

March 2018



## News & Updates

Make plans to attend our upcoming events!



### Painting With A Purpose Was a HUGE Success!

Friends had a wonderful time at Painting With a Twist Rockwall and were the beneficiary of their monthly Painting With a Purpose. Thank you to all who came out to paint and thank you to Painting With a Twist for your donation of \$1295.00 to Friends of the Rockwall County Library.

## Upcoming Events

### Mad Hatter's Tea

The Mad Hatter's Tea is Tuesday, March 27, 2:00-4:00 P.M. at Hidden Creek, 215 Chris Cunny Pkwy, Heath, TX, 75032.

Reserve your spot by clicking on the link below or by contacting Pat Calhoun at [pat2792@att.net](mailto:pat2792@att.net) or 214-738-7547 by **Tuesday, March 20!**

[Click here to register](#)



## a tale of a book

from conception  
to library shelf,  
what does it take  
to publish a book?

Join us as we  
learn the  
process of  
publishing  
from  
Mary Demuth,  
published  
author of over  
35 books, at  
the  
Friends of the  
Library  
Luncheon



April 10th  
11:00 a.m.



## A Tale of a Book

April's Friends of the Rockwall County Library Meeting and Luncheon will be Tuesday, April 10, at 11:00 A.M. at the Library, and will feature local author Mary DeMuth.

On the menu: Pork Madrid, mashed potatoes, Mandarin orange salad, rolls, and Key lime pie  
Cost is \$20.

Reservation required, even if just attending the meeting (without lunch).

**Please make a reservation by April 3rd**, either online (click the link below), or by contacting Gloria Bishop at 972-475-7738 or [gloriab4@verizon.net](mailto:gloriab4@verizon.net) or Susan Suchand at 972-979-7669 or [swsuchand@hotmail.com](mailto:swsuchand@hotmail.com)

[Register on line here](#)

## May's Program Meeting will be a double treat!

Make your reservation for May's Program meeting by May 1, either online, or by contacting Gloria Bishop at 972-475-7738 or [gloriab4@verizon.net](mailto:gloriab4@verizon.net), or Susan Suchand at 972-979-7669 or [swsuchand@hotmail.com](mailto:swsuchand@hotmail.com)



Come hear violin virtuoso Richmond Punch, renowned Julliard and Yale graduate, here to dazzle with his strings and vibrant musical performance, **"Get Punched"**



Kaye Irwin, a retired educator and school librarian, fulfilled a post-retirement dream of becoming a docent at the George W. Bush Library and Museum. Volunteering at the library since shortly after it opened, she has served as a lead educator for the Bush Presidential Library for countless patrons and museum attendees. She considers it a privilege to have been a docent for four years and is very excited to bring stories of the Bush Legacy & Library to Friends.

## 2018 Hartman Award Ballot

The Hartman Award is given annually at the May General Meeting. The award is presented to a member of Friends who has performed over and above the duties of their position and given of themselves willingly and graciously for the good of Friends and the Library. Members have submitted 2 nominations for your consideration. The nominees, in alphabetical order:

**Susan Laszynski** – Susan has volunteered in many areas benefitting Friends and the Library.

- Her active involvement includes special events for the Children’s Christmas Programs (she’s known as the “Hot Cocoa Queen”).
  - She also volunteers in the Book Alcove, and in the Reading for Adults Program as a Citizenship tutor.
  - Susan served as Co-Vice President of Fundraising in 2015-16 and was instrumental in initiating two new events: Painting with a Twist and the first Springtime Tea with an Easter theme.
  - She continued to assist in these fundraising events during 2016-17.
  - For three years, Susan has been an active member of our Business Membership Committee. Her energy and enthusiasm has brought in numerous new members from the business community.
  - She served 4 years on the Hospitality Committee
  - Susan was an Ad Hoc Committee member for the redesign of our new Friends logo.
- Susan has been a passionate and effective representative of Friends. She is enthusiastically nominated and an excellent candidate for the Hartman Award.

**Jan Pearman** – Jan became Chair of the Book Alcove Committee in June 2016.

- She volunteers in the Alcove 15-20 hours per week plus additional planning time at home.
  - A strong believer in the team concept, she put together a 20-member group of volunteers and is their point of contact. Together, they began to plan to establish goals. As a result we have:
    - Volunteers in the Alcove each morning and afternoon, every day.
    - Reorganized shelves and new signage,
    - An expanded Children’s book section
    - Book bags purchased by patrons advertising the Book Alcove,
    - Cooperative relationships with local book resellers,
    - The Book Alcove generated 23% of Friends net income for 2016-17.
  - Jan has also served on the Christmas Luncheon Committee, the Hospitality Committee, and the Fundraising Committee.
  - She received the Celia Hays Volunteer Award in 2017.
  - When a copy of the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Friends Cookbook was donated, Jan ordered reprints to be sold at Friends meetings and in the Alcove.
- “Working willingly, graciously, and performing beyond the job requirements” clearly describes this deserving nominee.

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**Ballot for the 2018 Hartman Award**  
**Deadline April 30, 2018**                      **One vote per member**

Please indicate your vote below:

\_\_\_\_\_ Susan Laszynski  
\_\_\_\_\_ Jan Pearman

Please send completed ballot to Debbie Daniels, 917 Reflection Court, Heath, 75032  
(postmarked no later than April 30<sup>th</sup>)                      **OR**                      Email to: ddaniels109@sbcglobal.net

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