

The Bandera PROPHEET

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Lakehills Library Leanings

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The Lakehills Library's annual Fundraiser Dinner and Raffle was Feb. 13, as a drive-through only. It went off without a hitch and was very successful. Boyle's True Value in Bandera and Lakehills donated a raffle item, a Smith & Wesson M&P 15 Sport II 5.56 rifle. The library says a very special "Thank You" to Boyle's for that generous contribution. The funds raised will benefit the library and our whole community. The Preschool Storytime Program will continue. Director Dianna Landes reads to the youngsters virtually through YouTube and craft kits may be picked up by parents at the library each week. The crafts are free and designed to meet preschool learning requirements with an emphasis on letters, numbers, reading and writing. Parents can still register at lakehillslibrary@gmail.com or call the library at 830-751-2777. The library is preparing for the kiddos summer reading program now. It will benefit all school age young people, with varying levels of difficulty.

The library now has a Zoom book club on the second Wednesday of each month, at 1 p.m. In March the group will discuss *The Lies That Bind* by Emily Giffin. Contact the library to receive the link to join the discussion. All are welcome to participate.

Parents are encouraged to participate in the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program. This is a free program to encourage parents to read to their children so they are ready for kindergarten. Each child will record the books read and, after 100 books, the child is promoted to the "rainbow board" at the library. At 500 books, the child will receive a

small prize and, at 1,000 books, the child will get a bigger prize. Stop by the library to join the program.

The library has a subscription to Ancestry so that it is available to patrons free of charge at the library or from home at the library website. There are many books in the library for research, as well. The library is also a Family Search library, which allows patrons to access records through the Family Search website.

Library cards are free and will allow free access to thousands of downloadable ebooks and audio books as well as online databases full of correct and helpful information on any subject imaginable.

All services are available including books, movies, audio, printing, faxing, notary, and scanning. Also, hundreds of paperback and hardcover books, and DVDs, are available for purchase.

Landes reminds patrons who are uncomfortable coming inside that all services are available at the door. The free WiFi is always available in the parking lot.

The library's hours are Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and until 6 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. In addition, they are open on Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Masks are required, as is social distancing. It is located at 7200 FM 1283 and the phone number is 830-510-2777. The email address is lakehillslibrary@gmail.com. Their website is lakehillslibrary.org.