



DECEMBER'S NEW MATERIALS:

- No Buddy Left Behind
- The Critical Partner
- 101 Law Forms for Personal Use
- Murder in the Name of Honor
- The Devil's Right Hand
- The Hoarder in You
- Rin Tin Tin
- Easy Chinese Recipes
- Second Chance
- Ultralight Backpackin' Tips
- More Than Just a Kiss
- Bad Boys of the Black Hills

TITULOS EN ESPAÑOL:

- Piense Y Hagase Rico
- Politik El Manifiesto Grafico
- Celebre La Cocina Hispana
- El Mundo En Un Bocado
- La Poda
- Las Playas Y Las Dunas Costeras
- La Promesa En El Derecho
- Un Recuerdo De Mis Quince Anos
- En El Closet
- El Proposito De Celebrar La Navidad
- Decisiones Intelijentes
- Aprendiendo A Orar
- El Engrama Quien Soy
- Renacer -Solo Por Hoy
- Potencial Para Cada Dia
- David
- El Lider

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Dodge City Public Library

START WITH A NEW BOOK

The holidays are a busy time for everyone. Stress and expectations can cause anyone to have a somewhat difficult holiday time. That entirely aside, now that the holidays are over, what better way to relax than with a good book? We have a plentiful supply of excellent new books for many different tastes. We have mysteries, some new books coming out by James Patterson and W.E.B. Griffin. Stephen King just came out with a book titled *11/22/63*. It takes place during the assassination of John F. Kennedy, and the idea of an alternate reality where he survives the plot to murder him. We also have many nonfiction books. One of my favorites that we have just recently added to the collection is a book called *150 Best Eco House*

Ideas. It lists, with many wonderful pictures, some ideas for building a "green" home. We also have an interesting book about homemade musical instruments called; *Hand-made Music Factory: The Ultimate Guide to Making Foot-Stompin'-Good Instruments*. Do you like oversized books? We have in our collection one called *50 Wonders of the World*, which is full of many large and beautiful photographs. Like history? *Death in the City of Light* is about a serial killer who lived in Nazi Occupied France. Even if spring looks so far away, you can imagine a warm day with barbecue and good food, with the *Kansas City Barbeque*

Book. It details recipes from right in our own Kansas City. If you are looking forward to the birds coming back to Kansas in the spring, check out *Birds of Kansas*, with a guide to what birds live or will migrate to our state in during the year. So, enjoy our fresh new books, and stop by the library to check one out.

-- Darren Nietling

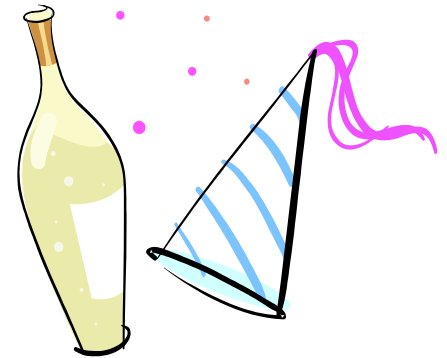
NEW LAPTOPS FOR CHECKOUT

Well if you have not been to the library in a while it is time to come in and check out some of the new items that we have. We are now able to check out laptop computers for you to use at the library. If you are a patron in good standing, with no overdue items or fines, and in the fifth grade or older, you will be able to use a laptop computer in the library.

At this time, we have six that are available for our patrons to use. The reason that we decided to do this is so that when we have a computer class we can either close the lab for the class, or use the laptops. We used to have to close the computer lab for about two hours. Now we will not have to do that.

With the help of donations from our jar at the front desk, our foundation board and other donations, we were able to purchase these items. We are hoping to get more in the near future. So if you would like to make a donation to this project please feel free to do so.

-- Sue Trombley



DIRECTOR'S DESK

2011 has come to a close and we found it to be an exciting year. Our big project was to purchase laptop computers and create a mobile computer lab. If you would prefer using a laptop, ask at the circulation desk. We also had a great summer reading program as well as other good programs throughout the year. We received many new books, movies and other items for you to check out. We hope you are enjoying them.

