

BHML News & Current Events

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Neighborhood Enhancement Vehicle to Provide a Library on Wheels!

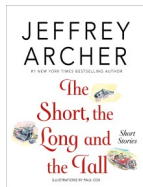
Kerrville City Council recently approved the purchase of the Neighborhood Enhancement Vehicle (NEV). The Friends of the Library donated \$60K toward the purchase of the vehicle. BHML looks forward to using the NEV to offer a variety of services including:

1. Library card sign-ups at schools and community events
2. Homebound delivery of books and materials
3. Provide services and programs within neighborhoods
4. Serve as a bookmobile
5. Be utilized for special events
6. Support other departments
7. Provide information



The purpose of the NEV as part of the Neighborhood Enhancement Team (NET) is that it will be used to enhance the quality of life for Kerrville residents one neighborhood at a time.

New and Popular Titles



The Short, the Long, and the Tall
Short Stories by Jeffrey Archer



In the Garden of Spite: A Novel of the Black Widow of La Porte
Novel by Camilla Bruce



Tsarina
Novel by Ellen Alpsten



Burning the Books
by Richard Ovenden



Land: How the Hunger for Ownership Shaped the Modern World
by Simon Winchester

Library Book Club

• Brown Bag Book Club:

Nature's Best Hope
by Douglas W. Tallamy

Zoom Meeting Thursday, Mar. 11th, at Noon

• Talking Texas Book Club:

Empire of the Summer Moon
by S.W. Gwynne

Zoom Meeting Thursday, Mar. 25th, at 11:30 am

Texas Independence Day Resources

Tuesday, March 2nd is Texas Independence Day!

The library currently holds a variety of Texana materials including the book, *A Biscuit for your shoe: A memoir of County Line, a Texas Freedom Colony* by Beatrice Upshaw.

The memoir captures the story of a community which began as a freedom colony west of Nacogdoches in East Texas.

Cult of Glory: the Bold and Brutal History of the Texas Rangers by Doug J. Swanson offers a sweeping

account of the Rangers that chronicles both their epic and daring escapades.

Celebrate Texas Independence Day with a book from BHML!



Spring Break Programming

All events are free of charge and take place in the Library Meeting Room. Due to social distancing, registration is required and begins March 7th. Masks are required for attendees 10 and older.

Children's Spring Break Programs

Monday, March 15th @ 2 p.m.—DIY Shadow Puppet Theater—Join us for a fun workshop to create your own shadow puppet theater and puppets.

Tuesday, March 16th @ 2 p.m.—

LEGO Science—You are an archaeologist, looking for fragile fossils, and come across something interesting in a glacier and want to explore more.

Wednesday, March 17th @ 2 p.m.—Mystery Craft Grab Bags—Have you missed craft projects this past year? Come by to pick up a mystery grab bag filled with craft projects to do at home. **Sign up not required for this event.**

Thursday, March 18th @ 1 p.m.—The Croods 2 Event—Join us for a fun afternoon with a PG movie and a craft. Craft will be at 1 p.m.

Teen Spring Break Programs (for ages 12-18; masks required for all attendees.)

Tuesday, March 16th @ 4:30—Teen DIY Pink Lemonade Lip Gloss—Are you interested in learning how to make your own lip gloss? Join us for this easy and fun recipe session.

Don't forget to sign up!

Meet The Staff: Patron Services Librarian

Butt-Holdsworth Memorial Library Patron Services Librarian, Rachael Carruthers, has worked for the City of Kerrville since December of 2009. A graduate of Texas State University, she established her career in social work before entering the library field.

Rachael offers engaging programs for adults that provide opportunities for people to experience BHML. She selects materials that build on patron interests to expand and maintain adult collections.

Rachael is an avid reader. Her favorite authors include Louise Penny, Anne MacCaffrey, Christopher Fowler, Michael Connolly, and Martha Grimes.

She recommends *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn* by Betty Smith and her favorite children's book is *The Secret Garden* by Francis Hodgson Burnett.

Rachael lives in Kerrville and during time off enjoys volunteering in the community.



Staff Picks

The Last Train to Key West by Chanel Cleeton

In 1935 three women are forever changed when one of the most powerful hurricanes in history barrels toward the Florida Keys. A haunting tale of hope and tragedy.

Bloom by Kenneth Oppel

Bloom is about an invasion, but told in a way that is completely unique in so many ways. It is a clever book, aimed at a younger audience, but fascinating and will make you look at science fiction in a completely new way. Don't drink the water!

