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Hours: Monday 9:00AM - 7:00PM Tuesday - Friday 9:00AM - 5:30PM Saturday 10:00AM - 1:00PM

"Souper" Supper Smack Down

Thursday, February 13
5:30 'til gone
Llano Library

Over a dozen varieties of soup to sample!
Vote for your Favorite!

Register for Sweet Door Prizes!
Enjoy Homemade Bread!

\$10 per person
Friends of the Library fundraiser

Like us on Facebook

Want the most current news about the library? "Like" the library on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/llanocountylibrarysystem We also post some of the fun, zany things we do -- so "like" us to see more from the library!

MailChimp

The Llano Library uses MailChimp to bring you the news from the library and information about events right to your inbox. If you would like to be added to the email list, please send an email to llanocountylibrary@yahoo.com. Your email address will only be used by the library for the monthly newsletter and an occasional update or reminder about an event.

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Back to Basics FAIR

Saturday, February 29, 2020
Llano County Library, Llano, TX
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

A FREE sustainable living event



DOZENS OF EXHIBITORS SHARING INFORMATION	2 SPEAKER AREAS & 1 HANDS-ON STATION	VENDORS SELLING HANDMADE PRODUCTS	FOOD VENDORS & SPECIAL ACTIVITIES
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get practical skills and useful information about a wide variety of topics from people just like you who are embracing a more sustainable lifestyle



Contact the Library or visit the website for Exhibitor / Vendor applications

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EXTENDED HOURS!
The Llano Library is now open until 7:00 PM on MONDAY



The Library will be CLOSED Saturday, Feb. 15 - Monday, Feb. 17

Adult Programs @ your Library: Living / Learning / Creating

How
Pinteresting!

How Pinteresting!
A FREE craft program
each month.

Wine Bottle Bird Feeder
Tuesday, February 18
@ 2:00 p.m.

Get ready for spring with this adorable bird feeder to attract birds to your yard. For this project, a \$2 fee (at the time of registration) will be charged to cover the cost of the plastic feeder base. Wine bottles with a screw-on lid are needed – a few will be provided or you can bring your own.



Class size is limited. Call the Library @ 325.247.5248 to reserve a seat. Light refreshments will be served.

MEDICARE & YOU

Understanding Your Medicare Choices

Choosing a Medicare Plan Doesn't Have to be Complicated

Wednesday, February 26 @ 1:00 p.m.

Turning 65, new to Medicare, or want to check if your plan is up-to-date? Do you want to find out if you qualify for extra help on your prescription drugs? Do you qualify for Medicaid?

Pat Noble, volunteer for Senior Education and Advocacy, will be happy to answer these questions and walk you through your options!

Call the library @ 325.247.5248 to reserve your seat or email: roberta.lanolibrary@yahoo.com Tea and dessert will be provided.

**REUSE
REDUCE
RECYCLE**

Many people were greatly disappointed that the Llano Recycling Center had to close, and have been looking for alternatives since that time.

The Library hosted a community discussion in January to try to find a solution for recycling, plus develop strategies to help people in the community learn more about how to reduce and reuse. Many ideas were brought to the table and are shared in this month's insert. We will have another meeting to further discuss how to spread the word in the community about how to reduce and reuse, as well as gather more info about recycling in areas around us.

Join us Monday, March 9

@ 2:00 p.m.

for more info, contact the Library at 325.247.5248 or Tommi at llanocountylibrary@yahoo.com

10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's
with

Haydee Becerril-Hernandez, PsyD,
Mobile Care Consultant
Thursday, February 20 @ 12 PM

The National Alzheimer's Association has developed a very helpful list of warning signs that assist families and individuals determine if they might be experiencing the early stages of Alzheimer's disease or one of the other dementias.

Bring a bag lunch; tea and dessert will be provided. Please call 325.247.5248 to reserve a seat.

CARE CONSULTATIONS

with Haydee Becerril-Hernandez, PsyD, Mobile Care Consultant, will be held all day on Thursday, February 20 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (with a break for the program). These are one-on-one consultations; no appointment necessary; first come, first serve; no charge.

alzheimer's association

KNOW the
10 SIGNS
EARLY DETECTION MATTERS

Let's Talk Tech

Let's Talk Tech

Technology Office Hours

Held Third Thursday of the Month

10 a.m. to Noon

Upcoming: February 20, March 19

Sign Up for 15 minute one-on-one technology consultations with the Technology Services Librarian.

Let's Do Tech

Technology Workshop

Thursday, February 13 10:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m.

Seating is limited -- sign up today!

Let's Do Tech -- Special Topic Technology Classes

This Month -- ALL THINGS STREAMING!

Learn to turn your phone, tablet, or television into a movie theater.

Discover free sites for eBooks, audible books, and movies. Learn

how to use your Netflix, Amazon Prime, Hulu or Audible

memberships on all your devices.

Held Second Tuesday of the Month

10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Upcoming: February 13

PLEASE REMEMBER: When you sign up for a program or class, you are filling one of the few spaces open. If you are unable to make it to the program or class, please let the library staff know in advance so that people on the waiting list will be able to attend.

