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Moore Memorial Public Library Newsletter

MMPL LIBRARY BLOGS NOW ONLINE!

Need ideas on what to read, watch or listen to next? Visit one of Moore Library's three blogs (featured on the right) to read book and movie reviews written by library staff. All materials reviewed are found at MMPL. Read the reviews by clicking on the 'blogs' link located on the library's home page at <http://www.texascity-library.org> or type the blog address directly into the browser address bar.

- The Adult blog *Moore Musings* is found at <http://moorebrarians.blogspot.com>
- The Young Adult blog *Moore Teens Unite!* is located at <http://mmpl-teentalk.blogspot.com/>
- The Children's blog *Children's Corner* is found at <http://mmpl-childrenscorner.blogspot.com/>



REFERENCE QUESTIONS ANSWERED 24/7



Moore Library now participates in Info 24/7. Info 24/7 is a chat reference service that provides real-time online assistance by professional librarians. Whether you are home, work or school, Info 24/7 staff can assist you in finding brief answers to factual questions. Info 24/7 can also suggest searching strategies or resources including Internet and online databases to answer your questions efficiently and effectively through chat and e-mail services. At the conclusion of your chat session, you will have the option to receive a transcript by e-mail. Just visit the library's website at: <http://www.texascity-library.org>

TODDLERIFIC STORY TIME

Story time for toddlers ages 1-2 continues through Dec. 18. Toddlerific story time is held every Tuesday at 10 AM.

- 10-2 Old MacDonald Time
- 10-9 I'm a Pumpkin Patch Kid
- 10-16 Here, Kitty Kitty
- 10-23 Nighty Night
- 10-30 Icky Icky Wiggle Wiggle

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Story time for preschoolers ages 3-5 continues through Dec. 19. Preschool story time is held every Wednesday at 10 AM.

- 10-3 Letter E
- 10-10 Letter F
- 10-17 Letter G
- 10-24 Letter H
- 10-31 Letter I

The library regrets that we are unable to accommodate groups that number eight or larger. For more information, please call (409) 643-5966.

Moore Memorial Public Library
1701 9th Avenue North
Texas City, Texas 77590



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

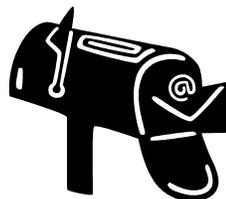
Please make checks payable to Friends of MMPL.

Name _____ Address _____

City/State/Zip _____
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The Friends' dues for calendar year 2007 (Jan. 1, 2007 through Dec. 31, 2007) are the following:

- Individual (\$10) ____
- Family (\$25) ____
- Senior Citizen 60+(\$5) ____
- Student (\$5) ____
- Sustaining (\$50) ____
- Valued Friend (\$100) ____
- Life Member (\$1,000) ____



Would you like to receive this newsletter electronically through E-mail? Please send Amelia a message at achau@texas-city-tx.org



Local boater **Lyman S. Reed** shows children how to tie a variety of sailing knots during a summer program last July.

SIR READ-A-LOT GROWS OVER THE SUMMER!

Thanks to all our summer readers, Sir Read-A-Lot grew to 71 feet, 4 inches! This is five feet longer than last year. For every ten hours read over the summer, a circle was added to our worm. Participants included children, teens, adults, and library staff. Didn't get a chance to read much last summer? Sir Read-A-Lot will be back next summer and you'll have a chance to help him grow even longer!



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. For more information or to register, please call (409) 643-5977.

[Beginner Computer Operations](#)

Friday, October 26th 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 Internet](#)

Friday, November 2nd 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 the Internet.

[Beginner Email](#)

Friday, November 9th 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.



NEWS BRIEFS

LIBRARY HOLIDAY

CLOSINGS: The library will be closed on the following dates:

- Thursday, November 22 – Saturday, November 24 Thanksgiving Holiday

- Monday, December 24- Tuesday, December 25 Christmas Holiday

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 au-

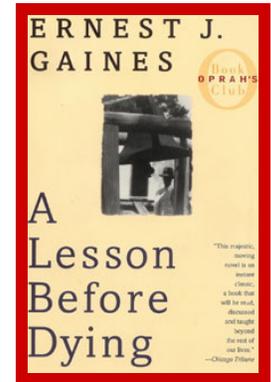
thors and more. The group will meet on:

- October 3
- November 7
- December 5

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 has 10 copies of *A Lesson Before Dying* available for checkout at the Circulation Desk. Moore Library's Book Discussion will take place at the end of January. Please visit: <http://www.galvestoncountyreads.org> or call the library at (409) 643-5977 for more information about upcoming events.



2008 Galveston County Reads Book



SPOTLIGHT ON A WEBSITE AND A BOOK

American Memory

<http://memory.loc.gov>

Take a trip into America's past by listening to the narratives of former slaves, viewing baseball cards from the early 1900s and watching a polka dance demonstration. The Library of Congress has created a digital record of American history and its creativity using materials from its collection and other institutions. These digital records include written and spoken words, sound recordings, still and moving images, prints, maps and sheet music. Topics to click on and explore include:

- Advertising
- African American History
- Architecture, Landscape
- Cities, Towns
- Culture, Folklife
- Environment, Conservation
- Government, Law
- Immigration, American Expansion
- Literature

- Maps
- Native American History
- Performing Arts, Music
- Presidents
- Religion
- Sports, Recreation
- Technology, Industry, War, Military
- Women's History

Sammy's House by Kristen Gore

Sammy Joyce may be a trouble-magnet, a klutz, and a hypochondriac, but she is also the talented, young health-care advisor to the Vice President of the United States. Halfway through the Administration's first term, when success seems assured, a damaging leak to the press reveals that the President may be drinking heavily again. Before the source of the leak can be discovered, more scandal breaks concerning foreign drug agreements, illegitimate family members in the First Family, and drug addiction in the Ad-

ministration. On the personal front, Sammy's deepening relationship with a Washington Post reporter brings more stress and confusion and the possibility of betrayal. Struggling to handle her personal life while dealing with multiple political crises, Sammy fights to keep her career, her dignity and her honesty intact.

Kristen Gore, the daughter of former Vice President Al Gore, writes from the perspective of a White House insider. This is West Wing in print, with all the drama, humor, and pathos of working at the center of American politics today. A fun and thought-provoking read.

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