723,305 Free Internet Sessions at Libraries

he Hawaii State Public Library System's (HSPLS) popular Internet Access service totaled 723,305 sessions in Fiscal Year (FY) 2014, an 8 percent increase over FY 2013's 668,625 sessions.

Free, limited access to the Internet is available at every library during library hours. Patrons with a valid HSPLS library card can sign up in advance for a one-hour session.

The libraries with the most Internet sessions, by island, include: Oahu – **Hawaii State Library** 77,380, **Kapolei** 53,945, **Kaimuki** 24,665; Big Island – **Hilo** 42,342, **Kailua-Kona** 18,540; Maui – **Kahului** 19,608, **Kihei** 13,994; Kauai – **Kapaa** 13,611 and **Princeville** 12,211.

Mark Your Calendars

August 7 - Wailuku Public Library 85th Anniversary Celebration, 6 p.m.-7:15 p.m.: Blessing by Kahu Wayne Higa of Kaahumanu Church; guest speakers, birthday cake; 6:30 p.m. - Performance by Grammy Award-winning Hawaiian Slack Key Guitarist Jeff Peterson. The Maui Friends of the Library is sponsoring this special event. Call the Library at 243-5766 for more information.

August 15 - Statehood Day Holiday; all libraries will be closed. Four libraries normally closed on Fridays - Aiea, Hawaii Kai, Liliha, and Makawao - will also be closed on Saturday, August 16 to observe the

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holiday.

Back-to-School Books and Resources

By Hawaii State Library Librarians

t's back-to-school time for Hawaii's children and teens! A valid Hawaii State Public Library System library card is the key that opens the door to a wealth of free resources, programs and services to help you or your child succeed in school. Here is a sampling of recommended book titles and other resources to prepare for the school year:

Children's Titles:

Jake Marcionette

JUST JAKE

(Ages 8 to 12) This book was actually written by a sixth grader! Jake and his family move from Florida to Maryland, and he has to start all over again in a new school. Just what are his "Rules of Awesomeness" and what if his "Kid Cards' fall into the wrong hands?

Available as eBook on OverDrive*





Esmé Raji Codell

IT'S TIME FOR PRESCHOOL!

(Ages 2-4) This cheerful and welcoming book introduces children to the world of preschool. It covers many of the typical activities that make up the preschool day and also the

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1,500 Attend Grand Opening of New Aiea

Public Library

pproximately 1,500 library lovers and supporters attended the Grand Opening Ceremony and program for the new environmentally-friendly Aiea Public Library July 19 and the Library officially opened after the ceremony.

Governor Neil Abercrombie, State Legislators, City Council Members, Officials, and



(I-r) State Sen. David Ige, State Rep. K. Mark Takai, State Rep. Gregg Takayama, Claire Tamamoto, President, Aiea Community Assn.; State Sen. Donna Mercado Kim, and Governor Neil Abercrombie untie the maile lei in the ceremony signifying the opening of the new Aiea Public Library.

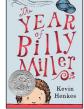
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emotions children may feel as they begin this new experience. It is a helpful book for parents to share with children before that momentous first day.

Kevin Henkes

THE YEAR OF **BILLY MILLER**

(Ages 5-8) Seven-yearold Billy Miller starts second grade with a bump on his head and



a lot of worries, but by the end of the year he has developed good relationships with his teacher, his little sister, and his parents, and has learned many important lessons. This first chapter book for emerging readers is also a great read-aloud choice.

Available in eBook format

Wendy L. Moss SCHOOL MADE EASIER: A KID'S **GUIDE TO STUDY** STRATEGIES AND



ANXIETY-BUSTING TOOLS (Ages 10-14) This book shows

upper elementary and middle school students how to identify stress and manage its symptoms. It also offers many helpful tips on how to practice positive self-talk, keep homework organized, and improve study skills and self-esteem.

* OverDrive can be accessed via the HSPLS website (www. librarieshawaii.org) The Hawaii State Public Library System offers 36,525 eBook and eAudiobook titles from the OverDrive/Digital Library Reserve. OverDrive digital materials can be played on many smartphones, MP3 players, tablets and other devices.