3 Book Clubs for you to participate in -- Choose your favorites. Read and enjoy. Gather and discuss. Repeat!

Whether you travel all the time, a little, or long to do so, this Book Club is for you! Travelers will share tips and best practices and give insight into areas around the world from first-hand experience. Travel books will be discussed and compared. The best travel blogs and websites revealed. Join us, and let your journey begin!



Every 3rd
Wednesday
@ 2:00 PM
Next Meeting:
Wed., Feb. 19

Travel, Booked!

So many
BOOKS
SO LITTLE
Time

After Hours
Book Club

Every
Tuesday
5:30 PM
@ The
Barrel
House

Do you love the idea of joining a book club but don't want to commit to reading a particular book -- the same book as everyone else?

Join us each week and we will all talk about whatever we're reading and our favorite authors!

Don't have time to make it into the library for something to read? Selections from the library will be available for you to check out each week.

Llano County READING GROUP

Meets the 3rd Thursday each month
at 10:00 a.m.

There are no dues or fees to join this group -- just read the book, attend the meeting, and join in the lively discussion.



February selection:
*The Only Woman
in the Room*
by Marie Benedict

Reel to Real & Book to Screen



Reel to Real & Book to Screen
2nd & 4th Tuesdays
1:30 p.m.

February:

Tuesday, Feb. 10 -- The Movie -- Sarah, Plain & Tall

Tuesday, Feb. 25 -- The Book -- Sarah, Plain & Tall
by Patricia MacLachlan

March:

Tuesday, Mar. 10 -- The Movie -- Hidden Figures

Tuesday, Mar. 24 -- The Book -- Hidden Figures
by Margot Lee Shetterly

In Reel to Real & Books to Screen (R2R), the book is ONLY the beginning! Screen exciting movies and read the books they are based on. With this month's book & movie, Sarah, Plain & Tall, we'll explore the ups and downs of a blended pioneer family.

February 10: Movie Day w/ Popcorn! Watch the movie Sarah, Plain & Tall Receive handouts and examples to begin our research project!

February 25: Book Discussion & Research

Reel to Real and Book to Screen takes the book and/or movie as just the beginning of great explorations. Participants learn to exploit the library's many resources and mine the world's websites, books, and databases to answer questions raised by our book to screen selections about related events, people, and places in the real world.

Some questions we'll be asking in February: How many families in Llano County can claim intrepid mail-order brides as ancestors? How did early pioneer families in Llano County survive and flourish?

For more info call the Library at 325.247.5248 or email Tricia at tricia.llanolibrary@co.llano.tx.us

Game/Movie Day/Time

Every Friday
afternoon
@ 1:00-3:00 PM

Program for Adults Only
Bring your friends and meet up with others for Game Day and MovieTime at the Library. We'll have cards, dominoes and board games, or bring your own and start some fun game play! We'll have FREE tea, water and popcorn.

Schedule:

Feb. 7 -- Game Day

Feb. 14 -- Game Day

Feb. 21 -- Game Day

Feb. 28 -- Game Day

No movies this month due to Early Voting in the Meeting Room.



The Write Time



Writers Group

The Write Time
Writing Group
1st & 3rd Mondays

5:30 p.m.

(17th is a holiday,
will meet on the 24th)

The Write Time Writing Group

Whether you are a blogger, blocked, or writing regularly, this is YOUR time to meet, share and write with other writing enthusiasts. Join and take part in timed writings, learn about cool writing resources, and get inspired.

1st & 3rd Mondays of the Month (Unless otherwise noted.)

Upcoming: February 3 & February 24

Light snacks & Writing Inspiration Supplied!

For more info call the Library at 325.247.5248 or email Tricia at tricia.llanolibrary@co.llano.tx.us



We get by with a little help from our Friends

FRIENDS of Llano the Library

Mission Statement: Through the volunteering and fundraising efforts of the Friends of the Llano Library, the Library continues to provide vital services and resources to the community.

Join the Friends for 2020!
See all of the membership rates and perks below . . .

Annual Membership Rates

Individual:

Classic	\$100
Special Library Card, book bag, event perks, recognition on Facebook (optional)	
Novel	\$50
Book bag, event perks, recognition on Facebook (optional)	
Chapter	\$25
Book bag, event perks	
Page	\$10
Event perks	

Corporate/Business:

We welcome businesses, clubs, or organizations to support the Friends.

Llanite	\$500
Event perks, recognition on Facebook, website and Library newsletter, sandwich board, photo op and Llano Marquee, certificate to display	
Granite	\$250
Event perks, recognition on Facebook, website and Library newsletter, sandwich board, photo op, certificate to display	
Sandstone	\$100
Event perks, recognition on Facebook, website and Library newsletter, photo op	

Each membership carries one vote. Must be present at a meeting to vote.

Join the Friends today and be a part of the team that is dedicated to keeping our Library strong now and for the future.

