



City news,
features,
and
updates

This Week in Huntsville

February 12,
2016

20th Annual HUB Show Entities come together to help businesses

The City of Huntsville, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ), Sam Houston State University, the SHSU Small Business Development Center and Walker County will together sponsor the 20th Annual Historically Underutilized Business (HUB)/Vendor Show.

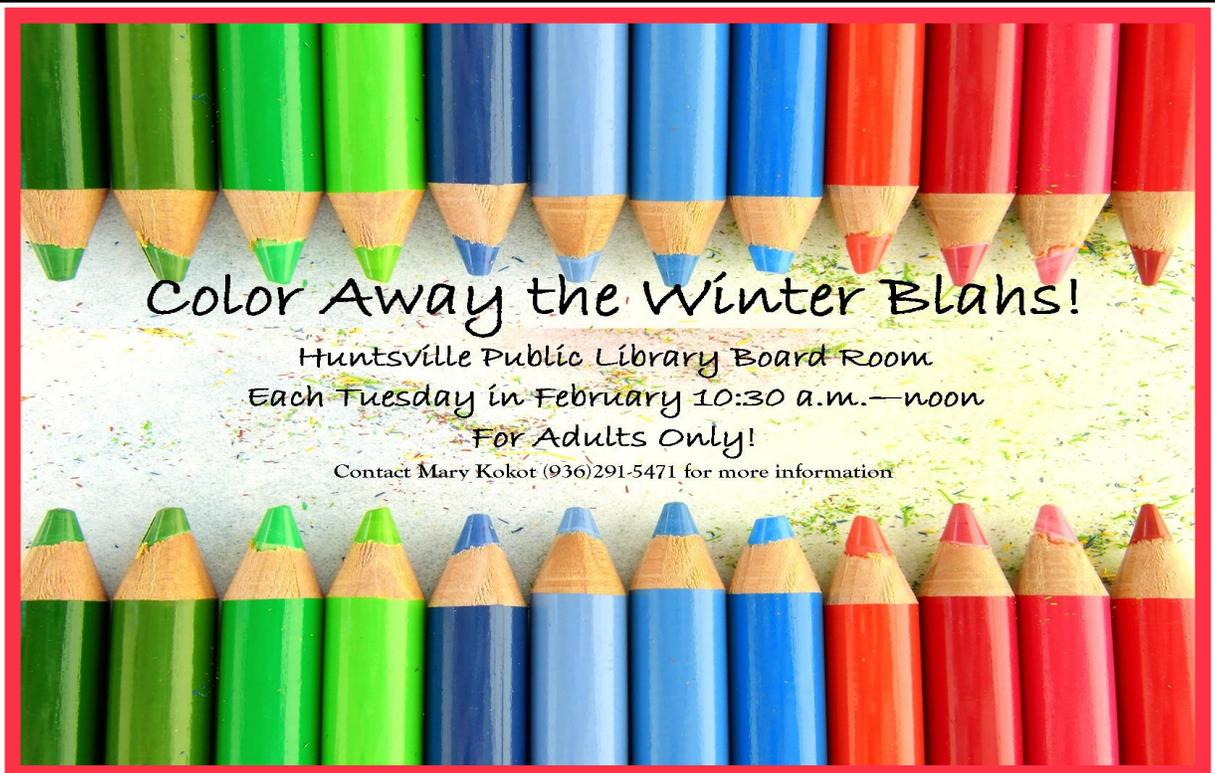
The HUB/Vendor Show will be held in the Walker County Storm Shelter located on Highway 75 North, on March 17, 2016, from 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. There will be a training session from 10 - 11 a.m. which will provide detailed information on how to do business with government entities. Presenters will include the State of Texas, the City of Huntsville, and others. Lunch for participating vendors will be served immediately following the training to allow additional opportunities to network. (Introductions and opening remarks beginning at 11:30 a.m.) The HUB/Vendor Show is scheduled to conclude at 2:30 p.m.

“The main objective of the show is to assist vendors in the Huntsville area to increase their customer base to include government entities,” said Billie Smith, City Purchasing Manager. “Each level of government has slightly different bidding requirements and this can be daunting to the vendors. The sponsors will be available to discuss various details pertaining to their purchasing processes and procedures.”

