

BETWEEN THE LINES

F R I E N D S O F T H E A L P I N E P U B L I C L I B R A R Y

THE NEW ALPINE PUBLIC LIBRARY RECEIVES KING FOUNDATION GRANT

OFFICERS

DON WETTERAUER, PRESIDENT
CONNIE ROE, VICE-PRESIDENT
KAREN BOYD, PAST PRESIDENT
KAREN BOYD, SECRETARY
KAREN BOYD, MEMBERSHIP
PAIGE DELANEY, NEWSLETTER

PAIGE DELANEY, LIBRARY
DIRECTOR

LIFETIME MEMBERS

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP IS
AWARDED FOR EXCEPTIONAL
SUPPORT OF THE LIBRARY.

VERNA BONNER
KATHY BORK
KAREN BOYD
SUSAN CURRY
ANTOINETTE EDMONDS
ELDERS & SISTERS OF
CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
LATTER-DAY SAINTS
MARY BETH GARRETT
GAYLE LEWIS
VAN ROBINSON
CHRIS RUGGIA
ELLEN RUGGIA
MARILYN TERRY
DICK ZIMMER
JEAN ZIMMER

INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

President	2
Fundraising	3
Book Sale	4
Special Donations	5
Volunteers & Features	6
Kids	7
Survey	8

The Alpine Public Library was awarded a \$25,000 grant from the Carl B. & Florence King Foundation, earlier this month. The funds are designated toward the construction of a children's area and courtyard in the new library building, located at Avenue E and 13th Street.

The capital campaign for the new Alpine Public Library is about halfway toward its \$1.4 million goal for the construction of a new building. A great deal of work has been completed on the site since the groundbreaking

in December 2008. The building structure is up and there is still the need to finish the floors, add the climate control HVAC, the interior walls, the duct work, and the library shelves.

The King Foundation grant is "dedicated to the betterment of individuals, communities, and society through informed giving."

A CONTINUING COMMITMENT

Board members Kathy Bork, Ken Durham, and Juliette Schwab continu-

ally labor to raise foundation funds for construction and furniture by writing grant proposals and approaching potential funders with our case statement. While local residents know personally the many reasons to build a new library, foundations from outside the area are often difficult to convince. See Kathy Bork's article on page two for a summary of the fundraising efforts.



WIN PRIZES!

Both the Alpine and Marathon libraries are holding drawings — enter to win DVD movies, a quilt, an MP3 player, and more! Each month both libraries will offer a new prize. You may also enter at Magoos Restaurant. For information about Alpine drawings, contact Janie at 432-837-2621, and in Marathon, call Carol at 432-386-4136.

RECYCLE AT THE LIBRARY

Alpine Recycles! has provided the library with permanent outdoor recycling bins. These will be for patron and library use, and have been adopted by Nancy Davila & Randy Ersch, who have generously volunteered to empty them for us.

ILLEGAL DUMPING DVD

The Leadership Big Bend Class of 2010 has developed a short informational DVD about the problem of illegal dumping in the Big Bend region. Copies are available at the library for viewing. DVDs are free for classrooms, service clubs, or private viewing use. Inquire at the circulation desk at either library branch.

THE MAGNIFICENT PEOPLE OF BREWSTER COUNTY

To be hopeful in bad times is not just foolishly romantic. It is based on the fact that human history is a history not only of cruelty, but also of compassion, sacrifice, courage, kindness. What we choose to emphasize in this complex history will determine our lives. If we see only the worst, it destroys our capacity to do something. If we remember those times and places (and there are so many) where people have behaved magnificently, this gives us the energy to act, and at least the possibility of sending this spinning top of a world in a different direction. And if we do act, in however small a way, we don't have to wait for some grand utopian future. The future is an infinite succession of presents, and to live now as we think human beings should live, in defiance of all that is bad around us, is itself a marvelous victory.

—Howard Zinn

In this space I usually talk about the library's building campaign. I'm going to do that again, but this time I want to talk about the people who have "behaved magnificently" during the three years or so that we've been working to send "this spinning top" of Brewster County in a different direction in

terms of library service.

Howard Zinn, in the quotation at left, eloquently sums up my philosophy of life: do what you can, where you can, for whom you can, when you can. He tells us to "choose to emphasize" hope in bad times, to remember that "we don't have to wait for some grand utopian future" to "live now as we think human beings should live."

Big thoughts, hard thoughts to get your brain around when your stock portfolio is losing ground, when you can't find a job, when you hear about an abused child or animal. But the citizens of Brewster County (and the library's many friends from outside our area) have behaved magnificently since the beginning to get what they want: a new public library.

Lest you think that that great-looking building at 805 W. Avenue E is being paid for by big foundations and big donors, know that that is not the case. More than 75% of the more than \$700,000.00 we've raised to date has come from individual donors.

