

Executive Board

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2008-2009

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This year our literacy projects will continue to include donations of books to the local Battered Women's and Children's Shelter, as well as to children in Mexico through support of the IRA International Literacy Project. We ask you to join us in this endeavor as we seek to change the world one book and one child at a time. Last year over one thousand books were donated through council efforts.



Alamo Reading Council

History

Originally started under the name of the San Antonio Reading Council, our organization was chartered as the Bexar County Reading Association in June of 1957. The charter application indicated the association address as Our Lady of the Lake College and included an officer roster listing E.E. Arnaud as president, Mary Hull as vice-president, Lorena Haynes as secretary, and Sister M. Catherine as treasurer. On October 17, 1969, the name was officially changed to the Alamo Reading Council.

Alamo Reading Council is affiliated with the International Reading Association and the Texas State Reading Association. The mission of the Alamo Reading Council is aligned with the mission of the International Reading Association, to promote reading by continuously advancing the quality of literacy instruction and research in Bexar County. The Alamo Reading Council welcomes the participation of all interested members of the community.

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Bexar County Area



www.alamoreadingcouncil.org



A Retrospective: 2007-2008

In September, 2007, our fiftieth anniversary banquet and membership drive featured author and teacher, Jim Burke. Our October speaker was Tony Stead, who spoke to teachers on nonfiction reading and writing. National literacy consultant Linda Cornwell presented "A World of Books, A World of Possibilities" in February. We finished the year in April with author Lara Kratky who presented on Bilingual and ELL instruction. Join us for our upcoming year, 2008-2009, as we grow together professionally while having fun!!!

Are You Interested in

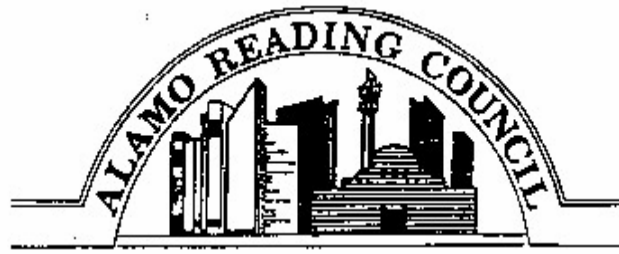
volunteering to **Read** to children at The Strong Foundation or the Children's Shelter?

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Related Links

[Texas State Reading Association](#)

[International Reading Association](#)

[National Council of Teachers of English](#)

[Texas Council of Teachers of English
Language Arts](#)

[Texas Association for the Improvement of
Reading](#)

Barnes and Noble (1604

and Bandera Road), spearheaded by PR manager Deborah Castanon, made Alamo Reading Council their Christmas Project for the 2007-2008 Christmas season, donating hundreds of books for our Community Literacy Project and our IRA International Project. Support our partnership by letting them know you appreciate their contributions!



Don't forget to **RENEW**

your Alamo Reading Council membership! Our FALL Luncheon and Membership Drive will be held on Saturday, Sept. 13, at La Posada Del Rey in Lincoln Heights. Look for further information on featured speakers and door prizes. The membership form can be found at—
www.alamoreadingcouncil.org.

Alamo Reading Council is the Local Chapter Affiliate of The International Reading Association. We are actively seeking members willing to take on leadership roles. For more information, please contact:

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