Teen Titles:

Frank Burnett **BOUND-FOR-COLLEGE GUIDEBOOK: A** STEP-BY-STEP **GUIDE TO FINDING** AND APPLYING TO **COLLEGES**



(Gr. 9-12; eBook) This guidebook offers information about the schoolto-college transition in a complete, organized, and user-friendly approach. FAOs and answers from school counselors who understand what students need to know during the exploration, decision-making, and application process between high school and college.

Martin Oliver **HOW-TO HANDBOOK:** SHORTCUTS AND **SOLUTIONS FOR** THE PROBLEMS OF **EVERYDAY LIFE**



SIX

MONTHS

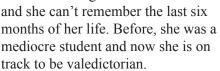
LATER

(Gr. 7-12) Tips and tricks that every teen needs to know, from how to unstick chewing gum to how to treat a burn.

Natalie D. Richards

SIX MONTHS LATER

(Gr. 9-12; eBook) Chloe nodded off in study hall on that sleepy summer day. When she wakes up, snow is on the ground



Prudence Shen **NOTHING CAN POSSIBLY GO WRONG**

(Gr. 8-12; Graphic Novel) Nate and Charlie are friends. Charlie's the



captain of the basketball team, and Nate is the neurotic, president of the robotics club. But when Nate declares war on the cheerleaders. guess what happens?

DVDs:

HOW IT'S MADE: THE FUN STUFF

(2012)

This program for children explains how everyday objects can be



used to make something entirely new.

MATH ADVENTURE TO THE MOON

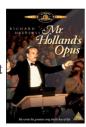
(2009; Ages 3-6) This animated, educational DVD for kids stars a couple of frogs who get



magical assistance with their math assignment. The story takes them to the moon, and walks kids through a series of fun introductory math lessons on sorting and counting, through games and songs.

MR. HOLLAND'S **OPUS** (1995)

A frustrated composer (Richard Dreyfuss) must accept a job as a high school music teacher to support his family.

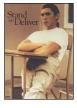


He comes to realize that teaching is his real passion and his legacy is in the generation of young people he inspires.

STAND AND DELIVER

(1988)

Jaime Escalante (Edward James Olmos), a math teacher at a tough East LA high school, refuses



to write off his inner-city students as losers. Escalante pushes and inspires students who were struggling with math to become math whizzes.



By Hawaii State Library Children's Librarians

Russell Freedman
ANGEL ISLAND:
GATEWAY TO
GOLD MOUNTAIN



(Gr. 5-7) In the early 20th Century, Angel

Island Immigration Station in San Francisco Bay was where numerous Asian immigrants to the United States first landed. San Francisco native and Newbery award winner Freedman examines the history of this dark facet of the immigrant experience.

Neil Gaiman

CHU'S FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

(Preschool-Gr. 2) Little Chu, the panda with a loud sneeze, is



excited about his first day of school. However, he's worried his first day won't go so well. Will he like school?

David Eyre

KAMEHAMEHA: THE RISE OF THE KING

(Gr. 4-7) This is a fictionalized account of the life of the visionary king based on factual



research by Eyre. The first several chapters of this book were originally released as part of the Kana'iaupuni Series, and by Kamehameha Publishing.

Mo Willems

MY NEW FRIEND IS SO FUN!

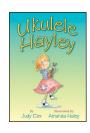
(Kindergarten-Gr. 3) The latest in Mo Willem's beloved Elephant



and Piggie series finds Gerald the Elephant and Snake afraid that their best friends, Piggie and Brian Bat, will like each other more than them.

Judy Cox UKULELE HAYLEY

(Gr. 1-3) With the encouragement of her music teacher, Hayley discovers her talent in playing the ukulele.



When the school board plans to eliminate the music program, the future of her ukulele band is at risk. Basic ukulele instructions are included.

Bridget Heos STRONGER THAN STEEL: SPIDER SILK DNA AND



THE QUEST FOR BETTER BULLETPROOF VESTS, SUTURES AND PARACHUTE ROPE

(Gr. 4-7) Spider silk is one of the strongest materials around, and its properties make it ideal for use in many things from sutures to bulletproof vests. However, it's hard to obtain in large quantities. Learn about the amazing and sometimes bizarre research being done to understand the material and to produce it commercially.

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and State Librarian Richard Burns participated in the Ceremony attended by invited State Legislators, other dignitaries, and members of the public.