We've received a \$300.00 donation in pennies from

Alpine Elementary School first graders; donations from every service club in Alpine; donations from ranchers, bankers, cyclists, artists, Brownies, publishers, politicians, quilters, insurance agents, CPAs, lawyers, judges, hoteliers, restaurateurs, travelers, retailers, real estate agents, appraisers, gallery owners, college students, Leadership Big Bend classes, engineers, church goers, bar goers, well diggers, Alpine High School alumni, trash haulers, railroaders, electricians, PhDs, GEDs.

Donations from you magnificent people have ranged from \$3.00 to \$100,000.00. And every single one of those donations is appreciated as much as any donation from a foundation. Your unflagging support of this project is indeed "a marvelous victory" for all of us and gives me, at least, the energy to continue to work.

—Kathy Bork
President

Alpine Public Library Board
of Directors

FUNDRAISING NEWS

In the Spring newsletter, you found a Friends of the Library membership renewal form for 2010 memberships. Until now, all memberships have been on a January to December basis and were due in January. Beginning this spring, Karen Boyd is switching to a 12-month basis that begins during the month you join. Thanks for your patience during this transition. If you have questions concerning your membership, please contact Karen at 432-837-0838.

I often receive questions regarding donations and where they go. As illustrated below, you can specify whether your cash donation goes to library operations, to the new building funds, or to Friends projects.

To be sure your book donation goes to the best use, please consult our gift acceptance policy before donating books. There are certain limits on what can be used, whether it be at the library or

Re-Reads bookstore. For a copy of the policy, please email the library, or stop by either location to pick up a copy.

Cash donations to support ongoing library **operations**, such as purchasing books, equipment, or to support special programs, should be sent directly to the library (Alpine or Marathon) and labeled for library operations. Cash donations for the building fund (**construction**) should also be specifically labeled and sent to PO Box 44 in Alpine. Cash donations for the **Friends** of the Library and their special projects should be sent to the appropriate Alpine or Marathon

Friends PO Box listed below. If you make a cash donation as a memorial or in honor of someone, please be sure to provide addresses for acknowledgment notes to be sent out. We will make every effort to include these in the Friends newsletter and in the Alpine Avalanche, if possible. This is a very busy time for all of us. We at the library are juggling our regular library business and the construction income and spending. If you have any questions, please ask! We appreciate your support.

Paige Delaney

AMOUNT STILL REQUIRED FOR:

CONSTRUCTION:
\$700,000

FURNITURE:
\$125,000

COMPUTERS:
\$15,000

NEW BOOKS:
\$35,000

Alpine Public Library Operations

Director: Paige Delaney
203 N. 7th Street Alpine, TX 79830
New books, programs, equipment
Marathon Operations:
PO Box 177 Marathon, TX 79842

THREE WAYS TO DONATE

Alpine Public Library New Building Fund

Chair: Mary Jane Morgan
PO Box 44 Alpine, TX 79831
Construction costs

Friends of the Alpine Public Library

President: Don Wetterauer
Membership: Karen Boyd
PO Box 886 Alpine, TX 79831
Re-Reads used book store,
Special Projects

Friends of the Marathon Public Library

President: Jackie Boyd
PO Box 215 Marathon, TX 79842
Programs, Special Projects

Email: alpinepl@sbcglobal.net

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY SIDEWALK BOOK SALE

On April 30 and May 1, the Friends of the Library held their annual sidewalk sale at the Alpine Public library. At this event the Friends make available their back stock of Re-Reads books for sale at rock-bottom prices. The 2010 sale was an important one, as the Friends began reducing inventory in anticipation of moving to the new library location when it is complete. Volunteers from all over helped to move, organize, sell, and recycle books.

In the new library, the Friends will have access to more than

three times the current space they enjoy at Re-Reads. The new store will be climate-controlled with staff internet access and telephone—all great improvements over the current location!

The current Re-Reads building was sold in October 2009 to a private owner, who will allow us to stay until we move. The land is owned by Brewster County. Other book sales on the schedule for 2010 include the Way Out West Book Festival and The Center for Big Bend Studies. Join us for some great book deals or to

volunteer!

Thanks to all our volunteer book sellers! We couldn't do it without you.

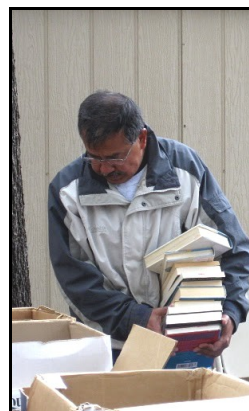


Marilyn Terry, book sale coordinator

**NEXT FRIENDS
OF THE LIBRARY
MEETING:**

**SEPT. 7, 2010
HIGH NOON
AT THE
ALPINE PUBLIC
LIBRARY**

**EVERYONE IS
WELCOME!**



Photos by Connie Roe

SPECIAL DONATIONS

TO MAKE A DONATION IN MEMORY OR HONOR OF SOMEONE, PLEASE SUBMIT *IN WRITING* YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS AND THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON TO ACKNOWLEDGE TO THE LIBRARY WITH YOUR DONATION. WE WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO INCLUDE THEM IN THE NEWSLETTER.

