



Friends of the Taos Public Library

newsletter

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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

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Winter 2016

Greetings and Felíz Año Nuevo!

The Friends Board met on Tuesday January 26, 2016.

A review of our finances was discussed and Richard Harlan, our treasurer, presented a relatively good picture. Despite the recent bearish market we are in good shape. Library director, Shirley Fernandez, spoke to the Board about the upcoming 20th anniversary of the library building. We agreed that the event presented exciting opportunities for a great event. The celebration will take place sometime in July and the Friends have agreed to help in any way we can.

We also discussed this summer's lecture series being put together by Meredith Garcia, Ellen Brodsky, Judith Bronner and Deidre Baldwin. This summer's series' theme is "Taos Visionaries", and will take place on May 14, June 11, July 15, August 13, September 10 and October 8.

We also bade "Farewell and thank you" to retiring Board members Sandra M. Miller and Mary Sullivan. Both have served our community well. Thanks you two and enjoy your respite.

Our next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 12, from 3 to 5 PM at the Library Community Room. We urge you to attend and share your ideas with us. We hope to recruit new Board members and start our planning for the July 20th anniversary bash. Please drop in!

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For those of you receiving your newsletter by mail, please consider sending us your email address.

Don't forget Smith's Community Rewards:

<https://www.smithsfoodanddrug.com/topic/community-rewards-3>

I will leave you with Groucho Marx again: "I find television very educating. Every time somebody turns on the set, I go into the other room and read a book."

Here's to a literate planet!

John Flaherty

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THANK YOU!

The Friends of the Taos Public Library purchased more than 1500 books for the library during the 2014-2015 fiscal year. This was made possible through the generous support of all who attended our book sales, bought used books from our bookstore, and became members of the Friends. Many thanks to you all!!!

UPCOMING EVENTS IN 2016

Book sales resume on May 21, in conjunction with the Taos Farmer's Market.

The ever-popular Summer Lecture Series will be returning to the Taos Public Library this year!

See our website [<http://www.friendsofthetaospubliclibrary.org/>] or Facebook page [<https://www.facebook.com/friendsofthetaospubliclibrary>] for updates on both events!

Director's Letter



Hello, from Taos Public Library.

As we look forward to spring and the changes that brings, let us review where we are.

We are waiting for a new hire. Interviews have taken place and hopefully a new smiling face will join the team soon. Individuals that have joined the staff recently are studying for their certification from the State Library. All staff are either certified or have their Masters of Science degree.

The library assessment survey is out and may be found online at www.taoslibrary.org or at www.taosgov.com , our Facebook page and our blog, we also have the paper version here at the library. Please fill one out. This information helps us do our reporting to the State Library, who in turn, reports to the federal government. By determining what the needs of the community are, we may be able to serve you better.

We have been busy getting ready for the new self-check kiosks. The RFP has been completed and now we are in the procurement portion of the process. It won't be long now. Staff will be available to assist anyone on how to use the new service.

We are highlighting the databases that are available for your use. As we move forward more and more items are not available in print. This is why we make these databases available to our patrons. When you try the database for the first time, make it a learning adventure.

Taos Public Library will be celebrating our 20th anniversary here at this location in July. Please check back with us for further information and join us at this celebration. If you have any ideas or suggestions, give us a call!

If there is anyone who would like to volunteer here, please come by and fill out an application. Volunteers help by shelving, processing materials, book repair and other duties. This helps staff have the time to accomplish their other duties. We would like to provide additional programming for our community. If there are any volunteers out there willing to plan and implement a program that would benefit our community, please contact me. These are programs that would be offered free of charge. Help is greatly appreciated.

Shirley Fernandez
Library Director

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Taos Children's Library

Annette Montoya, Children's Library Supervisor

December 4, 2015, we had our **Christmas holiday book giveaway**. We gave away **215** books to each child. Plus we had had Mr. & Mrs. Claus as our special guests. All the children chose a **free** book and waited patiently in line to visit Mr. & Mrs. Claus. We took **112 free photos** with Mr. & Mrs. Claus. Santa also gave a **free treat bag** to the first **100** children and **every child got a candy cane**.



