

*A Natural Beauty*



# *Volunteer Tyler Newsletter*

## ***UT Tyler Students Give Back at Libray***

Nine students from UT Tyler's Rotaract Student Organization worked with TISD students in an after school tutoring program in October and November.

These students provided hours of help with reading, English, math and other topics.

Rotaract is a Rotary-sponsored service club for young men and women ages 18 to 30. Rotaract clubs are either community or university based, and they're sponsored by a local Rotary club. This makes them true "partners in service" and key members of the family of Rotary.

As one of Rotary's most significant and fastest-growing service programs, with more than 7,000 clubs in about 163 countries and geographical areas, Rotaract has become a worldwide phenomenon, according to Rotary International's web site.

## **Other Library News (from @ Tyler Public Library Newsletter):**

- The Big Read kicks off with the *Grapes of Wrath*;
- Annual Blow-Out Library Book Sale—March 12 & 13;
- Club Read meets 10 am on the last Tuesday each month; second floor atrium;
- Great Decisions discussion group, Feb 10 to April 7 from noon to 1:30 pm in Taylor Auditorium;
- Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss, 10:30 am March 2, 3 and 4 in Taylor Auditorium

## **Long Time Police Volunteers Retire**

After Pierce and Vivian Moore completed the Citizens Police Academy classes, they decided to see what volunteering for the Police Department was all about. That was nearly 10 years ago and since then, the Moores donated over 7,000 hours of service. Pierce, a retiree from the old Kelly Springfield plant was one of those guys who can just do about everything. One of the first projects he got into was the Police Department Gun Range.

Pierce and a crew of trustees and officers set to work clearing brush and trees from the safety berm at the back of the range. He then was a regular figure at the range where he spent many hours maintaining the grounds, repairing the target mounts, helping rookies learn to shoot and was there to coach and cajole the members of the SWAT team as they trained. Pierce didn't stop there; he and Vivian worked to organize and maintain the property lockers, organize the fingerprint (cont. pg 2)

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## **Special points of interest:**

- *UT Tyler students at Libray.*
- *So Long Pierce and Vivian*
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## Safety Tip From Tyler Police

One of the most common crimes we experience is the burglary of our vehicles.

Auto burglars are opportunists who prowl the parking lots of our city's businesses and recreation spots looking for a quick way to make some money.

Some of the most common items taken are some of the easiest to safeguard — purses, cell phones, and wallets left on a car seat are like candy to an auto burglar.

One example of how fast these thieves act hap-

pened on a Saturday afternoon in a Tyler parking lot. Thieves broke into five vehicles in less than 15 minutes. They took purses, wallets, personal stereo equipment, video equipment and CDs.

Auto burglars carry hammers, wrecking bars and some carry something as simple as spark plugs to smash windows. Once the window is broken it

only takes seconds to reach in and grab whatever they can before walking off with hundreds of

dollars in personal property.

Auto burglars are just like the rest of us — they like to get out in good weather. With summer here the bad guys are coming out of the woodwork like cockroaches.

Take a few extra seconds to hide your personal items. Take your keys, lock your car, carry your handbag, put packages or other personal items in the trunk or at least on the floorboard where they are out of sight.

Make it tough on the thieves and don't be a target.

*So Long Pierce and Vivian.  
God Bless you and thanks.*

(cont. from pg 1) files in the Crime Scene Unit and were always on hand for special events.

Pierce built equipment racks for several of the Department's specialized vehicles.

He put in many hours working with Vehicle Services and helped in countless training exercises.

One of his most recent feats was when he was asked to help build doors and windows to help with Explosive Breaching Training. Pierce studied the way other departments built their practice doors and windows and then built from scratch a wall full of doors and windows to be used at the training held last year at the Tyler Police Department.

In the meantime, Vivian was not idle.

Over the years, Vivian, a retired legal secretary, worked in the Property Room, Crime Scent Unit and Burglar Alarms. Vivian served with Pierce on

many boards and committees at the Department including the Chief's Advisory Board and the Awards Banquet Committee.

Vivian was always seen helping with setting up or serving refreshments at many Police Department functions.

She also lent her sewing skills to several projects including the new Crime Scene Barrier used to protect sensitive crime scenes from contamination.

Vivian spent much of her time helping with cataloging, mailing and processing fingerprints in the Crime Scene Unit.

Both of the Moores took officers into their home, treated them like family and in return were a big part of the life at the Police Department.

In late December of 2009, the Moores decided they needed to take it easy and turned in their resignation.

They will be missed by many, however officers know that if they ever need a friendly place to hang out, the Moores' door is

always open to them.

Pierce and Vivian truly loved the men and women at the Tyler Police Department.

They are family and always will be.



Vivian and Pierce Moore receive certificates of appreciation from Chief



# City Volunteers at Work and Play!



AT RIGHT — volunteers and staff mingle at the first Volunteer Tyler Christmas Party held at the Tyler Police Department. (l to r) Nick Sciarrini, Chris Albertson, Gail McGlothlin. AT FAR Right — (l) Mary Miner and Judy Barlow.



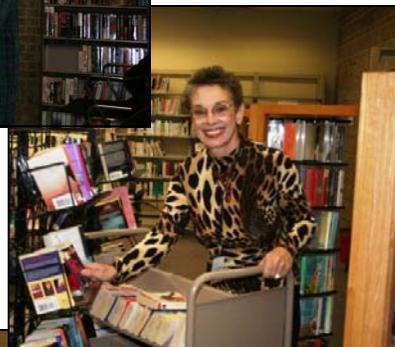
ABOVE: Getting the word out to Seniors— (l to r) volunteers Floydell Borchardt, Mary Miner, Ron Gammell and Avanel Gary hand out safety info at the Senior Expo.



Police Dept officers and civilians say farewell to Pierce and Vivian Moore at a reception held at the Police Dept.



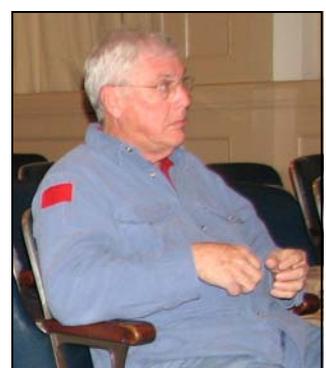
CLOCKWISE FROM ABOVE: Library volunteers John Steig, Nick Sciarrini, Harriet Gilbert and Elaine Deal work to keep books in their places while Merrilie Maul (below) helps visitors with the computerized card catalog.



ABOVE— Wanda Hornberger (foreground), Mary Miner, Lisa Lynch and Robbie Campbell (below) listen to instruction at recent Police SWAT training exercise.



LEFT— 10 New Disabled Parking Enforcement Volunteers get sworn in by the municipal court judge following their training session.



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**Mark your calendars!**

**National Volunteer Appreciation Week**

**April 18 - 24!**