The ceremony featured a prelude and musical accompaniment by Grammy award-winning slack key guitarist Jeff Peterson, presentation of the colors by a Marine Color Guard from Camp Smith, renditions of the "Star-Spangled Banner," "Hawaii Pono`i," and "The Queen's Prayer"

by Misty Kelai, Deputy Director of the City and County of Honolulu, Mayor's Office of Culture and the Arts; an Oli (Hawaiian chant) presented by Mahealani Lum, congratulatory messages by the guest speakers, a blessing by the Reverend Kosho Yagi of Aiea Hongwanji Mission, and the traditional untying of the maile lei.

The celebration continued inside the Library until 3 p.m. and the Library remained open until 5 p.m. Curious library patrons explored their new Library and borrowed books and other items. Balloon Monsoon performed their balloon twisting magic by creating balloon sculptures for mesmerized keiki.

The new \$10.4 million, 17,200-square-foot Aiea Public Library, located on the site of the former Aiea Sugar Mill at 99-374 Pohai Place, replaces the former

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Lucky drawings for the Regional **Grand Prize winners of the 2014 HSPLS Statewide Children's and Adult Summer Reading Programs** were conducted at the Hawaii State Library-Edna Allyn Room for Children July 29. Five lucky children each won a Crackle Kendama and a three-book set of Kendama tricks (Spike, Click, and Knees by The Void and Donald Grant). Four lucky children each won a gift pack of Assorted Fizzies Sparkling Drink Tablets. Five lucky adults each won E-Readers. (L-R) Nainoa Mau, Affiliates Coordinator and Byrde Cestare, Executive Director of the Friends of the Library of Hawaii (FLH), State Librarian Richard Burns, and FLH President Marlene Booth pulled the names from the lauhala basket held by Burns, and display samples of the Grand Prizes.

Spotlight on:

Honokaa Public Library

By Tahirih Foster

onokaa Public Library, located at 45-3380 Mamane Street, Building #3 on the Big Island, serves a rural community that includes two elementary and intermediate schools, and one high school. The Library is a small 3,040-square-foot plantation-style building built in 1936 and opened on June 5, 1937. The 77-year-old Library shares space in the Civic Center with the County services, courthouse, and the Police and Fire Departments.



The Library offers an ongoing newspaper-clipping file featuring news articles about Honokaa and Hamakua for interested patrons or those conducting historical research. This file is a primary source of information for students researching the closing of the Honokaa Sugar Plantation.

One treasure in the Library's collection is a photocopy of the original ships' logs that brought the Portuguese immigrants to the Big Island, including a set of cross-indexed cards by name. Many visitors researching their genealogical roots make use of it. In addition, the librarian has referred to the ships' logs to help answer questions from people as far away as Alaska, California, and Michigan. This past June, the Portuguese Chamber of Commerce of Hilo donated a fire and water-proof safe to help preserve these historical materials.

The Library is the only place in the community that rents DVDs. It also provides extended Summer Reading Programs, outreach to area elementary schools and preschools, class visits to the Library, and programs for community members and groups.

In celebration of Peace Week (September 14-20), the Library will conduct its annual "Read for Peace" program. Contact the Library for the date and time.

The Friends of the Libraries-Hamakua sponsors an on-going booksale, and provides funding for programs and items not included in the HSPLS budget.

For more information about the Library's public service schedule, programs and services, please call 775-8881.

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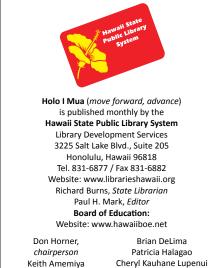
10,724-square-foot building at 99-143 Moanalua Road that served library patrons for nearly 50 years. The new Library will seek LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Gold Certification and includes features to reduce electricity costs such as a high-efficiency



air-conditioning system and 6,000 square feet of photovoltaic solar panels.

This unique Library was designed by architect Glenn Miura of CDS International who called it "the bright new beacon at the top of the hill." The Library is reminiscent of the old sugar mill with simple, tall gabled roofs, and exposed structures, mechanical and air-conditioning duct work within the interior space. It includes shelving to accommodate up to 78,000 books and 8,000 DVDs and CDs; high speed fiber connectivity for public Internet access, free wireless Internet access with a valid HSPLS library card; 13 computers for public use, two self-help check out stations; a large program room for library events, community

meetings and activities; and more parking for library patrons with 53 stalls.



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