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## Groundbreaking Reads Essay Contest

**New Braunfels, Texas** —The City of New Braunfels public library is sponsoring a 2013 Groundbreaking Reads Essay Contest as part of its Adult Summer Reading Program. They want to hear about how books change lives. Entry forms may be picked up at the library's help desk or downloaded from the library website for the Adult Summer Reading Program, <http://newbraunfels.libguides.com/ASRP>.

"Is there a book that helped you understand the world better? Or that got you through a difficult time? Or that changed your outlook on life? If so, we want to hear about it," said Gretchen Pruett, Library Director. "This summer, tell us how a book changed your life, and you might win a fabulous smart device!"

### Contest rules:

- Authors may submit only one entry, and it must be their own unpublished, original work.
- Essays should be between 250 and 500 words, handwritten or typed double-spaced.
- Submissions will be judged on content and creativity.
- All decisions are final.
- Each submission must have the completed entry form as a cover page.
- Entries cannot be returned - please keep a copy of your work.
- Employees of the City of New Braunfels and their immediate families are not eligible to enter.
- The contest is open to New Braunfels Public Library card-holders in good standing that are 18 years of age and over.

Essays must be turned in to the library help desk or emailed to [bpensiero@nbtexas.org](mailto:bpensiero@nbtexas.org) by Thursday, August 8th. Note that entries may be featured online or in print by the New Braunfels Public Library.

A first-prize winner and three runners-up will be announced on August 25th, at 2:00 p.m., at the End of Summer Reading Program Concert in the library.

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