

Tyler library kicks off after-school reading club

Thursday afternoons this spring, Tyler Public Library offers elementary children the chance to be part of an after-school reading club called "AfterSchool Rules!"

The weekly reading incentive program is designed for children in grades kindergarten through fifth and meets each Thursday from 3:30-5 p.m. at the library.

Elementary students earn patches as they track their reading and explore new books

and authors. Reading and story building games are a part of each session, and every week the children will spend time reading aloud with an adult or teen "reading buddy."

"Our goal with "AfterSchool Rules!" is to provide school-age children with an introduction to fine classic and contemporary literature," said Evelyn James, Library programming associate. "We want to encourage kids and their families to be life-long

learners and make reading a habit."

"AfterSchool Rules!" meets in the library's Taylor Auditorium, 201 S. College St. in downtown Tyler.

Spring sessions are under way and continue through May 15.

The public is welcome, and no registration or fees are required. For more information, contact the library at 903-593-7323 (READ) or e-mail: programs@tylertexas.com.

NETPA calls for Bullard student journalism entries

To further the cause of community journalism, the North and East Texas Press Association (NETPA) will award two \$1,500 journalism scholarships this spring, according to Lori Mellinger of the Bullard Banner News.

The Bullard Banner News is a member of the NETPA.

The NETPA scholarship program was begun in 1999.

The 2007 winners were Meghan Clark of Olney High School and Tiffany Henry of White Oak High School.

Scholarships will be given to college-bound graduating high school seniors and actively enrolled college students from the NETPA region pursuing an education in print journalism.

Applications must be post-marked by Saturday, March 1, 2008 to be considered.

Applications are available

from the Bullard Banner News, 114 N. Houston St., Bullard, or can be downloaded from the NETPA Web site, www.NETPA.us.

Completed applications should be mailed to Randy Keck, The Community News, Box 1031, Aledo, TX 76008.

The winners will be recognized at the annual NETPA convention to be held in Tyler on April 3-5, 2008.

Collection

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from Bullard area artists Carole Beasley, Martha Tyler and Katy Smith due to the enormous number of books available," said Library Director Debbie Brown, "and because of these artists' greater knowledge of art media and art appreciation.

Their combined input, along with a few other interesting choices, resulted in quite a diverse group of books."

The collection includes books about many media, including painting, photography, weaving, sculpture, theater arts, folk arts, design, digital design, and others.

The national and international collection features artists from the United States, Paris, Africa, Britain, Spain, Japan, Nicaragua, Holland, Mexico, Cuba, and other countries.

An unusual volume is "Drawings into Film, Director's Drawings." Tim Burton's drawings for "Beetle Juice" and

"Edward Scissorhands" clearly illustrate how the startling images we see on the screen are born.

Movie fans, as well as art lovers, will enjoy this book.

The work of Barbara Hepworth, a 20th century British sculptor, is featured in "Barbara Hepworth, Sculptures from the Estate."

The stark simplicity of her designs in wood, bronze, stone, and marble demand that the reader turn the pages very slowly.

The images dwell in the eyes long after the book is closed.

"Glamour" traces the alluring yet elusive concept of glamour in contemporary style. This volume traces glamour's trajectory from Hollywood's golden age to its present-day connotations of affluence, presenting a striking array of postwar cou-

ture, jewelry, automobiles, furniture and built and unbuilt architecture.

Some of the books, such as "Front Pockets" are quite whimsical, while others touch on serious social topics, such as Gordon Parks' treatment of race in his "Midway: Portrait of a Daytona Beach Neighborhood, a compelling group of black & white photos from 1943.

This sampling of titles illustrates the diversity and appeal of this collection.

There is something for everyone interested in art in all its forms.

This collection is in the process of being catalogued and prepared for shelving.

Some volumes are on the special display rack in the Cameron Room and are available for immediate check out.

Ask to see the complete list of titles if you are interested in perusing the entire collection.

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Sometimes the girls don't realize how good they really are, but as they progress in wins, they are beginning to have faith that when they play hard, they can be as good as anyone.

Mallory Red is a player that if you just look at her on the floor -- and you are not really knowledgeable about the game -- you will not understand how much she does for the team.

Mallory doesn't score much, but she is possibly the best defender on the team. She is going to rebound.

She will get on the floor for loose balls and will battle you to help her team be a winner.

Mallory is ready to do all the little things that some players will not do.

Having Hillary Philpott back this year has made a big difference for our team. Hillary plays great defense.

She is quick with good arm action and we usually put her on the other teams point guard to slow them down.

She is very fast and can get up and down the floor. Many times she is able to take

the ball away from the offense and get Bullard started with a fast break down the floor.

Clarissa Kendrick has worked as hard as anybody on the team and has been part of this program along with the other senior girls.

She had a couple of setbacks this year with a car wreck that messed up her back. It was hard to miss several games, but Clarissa is one of those ladies who have done every thing that I asked her to do and she has never complained.

She brings a very positive attitude to our team.

Another example of true teamwork and how we get along this year can be attributed to Elisa Lee.

Last year, Elisa was an all district post player, but when we had a real need for a point guard, Elisa stepped up and has done a great job.

She is not scoring as much this year, but she is bringing the ball up the court and setting up other team members to score.

Elisa has been able to make this move through her hard work.

People have driven by her house and seen her outside

working on her.

She has sacrificed herself to better help the team. She has never complained. And to have a successful winning team you must have players like Elisa who are willing to put the team first.

Also, Elisa is the shut-down defender Bullard puts on the other team's best player.

I feel that at this point in the season, the Lady Panthers are right on schedule to win district.

We know that we will continue to have some tough games because now all the other schools will be out to knock us out of the win column.

Since Bullard has broken into the top 20 teams in the state, our job will be to continue to play at our best.

We are very thankful for fan support this year.

Our parents and fans have been there for us the entire season and we encourage more students and others to continue to be there for us.

We are excited about this time in our lives and look forward to playing more basketball and preparing ourselves for the state playoffs.

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