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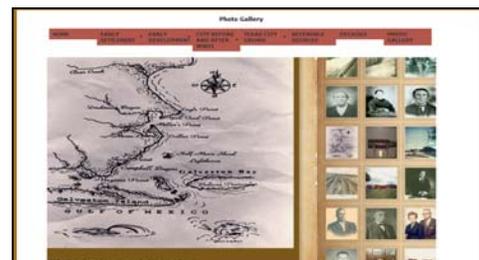
Moore Memorial Public Library Newsletter

NEW ONLINE EXHIBIT CELEBRATES TEXAS CITY'S CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY



In anticipation of the 100-year anniversary of the City of Texas City's founding, the Moore Library will launch an online historical exhibit about Texas City's history. The exhibit will go live in October and will be available through a link on the library's homepage or directly at www.texascity-library.org/TCH/index.html.

span Texas City's history, including subjects such as the city's early settlers, its incorporation, a timeline detailing the chronology of the city's development, prominent citizens such as H.B. and Helen Moore, Frank Davison and blues musician Charles Brown, the history of the Texas City Dike, and others. In addition to articles, the exhibit contains historical photographs, maps, and images of historical documents.



A few of the hundreds of images in the photo gallery

The online exhibit is the culmination of a two-year historical research project by Moore Library staff. Patrons can access articles about topics that

to make the story of Texas City more accessible to its citizens and visitors and to provide documentation of how our local history impacts, and is impacted by, the events and history of the Gulf Coast Region, the State of Texas, the United States and the world. Additionally,

To create the exhibit, library staff consulted print materials from our collection, authoritative sources from the Internet and materials borrowed from other libraries' collections. Our goal for this exhibit is

we are happy to find a way to share some wonderful, but very fragile, historical resources with the Texas City community and other interested individuals around the world.

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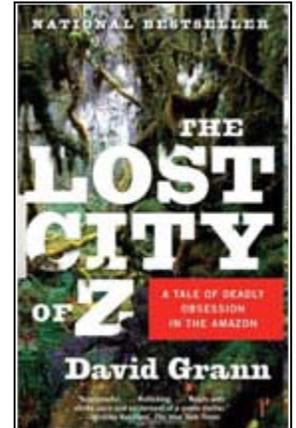
Fall Adult Programs

[Texas City Reads 2010](#)

Prepare to take a literary journey abroad to the darkest jungles of the Amazon...we've picked the non-fiction book *The Lost City of Z: a tale of deadly obsession in the Amazon* by David Grann as the Texas City Reads book of 2010.

After stumbling across the mystery of famed explorer Percy Fawcett's disappearance while searching for a lost civilization in the thick of the Amazonian rainforest, author David Grann (a confirmed lover of air conditioning) finds himself drawn to the forests of the Amazon to investigate the mystery himself. Grann explores the life and legend of Percy Fawcett as well as the "green hell" of the Amazon rainforest in this fast-paced, true-life biographical mystery. Grann is an excellent storyteller, weaving historical and scientific fact seamlessly into this fascinating narrative.

The library has purchased multiple copies of *The Lost City of Z*, which are currently available for check-out. Please contact the Reference Desk at the library for more information at (409)-643-5977.



WHEN: Book discussion: Monday, October 4 @ 2:00 PM
Book discussion: Tuesday, October 5 @ 7:00 PM

WHERE: MOORE LIBRARY MEETING ROOM

[Personal Photography](#)

In October, the library will host two separate presentations on personal photography. Each will be hosted by Mr. Alton Meyer of Texas City who will cover both digital and film photography. Mr. Meyer will cover topics such as choosing the right camera, taking the best pictures, and correctly treating and manipulating your photos. On October 6 @ 6:00 PM, Mr. Meyer will discuss the basics of black & white photography, using examples of the work of American photographer Ansel Adams. The October 13 @ 6:00 PM talk will focus on digital color photography and the nuances of digital images. Q & A sessions will be held during each presentation. Each program is free and open admission. All who would like to attend are welcome to bring their personal cameras, though bringing a camera is not a requirement. Please contact the Reference Desk at the library for more information at (409)-643-5977.