Friends of the Library meet the 2nd Thursday of each month at 2:00 PM at the Llano Library

Notes from the Prez:

Hi everyone. Can you believe we are in February already? Where did January go? Though February is the shortest month of the year, a lot is happening at your Library.

First, the Friend's version of Valentine's comes on Thursday, February 13, with the Souper Supper Smackdown. If you are not familiar with this fundraising event, let me tell you about it.

We will have 12 different soups available for you to sample. Then come back and get a bowl of your favorite soup. We will have ballots for you to fill out where you can vote on your favorite and at the end of the evening we will tally the results and announce the "Bronze", "Silver", and the coveted "Gold" award for the 2020 Souper Supper.

Then in the March issue of this newsletter the recipes will be listed so you too can make that "prized" soup at home. Does that sound like fun? Ah, but that is not all.... We will also have door prizes going on throughout the evening. All you do is fill out a door prize form when you buy your ticket for the Soup event and wait with baited breathe to see if your name is called and you are a winner!

There will be a lot of fun that evening, and I hope you come early because the line will start forming before the doors open at 5:30. We will be serving

soups from 5:30 until they are gone, so plan on coming early for the best selection of all the soups.

WOW! If that is not enough, your Friends are helping to sponsor the 2nd Annual Back to Basics Fair on February 29 from 10-5 at the Library.

This sustainable living themed event will include topics on gardening, homesteading, beekeeping and more. There are also two speaker sites and a hands-on station.

I have been a part of the planning meetings, and I know that you will want to mark this day on your calendar. You can visit the Back to Basics Website at:

<https://llanocountylibrary.wixsite.com/llanobacktoasics> to learn more about this exciting event.

Join ^{THE} FRIENDS

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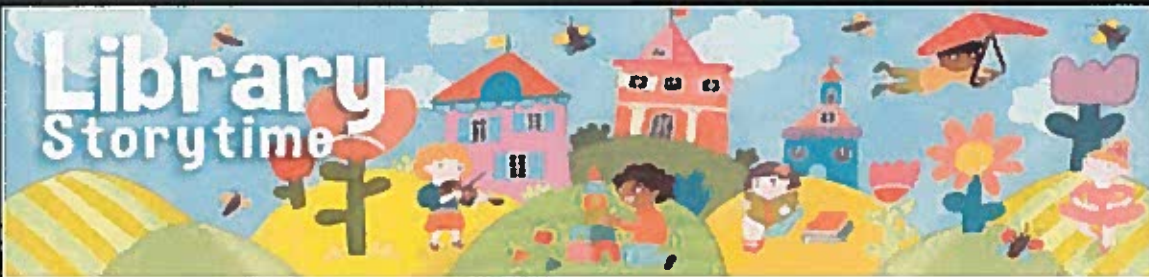
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Friends of the Library fundraiser



Children's Storytime Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.

All ages welcome! Come join us as we read, sing, dance, create, and interact with others. Storytime is a great way to introduce books, meet a new friend, and take a break from the everyday.

Bring your friends and join the fun!

February Themes:
 Feb. 6 - Ground Hogs
 Feb. 13 - Valentine's Day
 Feb. 20 - Pets
 Feb. 27 - Teeth

"Since there is nothing so well worth having as friends, never lose a chance to make them."

Francesco Guicciardini

And thus began National Make A Friend Day, which is observed every year on February 11th. So what is a friend? To me a friend is someone I can share my feelings with, someone who likes some of the things I like, but most importantly a friend is someone who is there for you when you need them.



Make Mondays FUN Again!!
 Break free of the Monday blahs at the NEW Monday Funday at the Library!
 Bring your friends and join the fun activities.
Every Monday after school
4:00- 5:30 (for elementary age kiddos!)

February Activities:

February 3 -- STEAM Activities
 February 17 -- HOLIDAY

February 10 -- Craft Fun
 February 24 -- Games

Making friends isn't easy for everyone and sometimes it takes someone else giving the first smile or inviting you in to join the fun. Maybe you're a social butterfly and can make friends with anyone anywhere at any time, but maybe you're shy and meeting new people or doing new things scares you. No matter which one you are it's always nice to make a new friend.



LEGO Camp 1st & 3rd Fridays
 MovieTime 2nd & 4th Fridays
 (with FREE popcorn and drink)
 Feb. 7 -- LEGO Camp
 Feb. 14 -- MovieTime -- Trolls
 Feb. 21 -- LEGO Camp!
 Feb. 28 -- MovieTime -- Storks

EVERY FRIDAY
After School
4:00-5:30

So next time you see someone who doesn't have anyone to play with ask them if you can join them, smile at someone walking by in the hallway, or go all out and invite someone to join you at the Library for an afterschool program *wink wink*. It doesn't take much reach out and connect with someone else even if they don't end up being a best friend you're sure to make someone's day.



For Teens 6th Grade - High School
 A fun afternoon filled with snacks, activities, games, and much more!
 Bring your Friends and make the fun!