Sponsor representatives in attendance will include Sharon Schultz, HUB Director with TDCJ; Robert Barragan, Director of the SHSU Small Business Development Center; Bob Chapa, SHSU Assistant Director of Contract Management; Mike Williford, Walker County Purchasing Agent; and Billie Smith, City of Huntsville Purchasing Manager. All will be available to address any questions related to their entity's purchasing procedures.

“While there will be no charge for booth space or to attend any part of the event, booth space will be provided on a first-come, first-serve basis,” Smith said. “Vendors from all across the state attend each year and, during the last several years, we have reached capacity prior to opening day.”

For more information, contact Billie Smith at (936) 291-5495. To register a company for booth space, call Ruby Cowan, TDCJ HUB Coordinator, at (936) 437-3128.



Busy Night in the Hive!

The swarm was abuzz at the February 2 City Council meeting. Huntsville High School juniors and friends Grace Manning and Chloe Wike were on hand so that Grace could serve as the guest pledger for the evening (plans are afoot for Chloe to do so in April). After the meeting was opened, both students stayed and were joined by David Rosser, HISD's Director of Career and Technology Education, and HHS students Andrea Aguilar and Riley Trammell so that all could be present for the evening's proclamations.

Mayor Andy Brauninger issued Proclamation 2016-13 in honor of Career and Technology Education Awareness Month, especially noting that HISD offers fifteen of the sixteen Career Clusters recognized by the Texas Education Agency. Mr. Rosser noted too that they were all in one building, no less!



Guest pledger Grace Manning and friend Chloe Wike

FCCLA
representatives
Andrea Aguilar and
Riley Trammell



Next up was Proclamation 2016-14 in observance of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America Week (which many may have known as Future Homemakers of America in the past). This organization helps youth assume their roles in society through Family and Consumer Sciences education in areas of personal growth, family life, career preparation, college readiness, leadership, and community involvement.

What a great start to the evening for youth and the future of our community!



Children & Youth Library

Events & Classes

Mother Goose Lapsit - This new program is designed for parents and infants aged birth to 24 months, and features songs, toys, and stories on Mondays at 10:30 a.m. – Feb. 15, 22, 29, March 7, 14, 21, 28

Story Time - Every Wednesday and Friday at 10:45 a.m. Parents and their children are invited to enjoy songs, stories, and crafts with a new theme each session. - Feb. 12, 17, 19, 24, 26, March 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 30 (No Story Time 3/23, Easter Egg hunt that morning)

Lego Club - An elementary-aged building program on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month from 5:00-6:00 p.m. Legos are supplied and participants are encouraged to build themed creations. - Feb. 18, March 3, 17

Family Movie Night - Doors to the Community Room open at 5:00 p.m., with the movie beginning promptly at 5:30 p.m. Family Movie Night is sponsored by the Texas Children's Health Plan Program. Complimentary drinks and popcorn are served and all viewers are encouraged to bring a pillow or blanket. To get the title of the movie being shown each month, contact Children's Coordinator Rachel McPhail at 936-291-5910. - Feb. 12, March 11

Wii Friday - An exciting new program for elementary through high school-age students to enjoy the library's Wii system. From 4:00-6:00 p.m. - Feb. 19, March 4

Read with the Dogs - The monthly Read with the Dogs program is held with help from Huntsville Pets Helping People. Children are invited to read to trained therapy dogs in 15-minute segments. Participants also receive a sticker with a picture of the dog they read to. Sign up for a session is available beforehand, but not required. 4:00-5:30 p.m. Feb. 15, March 21

- The Huntsville Public Library cordially invites you to attend our ***1st Annual Teddy Bear Tea*** for children 12 and under. Hosted on Monday, March 7 at 11:15 a.m., *Teddy Bear Tea* will feature stories, crafts, and tea time goodies. Sign up is recommended. *Teddy Bear Tea* is sponsored by Amerigroup.