IN MEMORY OF

EDDIE COGGINS:
LOPE & GUSS LINES
GEORGIE & BLANE WILSON
MR. & MRS. JACK BOW,
CHRIS, KAT, & JACQUE
JUDGE VAL BEARD
MARILYN STANONIS
KAY & DON GREEN
KATHY & BILLITO DONNELL
ROBERT & JEAN RAGLAND
CATHY & WILLIAM BART PATE
JULIETTE & GREG SCHWAB
ANNE & MALCOLM CALAWAY
SYLVIA "TEEBY"
FORCHHEIMER
JUDGE KENNETH DEHART

OLEENE CALAWAY:
ALBERT & KATHY BORK
MARY JANE MORGAN

MILLARD SPRIGGS:
JOANN & NOEL WOLF
KATHY & CONRAD HIBBERT

CATHERINE PETERSON:
JUDGE VAL BEARD
TONI PATE BROOKOVER &
FAMILY

BILLY MERIWETHER:
JUDGE VAL BEARD
JULIETTE & GREG SCHWAB

PETE A. GALLEG0, JR.:
JUDGE VAL BEARD

EVELYN RITTER:
JULIETTE & GREG SCHWAB
SUZANNE BREWER

GRACE WARD:
JULIETTE & GREG SCHWAB
MR. & MRS. KING TERRY, JR.
SYLVIA "TEEBY"
FORCHHEIMER
CLARA & BILL BOREING

JANE BRITE WHITE:
JULIETTE & GREG SCHWAB
KATHY & BILLITO DONNELL

ISABELL DAVIS:
KAY & ROBERT STOVELL

BUD POWERS:
TONI PATE BROOKOVER &
FAMILY

SHIRLEY COLEMAN:
AUDREY PAINTER

ZITA JULIA PASHILK:
TONI PATE BROOKOVER &
FAMILY

MARY ROBERTS:
JOANNA & LEE COWELL
JENNIFER LYNNE PATTILLO:
JOANNA & LEE COWELL

LLOYD COWELL:
JOANNA & LEE COWELL

ALLEN BURDITT:
KAY & DON GREEN

KATHERINE SHELLEY:
KATHY & BILLITO DONNELL
JIM & SALLY ESPY

BILLY R. SHURLEY:
KATHY & BILLITO DONNELL

TERENCE EAKENS:
CHERYL EAKENS

JOYCE HAMMER:
JOANNA & LEE COWELL

JOSEPHINE BRELAND:
KRISTIE & ROB KINUCAN

CATHARINE DALLAS
FAGAN BAXTER:

MARTHA LATTA
PAUL FORCHHEIMER:
GREG & JULIETTE SCHWAB
SYLVIA "TEEBY"
FORCHHEIMER

DON RILEY:
JAN & STEVE JACOBS

ARNOLD SAWYER:
KAY E. & J. ROBERT STOVELL

IN HONOR OF

BECKY TERRY:
MARY JANE MORGAN
ELIZABETH ROGERS

KATHY BORK:
LOUIS DESIPIO
JANET DIVINCENZO
PAIGE DELANEY
JULIETTE & GREG SCHWAB
MARY JANE MORGAN

DR. RICARDO MAESTAS &
FAMILY:
JULIETTE & GREG SCHWAB

CHRIS RUGGIA & KEN DURHAM:
ALBERT & KATHY BORK

MARY JANE MORGAN:
GREG & JULIETTE SCHWAB
ALBERT & KATHY BORK

BILL DONNELL:
ELIZABETH ROGERS

MARY V. STRINGFELLOW:
ELIZABETH ROGERS



OUTSTANDING LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS

ALPINE

Circulation Assistant:
Susan Lowrance

Handypeople:
Don Wetterauer
James "Giggles" Beaulieu
Mary Lou Spann

Groundskeeper:
Mary Lou Spann

Recyclers:
Randy Ersch & Nancy
Davila
Pilot Club of Alpine

Library Technical Asst:

Kathy Bork
Bette Kelly

Children's Programs:

Amy Struthers
Jan Jacobs
Michael Greenroy
Mary Lou Spann

MARATHON

Children's Programs:
Jackie Boyd
Steve & Arlene Griffis
Carol Henthorne
Eula Mae Colmenero

Handypeople:
Danielle Gallo
Zach Zniwski

THE PHANTOM HANDYMAN
OF THE ALPINE PUBLIC
LIBRARY

He arrives in his red pickup sporting red suspenders. His salt and pepper beard is short and trim. He's a quiet guy... with a twinkle in his eye, who tilts his head to one side and says, "Sure. *We* can do that." He wears a tape measure on his belt and carries a small toolbox. After a few speedy measurements, he's vanished... up the chimney perhaps.