Tina
 Thurman,
 Children's
 Librarian



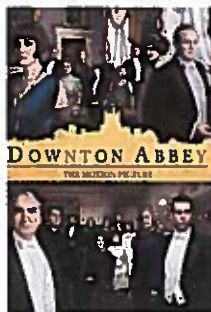
New DVDs @ your Library:

Here are a few from the great selection of movies at the library that you can check out for free. Listed below are the movies added this past month. In the library, you will find a large selection of movies and TV series to choose from.



NEW RELEASE DVDs

Angel Has Fallen
Doctor Who: Season 9



NEW RELEASE DVDs

Downton Abbey: The Movie
Hustlers



NEW RELEASE DVDs

Judy
The Peanut Butter Falcon



NEW RELEASE DVDs

Abominable
Ugly Dolls



NEW RELEASE DVDs

Dora and the Lost City of Gold

Libraries are a cornerstone of democracy—where information is free and equally available to everyone. People tend to take that for granted, and they don't realize what is at stake when that is put at risk.

—Carla Hayden, American librarian and the 14th Librarian of Congress

Musings from the Front Desk . . .

each month, the Circ Crew shares insight into their own lives and happenings at the Library.



From Roberta . . .

In late 2017, Jonathan Cahn wrote *Paradigm*, which debuted at #5 on New York Times Best Seller List, #5 on Wall Street Journal, and #6 on the Publisher's Weekly List. I read and commented on this book in our newsletter many months ago. Folks,

I didn't learn my lesson! Mr. Cahn's newest book is out, and I read it: *The Oracle* was released September 2019, and the review on Amazon starts: "The Oracle will reveal the mystery behind everything...the past, the present, current events, even what is yet to come!" Who wouldn't want to read this book and be blown away?

Well, *The Oracle* was a page turner! I had to find out what the "People" were saying about Rabbi Cahn's latest book, and what mysteries were to be revealed. Cahn is a much sought after speaker, and he is known for opening the prophetic mysteries of Scripture. I admit I was intrigued by *The Oracle*, but it is a mystery book of fiction and an interesting read. Could an ancient prophecy and a mysterious ordinance given in a Middle Eastern desert over three thousand years ago be determining the events of our day? I don't think so, but read it for yourself and tell me what you think?

And that, dear patrons, is my story and I'm sticking to it...



From Rhonda

FREE College SAT Preparation!!!

As I continue my exploration into the interwebs via the Llano Library Website, the wealth of bennies blows my growing mind. Did you know that it offers FREE SAT prep classes and practice tests for your college bound teens?!? And that's just a small taste of the educational and life elevating possibilities! (NOTE: You will need a current Llano County Library card to access these databases)

From the library website:
<https://www.llano-library-system.net/>

more from Rhonda . . .

Scroll over the "online info" tab and from the drop down menu choose "learning express library". Once here, you will find a wide range of choices. Utilize powerful tools and guidance to achieve career goals or learn new skills under the Career choices. Earn your GED (of course we also offer free live GED courses on Mondays and Wednesdays).

For your kiddos, use skill building resources to promote school classroom and homework success. Need computer skills? Learn basic computer skills and programs!

Y aun recursos para hispanohablantes!

For parents of teens, most excitingly, free prep courses for PSAT, ACT, SAT and more! Not to mention resources in the college center to aid in achieving undergrad goals and prep for future success!

So dive in to these free resources and improve your life and mind!

LOVELOVELOVE to all our amazing patrons this Valentine's Day!



From Tricia . . .

Families are fascinating. They can be comprised of a group of related individuals or unrelated ones. They can be multiple generations or one. What are the ways families come together? What do we know about our own ancestors?

We all have different answers to the above questions. The book/movie combination of Sarah, Plain & Tall, gets at the heart of these questions for one pioneer family. The series sparks so many avenues of inquiry all while delivering on a satisfying story of how one pioneer family came together from two.

I am so excited about including Sarah, Plain & Tall in our Reel to Real Movie Series. (February 11 is Movie Day, and February 27 is for the Book Discussion & Research.)

more from Tricia . . .

Reel to Real and Book to Screen takes the book and/or movie as just the beginning of great questions and explorations. Participants in our movie and book discussions will get to explore online databases, our genealogy department, and many other resources to help answer their own questions. This story sparks so many questions. How many mail-order brides were there in the early United States? How many families in Llano County can claim such intrepid women as their ancestors? Please join our Reel to Real family in February to answer your own questions!



Carolyn

From Carolyn . . .

Did you know that February 1, is National Texas Day? In 2017, National Day Calendar began celebrating each state in the order they entered the union, and National Texas Day recognizes the Lone Star State!

This month, I wanted to focus on the National and State Parks of Texas. I found that we have Lyndon B. Johnson National Park, Dinosaur Valley State Park, Balcones Canyonlands National Park, McKinney Falls State Park, and many more. But one, Big Bend National Park, you see, is on my bucket list. Big Bend National Park has many names: El Despoblado, The Empty Space on the Map, The Chisos, El Rio, La Frontera, and also Sky Island in a Desert Sea and The Last Frontier.