- Star Wars enthusiasts are invited to attend ***Jedi Academy*** for children 13 and under at the Huntsville Public Library on Friday, March 11, from 1 to 3 p.m. Use the force as you navigate the galaxy by making crafts, playing games, and munching on Star Wars themed snacks. Registration required as space is limited.

- Do you have plans for your upcoming spring break? If not, come on down to the Huntsville Public Library and enjoy three days of ***Elementary Kid's Crafts*** for those in fifth grade or younger on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, March 7-9 at 3 p.m. Sign up is not required.

- The Huntsville Public Library will be hosting ***The Wild Things Zoofari*** on Thursday, March 10 at 2 p.m. The owner of the company, Courtney Cortina Pineda, will come to the library with six furry friends (a baby kangaroo, lemur, and squirrel monkey, to name a few) to teach about animals as well as wildlife preservation. Sign up is not required and all ages are welcome.

The Huntsville Public Library would like to invite the public to the Unveiling Ceremony of the 2016 Art Contest winners on Saturday, March 12 at 1 p.m.

For more information about any Children's programs at the Huntsville Public Library, please contact Children's Coordinator Rachel McPhail at 936-291-5910; for adult programs, contact Adult Services Coordinator Mary Kokot at 936-291-5471; for teen programs, contact Teen Services Coordinator Ashley Newsome at 936-291-5912.

The Huntsville Public Library will be closed on Friday, March 25th and Saturday, March 26th for Good Friday and Easter, and will reopen on Monday, March 28th.

Candidate Filing Continues Through March 7

Ballot applications are being accepted for the May 7 Special Election to Fill a Vacancy. Andy Brauning's election as Mayor in December left an open seat on the City Council, for At-Large Position 1. Individuals interested in running may wish to review the information in the City's Candidate Packet, available at <http://www.huntsvilletx.gov/Elections>.

Candidates may file until 5 p.m. on Monday, March 7, 2016, in the City Secretary's office at City Hall (1212 Avenue M). For more information, contact citysecretary@huntsvilletx.gov or call 936-291-5403.



Essential Oils Classes are back!

Essential oils teacher, Melissa Gonzalez, returns to the Huntsville Public Library for an all new series of classes to discuss new topics on the use of essential oils. No registration required and classes are open to all. Check the library calendar at www.myhuntsvillelibrary.com for future class times. Call Mary Kokot (936) 291-5471 for more information and March schedule (final class in this four-part series will be April 11).

Pilates for Everyone

Beginning January 26, from 5:45-6:45 p.m., Pilates student teachers from the SHSU Department of Dance will lead a weekly class in Pilates in the Community Room at the Huntsville Public Library. Pilates builds strength, flexibility, and lean muscle tone, with an emphasis on lengthening the body and aligning the spine.

Please bring your own towel or mat. Please consult your doctor before starting any new exercise program. The Huntsville Public Library is partnering with the SHSU Center for Community Engagement for this program. Register online at www.myhuntsvillelibrary.com or call Mary at (936)291-5471 for more information.

Calling all Artists!

Enter your art in the
**Friends of the Huntsville Public
Library**

6th Annual Art Contest

for children 5-18 years old.

Submission deadline is February 26, 2016.

Samuel Walker Houston Museum and Cultural Center

&

Huntsville Public Library Host

"Hallowed Grounds — Sites of African American Memories"

Presented by Johnnie Jo Dickenson

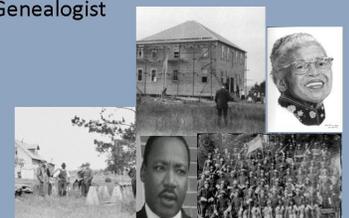
Professional Genealogist

Saturday, February 20th

10 a.m. to noon

1604 10th Street

Huntsville, TX



Have issues? So do we!

Just because you subscribe to *This Week in Huntsville*, we don't want you to miss the City's other great publications! You may read a copy of the *City Connection* in your utility bill, but did you know they're also available on the City web site?

On the home page, click on the **Publications** tab to find these, along with the Huntsville Public Library's *Between the Pages* and the Wynne Home's newsletter, *A Word From the Wynne*.