I would like to Thank our special guests Mr. George Jaramillo and Lucille Gallegos-Jaramillo who helped out as Mr. & Mrs. Claus. Also, our photographer Cheryl Nixon and a special Thank you to La Bell Cleaners.

March 2, 2016, we will be celebrating **Dr. Seuss Birthday** from **2:30 – 5:00**.



The library will be participating in Dr. Seuss **112th** birthday party at the Youth and Family center. We will be giving away **1 free book** to the first **300 kids**. Please come and receive a **free book** and enjoy **Dr. Seuss birthday party** with lots of fun games and stories.

Ongoing is our **Story Time and crafts for toddlers** with our very special volunteer **Leslie Bond**. This is held every **Thursday from 10:30 – 11:30**. Thank you Leslie for all you do for the library and the children in our community.

In closing, I want to thank the **Friends of the Taos Public Library** for all they provide to the library. The Friends are our generous sponsors who provide all the wonderful treats and books we are able to give to our community. Also I would like to thank the **Taos Milagro Rotary Club** and **Macy's** for their donations to also help provide these wonderful books for our book giveaways for the children.

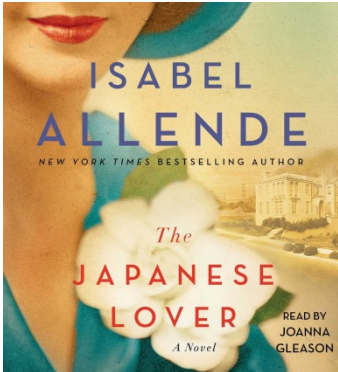
For further information contact the Annette at the Children's Library @ 575-737-2589 or amontoya@taosgov.com

New and Forthcoming

Winter-Spring 2016

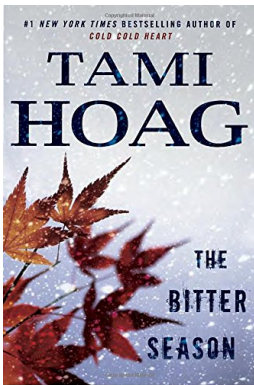
Dave Mansfield, Public Services Librarian II

New Audio Visual



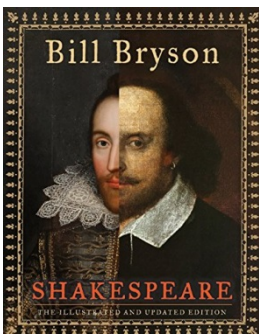
Jackie Brown	DVD
Murder by Death	DVD
Clint Eastwood Western Icon Collection	DVD
Seinfeld (Complete Seasons 1-9)	DVD
The Japanese Lover: a Novel	CDF
The Name of God is Mercy	CD
Finding Moon	CDF

New Fiction



X	Grafton, Sue
The Bitter Season	Hoag, Tami
Even Dogs in the Wild	Rankin, Ian
My name is Lucy Barton: a novel	Strout, Elizabeth
NYPD Red 4	Patterson, James
Star Wars: the Force Awakens	Foster, Alan Dean
House of the Rising Sun: a Novel	Burke, James Lee

New Non-Fiction



Shakespeare (Illustrated and Updated)	Bryson, Bill
Superfood Snacks	Morris, Julie
The Complete Manual of Wood Bending	Schleining, Lon
Good Prose: the Art of Nonfiction	Kidder, Tracy
Been There, Done That	Roker, Al
The 30-day Sobriety Solution	Canfield, Jack

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Yes! I want to become a new/renewed member of the Friends of the Taos Public Library. I understand that the Friends are a registered 501-c-3 organization and all donations are fully deductible as permitted by law.

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