WHEN: Wednesday, October 6 @ 6:00 PM (Black and white photography)
Wednesday, October 13 @ 6:00 PM (Digital color photography)

WHERE: MOORE LIBRARY MEETING ROOM

[Beginning Go and Board Game Group](#)

Get ready to Go, because in September we're starting a regular program of board games for adults. Go, the ancient Asian art of strategy and skill, is here at MMPL. We will have an introductory class on how to play Go on Monday, October 11 and will start our Board Game Group on Monday, October 18.

WHEN: Monday, October 11 @ 1:30 PM (Go)
Monday, October 18 @ 1:30 PM (Board Games)



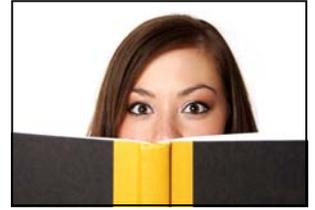
WHERE: MOORE LIBRARY MEETING ROOM

Check out our Blog

Moore Musings is a readers advisory blog maintained by Moore Library Reference staff. We use the blog to review new books and highlight older gems hidden in our collection, as well as to bring our readers' attention to interesting book-related topics on the web.

Check it out to keep updated on new fiction and non-

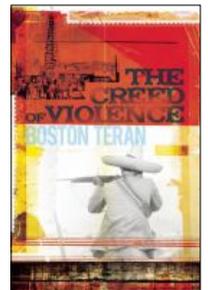
fiction books across all genres and to find out what older books you've missed out on. You can find Moore Musings at <http://moorebrarians.blogspot.com>.



Ripped From the Blog: Border Lit: Fiction Highlighting the U.S.-Mexico Border

The Creed of Violence / by Boston Teran

In 1910, the Mexican Revolution is in full swing and arms smuggler named Rawbone is in the thick of it. A man who deals in guns as well as lives (he's also an assassin-for-hire), Rawbone lives the cutthroat life until he's caught by US authorities. When his only way out is to inform on some of his cronies, Rawbone relents and is escorted back across the border to help infiltrate a very violent world of treachery and betrayal. (FIC TERAN)



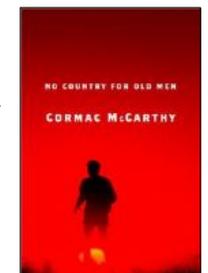
Caramba! A Tale Told in Turns of the Card / by Nina Marie Martinez

Plenty more is going on in Lava Landing, CA, than most people know about. The small border town is home to a dormant volcano, a beauty pageant which crowns a Miss Magma each year, and some of the best sounding mariachi music ever played. It's also where two bosom buddies Natalie and Consuelo are planning a strange trip into Mexico, one which aims to cross dimensions as well as borders. (FIC MARTINEZ)



No Country For Old Men / by Cormac McCarthy

While hunting for antelope near the Texas-Mexico border, Llewellyn Moss comes across a mutilated band of Mexican drug traffickers, all of them dead or dying after a drug deal gone bad. Llewellyn steals away with the over \$2 million loot found on the scene only to be pursued by members of the Mexican cartel, DEA officials, local police and one particularly dangerous sociopath named Anton Chigurh. (FIC MCCARTHY)



Library Receives Lone Star Grant for DVDs and Audio Books



Moore Memorial Public Library patrons will soon notice more DVDs and audio books thanks to a grant from the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. The library has been awarded \$14,410 under the Lone Star Libraries Grant program

authorized by the Texas State Legislature through the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. We expect to begin adding DVDs and audio books purchased with these funds by mid-November. Watch for these new materials soon!



Technology @ Your Fingertips

Website Review: PBS Video

The Public Broadcasting Service or PBS has had a long history of bringing very high quality programming into our homes for 40 years, so it's no surprise that their dedication to quality carries over to their online presence. At <http://video.pbs.org/> viewers can watch full episodes of PBS's best and most popular programming 24 hours a day and commercial free.

If you are familiar with watching television shows online on popular websites such as www.hulu.com, you'll recognize the basic format immediately. The major thing that separates PBS's output from other sites is that viewers can rely on the PBS tradition of quality and of commercial free broadcasting.



Viewers can pick from a range of shows and click on the currently available online episodes and they will stream the video online. The site is attractive and very easy to navigate, so finding your favorite shows should be a

piece of cake.

