

BOOK BRIEFS

Novel earns prize

Bob Holt's debut novel, *Cowboy* was recently awarded First Place in the Somerset Prize for Literary and Contemporary Fiction at the Chanticleer International Book Awards.

Cowboy is the story of a Texas rancher's second son drafted for the Vietnam war. The young man's romance with a Woodstock flower child and his experiences in Washington at the Pentagon test the values he was taught growing up.

His return home explores the many ways he, and his country, have been forever changed.

Mr. Holt is an acclaimed storyteller, raconteur, sailboat skipper and guitar player.

Cowboy is available on Amazon in hardcover, paperback and Kindle editions.

Amelia

by S. Martin Shelton

Amelia Earhart disappeared during her 1937 attempt to fly around the world.

She was outbound in her Lockheed 10E Electra from Lea, New Guinea, headed east to Howland Island, some 2,200 nautical miles over open ocean in the Central Pacific.

Amelia is a fictional account of that journey and the mystery still surrounding it.

Mr. Shelton is retired from active and reserve naval service.

He served in the Korean and Vietnamese Wars.

He spent 30 years producing a host of information and documentary motion-media shows, winning more than 40 awards in national and international film competitions and festivals.

Mr. Shelton is a Fellow of the Society for Technical Communications and of the Information Film Producers of America.

Amelia is now available on Amazon in softcover and Kindle editions.

Art abounds around the library throughout June

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Dana Hendrix

Through June 30 in the Café Gallery we have an array of photographs by Sherry McRae in her *Nature at its Best* exhibit.

McRae's lively photography is an exploration of nature and her relationship with it.

A public reception to meet the photographer; see the exhibit and enjoy refreshments will be June 12.

From June 16-July 19 the second floor Bridge and West Hallway galleries will be lit up with pastels by Jan Frazier in an exhibit called *The Beauty All Around Us*.

Frazier is an established pastel artist who does wonderful things with light in her work.

"I am usually talking

about the play of light over the subject matter, but sometimes it's just about the layers of color that I can create with the wonderful medium of pastel," she said.

The public reception for Frazier's exhibit will be July 5, with food and drink and conversation for all.

The Texas Society of Sculptors' annual exhibit returns to the library June 23-September 20.

This 12th annual show will span the library's first and second floors from the lobby to the stacks, and will include about 72 works by



"Dianne's Sunny Porch" will be on display as part of Jan Frazier's upcoming exhibit *The Beauty All Around Us* at the Georgetown Public Library. The public reception for Frazier will be July 5.

31 artists.

Sculptors are eligible for cash prizes funded by the City of Georgetown Arts

and Culture Board.

Most winners will be selected by this year's juror, Nick Ramos.

The Librarians' Choice Award will be selected by library staff, and the People's Choice award will be selected by visitors to the library.

Voting for the People's Choice Award will be June 23-July 16.

You can ask for a list of all 72 numbered sculptures and a ballot at any library service desk beginning July 23.

Just be sure to turn in your ballot before 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 16.

Finally, for our special Live Music at the Library Father's Day concert on June 16 we have partnered with the Texas Bach Festival to bring soprano Laura

Pedersen and pianist Rick Rowley to perform a free concert program including a mixture of beloved arias, crossover and unexpected melodies of Bach, Handel, Mozart and various contemporary artists.

Seating is limited, and this performance will be in the second floor Hewlett Room.

Thank you to Barry Scott Williamson, artistic director of the Texas Bach Festival, for bringing us this outreach performance as a prelude to this year's Texas Bach Festival.

We have a lot going on, art and music lovers. See you at the library!

Dana Hendrix is the Fine Arts Librarian at the Georgetown Public Library.