If you're planning your next vacation to Big Bend, do your research here at the Llano County Library. We have lots of books on the subject — *Tales of the Big Bend* by Elton Miles, *The Way We Heard It* by Walter Fulcher, *The Romance of Davis Mountains and Big Bend Country* by Carlisle Graham Raht, and *The Big Bend National Park, Big Bend Country* by Fred McCarty.

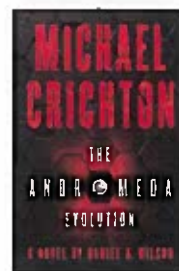
Come on in and get the research going for your trip to West Texas, and have fun along the way! And while you're at it, find some information about the Marfa Lights!

Til next month, that's all folks!

New Arrivals @ your Library:



Book Descriptions from Amazon



The Andromeda Evolution
by Daniel Wilson
Fifty years after *The Andromeda Strain* made Michael Crichton a household name—and spawned a new genre, the techno-thriller—the threat returns, in a gripping sequel that is terrifyingly realistic and resonant.

"Wilson confidently captures the voice of the late Crichton in this chilling sequel to the 1969 blockbuster *The Andromeda Strain* ... [and] employs his expertise to add depth and credibility to the advanced technology the scientists use.... Fans of the original techno-thriller won't be disappointed." (Publishers Weekly)



Book of Bones
by John Connolly
Private Investigator Charlie Parker returns in this heart-pounding thriller as he seeks revenge against the darkest forces in the world, from the internationally bestselling author of the acclaimed *The Woman in the*

Woods.

"Complex, pulse-pounding...Connolly's nuanced characterizations and facility at creating spooky atmospherics make it easy to suspend disbelief about the threat of cosmic horror from other dimensions."—Publishers Weekly



The Tiny Habits: Small Changes That Change Everything

by B.J. Fogg, PhD
When it comes to change, TINY IS MIGHTY. Start with two pushups a day, not a two-hour workout; or five deep breaths each morning rather than an hour of meditation. In

Tiny Habits, B.J. Fogg brings his experience coaching more than 40,000 people to help you lose weight, de-stress, sleep better, or achieve any goal of your choice. You just need Fogg's behavior formula: make it easy, make it fit your life, and make it rewarding. Whenever you get in your car, take one yoga breath. Smile. Whenever you get in bed, turn off your phone. Give yourself a high five. Change can be easy—once it starts, it grows.



Check out the display filled with the 2020 Lariat Reading List books. The goal of the Lariat Adult Fiction Reading List is to highlight outstanding fiction that is simply "a pleasure to read." Each

year a 25 outstanding fiction titles are selected by a nine member committee.

FICTION

The Handmaid's Tale by Margaret Atwood
Vinth House by Leigh Bardugo
Lady Clementine by Marie Benedict
The Country Guesthouse by Robyn Carr
Tom Clancy Code of Honor by Marc Cameron
The Amish Clockmaker by Mindy Clark
The Confessions of Fannie Langton
by Sara Collins
A Book of Bones by John Connolly
Genesis by Robin Cook
Dominicana by Angie Cruz
30y Swallows Universe by Trent Dalton
Insight by Iris Johansen
The Vanishing by Jayne Ann Krentz
The Beekeeper of Aleppo by Christy Lefteri
The Widows of Malabar Hill by Sujata Massey
Dear Edward by Ann Napolitano

FICTION

Patchwork Mystery Series by various authors
Lanny by Max Porter
The Bones She Buried by Lisa Regan
Cold Heart Creek by Lisa Regan
The Girl with No Name by Lisa Regan
Her Final Confession by Lisa Regan
Her Mother's Grave by Lisa Regan
Her Silent Cry by Lisa Regan
Vanishing Girls by Lisa Regan
The Playground by Jane Shemilt
Moral Compass by Danielle Steel
The Lager Queen of Minnesota
by Ryan Stradal
Sugarcreek Amish Mysteries by Emily Thomas
Hunter Killer by Brad Taylor
The Bookish Life of Nina Hill by Abbi Waxman
The Wicked Redhead by Beatriz Williams
Stealth by Stuart Woods

LARGE PRINT

Robert B. Parker's Angel Eyes by Ace Atkins
1 Minute to Midnight by David Baldacci
Becoming Mrs. Lewis by Patti Henry
The Giver of Stars by Jojo Moyes

LARGE PRINT

The Whisper Man by Alex North
The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek
by Kim Richardson
The Rise of Magicks by Nora Roberts

AUDIOBOOKS

Let Justice Descend by Lisa Black
A Book of Bones by John Connolly
Quantum by Patricia Cornwell

AUDIOBOOKS

The Andromeda Evolution by Daniel Wilson
Fantasy in Death by J.D. Robb

NEW NON-FICTION

Tiny Habits: The Small Changes that Change Everything by B.J. Fogg
The Body: A Guide for Occupants by Bill Bryson
100 Days of Real Food on a Budget: Simple Tips and Tasty Recipes to Help Cut out Processed Food
Skillet Love: From Steak to Cake: More than 150 Recipes in One Cast-Iron Pan
NOLO's Essential Guide to Buying Your First Home
Enchantment: The Life of Audrey Hepburn
Hill Women: Finding Family and a Way Forward in the Appalachian Mountains

NEW in the BACK TO BASICS COLLECTION

The Back-to-Basics Collection is located by the Seed Library and is filled with books covering all topics of sustainable living.

