

LIBRARY

A Librarian at the Library

Librarian and First Lady Laura Bush and her daughter, Jenna, visit the Central Library to read from their new children's book.

Photos by Howard Pasamanick

First Lady Laura Bush and daughter Jenna Bush Hager greeted a capacity crowd at Central Library's Mark Taper Auditorium May 22 to read from and discuss their new children's book, *Read All About It*. The Bushes' appearance was an invitation-only event for major supporters of the Los Angeles Public Library and the Library Foundation of Los Angeles.

Read All About It was published by HarperCollins in April and tells the story of a boy named Tyrone who excels in all aspects of his schoolwork except reading. But when strange visitors start dropping by the classroom for story hour, Tyrone discovers there's more to books than just words on pages. A portion of the book's proceeds benefit Teach for America and The New Teacher Project.

After a welcome from City Librarian Fontayne Holmes and Library Foundation President Carolyn Wagner, Veronique Peck introduced the First Lady and her daughter, who read from their book as images were projected on the auditorium screen. Also participating in the event were a class of second-grade students from Esperanza Elementary School.

After the reading, the First Lady and her daughter answered questions from the audience. The event concluded with an onstage book signing.

The First Lady is a librarian and joined with the Library of Congress to launch the first National Book Festival in Washington, D.C., which last year attracted more than 120,000 book lovers from across the nation.

Jenna Bush Hager has also written *Ana's Story: A Journey of Hope*, which chronicles her experiences working as an intern with UNICEF in Latin America. Her share of the profits went to UNICEF and the remainder to the woman whose life is the basis of the book.

The event at the Los Angeles Public Library was arranged by Veronique Peck, a longstanding library supporter whose late husband, Gregory Peck, established the Gregory Peck Reading Series in 1995.



First Lady Laura Bush and daughter Jenna Bush Hager read from their book, *Read All About It*, in the Taper Auditorium at the Los Angeles Public Library.



First Lady Laura Bush, City Librarian Fontayne Holmes, and Presidential daughter Jenna Bush Hager at the reading event.

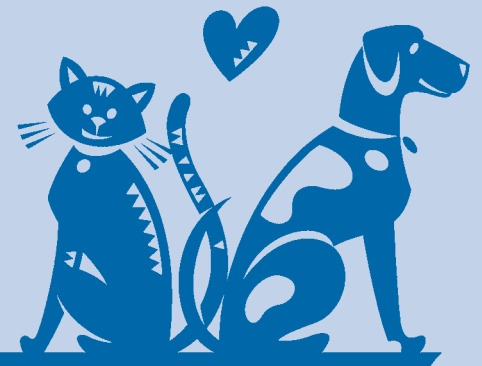


Second-graders from downtown Los Angeles' Esperanza Elementary School were among a capacity crowd who heard First Lady Laura Bush and daughter Jenna Bush Hager read from their new best-selling children's book, *Read All About It*, at the Los Angeles Public Library's Central Library May 22.

ClubFest!

Oct. 5, 2008

the pet club



Your friend is waiting for you!

The City Employees Club partners with Animal Services each month to showcase some of the pets that are available for adoption.

This Month's Pets for Adoption

rockey

Rockey is a ten-month old, male, white and brown pointer mix. He is full of energy and loves to go on walks and play catch. He enjoys being around people and is good with kids. He was surrendered by his owners in January because they did not have time to take care of him. Rocky is a great dog for an active family, and he is anxious to find a new home soon!

ID# A924530:

North Central Animal Care Center



texasj

Texas is a two-and-a-half-year-old male, brindled Labrador retriever/German shepherd mix. Like his name, Texas is huge, but he is also a big goofball. He loves to play and is very friendly. He has been at the Care Center since November 2007 and really needs to find a home! Texas will make a great family dog.

ID#A915078:

North Central Animal Care Center



cheese

Cheese is a five-year-old neutered male, orange, tabby. He is already microchipped and ready for a new home.

Cheese is a mellow guy, but he keeps himself occupied. He loves to play with cat toys and is an all around love bug. Who doesn't love Cheese in their home?

ID#A942221:

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MOO

Moo is a one-year-old neutered male, black and white shorthaired rabbit. He was surrendered by his owners, who had no time for him. Moo likes his rabbit friends at the Care Center, but he would rather find a forever home with you!

ID#A890043:

North Central Animal Care Center.



Meet your New Hope coordinator



To adopt any of these pets, or any pet at the North Central Animal Care Center, contact Ana Hernandez, New Hope Coordinator at the North Central Animal Care Center. Contact for Ana Hernandez: ana.hernandez@lacity.org, or (213) 485-8855