What's most impressive about the website is the range of programs. They have their award winning documentary series *POV*, their popular antique appraisal shows *Antiques Road Show*, the concert series *Austin City Limits*, and many more. There is quality, stimulating programs for almost every taste, all commercial free and at your fingertips.

Get Moore from Home

Library Resources you can use ANYWHERE

Moore Library doesn't stop at our doors. With our website you can have many library features at home. From our online catalog you can check your account to see what you have checked out and if you have any fines, renew materials you'd like to keep longer, and place holds on items that are checked out. You can keep totally up to date without leaving your house.



We also have a great selection of electronic resources and databases you can access at home with your library card. We have **Overdrive**, an online database where you can download audio books and e books from home. Our automotive database, **Chilton Online Auto Repair Database** has 45 years of

information on maintenance and repair provided in step-by-step procedures. With **Gale Legal Forms**, patrons can find and print legal forms covering hundreds of subjects. We have **ValueLine Online** which provides up to date stock market data and analysis.



We also have **Texshare** databases, a collection of databases covering business, health, science, literature, genealogy, and more. In addition to all of these databases we also have several more that can be accessed anywhere with your library card. For more information about our online resources see the reference desk.

Improve Your Computer Skills

Our computer classes are aimed at beginning to intermediate computer users. The library offers courses to help patrons learn basic skills using MS Word, MS Excel, MS Powerpoint, Email, the Internet, and more. All attendees will be pre-screened

for skill level before each class. All computer classes begin at 10 AM and run about an hour.

Sign-up & Registration Procedure:

Registration for **ALL** computer classes will occur **THE DAY OF** the scheduled class. All potential students must come to the library between 9:00 and 9:30 a.m. on the day of the class for pre-class screening. Admission to the class will be granted on a first-come first-served basis for those persons successfully completing the pre-assessment survey exercise. Admission for most classes is limited to 10 persons per class.

For more information, please contact the Reference Desk at the library, 409-643-5977.

Fall Computer Class Schedule	
Computer Class	Date
Basic Windows	Friday, October 1
Basic Internet	Thursday, October 7
Basic Word	Friday, October 8
Basic Email	Thursday, October 14
Intermediate Internet	Friday, October 15
Basic Excel	Thursday, October 21
Basic Power Point	Friday, October 22
Basic Publisher	Thursday, October 28
Computer Hardware	Friday, October 29
Basic Windows	Thursday, November 4
Basic Word	Friday, November 5
Basic Internet	Thursday, November 11
Basic Email	Friday, November 12
Intermediate Internet	Thursday, November 18
Online Search Strategies	Friday, November 19

NEWS BRIEFS



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

Thanksgiving- The library will close at 6PM on Wednesday, November 24th. **Closed Thursday, November 25th - Saturday, November 27th.** Reopen Monday, November 29th at 9 AM.



Christmas- The library will close at 6PM December 20-22, 2010. **Closed Thursday, December 23rd - Saturday, December 26th.** Reopen Monday, December 28th at 9 AM.

New Year's Day- Closed Friday, January 1, 2010. Reopen Saturday, January 2nd at 10 AM.

BOOK CLUB: Book lovers who enjoy engaging in stimulating conversation about literature are invited to attend "Book Bits". "Book Bits," a book club for ages 18 and up, continues to meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 2PM. 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:

- October 6th
- November 3rd
- December 1st

Kids Zone

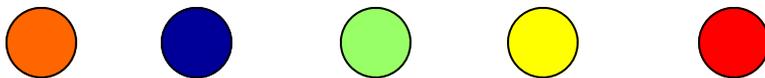
Children's Corner at Moore Library: A Blog for Kid Lit



It can be a challenge finding a good children's book sometimes, especially if you're in a hurry. Have no fear, just try out our Kid Lit Blog: Children's Corner at

Moore Library. Every week we highlight some of the best books for kids of all ages and reading level. We highlight new arrivals and also group books by themes, so there's always something to check out. And as always, ask a children's Librarian anytime you need help or suggestions too.

You can find the Children's Corner blog at <http://mmpl-childrenscorner.blogspot.com>.



Help Decorate our Bulletin Board!