The Good Living Guide to Natural and Herbal Remedies: Simple Salves, Teas, Tinctures, and More
Creating the Low-Budget Homestead

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Bringing the library to you!


The Library may not have a real bookmobile, but we won't let that stand in our way! Our goal is to reach those with limited mobility and expand the community's awareness of the many programs and opportunities offered by the library.



Information about many other FREE programs -- such as the Talking Book Program, OverDrive downloadable eBooks and Audiobooks, TexShare Databases, and much more -- will also be shared.

For more information contact the library at 325.247.5248 or Rhonda at rhonda.llanolibrary@co.llano.tx.us

February Calendar of Library Events and Meetings

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 10:00 GED Morning Class 4:00 Monday FunDay 5:00 The Write Time Writing Group 6:00 GED Evening Class	4 4:00 Teen Group	5 10:00 GED Morning Class 6:00 GED Evening Class	6 10:00 Children's Storytime 10:00 Let's Talk Tech! Technology Office Hours 11:00 Virtual Family Law Clinic	7 8:30-10:30 Staff Meeting Library will open at 10:30 a.m. 1:00 Game Day! for Adults 4:00 Fun Friday -- LEGO Camp
10 10:00 GED Morning Class 11:00 Daughters of the Republic of Texas 4:00 Monday FunDay 6:00 GED Evening Class	11 1:30 Reel to Reel & Book to Screen -- Part 1 4:00 Teen Group	12 10:00 GED Morning Class 6:00 GED Evening Class	13 10:00 Children's Storytime 10:00 Let's Do Tech! Technology Workshop 11:00 DRT Planning Workshop 5:30 Souper Supper SmackDown	14 1:00 Game Day! for Adults 4:00 Fun Friday --MovieTime
 17 LIBRARY will be CLOSED	18 2:00 How Pinteresting! Craft Program 4:00 Teen Group EARLY VOTING -- PRIMARY	19 10:00 GED Morning Class 2:00 Travel, Booked! 6:00 GED Evening Class EARLY VOTING -- PRIMARY	20 10:00 Children's Storytime 10:00 Let's Talk Tech! Technology Office Hours 10:00 Llano County Reading Group 12:00 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's EARLY VOTING -- PRIMARY	21 1:00 GameDay! for Adults 4:00 Fun Friday -- LEGO Day EARLY VOTING -- PRIMARY
24 10:00 GED Morning Class 11:00 Daughters of the Republic of Texas 4:00 Monday FunDay 6:00 GED Evening Class EARLY VOTING -- PRIMARY	25 1:30 Reel to Reel & Book to Screen -- Part 2 4:00 Teen Group EARLY VOTING -- PRIMARY	26 10:00 GED Morning Class 1:00 Choosing a Medicare Plan 6:00 GED Evening Class EARLY VOTING -- PRIMARY	27 10:00 Children's Storytime EARLY VOTING -- PRIMARY	28 1:00 Game Day! for Adults 4:00 Fun Friday -- LEGO Camp EARLY VOTING -- PRIMARY



Now is the time to join a GED class!
 Instead of only dreaming about a better life, start now by preparing the way for a more secure future -- one filled with more self-confidence and more opportunities.
How will a GED benefit you?
 Jobs are now requiring a HS diploma or GED. Take steps now to make yourself more qualified for higher paying jobs, to better yourself, and for a better career.

Frequently asked questions:

- How much does the class cost?
 - Class is FREE
 - Materials are FREE
 - Practice Tests are FREE
- What costs will I pay?
 - Cost of the actual tests (currently \$33.75/test)
 - Cost of transportation to the testing site
- How old must I be to participate?
 - Our program can serve 17 and 18 year olds, with parent permission
 - Ages 19 and older
- How long does it take to get my GED?
 - This depends on the individual ... we work one-on-one, or in small groups. We move at your pace -- beginning where you need to start and moving through materials as you are ready.