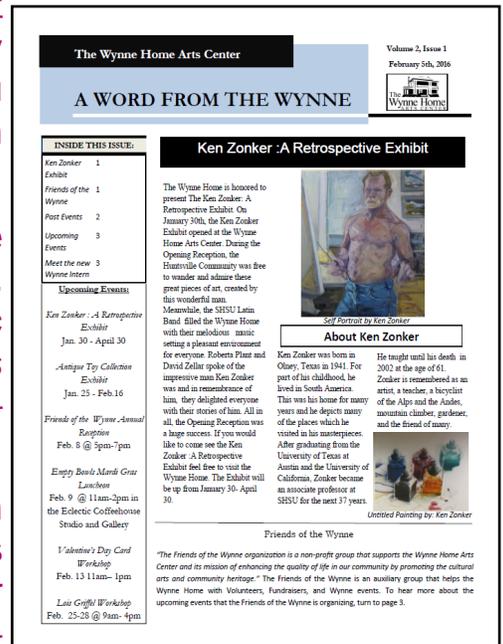
We hope you enjoy the ways in which we try to get all the news to you and we'd also love your feedback at citysecretary@huntsvilletx.gov.



HUNTSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY
BETWEEN THE PAGES
 FEBRUARY 2016
ADULT PROGRAMS

Color Away the Winter Blahs
 Coloring for Adults is the Library's newest adult program and starts in February. This is the latest stress-busting fad. Coloring can be calming and here's why, according to clinical psychologist Scott Bea: Coloring draws attention away from yourself and brings you into the present moment. In this way, it is very much like a meditative exercise. When your mind is focused on a simple activity and not on the future or the past, you are in the present. So come to the Board Room at 10:30 every Tuesday in February, choose your design to color and see for yourself if it helps alleviate stress and anxiety as research has shown.

Keep in Mind...
 Container gardening Spanish, Fittes, and Essential Oils are some of the programs available in February at Huntsville Public Library. In addition, the annual Genealogy Winter Lock-In is coming up on February 21st. Walker County Genealogical Society members will be available to



The Wynne Home Arts Center
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A WORD FROM THE WYNNE

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Upcoming Events:

- Ken Zonker - A Retrospective Exhibit**
Jan. 30 - April 30
- Antique Toy Collection Exhibit**
Jan. 23 - Feb. 16
- Friends of the Wynne - Annual Reception**
Feb. 6 @ 5pm-7pm
- Empty Bottle Month - Great Lunches**
Feb. 9 @ 11am-2pm in the Elderly Coffeehouse Studio and Gallery
- Valentine's Day Card Workshop**
Feb. 13 11am-1pm
- Late Craft Workshop**
Feb. 25-26 @ 9am-4pm

Ken Zonker - A Retrospective Exhibit

The Wynne Home is honored to present The Ken Zonker: A Retrospective Exhibit. On January 30th, the Ken Zonker Exhibit opened at the Wynne Home Arts Center. During the Opening Reception, the Huntsville Community was free to wander and admire these great pieces of art, created by this wonderful man. Meanwhile, the SHSU Latin Band filled the Wynne Home with their melodious music, setting a pleasant environment for everyone. Roberts Platt and David Zeller spoke of the impressive man Ken Zonker was and in remembrance of him, they delighted everyone with their stories of him. All in all, the Opening Reception was a huge success. If you would like to come see the Ken Zonker: A Retrospective Exhibit feel free to visit the Wynne Home. The Exhibit will be up from January 30- April 30.

About Ken Zonker

Ken Zonker was born in Olney, Texas in 1941. For part of his childhood, he lived in South America. This was his home for many years and he depicts many of the places which he visited in his masterpieces. After graduating from the University of Texas at Austin and the University of California, Zonker became an associate professor at SHSU for the next 37 years.

He taught until his death in 2002 at the age of 61. Zonker is remembered as an artist, a teacher, a bicyclist of the Alps and the Andes, mountain climber, gardener, and the friend of many.

