

# CTLS Newsletter

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## Board of Directors Adopts Fee Schedule for FY2013

*By Pat Tuohy*

At its March 20 meeting the CTLS Board of Directors adopted a membership fee schedule for the next fiscal year. Information gathered first hand from the membership at 5 regional meetings held from February 29 thru March 9 formed the basis of this schedule. The Long Range Planning Committee was charged by the Board with the task of carefully analyzing the discussions and data collected at the regional meetings and preparing a recommendation on membership fees. Their report was delivered to the Board of Directors by James Karney, Chair of the Long Range Planning Committee.

Under this plan, a library may join at Level 1 and receive a basic suite of services. If a library wishes to receive enhanced services, they may join at Level 2. The membership levels build on each other so that at Level 2, a library receives all of the services at Level 1 as well as the enhanced services at Level 2. A list of optional services is available to members at an additional or discounted pricing schedule.

## Membership Benefits

### LEVEL 1

**\$300**

- Collaborative grant opportunities, like Science ROCKS, Ready to Read, and Digital Literacy Corps
- Electronic newsletter and content rich web site
- Consortia purchasing services, deals, and discounts
- Regional networking events for libraries to share best practices
- Member pricing & discounts on workshop seats, consulting, on-site training, and other services
- Access to CTLS *LOANables* – professional collection, Kindles, Nooks, iPads, science programming kits, die cut machine, 250 dies, archival scanner, videogame packs
- Participation in discussion lists and desktop networking forums

### LEVEL 2 :

**\$600**

- Includes Level 1 as well as the following services:
- 2 free seats at an on-site workshop or CE event during the membership year
- Telephone and email consultation services for members – 6 hours per year
- Discounts on IT assistance

## Additional Services Available to Members

### CONTINUING EDUCATION

Onsite Specialized Workshop Topics. Call for quote.  
(Members receive a discount from the non-member rate)

- Staff Development Day
- Board Training and Development
- Team Building and Organizational Development
- Serving Children and Youth
- Long Range Planning for Libraries

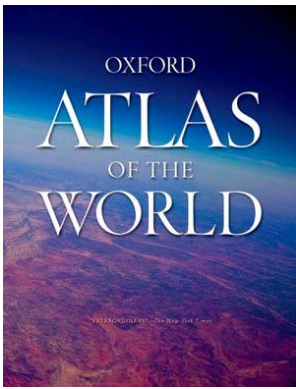
### CONSULTING SERVICES

Specialized one-on-one consulting projects resulting in a written report or other documentation. Call for quote.  
(Members receive a discount from the non-member rate)

- Collection management
- Personnel policies and employee evaluations
- Board and Friends group relations
- Design and implementation of youth services programs
- Space planning for a new service model

### LARGE PRINT BOOK CIRCUIT

150 recent books in rotating packets. Cost to be determined.

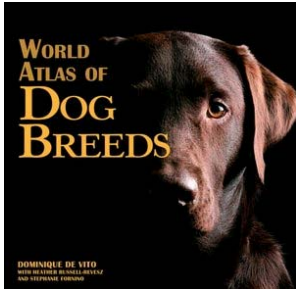


## News You Can Use

by Laurie Mahaffey

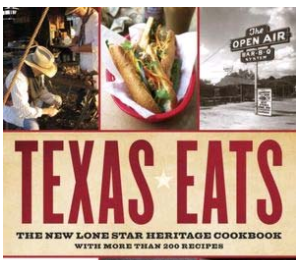
### Reference Books

The many online map services (Google Maps, MapQuest, Bing, Yahoo Maps, etc.) are great for directions and time/distance information. To see the big picture, though, there is nothing like a well-done atlas. The latest (18<sup>th</sup>) edition of the *Oxford Atlas of the World* is \$89.95 and has "179 pages of full-color, computer-generated political and topographical maps". Index entries number 84,000, and a city map section covers 69 major cities around the world. Check your world atlas copyright date and order if needed.