As we start 2012, we are again planning some programs, purchasing new items, and continuing to make the library a place where you can come read the newspaper, check out a good book, and find a family

movie to watch, or bring your children or grandchildren to a great program. We hope, as you make your New Year's resolutions, that visiting Dodge City Public Library on a regular basis will be one. Stop by the circulation desk and tell us what you like to read. Visit with the staff in the youth department and let us know what activities your young people enjoy. Check out the library's webpage and listen to one of our podcasts. As you start out a new year, don't forget the library and all it has to offer. And, from the DCPL staff, have a great 2012.

-- Cathy Reeves



UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Jan 2** Closed
- **Jan 3 9:30am – 11:30am** Coffee, Donuts, and a Movie - An astronaut is forced to leave NASA to save his family farm, but he continues to dream of space travel and sets out to build his own rocket. His neighbors consider him an oddity, the media considers him a story and the government considers him a threat and want to stop him but nothing can deter him from his dream of orbiting the Earth.
- **Jan 4 4:00pm – 4:30pm** Kidpix - For grades 1st-5th. Bilingual. What is it? Games, learning activities, and stories all told by the coolest librarians in the building. Lower Level Meeting Room.
- **Jan 7 10:00am – 2:00pm** Friends of the Library Booksale - Book sale hosted by the Friends of the Library. Lots of books available! Just come in the back entrance at the west side of the library. Lots of things for everyone.
- **Jan 10 4:00pm -6:00pm** Teen Winter Celebration. - Make graham cracker houses while watching a holiday movie about how Jack Skellington, the Halloween Pumpkin King, kidnaps Santa and takes it upon himself to deliver ghoulish Christmas presents to all the little boys and girls.
- **Jan 11 4:00pm – 4:30pm** Kidpix - For grades 1st-5th. Bilingual. What is it? Games, learning activities, and stories all told by the coolest librarians in the building. Lower Level Meeting Room.
- **Jan 12 12:00pm – 1:00pm** Knowledge at Noon with Ethel Schneweis - Quilting Preservation. Betty Mae Jantz and Dawn Habiger, Country Dumpling, will provide information on how they care for quilts, as well as how to choose quality fabrics, thread and batting material for quilting projects.
- **5:00pm – 7:00pm** Anime-Scene Dodge - Dodge City has an Anime club! A new anime movie every month! Come and discuss all things anime! For ages teen to adult. Movies rated TV-14.
- **Jan 14 12:00pm – 4:00pm** Dungeons & Dragons - Characters available so just come ready to play! For ages 12-18.
- **Jan 18 4:00pm – 4:30pm** Kidpix - For grades 1st-5th. Bilingual. What is it? Games, learning activities, and stories all told by the coolest librarians in the building. Lower Level Meeting Room.
- **Jan 19 4:00pm – 5:30pm** Teens' Writer's Bloc - For high school teens wishing to expand and develop their writing talents. Scheduled for every third Thursday of the month.
- **7:00pm – 8:00pm** China, Tibet, and minorities through the eyes of a country boy - Gene Dole had graduate school and field training in paleoanthropology at Case Western Reserve University (Cleveland, Ohio). While fulfilling the required course work he became enthralled with the Tibetan culture. Finally, in June of 2011 he was able to travel to Tibet. Gene will talk about and contrast many aspects of the metropolitan cities of Beijing, Chengdu and Shanghai with the smaller areas of Lhasa, Kunming and the country side.
- **Jan 21 2:00pm – 3:00pm** Children's Native American Craft Day - Make a 'leather' pouch, bracelet, and your own Teepee. We will also be looking at the differences between stereotypes and real Native American crafts and homes. Dress for a craft day please! For grades 1st-5th. (Children younger than 1st grade are welcome with a parent or older responsible adult.)
- **Jan 24 4:00pm – 6:00pm** Library Board of Trustee Meeting
- **Jan 25 4:00pm – 4:30pm** Kidpix - For grades 1st-5th. Bilingual. What is it? Games, learning activities, and stories all told by the coolest librarians in the building. Lower Level Meeting Room.
- **Jan 26 4:30pm – 6:00pm** Library Foundation Board Meeting

A HAPPY
NEW YEAR