Friends of the Wynne

"The Friends of the Wynne organization is a non-profit group that supports the Wynne Home Arts Center and its mission of enhancing the quality of life in our community by promoting the cultural arts and community heritage." The Friends of the Wynne is an auxiliary group that helps the Wynne Home with Volunteers, Fundraisers, and Wynne events. To hear more about the upcoming events that the Friends of the Wynne is organizing, turn to page 3.

Hey, everybody's got issues, just make sure you don't miss out on any of ours!

A retrospective of the works of

Ken Zonker

1941-2002

On Exhibit

January 30, 2016 - April 30, 2016

Thank you, HBRC!



The Huntsville Book Review Club (HBRC) made a generous \$1,000 donation to the Huntsville Public Library on January 25.

Pictured from left to right are HBRC Vice President Carolyn Kanewske; Joseph Wiggs, Director of the City's Parks & Leisure Department; Assistant City Librarian Anne Sparks; and HBRC President Geneva Tyler.

Breakfast for Dinner. Is there anything better?

The Kiwanis Club will be holding their famous (and delicious!) Pancake Supper at the Huntsville Public Library on Friday, February 19th at 5:30 p.m.

\$5 all you can eat pancakes and sausages!
Proceeds support literacy programs at the Huntsville Public Library.



SAVE THE DATE!

GENEALOGY WINTER LOCK-IN

Sunday, February 21

12:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Huntsville Public Library
Community Room

Hosted by the Walker County Genealogical Society

Register online at www.myhuntsvillelibrary.com or contact Mary at (936)291-5471 for more information

Walker County Master Gardeners is hosting a free workshop

"Home Grown Tomatoes"

Tuesday, March 1st
11:00 am to 11:45 am

Huntsville Public Library Community Room

DOOR PRIZES

For more information, please call (936)291-5471 or go online at www.myhuntsvillelibrary.com

Free Spanish classes at HPL

The ever popular free Spanish classes are returning to the Huntsville Public Library! Instructor Beth Williamson will teach on Tuesdays in the Community Room. The 14-week program begins February 2, and materials are provided.

Register now to reserve a spot (35 students maximum for each class). Beginning classes will meet from 1:00 pm. to 3:00 p.m. and advanced classes from 3:00-4:15 p.m. Register online at www.myhuntsvillelibrary.com or call Mary at 936-291-5471 for additional information.

This is a screen shot of the City's new web site, www.huntsvilletx.gov!

This is where residents can go directly to a specific department's or board's page, or find links to City Council, City Manager, and City Secretary services.

The Transparency button links to agendas, a form to place a Public Information Request, bids & RFP information, and many common Finance Department documents.

Find the Emergency Alert banner activated when needed

Need to report a pot hole/street light/Code Enforcement issue/etc.? Look here.

Some of the links here take users to sites such as that for the Tourism Dept., or other local entities.

Social media links here

City Council and other video archived for one year.

Make online payments!

Link to the City's Map web site huntsvillegis.com.

Use the Stay Notified button for bid postings, job listings, and to subscribe to other specialized notifications.

Check the City News tab first to find press releases and announcements; the Events & Meetings tab for event information; & the Publications tab for digital newsletters.

Two spotlight sections and a slide show will feature local or seasonal events, programs, and more!

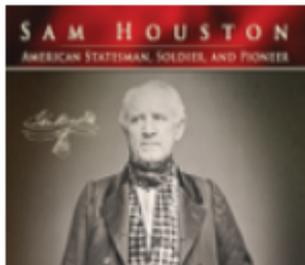
More links to City information can be found across the bottom banner to the left.



HUNTSVILLE'S 35TH ANNUAL
TEXAS INDEPENDENCE DAY
AND
GENERAL SAM HOUSTON'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION
MARCH 2, 2016



9:15-10:15 AM Coffee and Reception
Gibbs-Powell House Walker County Museum
1228 11th Street



11:00 AM Ceremony
Oakwood Cemetery- Sam Houston Gravesite
Speaker: Denton Florian, The Sam Houston Project
Sam Houston Memorial Drive (Ave I) & 9th Street

RSVP REQUIRED

Baptized Texan Ceremony
During the Gravesite Ceremony at Oakwood Cemetery
\$15 T-Shirt and Certificate from Baptism
****RSVP Form and Payment Required by February 15th****