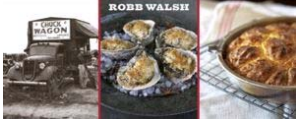
The *Encyclopedia of Dog Breeds* might fit into your circulating collection as well as reference. The price is \$29.95. Published by TFH and written by Dominique De Vito, the book lists 231 dog breeds and is based on De Vito's *World Atlas of Dog Breeds*. Both of these books were favorably reviewed in the January issue of *Library Journal*.

### New Texas Cookbook!



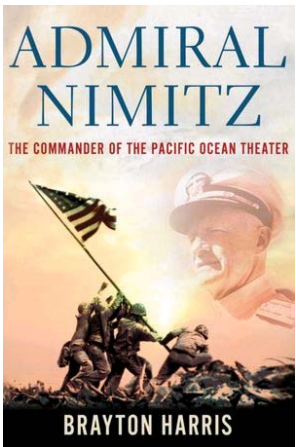
Robb Walsh has done it again! *Texas Eats: the New Lone Star Heritage Cookbook with More Than 200 Recipes* is now out by Ten Speed Press (*How to Repair Food, White Trash Cooking*). Walsh "is a three-time James Beard Award winner and an authority on Texas culinary history." Covering many ethnic cuisines, the book is "packed with history and stories (and is) a great choice for homesick Texans and armchair travelers." Reviewed in the January issue of LJ, the book is \$25 and is published in paperback.

### New Biography of a Texas Admiral



The National Museum of the Pacific War, built around the old Nimitz Hotel, is just to our west in Fredericksburg. Chester Nimitz was a hero of the Second World War, and a new biography has been published about him, entitled *Admiral Nimitz: The Commander of the Pacific Ocean Theater*. Nimitz's naval career started at the U. S. Naval Academy after the Spanish-American War, and concluded as the Navy was using supercarriers and nuclear submarines. He "was a steady leader whose outward calm and ready supply of jokes masked the partial deafness and nervous tension that plagued him, and he was a superb handler of men." Written by Brayton Harris and published by Palgrave Macmillan, the book is \$26 and was favorably reviewed by Kirkus Reviews, reprinted in the January 27 Austin American-Statesman.

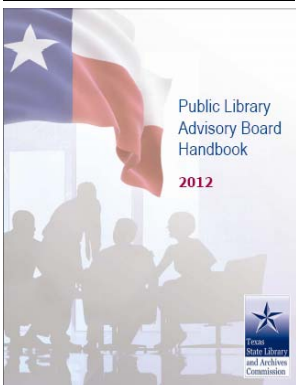
### New Public Library Advisory Board Handbook



Dr. Julie Todaro has updated the useful *Public Library Advisory Board Handbook*, now available on the Texas State Library's website. Covering many aspects of working with a library board, the manual is worth giving to each of your board members. Public libraries will receive a printed copy in April; if you can't wait, go to <https://www.tsl.state.tx.us/ld/pubs/plant/index.html>.

## Choose Privacy Week Materials

Get your library ready for *Choose Privacy Week* May 1-7. The emergence of the modern information society & its increased emphasis on the collection, use, & storage of personal data has enabled the growth of surveillance and the loss of privacy. Do you know if your patrons know their rights? Choose Privacy Week, May 1-7, 2012, opens library users to a national conversation about privacy rights in a digital age. [www.privacyrevolution.org](http://www.privacyrevolution.org)





## TLA Conference Tech Events of Interest

Here are a few tech conferences you might want to check out while at TLA. For a full listing of all conferences please refer to the TLA Website. The topics include e-books, technical services, emerging technologies, applied technologies and more.

