bring other beverages. Registration will begin after Thanksgiving at your branch.

Goss Branch Birthday Bash

Hard to believe it has been a year since the Sam & Carmena Goss Branch opened in Mont Belvieu, but it was April 9, 2016. The Friends sponsored a 1st Birthday Party, and the staff pulled in local authors, had special exhibits, and the Friends' bookstore had special deals in honor of the event. Here are a few photos of the fun evening.



Patrick Yarbrough and Travis Huffman, of *Last Sentry Comics*, show off their exhibit; Officer Dan Houghton stops by for a quick break to check out the library; young adult author Jennifer Jones with one of her books; Friends Executive Board Members Diane Garza and Adaire Griffin at the refreshment table; Exec Board Member Bobby Baillio working the membership table.



The Summer Reading Program would not be possible

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