A few days later, a new desk for the children's librarian has been installed in the children's room, or the magazine shelving's been rebuilt so that the magazines are displayed face out, or a carton containing hundreds of pieces of metal has been transformed into an AV supply cabinet, or thousands of musty, old books have been hauled to

the Hal Flanders Recycling Center, or the "out of order" sign on the toilet has been removed.

You didn't even know that he had been there, did you?

He is the *Phantom Handyman of the Alpine Public Library*. The library could not operate without him. I'll tell you his name if you promise not to share it with anyone. His name is Don Wetterauer and he is the president of the Friends of the Alpine Public Library. He works for cookies.

Connie Roe

P.S. If you have a special talent to share, be sure to speak with our director, Paige Delaney, about what you might do for our community library.

Re-Reads Bookstore –
Used Books

Be sure and stop by Re-Reads
Come by and take a look
Where prices are the very best
For every sort of book.

Fix-it books and travel books
And books to do fine sewing
Thoughtful books and get well books
And books for flower growing.

Books to help your marriage
Your diet and your cooking
Books for every age of child
Like picture books, for looking.

For mysteries and histories
For lovey- dove romances
Biographies and poetry
And cowboy life on ranches.

Be sure and stop by Re-Reads
Go browsing book to book
You just might find a treasure
And it sure is fun to look!

Marilyn Terry

Friends of the Alpine Public Library
2010 Business Members

As of June 14, 2010

The Cleaners
Dance & Fitness Studio
Vast Graphics
BorkEdit

RE-READS BOOKSTORE

A project of the Alpine Public Library

*Support your library
by enjoying quality
used books at great prices!*

Ave. E at 7th St.
Now open 6 days a week!
Mon-Tues 10-4 / Wed-Sat 10-5



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



NEWS FROM THE MARATHON BRANCH

Our Summer Reading theme is "Catch the Reading Express." We will read books about trains and travelling adventures, and enjoy crafts, puppet shows, and snacks. We meet Wednesdays at 11:30am in the Baptist Hall across from the Marathon Library. We hope to have a visit from Dolores Mosser, the author of "Train Story."

Also this summer, rangers from Big Bend National Park will visit us again and lead us through fun natural science activities!



ALPINE SUMMER READING PROGRAM

The Alpine Summer Reading Program kicked off The Reading Express by making engineer hats! This program runs concurrently at the library and at the Alpine Community Center. Join us on Thursdays from 3-4pm. Everyone is welcome.

ALPINE SUMMER READING CLUB

Self-paced program for all ages. Sign up at the library.

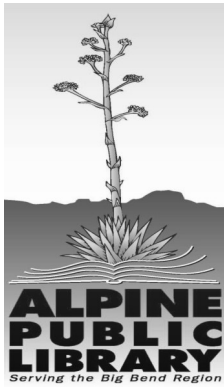
ALPINE TODDLER TIME

Toddler Time meets at the library on Tuesdays at 10:00am. Ages 0-5.

NEW SUMMER HOURS AT ALPINE

During June and July, the Alpine library will be open late on Thursdays. M-W & F: 9:30am-5:30pm; Th.: 11am-7pm; Sat.: 10am-1pm.





ALPINE PUBLIC LIBRARY
 203 N. 7TH STREET
 ALPINE, TX 79830
 Phone: 432-837-2621
 Fax: 432-837-2501
 Editor: alpinepl@sbcglobal.net
 Web: www.alpinepubliclibrary.org

A D D R E S S R E T U R N S E R V I C E R E Q U E S T E D

Copying donated by TOTAL OFFICE SOLUTION OF WEST TEXAS — FORT STOCKTON DIVISION

If you've received a hard copy of this newsletter but you prefer e-mail, or if you have received multiple copies, please let us know. Each email address saves us about \$2 per year! Thanks.



LIBRARY SERVICES SURVEY

Library Service	Are you aware of this service?	What is this service worth to you in dollars, per use	Number of times you use this library service per month
Borrow books			
Borrow magazines			
Borrow movies			
Borrow audio books			
Use magazines/newspapers in library			
Interlibrary Loan			
Attend adult programs and classes			
Attend children's programs			
Use public computers (i.e. Internet, MS Word, etc.)			
Read newspapers online			
Use database search tools like EBSCO, HeritageQuest, etc.			
Ask reference questions			
Other (please specify)			

Thanks for your response! Your input will be used to improve library services. Please return your responses to the Alpine Public Library.