RSVP REQUIRED

12:30 PM Luncheon
W. S. Gibbs Conference Hall
Katy & E. Don Walker, Sr. Education Center
Sam Houston Memorial Museum
1402 19th Street Lower Level
\$20 Luncheon
****RSVP Form and Payment Required by February 25th****



2:00 PM "Toast to Texas" and Birthday Cake
Sam Houston Statue and Visitors Center
7600 Highway 75 South

****Mail RSVP form for lunch and Baptized Texan T-shirt and Certificate to City of Huntsville Tourism Department, 7600 Hwy 75 South, Huntsville, Texas 77340, checks payable to WCHC****

****For more information on reservations and payment contact Jamie Matthews City of Huntsville Tourism at jmatthews@huntsvilletx.gov or call 936-291-5931.**

U. S. Citizenship Preparation Course

Presented by: Sam Houston State University LEAP Center & The Huntsville Public Library

Mondays, March 28th - April 25th

6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Community Room

Sign Up at
the Library!

The Huntsville Public Library and Mike Yawn, Political Science Professor at SHSU, will present a FREE, five-week course designed to prepare immigrants for the Naturalization Exam.

For more information call:
Mary Kokot or Christina Perez
Huntsville Public Library
(936) 291-5471

Space
is
Limited



Curso de Preparación para Cuidadania Estadounidense

Presentado por:
Sam Houston State University LEAP Center & The Huntsville Public Library

Fecha: Lunes 28 de marzo- 25 de abril
Hora: 6:00—8:30pm

Lugar: Cuarto Comunitario en la Biblioteca de Huntsville

Clases Gratuitas para inmigrantes en busca de ciudadanía, curso de 5 semanas de preparación para examen para naturalización

El curso incluye:

- Proceso de Aplicacion
- Entrevista Oral
- Practica para el examen, preguntas y respuestas



Curso impartido por
Mike Yawn,
Profesor de Ciencias Políticas en SHSU

Materiales proporcionados

Para mas informacion:

Mary Kokot
Adult Literacy Coordinator
(936) 291-5471
Huntsville public library:
1219 13th Street Huntsville, TX 77340



Painting the Impressionist Landscape -- Lois Griffel Workshop
February 25-28 9am-5pm (lunch break noon-1pm)
\$410 workshop fee

3rd Grade Heritage Tours in March

Spring Classes starting Monday March 21st

NEA Dance Residencies and Performances
Starting Mon March 28th - Sat April 16th
Performance on April 16th

Texas Thyme Unit's Annual Herb Festival Saturday April 9th

Easter Egg Hunt TBD

The Wynne Home Arts Center
1428 Eleventh St
Huntsville, TX 77340
936-291-5424 or www.TheWynneHome.com

WALKER COUNTY
PROUD COMMUNITIES

FREE

21th Annual TRASH BASH

Saturday, March 5, 2016
8:00 am to 12:00 pm

Volunteer to Clean Up YOUR Roadsides and Neighborhoods

FUNDED BY TRINITY RIVER AUTHORITY,
WALKER COUNTY AND CITY OF HUNTSVILLE

FREE trash bags provided by County Commissioners at Precinct 1, 2 & 3, call 936-436-4912; at Precinct 4 in New Waverly call 936-435-8055 * NO COMMERCIAL HAULERS *

WHERE TO GO and WHAT IS ACCEPTED:

- **City of Huntsville Disposal and Recycling Facility**, 590 I-45 North: Bagged garbage, appliances, furniture, tires (no farm implement tires, concrete, bricks)
- **Try 2 Recycle**, 916 15th Street: Aluminum/steel cans, metal appliances, cast iron, newspaper, office paper, cardboard
- **Precinct 3 Barn**, 2986 Hwy. 19 North: Bagged garbage, appliances, furniture, tires (no farm implement tires, concrete, bricks)
- **Precinct 4 Barn**, 9368 Hwy 75 South: Bagged garbage, appliances, furniture, tires (no farm implement tires, concrete, brick)

THE HUNTSVILLE ITEM

