Come by the library and check out a book because Moore Library offers summer reading clubs for all ages! Infants and preschool age non-readers can listen to 40 stories and earn a book prize to begin their own home book collection. Early readers, grades kindergarten through 2nd, can read 40 books to earn a book prize. Children in grades 3-6 can join the Texas Reading Club and read 10 hours to earn a book prize. The library does not limit the number of prizes each child can earn. Participation is so important for early readers to maintain and improve those important reading skills they worked so hard to learn during the last school term.

Teens (12-18) and adults (19 and up) can read for 10 hours for an entry into a drawing for Border’s/Waldenbooks gift cards. Titles and Reading logs are available in the library or can be printed out on the library’s website at http://www.texascity-library.org. All reading logs are due on Wednesday, August 15.

Teens attending Texas City High School with required summer reading for English may also checkout their required title and keep the book if they come to the book discussion. More about this program on page 4.

Samantha Gutierrez (left) and Monica Gutierrez (middle) assisted in the all ages Oasis Musical Show preformed by Lisa Jastram (right). The Oasis Musical kicked off Moore Memorial Public Library’s Summer Reading Program 2007!

HELP SIR-READ-A LOT GROW!

Sir-Read-A Lot is a bookworm located near the Circulation Desk. Each circle on the body of the worm represents a child, teen, or adult finishing a reading goal. Last year Sir-Read-A Lot grew to 67 feet and 6 inches! This year help Sir Read-A Lot grow even larger!
There is still time to catch some of Moore Memorial Public Library’s Summer Programs. During the month of July and the first week in August come listen to exciting and exhilarating stories at one of our Story Times. Kids ages 6-8 have Story Time on Mondays at 10 AM. If you are between the ages of 9-11, come to Story Time on Tuesdays at 10 AM. Little ones between the age of 3-5 can come either on Wednesdays at 10 AM or Thursdays at 10 AM (Thursday Story Time not available on July 6).

Special Summer Programs are on Thursdays at 2 PM*

They include:

- July 12 Cinnamon the Magician ages 6-12 2:00-2:30 PM Math and science in magic tricks
- July 19 Armand Bayou ages 8-14 2 PM Animals in waterways bring species
- July 26 Knot Tying (Lymon Reed) ages 9-12 2 PM Learning to tie sailing knots
- Aug. 2 Saltgrass Science ages 5-12 2 PM Life in the Gulf of Mexico

Aug. 9 FINALE- CAPTAIN JACK SPARROW SHOW ALL AGES 2 PM

*all programs are free but ticketed. Please pick up your ticket/tickets a week prior to the show. For more info., call (409) 643-5966.

If you are a kid 11 or under, you can “read off” your fines between 1 PM and 3 PM Monday through Friday until July 31st. Read for 15 minutes for $3.00 worth of fines removed. Please note that this program applies only to book fines and not fines from lost or damaged materials. Children may only read off their own fines, not those of other family members. For more information, call (409) 949-3008 or see the Reference Desk.

**NEW S BRIEFS**

**LIBRARY HOLIDAY CLOSINGS:** The library will be closed on the following dates:
- Wednesday, July 4 - Independence Day
- Monday, September 3 - Labor Day

**BOOK GROUP:** “Book Bits,” the book group for ages 18 and up, continues to meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 2 PM. This informal group setting allows readers to share new & old print favorites, discuss controversial titles, compare favorite authors and more. The group will meet on:
- August 1
- September 5

**FAFSA APPLICATIONS:** The library continues to have FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) applications for Spring and Fall of 2008 and FAFSA On the Web Worksheets 2007-2008. These forms are for new and continuing college students who are applying for financial aid.
FREE COMPUTER CLASSES AT MMPL

Moore Memorial Public Library is offering another series of free computer classes. These classes focus on basic computer usage, Internet searching and e-mail. All classes begin at 10 AM at the library in the Holland Meeting Room and run approximately an hour and a half. Classes are free, but space is limited and registration is required. Registration begins on August 7th. For more information, please call (409) 643-5977.

**Beginner Computer Operations**
**Friday, September 7th at 10 AM**
Are you new to computers? Not sure what a mouse is and what you should do with it? This is the class for you! In Beginner Computer Operations participants will be introduced to various computer hardware and software, become an expert at ‘clicking’, and learn how to highlight.