Would You Kill the Fat Man? by David Edmonds

Who knew the philosophy of ethics could be so entertaining? In this thought-provoking book, the author examines the out-of-control-Trolley Problem and various permutations, alongside situations and events where the theoretical question was all too real.

Tech Corner: Learning and Skills Help through Learning Express

Learning Express is an online interactive suite of tutorials and practice tests designed to help patrons, students and adult learners succeed on all academic and career paths.

Patrons and students can get immediate feedback on subjects from all academic fronts as well as practice exams for SAT, ACT, ASVAB and many others.

BHML offers access to various Learning Express options including:

- Learning Express High School Equivalency Center builds academic skills while preparing for the high school equivalency exam.
- Learning Express Job and Career Accelerator provides powerful tools and expert guidance to assist in finding a great job.
- Learning Express Career Center Plus offers professional exam preparation, occupational information, and workplace improvement skills.
- Learning Express Adult Learning Center presents adult skill improvement resources, to earn a GED Test credential, or become a U.S. citizen.
- Learning Express: Recursos Para Hispano Hablantes provides Spanish speakers the resources to read and write in English, refresh their math skills, learn courses and provides practice tests in Spanish for patrons to achieve their goals.

Learning Express is available free of charge through TexShare and is located on the Butt-Holdsworth Memorial Library Catalog page to the bottom left under the Electronic Resources section.

Questions? Comments? Call the Reference Desk at 830-258-1274 and one of our librarians will assist you.

Kids' Corner

Read Across America

Please join the Library in celebrating National Education Association's Read Across America, an annual reading motivation and awareness program that calls for every child in every community to celebrate reading on March 2, the birthday of beloved children's author Dr. Seuss.

Join us in encouraging lifelong reading—read to your children, grandchildren, and students today!

Popular Dr. Seuss books:

- The Cat in the Hat
- The Cat in the Hat Comes Back
- Green Eggs and Ham
- The 500 Hats of Bartholomew Cubbins
- I Think That I Saw It on Mulberry Street
- The Foot Book
- Fox in Socks
- Did I Ever Tell You How Lucky You Are?
- Horton Hears a Who!
- How the Grinch Stole Christmas
- The Lorax

Last night I dreamt I wrote *The Lord of the Rings*. Then I realized I was just Tolkien in my sleep.

Last night the Library was broken into and all of the dictionaries were stolen. I'm at a loss for words.



Butt-Holdsworth Memorial Library

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Business Hours:

Sunday - Closed
Monday - 10 am - 6 pm
Tuesday - 10 am - 6 pm
Wednesday - 10 am - 6 pm
Thursday - 10 am - 6 pm
Friday - 10 am - 6 pm
Saturday - 10 am - 6 pm

Library Services:

The Library offers in-person operations and computers limited to one hour use per patron per day to allow for social distancing. Additionally, curbside pickup continues to be available Monday thru Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. We encourage patrons to take advantage of this convenient option.

Library Mission Statement

- ◆ The Butt-Holdsworth Memorial Library's mission is to inspire creativity, encourage lifelong learning, instill the joy of reading, and strengthen our community by providing access to information, education, culture and recreation.

Library Vision Statement

- ◆ The Butt-Holdsworth Memorial Library will foster the spirit of exploration, lifelong learning and the pursuit of knowledge for all citizens.

Guiding Principles

- ◆ Be a warm and welcoming place for community members to gather.
- ◆ Be actively engaged in the life of the community.
- ◆ Strive to deliver the highest quality services possible and pledge to be approachable and knowledgeable.
- ◆ Be good stewards of the Library's financial and material resources.
- ◆ Protect the freedom to read and access to information.
- ◆ Staff are available to provide assistance by phone (258-1274), via email at library.webmaster@kerrvilletx.gov, or via text at 830-215-0640 .

Friends of the Library News

The goal of the Friends of the Library is to promote and assist the library in achieving its mission.

One way that the FOTL assists in generating revenue is by selling books.

Material prices include:

- Hardback Books - \$2.50
- Softcover Books - \$1.50
- Children and Young Adult Hardback Books - \$1.00
- Children and Young Adult Softcover Books - \$0.50
- Over-Sized Books - \$4.00
- Paperbacks \$0.50 each or 4 for \$1.00
- Collectibles and Special Displays - Prices as Marked

Proceeds from the book sales provide funding for programs and materials such as the Summer Reading Program, audio books, large print books, and supplies and equipment not covered by the library budget.

Memberships are available at the Library or at the door on book sale days.

Beginning March 1st, the Friends of the Library Bookstore will be open every Wednesday, from 1-3 p.m.

Please keep the Friends of the Library in mind as they look forward to your future visit!!

