Mango Day @ the library

Staff wore costumes from many countries on Mango Day.

Reference Librarian Debbie Riether, demonstrated Mango Languages to customers.

Sarah Kramer (left) presents Lori Shaw (right) with the Mango Basket she won in the March Mango Madness raffle.

Sarah Kramer offered customers mango water ice on Mango Day.

State of America’s Libraries Report 2012

Publishers limiting library e-book lending, budget cuts and book challenges are just a few library trends of the past year that are placing free access to information in jeopardy. These trends, as well as others, are detailed in the 2012 State of America’s Libraries Report released by the American Library Association (ALA) in conjunction with National Library Week (April 8–14).

The rapid growth of e-books has stimulated increasing demand for them in libraries, but libraries only have limited access to e-books because of restrictions placed on their use by publishers. Macmillan Publishing, Simon and Schuster and Hachette Book Group refused to sell e-books to libraries. HarperCollins imposed an arbitrary 26 loans per e-book license, and Penguin refused to let libraries lend its new titles altogether. When Random House raised e-book prices, ALA urged it to reconsider. “In a time of extreme financial constraint, a major price increase effectively curtails access for many libraries, and especially our communities that are hardest hit economically,” Molly Raphael, ALA president, said in a statement.

The single-minded drive to reduce budget...
May 2012

Kid’s Corner

This month, children can make a Mother’s Day Craft, enjoy a story and a craft on “Ladybug Day,” play with puzzles, make a collage, do sand art, and many other activities.

Story Crafters ages 7-11 will have fun making a craft on May 9, and playing games on May 30.
A second Baby Time Rhymes has been added in May.
Please see the calendar on page 4 for program times, dates, and ages.
Please go to the calendar at www.hegganlibrary.org to register for children’s programs.

Android App now available

Mango Languages is a language learning platform that delivers fast, easy and effective language learning wherever your travels take you. With the free iPhone and Android™ apps, you can access the same courses available through your library when you’re on the go.

For the apps to work, you must have an account with Mango set up through the library’s website, and an iPhone® or Android™ mobile device. Once the apps and lessons have been downloaded, you can learn at your own pace, with or without an internet connection.
Please see a librarian if you need assistance.

May is Latino Books Month

Check out the library’s Spanish Language Collection, located at the end of the non-fiction books, near the magazine area of the library.
The library’s collection includes fiction and non-fiction books for children and adults, a Spanish language newspaper and three magazines, and audiobooks and children’s books with CDs.
The library also offers a number of databases and online resources in Spanish.

Golf Fans

Have you ever admired the KPMG hat that three-time Masters champ Phil Mickelson wears on tour? Now you can order one and support literacy at the same time.

For every $29.95 hat ordered, KPMG will make a donation to First Book to help put three new books in the hands of children in need.
Visit PhilsBlueHat.com to take advantage of this special opportunity.

All Booked Up

A BOOK CLUB FOR GIRLS AGES 10-12

Monday, May 14
6:00 p.m.
Clue:
Mystery in the Moonlight
by A.E. Parker

Monday, June 11
6:00 p.m.
Dork Diaries: Tales from a Not-So-Fabulous Life
by Rachel Renee Russell

This discussion is free and open to girls ages 10-12. Advance phone or online registration is required. Please go to the calendar at www.hegganlibrary.org or call the library to register. You may bring a small snack or sandwich to enjoy during the discussion.

May Displays

Main Display Case
Vintage Jewelry
Adult Displays
Family Wellness Month
Older Americans Month
Corner Display
Spanish Language
Gallery
Europe’s Natural Beauty

TEENS

Grades 6-12

Cinco de Mayo

Thursday, May 10 • 7:00 p.m.
Make a pinata and enjoy some Mexican snacks.
Advance online registration is required.
Limited to Heggan Library cardholders.
Please go to the calendar at www.hegganlibrary.org to register.
Margaret Heggan Library Statistics

The library is becoming a place that more and more people are visiting to check out materials, get answers to questions, and attend programs.

In the year before moving into the new library on June 1, 2011, 6,458 questions were answered at the reference desk. In the year after the move, the number of questions jumped to almost 20,000.

From June 2010 through April 2011, 307 people attended adult programs in the library. Since moving to the new library, 657 people have attended adult programs.

The Heritage Rug Hooking Guild meets monthly in the library to work on rugs and share their craft with others. Everyone is welcome to come to a meeting and learn about this craft.

**State of America’s Libraries**

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deficits continued to take its toll on essential services at all levels of society in 2011, with teachers and librarians sometimes seen as easy targets for layoffs. Even the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services suffered budget cuts, and the Library of Congress lost nearly 10 percent of its workforce.

School librarians faced especially draconian budgetary challenges in 2011. Cuts began at the federal level in May 2011, when the Department of Education eliminated fiscal 2011 funding for the Improving Literacy Through School Libraries program, the only federal program solely for school libraries in the United States.

Academic librarians and their colleagues in higher education in the United States also continued to navigate a “new normal,” characterized by stagnating budgets, unsustainable costs, increased student enrollments and reduced staff.

Even during a period of budget battles, however, the library community, led by ALA, stood firm against censorship. Internet-age versions of copyright and piracy issues shot to the forefront as 2011 turned into 2012, and the acronyms SOPA (the Stop Online Piracy Act) and PIPA (the PROTECT IP Act of 2011) became part of the vocabulary as the library and First Amendment communities took a strong stand against proponents of the legislation.

Book banning efforts were alive and well in 2011. The ALA Office for Intellectual Freedom (OIF) received 326 reports regarding attempts to remove or restrict materials from school curricula and library bookshelves.


**Anyone can be a Novelist**

Tuesday, May 22 6:30 p.m.

This is an introductory program to give you information about a series of writing workshops planned in the coming months.

Please go to the calendar at www.hegganlibrary.org to register.

Please email any questions to Novelist101@yahoogroups.com.

**Adult Programs**

**Gotta Go!**
More Than One Type of Urinary Issue
May 9 • 6:30 p.m.

**Klezmer Concert**
A Celebration of Jewish-American Heritage Month
May 15 • 7:00 p.m.

**Heritage Rug Hooking Guild**
May 19 • 10:00 a.m.

**In Harm’s Way:**
The Lasting Effects of Secondhand Smoke for Your Family
May 22 • 11:00 a.m.

**Anyone can be a Novelist**
May 22 • 6:30 p.m.

**The Perfect Resume**
May 23 • 6:30 p.m.

**Starting and Using Herbs Naturally**
June 14 • 7:00 p.m.

These programs are free and open to everyone. Advance online or phone registration is required. Please go to the calendar at www.hegganlibrary.org to register online.

**Mystery Book Discussion Group**

The Mystery Book Discussion Group meets in the library on the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

**May 21**
The Vintage Caper
by Peter Mayle

**June 18**
Christine Falls
by Benjamin Black

Please register online or contact Rose DeCicco, 856-881-8490.
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@ the Margaret E. Heggan Free Public Library

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