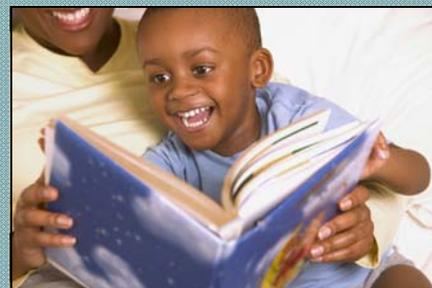
Each month there is a fun new bulletin board presentation in the children's department. We always have a section of the bulletin board for children to share their thoughts and creativity with us.



The children have done a great job sharing their beautiful book covers with us in September. We encourage children to stop by through October and decorate a pumpkin, and we will see how high we can stack them.

Children's Storytimes

The library offers two weekly storytimes for children ages 1-2 and age 3-5. These free



programs are a special opportunity to begin developing your child's literacy skills. Each week the children will hear a new story, see finger plays, sing songs, make crafts, and interact with other children. Storytimes take place in the Holland Meeting Room. For more information, please call (409) 643-5799.

Toddlerific Storytime

Tuesdays at 10 AM

Preschool Storytime

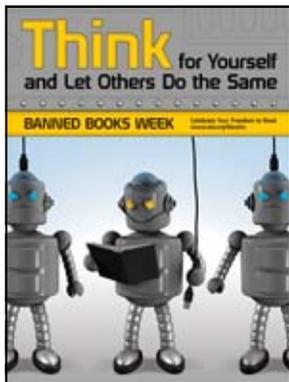
Wednesdays at 10 AM

In November we will need help to put feathers on our turkey by writing down things that the children are thankful for, or they can just color the feathers. Finally, in December children can decorate snowballs to help us build a snow-

man — let's see how big we can make him! Remember to be creative!

Moore Teens

Teen Advisory Board Celebrates Banned Book Week



The Teen Advisory Board (TAB) held their first meeting for the school year on September 10, 2010. This group is a volunteer group of teens interested in sharing their insights to improve programs and services for young adults.

The first project undertaken by TAB was a book display promoting Banned Books Week, which celebrates the freedom to read during the last week of September. The group selected a number of young adult books and clas-

sics read in high school that have been challenged over the last decade. TAB hopes the display will raise awareness about First Amendment rights, which includes the right to choose which books we read.

The TAB wanted to make a statement that they can choose what books they read and aren't afraid to speak out against censorship.

Teens interested in joining future TAB events can show up to any schedule events and meetings or contact our Young Adult Librarian, Luke Alvey, at (409) 949-3008.

Teen Read Week Rocks!



Teen Read Week will be celebrated October 18-24, 2010. This year's theme is *Books with Beat*. It will focus on books that look at music

as a way for teens to express themselves or under-

stand their world. Teen Read Week is an opportunity to raise awareness of the joy of reading and to show how art can totally change young people's lives.

We will have a display of some of the best YA Lit about teens that rock and the role that music plays in our lives.

Up-Coming TAB Events

TAB Meeting

Friday, October 8 at 3:15 PM

Library Meeting Room

Check out what the TAB is all about. By being a part of TAB you get leadership experience that looks great on college applications and resumes. It's also a great way to meet new people or hang out with your friends. We'll talk about ways to make the library better for young adults, have a teen-led current events round table, talk about our favorite books, and have a great time doing it. And as always, snacks will be provided.

For more information about TAB you can contact our Young Adult Librarian, Luke Alvey at (409) 949-3008.

Moore Teens Unite! Book Blog

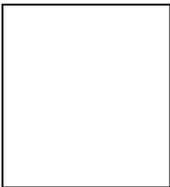
Tweens and teens looking for new reading material should check out Moore Teens Unite!, a book



blog dedicated to literature and information resources for teenagers. You don't have to be at the library to know what new books are hot.

The blog may be accessed at:

<http://mmpl-teentalk.blogspot.com/>



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Become a Friend of Moore Memorial Library

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.

The Friends' dues for calendar year 2010 (Jan. 1, 2010 through Dec. 31, 2010) are the following:

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

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Individual (\$10) ____

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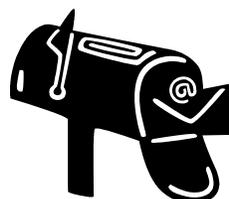
Senior Citizen 60+(\$5) ____

Student (\$5) ____

Sustaining (\$50) ____

Valued Friend (\$100) ____

Life Member (\$1,000) ____



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