Select library events

- June 11, 6 p.m. Staci Gray — ages 0-12, tickets available one hour in advance
- June 12, 1 p.m. Astronaut Training — ages 9-12, tickets available one hour in advance
- June 12, 7 p.m. Documentary: *The Farthest* — ages 18 and older
- June 13, 2 p.m. Movie: *Buzz Lightyear of Star Command* — ages 0-12, tickets available one hour in advance
- June 14, 3 p.m. Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire & Hogwarts Lego build — ages 13-17
- June 15, 10 a.m. Wildlife on The Move — ages 0-12, tickets available one hour in advance
- June 16, 2 p.m. Laura Pedersen, soprano, and Rick Rowley, piano — Live Music at the Library
- June 18, 10:30 a.m. Storyteller Elizabeth Kahura — ages 0-12, tickets available one hour in advance
- June 19, 1 p.m. You Can Do Magic! Workshop with Kent Cummins — ages 9-12, tickets available one hour in advance
- June 21, 3 p.m. Cosmic Spa Day — ages 13-17
- June 25, 10:30 a.m. Mad Science — ages 0-12, tickets available one hour in advance

Art exhibits

- Through June 14 J.U. Salvant: *The World is My Garden* exhibit — second floor Bridge and West Hallway galleries
 - Through June 30 Sherry McRae: *Nature at its Best* exhibit — first floor Café Gallery, reception June 12, 6-8 p.m.
 - June 16-July 19 Jan Frazier: *The Beauty All Around Us* exhibit — second floor Bridge and West Hallway galleries, reception July 5, 4-6 p.m.
 - June 23-September 20 Texas Society of Sculptors 12th annual Summer Show — first and second floors
- Consult the Library Events Calendar at library.georgetown.org for more information about these and other library programs.

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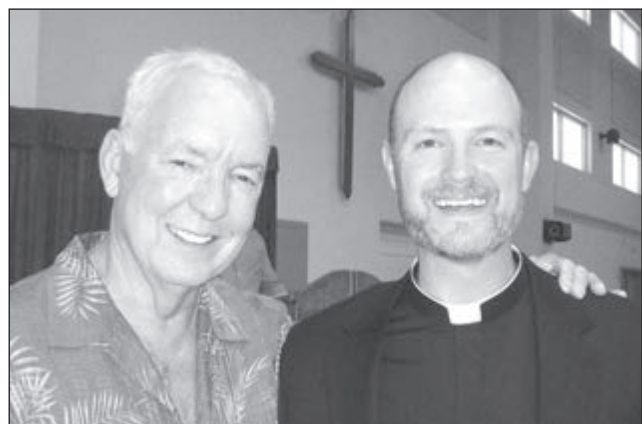
Concert benefits Asia trip, hymn sing-along set

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defend pro-life policies in the courts and promote the Choose Life license plate to support infant adoption. Visit texasallianceforlife.org to sign up or pledge.

The blood drive is 7:45 a.m. to noon, Saturday, June 22 in Frizelle Hall. Donors are encouraged to support the Fan Drive for Family Eldercare by donating a new 20-inch box fan or a new 12-inch oscillating fan or making a financial contribution during the blood drive. Call the church office to register. Eat a full meal before donating and bring a photo ID.

This year's Texas Bach Festival is coming July 5,



Brad Sturman

St. Helen Catholic Church celebrated the Very Rev. Will Straten's 10th anniversary in the priesthood with a service June 6. Steve Gray is one of the parishioners.

6 and 8. St. Helen will once again host three concerts featuring famous and time-

less chamber music and orchestral masterworks. For tickets and informa-

tion visit texasbachfestival.org. This annual event was founded and is led by St. Helen's own Dr. Barry Scott Williamson.

The church is at 2700 East University Avenue. Call 512-863-3041 for more details.

Christ Lutheran

The recent Camp Agape fund-raiser was a success. The chicken and sausage donations, plus scholarship donations of \$700 and \$90 miscellaneous donations totaled \$2,711.

The next fund-raiser is July 14 to support the Post Education Scholarship program. You may place your orders later this month.

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