

VISTA GRANDE PUBLIC LIBRARY - LibraryNews #046 - January 30, 2007

Welcome to the end of January and the beginning of new "doings" at the library. In case you hadn't heard...

VGPL EXPANSION

It's that time of year: our State Legislature is in session and VGPL has been working hard with our local state representatives to get approval of capital outlay funds for our much need expansion. You can help...

SIGN OUR PETITION

Sign VGPL's petition to our State Legislature asking their approval of our \$1,015,000.00 capital outlay request. The State Legislature and Governor Richardson, in the past two years, have approved \$150,000.00 for the planning and design of our needed expansion. VGPL just needs the rest of the money to make the expansion plan and design a reality. The petition is available at the library and will be delivered to our State Representatives at just the right moment. You can help VGPL even more...

A POSTCARD TO THE GOVERNOR

After signing our petition, take another moment or two to individualize a postcard to Governor Richardson asking for his approval of our request. We'll mail the distinctive postcard for you.

KIDS @ VGPL

Children's Story and Craft Hour is now scheduled for the second and fourth Saturday of every month at 10:00 a.m. The After School Reading program gets in full swing on February 1 and will run every Thursday that school is in session through April 26.

TEEN MOVIE NIGHT

Teen Movie Night is slated to kick-off on Friday, March 16. We have purchased a library movie license for the showings which will become known as "First Fridays." Only 50 tickets will be issued (FREE) as seating is limited. Count on an action-packed PG-13 thriller for the first showing – the licensing agreement prevents us from advertising the title in this message but we can say that it's the newest James Bond. More information will be posted in the library when you come to pick up your tickets. The program is intended for teens aged 13 to High School Seniors. Popcorn and juice will be served.

NEW BOOKS

The new books continue to arrive and include the following titles:

The Lost: A Search for Six of Six Million

The Dissident

Absurdistan

Dashiell Hammett: Complete Novels

Gate of the Sun

The Uses of Enchantment

The Shakespeare Wars

Imperium

The Children's Hospital

Terrorist

Kate: The Woman Who Was Hepburn

and NEW BOOKS ON CD

New CDs include:

The Black Dahlia

The Journey of Crazy Horse

The Places in Between

The Thirteenth Tale

Gossamer
Small Steps

...plus, many more children's titles from the list of the New York Times' best in 2006.

DVDs, DVDs, DVDs

Just in time for the Academy Awards, we are building our collection of Best Picture DVDs and have added, Lawrence of Arabia, Chicago, Chariots of Fire, Casablanca, Schindler's List, A Man for All Seasons, Gone With the Wind, Hamlet, Amadeus, West Side Story, Sound of Music, My Fair Lady, and The Godfather.

THE THIRD THURSDAY

The third Thursday adult program is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on February 15 and entitled "Breaking the Winter Blues": An Evening of Poetry. Poets Sheila Cowing, Donald Levering, and Barbara Rockman will read.

Barbara Rockman has led poetry workshops in Santa Fe for the past nine years. She collaborated on an installation of art and poetry at the Harwood Center in Albuquerque and her book, "Surrender to Storm" was the result. Her poems have appeared in many literary magazines and anthologies. She founded and coordinates "A Community of Voices," a music, poetry and prose reading series devoted to the work of emerging artists. Winner of the Southwest Writers' Poetry Prize and the MacGuffin Poetry Award, she is a graduate of Vermont College's MFA in Writing Program.

Born in Kansas City, Donald Levering has been the recipient of a National Endowment of the Arts Fellowship in poetry and won first place in the Quest for Peace Writing Contest. In addition to wide appearances in literary journals, his publications include five chapbooks of poetry, *The Jack of Spring* (Swamp Press), *Carpool* (Tellus), *Mister Ubiquity* (Pudding House), *The Fast of Thoth* (Pudding House), and *The Kingdom of Ignorance* (Finishing Line), as well as two full-length poetry volumes, *Outcroppings From Navajoland* (Navajo Community College Press) and *Horsetail* (Woodley Memorial Press). Another full-length poetry book, *Whose Body*, is forthcoming in 2007 from Sunstone Press in Santa Fe.

Brought up along the Connecticut coast, Sheila Cowing raised three daughters and then earned an MFA from the Goddard College MFA Program now at Warren Wilson. Six years the editor of a national children's literary magazine, she has also been a landscaper, a telephone answering service operator, a book salesperson, a private secretary. She has published essays on art in national magazines and award-winning nonfiction for children. Her poems continue to be published widely in literary magazines countrywide, and her most recent collection was "Stronger in the Broken Places." A new collection and a chapbook of Civil War poems are currently circulating.

DONATION SATURDAY

Don't forget – the first Saturday of every month is book donation day – that means this Saturday, February 3 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. We can accept books published since 2002, classics in good condition, books on CD, and DVDs. We are unable to take magazines, textbooks, law books, VHS tapes, cassettes, or software.

WWW.VGLIBRARY.ORG

Watch for our newly redesigned website to be unveiled in the next few weeks. Our web address will remain the same – www.vglibrary.org Keep checking and you will see the difference.

NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Our new governing board was elected on Tuesday, January 16. The results...

Steven Rosenthal, President
Howard Efner, Vice-President

Diane Gulseth, Treasurer

Ann Jenkins, Secretary

Also on the board are Jack Abernethy (head of the expansion committee), Pat Bell (head of the development committee), Todd Handy, Marcel Legendre, and Diane McCarthy.

OOPS

Please note: the last newsletter had the wrong date for the Ice Cream Social. It should have been reported as Sunday, August 26, 2007. Mark your calendars.

To view our catalog and reserve books, visit us online <http://www.vglibrary.org>
<<http://www.vglibrary.org>> . For more information on the VPGL, call 466- READ(7323).

VGPL HOURS

Tuesday & Thursday: 1~6

Wednesday: 1~9

Friday & Saturday: noon ~ 5

Closed: Sunday & Monday

THE VISTA GRANDE PUBLIC LIBRARY -- It's Your Community Resource!

The Vista Grande Public Library, a nonprofit membership corporation, opened in April 28, 2001 for the residents of the southeastern corridor of Santa County, on whom it depends for financial survival.

Virtually 100% of VGPL's annual operating budget is funded by donations, not government funds or tax dollars. Without the help of residents of area communities, this public library would not exist