**Be the Next
 GED SUCCESS
 STORY**

**Llano GED
 Classes
 Monday and
 Wednesday
 Morning Class:
 10 a.m. - noon
 Evening Class:
 6-8 p.m.**

**Call today for more
 information!
 Call the Llano Library at
 325.247.5248**

- 5) What subjects are on the GED?
- Math
 - Language Arts (reading and writing)
 - Science
 - Social Studies

GED Classes in the Kingsland Area

If you can't make GED classes in Llano on Mondays or Wednesdays, then try this option on Tuesdays

Tuesday Evenings 6:00 - 8:00
 Highland Lakes Methodist Church
 Hwy 29 & Hwy 1431 (8303 W. RR 1431), (near Fuzzy's Corner)

sponsored by Literacy Highland Lakes

Call anytime and leave message for information: 512-756-7337

For other class locations see our web site - literacyhl@gmail.com

**Library
 Memorials,
 Honorariums
 & Donations**



- Memorials**
 ChuChu Smith
 given by Mia and Mike Marcoux
 Claudine Weber
 given by Walter Milliom family;
 Sam and Carol Rabb; Janice
 Crenwelge; The Broughtons;
 Jack and Frances Frazier
 Tooter Meeks
 given by Patsye Parker



Your Llano Library is working with many area agencies and organizations to help people in the community become more familiar and aware of what is available. In addition to the programs and information provided in the Library's regular newsletter, this insert will provide news you can use from a variety of sources.

So, just what is available? Check out the information below -- and the links to websites and more information.

We'll begin with what is available at the Library:

- ♦ GED Classes – provided free of charge thanks to Community Action, Inc., and volunteers. (see back page for more info)
- ♦ Family Law Clinic – a free virtual conference service provided by Texas Legal Services Center
- ♦ Talking Book Program – provides free library services to qualifying Texans with visual, physical, or reading disabilities. Devices and materials (recorded books, magazines, and newspapers) are mailed free of charge to a person's home.
- ♦ Your friendly librarians are your greatest resource and are always available to answer questions and direct you to the resources you need.

The Library also offers monthly programs with professionals from many organizations such as Hill Country Memorial Hospital, Baylor Scott & White, Area Agency on Aging, Alzheimers Texas, and many others (see page 2 for more info).

The Llano County Community Resource Center is located at Park Ridge Apartments in Llano (100 Legend Hills Blvd. off W. Ranch Road 152).



CRC
Community Resource Centers of Texas Inc.

You can call or just walk in. In addition to connecting you with the agencies you need, they also offer computers and a fax machine for your use if you are job hunting.

The resource center links you with the resources you need so you can improve your life, short-term and long-term. This location has several on-site partner agencies that provide services. Clients can quickly learn about, apply for, and receive services that are administered by these agencies to improve their lives in both the short and long-term at no cost to the local taxpayer.

Currently, you will find the agencies shown below at the Resource Center. You can call 325.247.2703 to learn when each are in the office.

Register for the next Family Law Clinic at tisc.org/familylawclinics

Monthly Family Law Clinic

Every First Thursday

Llano County Library in Llano, TX
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Free legal advice for low-income Texans – we can answer questions about divorce, child custody, visitation rights, paternity, and name changes. Walk-ins are welcome but priority is given to those who register.

Register at tisc.org/familylawclinics



Appointments are recommended, but walk-ins are welcome.



Texas Department of State Health Services



AARP FOUNDATION FREE TAX HELP

LOCATIONS

Marble Falls –
Boys & Girls Club
1701 Broadway St.
Tuesdays & Thursdays
9AM- 1PM
through April 14
830.798.2582
Closed Mar. 17 & 19

Burnet –
Reed Building
402 E. Jackson
Mondays
9AM - 1PM
Bring ID and SS card
through April 15

AARP is once again providing tax return preparation for anyone who wishes assistance, and returns will be e-filed at no charge.

When you go to your appt., please take the following documents:

- ♦ Copy of last year's income tax return
- ♦ W-2 forms from each employer
- ♦ Unemployment compensation statements
- ♦ SSA-1099 form if you were paid Social Security benefits
- ♦ All 1099 forms showing interest and/or dividends
- ♦ 1099-MISC showing miscellaneous income
- ♦ 1099-R form if you received a pension or annuity
- ♦ All forms indicating federal income tax paid
- ♦ Dependent care provider information
- ♦ Information for itemizing deductions
- ♦ Social Security cards or other official documentation for yourself and all dependents

Go to www.irs.gov for Federal Tax Information

FREE FILE OPTIONS

- ♦ Income \$69,000 and Below – Free File Online
File your taxes with free, easy to use software
Use the Free File Online Lookup Tool to find free federal return options
- ♦ Income above \$69,000 – Free File Fillable Forms
Must know how to do your taxes yourself
Does math; offers only basic guidance
You must have your 2018 tax return

VIEW, DOWNLOAD & PRINT

- Select "Forms & Pubs" or go to www.irs.gov/Forms-&-Pubs
- ♦ For forms, instructions and publications, select "Current Forms & Pubs"
- ♦ For a subject index to forms, instructions and pubs, select "IRS Tax Map"

ORDER ONLINE

- ♦ To order tax products delivered by mail, go to www.irs.gov/Forms-&-Pubs, then select "Order Forms & Pubs"
- ♦ For current year products, select "Forms & Pubs by U.S. Mail"

USEFUL NUMBERS

Tax Help for Individuals	1-800-829-1040
Tax Forms and Publications	1-800-829-3676



Your Llano County Offices are one of your greatest resources. If you explore the County website at <http://www.co.llano.tx.us> you will find links to many sites and directories filled with valuable information. A few are highlighted below this month:

The Llano County Attorney's Office has compiled the Llano County Community Resource Directory to provide information to individuals in Llano County regarding their health, safety, and general well-being.