### Tuesday, April 17—Preconferences

Gotta Gadget Workshops and Training.....1:00 - 1:50 pm  
 Emerging Technologies (Online registration only) .....9:00 am - noon  
 Technology and Libraries: An Unconference (Ticket required) .....9:00 am - noon  
 Learn to Use Your Smart Phone and the TLA App .....1:00 - 5:00 pm  
 Drupal 101 (Ticket purchase required) .....9:00 am - noon  
 Using the Playstation 3, Wii, Xbox, & Kinect (Online registration) .....9:00 am - noon

### Wednesday, April 18

Toddlers, Touch Technology, & Family Learning .....10:15 - 11:50 am  
 The Next Generation of Knowledge Management .....1:00 - 1:50 pm  
 Virtual Reference for Public Libraries (Net Fair) .....3:00 - 3:50 pm  
 E-Readers and E-Books (Hands On Lab IV; registration required) .....12:00 - 1:20 pm  
 Social Tagging and its effect on the Catalog ..... 10:15 - 11:50 am  
 Extreme Makeover: Digital Edition (Net Fair I) .....10:15 - 10:50 am  
 The World of Apps (Hands On Lab III; registration required) ..... 10:15 - 11:35 am  
 50 Apps / 50 Minutes (Net Fair I) .....2:00 - 2:50 pm  
 Creating Alliances with the Overlapping Fields of IT and Librarianship...2:00 - 3:50 pm

### Thursday, April 19

eReader Technology: A Hands-On Approach, Using It For Your Library...8:00 - 9:20 am  
 Battle of the Open Source ILS: Koha v. Evergreen (Net Fair II) .....1:00 - 1:50 pm  
 Microsoft Office Unleashed (Hands On Lab; registration required) ... 10:00 - 11:20 am  
 T4: Top Texas Technology Trends ..... 2:00 - 2:50 pm  
 Gaming Design with Youth (Hands On Public Access Technology in Libraries:  
 A National Initiative ..... 2:00 - 3:20 pm  
 NetTrekker (Net Fair II).....3:00 - 3:50 pm

### Friday, April 20

Librarian and Vendor Relations: Exploring Best Practices ..... 10:00 - 11:50 am  
 Contemporary Collecting:  
 Is Your Archives Keeping up with the Latest Trends? ..... 10:00 - 11:20 am

## TANG Tech Tip: Two Years Left to Migrate From Windows XP

by Zak Roussel

Quite a few libraries and many home and business users are still running Windows XP but this operating system is nearing its end of life. Last year Microsoft announced that April 8, 2014 will be the end of official support for Windows XP. The reality is that development on Windows XP ceased in 2008 with Service Pack 3 release and Microsoft is only releasing small bug and security fixes. At this time Microsoft is fully behind Windows 7 and gearing up for a Windows 8 release later this year. What does this mean for your library? It means that you should become familiar with Windows 7 now and plan to retire all of your Windows XP systems by 2014 at the latest. This does not necessarily mean that you have to buy a new computer. Windows 7 will run nicely on any computer purchased in the last 5 years and even some older systems. In most cases Windows 7 will run better than Windows XP.

There are several different ways to upgrade your system from Windows XP to Windows 7 but the best way is always a clean installation. This means that you backup your important files, wipe the hard drive, and install a fresh copy of Windows 7. With the exception of the backup this can all be done from the Windows 7 install disc, and in many cases all of the necessary drivers are included.

There are several problems that may arise from Windows 7 upgrades. In some cases older usb devices such as web cams and scanners will not work. There are also some older specialty software packages that are not directly compatible, but you may be able to make the software work by running in Windows XP mode. For more info about how this works please visit <http://www.microsoft.com/windows/virtual-pc/download.aspx>

If you need any assistance planning an upgrade or migration to Windows 7 or just have general tech questions please feel free to email or call Zak Roussel, [tech@ctls.net](mailto:tech@ctls.net) 512-583-0704 X15



## Youth Services News

By Kim Lehman



### Spring Break Programs

Georgetown Public Library was very busy over spring break. They offered Lego fun, an art day, tea parties centered on the book *The Secret Garden*, and a talent show. They have done the tea party a number of years now using different themes like Fancy Nancy or the American Girls. The talent show takes little time and resources to present. They set up a little stage area with a microphone. Kids signed up on that day to perform. They included their name, age and something about what they would be doing. Teen volunteers introduced each performer. All ages participated. Talent included playing an instrument, singing, dancing and a hula hoop routine. The library provided light refreshments. It is always a hit.