**Beginner-Intermediate Computer Operations**
**Friday, September 14th at 10 AM**
Okay, so now you have ‘clicking’ down and want to do more. Come to this class and learn more about the software on a computer and other keyboard functions.

**Beginner Email**
**Friday, Sept 21st at 10 AM**
Come on, jump in on the e-mail craze! Wouldn’t it be nice to communicate with friends and family without having to pay long distance phone bills or buy stamps? By the end of this class you will have your own Yahoo! e-mail address and will know how to write, send and check your mail.

**Beginner Internet**
**Friday, September 28th at 10 AM**
Do you know how to move a cursor around but just don’t know what to do with it or where to go? Beginner Internet will introduce you to navigating on the Internet.

**Internet Searching**
**Friday, October 5th at 10 AM**
Yahoo and Google are not the only search engines out there! Learn about other search engines such as Dogpile. Let us also introduce you to the wonderful world of databases!

**Beginner Word**
**Friday, October 12th at 10 AM**
No need to still use a typewriter. Come learn how to use the software that enables you to type letters, recipes, reports, resumes, and other stuff you would usually do on a typewriter. Note: No correction tape or liquid paper involved!
FREE BOOKS* AT MOORE MEMORIAL PUBLIC LIBRARY

Texas City High School and Blocker students with required summer reading for English can check out your title/s at the Circulation Desk. If you read the book *come to the book discussion, the book is yours to keep. All book discussions are from 1-2PM. *Reminder: All required reading can count towards your Summer Reading Log (See page 1).

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Teen Volunteer Opportunities

Need community service credit for honor societies or college applications?

—Chapter Chums (listen to kids read off their fines)—July M-F from 1-3 PM *Must have orientation first. Orientation Meeting July 6 from 2:2:30 PM

—Mural Painting for upcoming cultural events—July M & Tue. 2-4 PM
**TODDLERIFIC AND PRESCHOOL STORY TIME RESUMES THIS FALL**

Starting Tuesday, September 4 at 10 AM the Children’s Librarian, Janet Bazemore, will have a story time for Toddlers ages 1-2 and Preschoolers ages 3-5. The Toddlerific Story Time will include a topic each week to provide the Toddlers an opportunity to improve listening and motor skills. Preschool Story Time (resuming on Wed., Sept. 5) will feature a letters of the alphabet to enhance early literacy skills. Story times will include songs, finger plays, action rhymes and crafts. The library regrets that we are unable to accommodate groups that number eight or larger. For more information, please call (409) 643-5966.

**GALVESTON COUNTY READS 2008**

Ernest J. Gaines’ book *A Lesson Before Dying* is the Galveston County Reads book for 2008. Set in a small Louisiana town during the late 1940s, Jefferson is sentenced to death for a crime in which he was not a willing participant. Jefferson's grandmother is determined that Jefferson die with pride and dignity so she seeks the assistance of a man who has returned to the community after obtaining an education.

Moore library will have multiple copies of *A Lesson Before Dying* available for checkout at the Circulation Desk. Please visit: [http://www.galvestoncountyreads.org](http://www.galvestoncountyreads.org) or call the library at (409) 643-5977 for more information about upcoming events.

**SPOTLIGHT ON A BOOK AND WEBSITE**

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**The Lost Ships of Robert Ballard**

*By Robert Ballard, Rich Archbold, and Ken Marshall*

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Take a tour underwater to see sunken ships with Robert Ballard as he unlocks the secrets hidden beneath shipwrecks. Dr. Ballard, the famous oceanographer who discovered the Titanic, is the author and tour guide on this exciting underwater adventure. The full color photography includes ocean floor photos of the Britannic, the Lusitania, the Andrea Doria, the Bismarck, and the Titanic. *The Lost Ships of Robert Ballard* also includes archival photographs, and pictures of memorabilia found at the wreck site. So check out this book and explore the shipwrecks of yester year.
Friends Membership Form

Please return this form, along with your payment, to Friends of Moore Memorial PL, 1701 9th Avenue North, Texas City, TX 77590. Thank you for supporting the library.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Please make checks payable to Friends of MMPL.

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The Friends’ dues for calendar year 2007 (Jan. 1, 2007 through Dec. 31, 2007) are the following:

Individual ($10) ___
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Senior Citizen 60+($5) ___
Student ($5) ___
Sustaining ($50) ___
Valued Friend ($100) ___
Life Member ($1,000) ____