

Current 6th Grade Students.
Summer 2008 Reading

This summer we would like for you to choose a biography of a famous Texan or someone famous who has had a significant influence in Texas. Below is a partial list of Texans. You will be responsible for finding a suitable biography to read over the summer. Upon your return to school for the 2008-2009 school year, you will be required to participate in a “living museum” using the information learned from your biography. You will dress up like the person you researched and will have to provide a 2-3 minute oral presentation on that person to be performed for other students. A presentation board will also be required depicting a timeline of your historical person’s life and the important events in his/her life, as well as having pictures and other items you may deem important. A copy of your oral presentation will be required as well. This will be both an English grade as well as a Texas History grade. **You must fill out the attached sheet and give it to Mr. Ouellette by May 1, 2008 for approval; your parent/guardian must sign the sheet as well.** If you find someone not on the list, please pass it by your parents and the pass it by Mr. Ouellette. The biographies must be age appropriate, and **parents must approve of your selection.**

This is only a partial list

Red Adair
*Alvin Ailey
*Mary Kay Ash
*Stephen F. Austin

*Ninnie Baird
*Clyde Barrow
*Gail Borden
*Carol Burnett
*George Bush
*George W. Bush

*Cyd Charisse
*Claire Lee Chennault
*William P. Clements, Jr.
*Joan Crawford
*Walter Cronkite

*J. Frank Dobie
*Charlie Dunn

*Phil Gramm

*Larry Hagman
*Oveta Culp Hobby
*Ima Hogg
*Buddy Holly
*Sam Houston

*Howard Hughes
*Kay Bailey Hutchison

*Molly Ivins

*Lyndon Baines Johnson
*Jack Johnson
*Janis Joplin
*Scott Joplin

*Richard King
*Gib Lewis
*Mance Lipscomb

*Jayne Mansfield
*Stanley Marsh 3
*Mary Martin
*Don Meredith
*Ann Miller

*Willie Nelson
*Chester William Nimitz

*Roy Orbison
*Lee Harvey Oswald

*Bonnie Parker
*Quanah Parker

*H. Ross Perot
*Bill Pickett
*T. Boone Pickens, Jr.
*Katharine Ann Porter

*Dan Rather
*Robert Rauschenberg
*Sam Rayburn
*Tex Ritter
*Gene Roddenberry
*Karl Rove
*Nolan Ryan

*Ann Sheridan
*Willie Shoemaker
*Sissy Spacek
*Roger Staubach

*Tommy Tune

*Bob Wills

*Babe Didrikson Zaharias
*Lorenzo de Zavala
*ZZ Top

7th Grade Summer Reading List Approval

Name of Biography

Student's Name

I agree to read the above mentioned biography over the summer of 2008 and will be prepared to give an oral "living museum" presentation at a date to be determined later. I also agree to have a timeline presentation ready on the day of the "living museum."

Student Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

Teacher Signature

Return to Mr. Ouellette by May 1, 2008.