You could do a much smaller "open mic" version at storytime. Invite anyone at your program to come up and sing a song. I will warn you that some younger children are so thrilled to hear their voice that they will go on and on. Be prepared to gently use an invisible cane, if you know what I mean.

### April is Poetry Month

A number of years ago I saw Ann Minner from Austin Public Library effectively use poetry for each storytime. At the beginning of every program she introduced an ape puppet that shared a poem related to the theme for the week. The children loved the ritual and looked forward to seeing the puppet every week.

Needing a poem to incorporate into programs? Go to Giggle Poetry at [www.gigglepoetry.com](http://www.gigglepoetry.com). The Academy of American Poets has a list of 30 ways to celebrate poetry at [www.poets.org](http://www.poets.org). If you have teens who enjoy writing, direct them to a database of writing contests at [www.pw.org/grants](http://www.pw.org/grants).

## TLA Youth Highlights

Texas Library Association Conference is coming up in Houston from April 17 – 20. There are tons of great sessions, many of them focused on youth services. A number of CTLS members will be presenting there. Sally Miculek from Austin Public Library will be presenting on Wednesday and Vivian Rutherford from Waco will be telling at the Storytelling Round Table Concert Thursday evening. I will be the MC for that event. Check out some of these sessions:

### Tuesday, April 17—Preconferences

*Attracting New Library Users with Geocaching*..... 2:00 - 3:50 pm  
For libraries of all types, geocaching offers a means to engage a community in this high-tech treasure hunt.

### Wednesday, April 18

*Thrill Masters: Adventure Books for Kids*..... 10:15 - 11:50 am  
Five writers describe how their adventure stories come to fruition.

*Toddlers, Touch Technology, and Family Learning* ..... 10:15 – 11:50 am  
Speakers discuss how they developed a multilingual, multisensory curriculum oriented at toddlers & preschool children using touch technologies.

*Book Buzz: Highlights from Publishers' 2012 Offerings for Children*.....1- 1:50 pm  
Several publicists will present highlights of their 2012 lists.

*Staying Power: A Look at Classic Children's Books*.....2:00 – 3:20 pm  
This session studies the impact and ongoing use of several 50 year old titles, including *A Wrinkle in Time* and *James and the Giant Peach*.

*Author Judy Blume and Children's Round Table Business Meeting*...2 - 3:50 pm  
Join Judy Blume for a discussion of the 40th anniversary of the *Fudge* books.

*Book Buzz: Latest Buzz in YA Literature*.....4:00 - 4:50 pm  
Publishers of YA books discuss forthcoming titles and reveal some of the hot trends in the publishing industry.

*Storytelling Round Table Showcase/Swap* .....7:30 - 9:30 pm  
Join us to listen to stories or tell one of your own!

### Thursday, April 19

*Right Now: New YA Literature to Entice Readers*..... 1:00 - 1:50 pm

*Texas Reading Club Showcase* .....2:00 - 3:50 pm  
Bruce Hale, author-illustrator; and Dawn Krause, Texas State Library and Archives Commission.

*Using Story as the Basis for Advocacy and Persuasion* ..... 1:00 - 1:50 pm  
Librarians and friends must craft our library story so that target audiences – funders and decision-makers – are engaged and persuaded to support our institutions.

*Storytelling Round Table Concert* ..... 7:30 - 9:30 pm  
Bluebonnet winner Willy Claflin (with Maynard the Moose) will be joined by regional tellers and librarian-teller Vivian Rutherford for an evening of engaging storytelling. The evening's emcee is librarian and storyteller Kim Lehman.

### Friday, April 20

*New Books for Teens and Some Tweens Too!* .....8:00 - 9:20 am  
Join Teri Lesesne and Rosemary Chance as they booktalk the newest titles for teens and tweens.

## News Around the System

### Library Director Positions Available in Central Texas



The one, the only, Beth Fox, Westbank's Library Director, will soon be retiring. We wish her all the best as she begins this new chapter in her life! And it also means that Westbank is currently looking for a new person to fill this position. If you are interested in applying, please read the job description and fill out the application on their website (<http://www.westbank.lib.tx.us/about/manage/jobs/>).