Go to the County of Llano website at <http://www.co.llano.tx.us> and then County Attorney under the County Offices tab. The Resource Directory is at the bottom of the page.

In this Directory, you will find:

- ◆ Helpful Numbers and Websites
- ◆ Adult and Parenting Information
- ◆ Children & Teen Services
- ◆ Children's Medical Information
- ◆ Education and Work Information
- ◆ Food Pantry & Free Meal Information
- ◆ Medical Information & Services
- ◆ Recovery Services
- ◆ Mental Health & Chemical Dependency Services
- ◆ Senior Citizen/Older Adults Services
- ◆ Transportation Services
- ◆ Veteran's Services
- ◆ Women's Services ... and more

Also on the County Attorney's page you will find a link to the Environmental Enforcement page that is filled with useful information. Recently, the Llano Library hosted concerned citizens at a round table discussion to try to determine if there is a solution to recycling now that the recycling center in Llano has closed. Ben Beaty, Environmental Enforcement Officer with Llano County, attended the meeting and shared information about the Llano County Environmental Resource Guide. You can find great information in this guide about what to do with many items that you will need to dispose of. You can view the guide at the County Attorney's page on the Llano County website.

REUSE REDUCE RECYCLE

See page 2 of the newsletter for the next meeting date

At the meeting held at the Library in January to discuss the recycling situation, there was much talk about using the recycling centers in towns surrounding Llano County. Many of them are only serving citizens of their city or county. Attendees from the meeting did some personal research, and came back with the following information (thanks, everyone!) for a recycling center that will accept your items:

Fredericksburg Recycling Center, 302 E Ufer St, 830-997-5157
Hours of Operation:
7:30- 5:30 Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri, Closed Thur, 8-12 Saturday
Accepts: Cardboard (Amazon boxes, shoe boxes, etc), Tin Cans, and Aluminum Cans

Fredericksburg Metal Recycling, 279 Shorty Crewelge Dr, 830-990-4400
Hours of Operation:
8-5 Monday-Friday, 8-12 Saturday
Accepts: anything with metal in it. (They do not take individual tires)

Hill Country Recycling; Marble Falls and Burnet takes paper, cardboard, and metal.
Current hours, phone numbers, and other information at:
<http://hillcountryrecycling.com/>

Office Depot takes all ink and toner cartridges for recycling.

From the Office of Gilbert Bennet, Emergency Management Coordinator, Llano County Office of Emergency Management **Smoke Detectors: Do you have the Right One Installed in your Home?**

In my 40-year career as a public servant and firefighter it has become clear that not all smoke detectors are the same. While drifting by the smoke detector display at a hardware store, I was reminded of an experience I had at Home Depot. A customer was intently looking at the information so I asked if he knew what he was looking for. He replied no, and welcomed some assistance. The fact is the majority of people do not know what to look for when it comes to smoke detectors.

How many homes go unprotected by a disabled smoke detector because it became a nuisance? Set off by smoke from cooking or annoyed by the relentless chirps leads to many removed smoke detectors that are never replaced. One thing I know for certain is a smoke detector sitting on the counter without a battery does not work. I have found many smoke detectors sitting on the shelf while the empty smoke detector bracket hangs on the wall. Consider the cost of a 9-volt battery (around \$1.00-\$1.50), isn't your family's life worth more than that? Why would anyone procrastinate when it comes to fire safety?

How many people know that a difference in smoke detectors even exist? There are essentially two types of smoke detectors - the Ionization (I) and the Photoelectric (P). Why? Honestly, I believe to create confusion and profits for the manufacturer. The Ionization smoke detector has proven not to work and yet it is installed in 90% of the US homes. How one manages to stay in production despite this fact is beyond understanding. Tests performed by Texas A&M in 1995 demonstrated the ionization smoke detector failed to provide adequate egress time to escape. Despite innumerable lawsuits against this type of detector, production continues as do purchase and use. Now, they combine it with a photoelectric smoke detector claiming you need both, when all you need is the one that works (photoelectric type).

It is my belief and experience as a firefighter that smoke will always appear first. The old saying, "Where there is smoke there is fire" holds true in that where there is fire there is most certainly smoke. The photoelectric smoke detector, provides the advanced warning before the flame.

Photoelectric smoke detectors provide superior performance and activate 100% of the time. Next time you go to replace the batteries replace your smoke detectors instead. Use photoelectric smoke detectors and recommend to your friends to do the same. The label on the detector will let you know which type the builder installed in your home. Take the time to check it out (look for the I or the P) and insist on protecting your family with the photoelectric smoke detector. If the detector mentions anything about radioactive materials in the very small print on the label, it is an ionization detector.

Your family and your life are worth it, purchase the best protection the Photoelectric Smoke Detector, maintain the battery, practice your escape plan and have a meeting place.