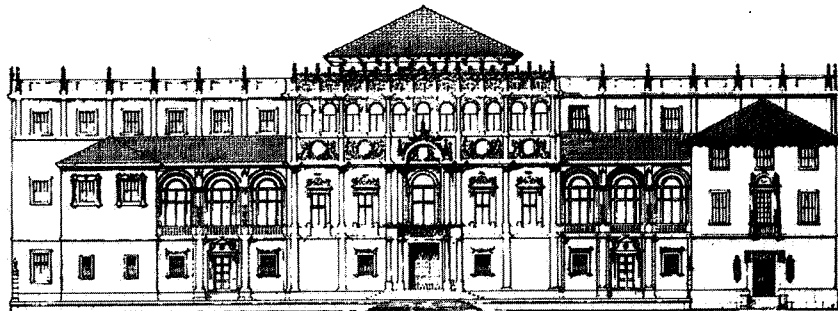


# Between Friends



NEWS ABOUT THE FRIENDS OF THE HOUSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY  
JUNE 2005

## CELEBRATING A FABULOUSLY SUCCESSFUL 2005 ANNUAL BOOK SALE

*What I saw at the Friend's Book Sale . . .*

- A twelve year old sitting under a table with her new favorite book.
- A college student with a rare volume of poetry.
- A teacher with books for her classroom for a year.
- A retired couple with reading material for months to come.

*Every one of them is a friend of the Houston Public Library, and you helped make it possible.*

Thanks to you, Friends, our community and our Library are able to look back at yet another successful book sale. This sale is an asset to the community in two important ways. First, the money we raise goes to Library programming, children's storytelling, collection development, and staff support. Moreover, members of the community, including parents and educators, are able to purchase books and educational materials at affordable prices.

You will want to know that with your generous involvement, we raised more than \$122,000, welcomed more than 6,000 visitors, and sold nearly 80,000 books!

## Children's Book Sale 2005

*Friday, September 9 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.*

*Saturday, September 10 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.*

*5216 Feagan*

HISD Doris Miller Center (near Memorial Drive and Shepherd)

*Educators, bring your tax-exempt ID*

**For more information call 832-393-1387  
or visit [www.friendsofhpl.org](http://www.friendsofhpl.org)**

*Dear Members,  
THE FRIENDS OF THE  
HOUSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY*

*Invite you to the*

## *2005 Annual Meeting and Author Reception*

*Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 p.m.*

*Julia Ideson Building  
500 McKinney Avenue*

*Our Guest Author and Speaker will be  
Andrea White*

*On her newest young adult book,  
Surviving Antarctica: Reality TV 2083*

It's 50 degrees below zero. The wind and snow blow so hard, you can't see your hand in front of your face. Your heating fuel is nearly gone, and so is your food. How do you survive?

Five fourteen-year-olds face this desperate situation on a deadly journey in Antarctica. It is 2083. They are contestants on a reality TV show, Antarctic Survivor, which is set up to re-create Robert F. Scott's 1912 doomed attempt to be the first to reach the South Pole.

This action-packed, riveting adventure -- full of fascinating direct quotes from Scott's journals and other accounts of the expedition -- is both a heart-wrenching drama from the past and a disquieting glimpse into the future.

*A light supper will follow the program  
Members, r.s.v.p. acceptances to  
832-393-1387*

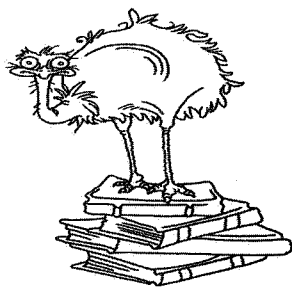
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*The Friends of the Houston Public Library Are  
Proud to Support the 2005 Summer Reading Program*

## **“GO WILD...READ!”**

### **During Houston Public Library's 2005 Summer Reading Program**

The Houston Public Library's 2005 Summer Reading Program, "Go Wild...Read!" provides opportunities for children and teens to enjoy reading their favorite books, plus lots of fun entertaining activities and special programs, and they can also earn great valuable incentives! The Summer Reading Program begins June 1 through August 1, 2005. Participants ages 18 and under are invited to sign up free at any of Houston Public Library's 36 branch locations or the Central Library, downtown.



The Summer Reading Program is designed to encourage youth to read for pleasure and to promote library usage. This

year's theme, "Go Wild...Read!" was selected because programs will focus attention on nature, animals, exploration, and adventure. The program also emphasizes ways in which reading expands young minds and encourages kids to use their imaginations, to read for pleasure, enhance their knowledge, and to establishing a foundation for academic and lifelong success. Studies have shown that kids who read throughout the summer are much better prepared and more enthusiastic when school starts again in the fall.

"Last summer more than 29,000 children and teens participated in the Houston Public Library's Summer Reading Program, reading more than 500,000 books," said Interim Library Director Toni Lambert. "This summer's 'Go



Wild...Read!' program will help young people expand their world and cultivate an enthusiasm for reading that will last a lifetime. We encourage all children and teens to register early and participate."

The Friends of the Houston Public Library, the Texas State Library and Archives Commission through the Loan Star Grant, and Faye Sarofim & Company have generously provided the funding for this year's Summer Reading Program.

For further information call the Houston Public Library at 832-393-1313 or visit the Web site at <http://www.houstonlibrary.org>.

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## **Thank You Volunteers!**

Volunteers are the heart and soul of the Friends. Our volunteers work tirelessly to sort books for the sale and then to hold the biggest and most successful book sale in the country! Thank You!

Houston Public Library took time on April 28 to recognize the outstanding work of all the Library's volunteers at the Volunteer Recognition Reception. This year's program included a special tribute to Dr. Jim Butler, a long-time Friends volunteer who passed away last year. For the Library and the Friends, volunteers mean a better Library.

## **Wanted**

### **Warehouse Volunteers to Take Leadership Roles**

The Friends need a few good volunteer to take on some of the organizational tasks in their northwest Houston warehouse.

This volunteer, or volunteers, would lead warehouse volunteers, make sure books for the sale are well-sorted, well-packed, and organized for a successful sale, call the coffee break on Saturday mornings, help plan the sale, and keep the warehouse the smooth running machine that it is.

Our volunteers at the warehouse enjoy a camaraderie that is contagiously fun. We just need some more leaders!

### **Reward**

Undying Gratitude, A Fulfilling Volunteer Job, and Strong Library for the Community. Call the Friends at 832-393-1387!