Completed applications should be emailed to Beth Fox, faxed to 512-381-1421, or dropped off at either library location.

Salado Public Library's wonderful Marsha McGuire is moving to North Carolina in May. We wish her well and will miss her! Apply for the library director position at [www.saladolib.org](http://www.saladolib.org). Application deadline is April 12, 2012.

Last but not least, the Nancy Carol Roberts Memorial Library in Brenham is looking for a new director. Applications and job description are available on their website at [www.cityofbrenham.org](http://www.cityofbrenham.org).

### Tocker News

Johnson City Library was awarded a Tocker Grant for just over \$7000 for their collection and a new bookcase. Bartlett, Clifton, Moody, Holland, and Elgin were also recipients of 2012 Tocker Grants. Congratulations to all these libraries! We are grateful to the Tocker Foundation for its support of our member libraries.

### Member Events

Herman Brown Free Library Book Sale, April 13th-15th. (Bluebonnet Festival Weekend). Friday 2-6pm, Saturday 10-6pm, Sunday 12-3pm, \*½ price on Sunday\*. 100 E Washington St. - In the Meeting Room - 512-715-5228 - [hbfl@burnetcountylibrary.org](mailto:hbfl@burnetcountylibrary.org)

The Bremond & Franklin Public Libraries proudly present Duffy Hudson performing Dr. Seuss. Sponsored by Friends of the Libraries, Atmos Energy & Luminant. Thursday, April 12 – Doors Open at 6pm – Show at 7pm. Franklin High School Auditorium, 1252 West FM 1644, Franklin, Texas. Contact Tessy (Bremond) at 254-746-7752 with questions.



Friends of the Lago Vista Library welcome you to their Annual Book & Bake Sale. Saturday, May 5, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Lago Vista Elementary School Cafeteria and Gym, 20311 Dawn Drive. Lots and lots of books - \$10.00 per bag. Held in conjunction with the Lago Vista Artists Association 5th Annual Arts & Crafts Show & Sale. Featuring original art by local artists with art demonstrations during the show

### Baby Josephine is Here

Our office coordinator, Katelyn Patterson, & her hubby are the proud parents of a new baby girl. Josephine was born Monday and weighed 6 lbs & 13 oz. She is 19 inches long. Baby & parents are doing well. Congratulations!

## New OCLC Report: U.S. Public Libraries Expecting Change

This new report details findings from a study OCLC conducted with libraries in mid-2011 to learn about their priorities, initiatives, thoughts on the future of their service points and the sources they use to keep up with developments in the library field.



### Select Key Findings

Most public library staff:

- Are focusing their priorities on Internet access, demonstrating value to funders and delivering e-content
- Are concentrating on e-books as their top current initiative
- Rely mostly on listservs and email to stay current—while just a few use social media
- Opinions are split on the make-up of service points in the future
- The top priority for public library directors is demonstrating the library's value to funders

Nearly 1300 public library staff including directors, managers and librarians participated in the study. Check out full report here: <http://www.oclc.org/us/en/reports/>

## Logo goes sculptural

Whimsical in Wisconsin:



# CTLS Calendar of Events



The Volker Easter Tree in Saalfeld, Germany

- April 17-20 TLA Conference - Houston, TX
- May 15 CTLS Board of Directors Meeting - Wells Branch
- May 28 Memorial Day - CTLS offices closed
- June 19 CTLS Board of Directors Meeting - Taylor
- June 25-30 CTLS Moving Week



## CTLS, Inc.: Connecting Texas Libraries Statewide

### CTLS offices are moving!

Our new address will be just down the street at:

5555 North Lamar  
Suite L-115  
Austin, TX 78751

But we won't be moving until the *end of June*, so please still direct all mail (or drop by to visit us!) to this address:

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Happy Dachsund, via pinterest.com

### Happy Thought by Robert Louis Stevenson

The world is so full of a number of things, I'm sure we should be as happy as kings.

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