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Facts on File's Science Online

Need a diagram for the parts of a chicken or for an experiment on growing crystals? What about a timeline on hot topics from greenhouse gases to hurricane seasons? These topics can be found on **Science Online** by **Facts on File, Inc.** one of the many electronic databases available for viewing at no charge to HSPLS customers.

Recently redesigned, this database presents an attractive new interface with faster, more direct access to its wealth of information on science topics. Among the many features include:

- **Explore Subjects:** Guides users in their research of Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Earth Science, Environmental Science, Forensic Science, Mathematics, Physics, Space and Astronomy, and Weather and Climate.

- **Browse Science Resources:**

Diagrams: Accesses more than 3,000 printable diagrams. A student with a project on chickens can click on "Animal Anatomy" and then "Birds" to find diagrams for the Chicken's External Form, Internal Structure or Skeleton. These diagrams clearly mark each part of the chicken from its feathers to its skeletal bones.

Experiments: Find more than 600 experiments covering key science principles. Choose topics from Biology to Weather and Climate. For example, under "Earth Sciences," click on "Geology," then on "Growing Crystals." The materials required for this experiment, procedures, illustrations, safety precautions and time needed for completion are all clearly listed.

Biographies: Covers the careers and achievements of more than 2,500 prominent scientists such as Nobel Prize winners and women in science. Listings are alphabetical by last name, by occupation or by nationality.

Timeline: Covers scientific time periods and topics from millions of years ago to today. Topics can be searched by Subject, Era or Range of dates. For example, under the subject "Weather and Climate" search for the years 2000 to 2006, the topics "greenhouse gases," "rapidly melting glacier" and "hurricane seasons" are briefly but thoroughly described.

In addition, Science Online provides a Science Dictionary that allows quick access to basic terms and concepts.

To access this database visit: <http://www.librarieshawaii.org>; click on "Other Databases," scroll down and click on "Science Online". To access this database from home, type in your valid library card number, click on "Proceed" and follow the directions above.

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included Honolulu Ford, John H. Connors Insurance, King Windward Nissan and Pension Services Hawaii.

The Friends of the Library of Hawaii also held its extremely successful 59th annual book sale this past July. Hawaii's biggest and best book sale netted \$150,000. This book sale could not take place without the dedicated efforts of dozens of year-round Friends volunteers who spend countless hours sorting, pricing, and packing donated books; the many shift workers at the weeklong sale, and all the thousands of "book lovers" who attend and purchase books. Sponsors of the book sale were Davin Kubo of Smith Barney, Safeway, Starbucks Coffee, Advanced Micro-Image Systems Hawaii, Inc., and Sam's Club.

Proceeds from both the book sale and golf tournament benefit the Hawaii State Public Library System by providing public library customers and staff with books and equipment, programs, and continuing education grants. Truly, Hawaii residents and visitors that utilize the 51 public libraries statewide benefit year-round from the generous support of the Friends

of the Library of Hawaii.

On behalf of the staff and customers of the Hawaii State Public Library System, a warm MAHALO to the Friends of the Library of Hawaii for their staunch and continuing support!



The Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped, which serves a dual role as a member of the Hawaii State Public Library System and as a Regional Library for the National Library Services for the Blind & Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress, celebrated its 75th Anniversary with an Open House on Nov. 8. Here, Library Manager Fusako Miyashiro presents the special birthday cake.



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Thank You Message from State Librarian Jo Ann Schindler:

Season's Greetings! The holiday season provides a perfect opportunity to reflect on the wonderful contributions Hawaii's public libraries have received this past year. The Hawaii State Public Library System is especially grateful for the tremendous support provided by the Friends of the Library of Hawaii and their generous community donors and corporate sponsors, through two major fundraising efforts.



Schindler

The 13th Annual Marriott Links to Literacy golf tournament in September raised over \$120,000 at Ko Olina Golf Club. This fundraiser benefits the Hawaii State Public Library System through the Friends of the Library of Hawaii, and additional funds were also raised during a silent auction at the awards banquet at the JW Marriott Ihilani Resort and Spa. Michelle Wie served as Honorary Chairperson for the third consecutive year. In its 13-year history, this golf tournament has netted over \$700,000.

Marriott International (Hawaiian Islands Hotels and Resorts) was the title sponsor for Links to Literacy. This year's platinum sponsors were Meadow Gold Dairies and Unilever Food Solutions. Corporate sponsors were: Aloha Airlines, Armstrong Produce, Ltd., Beachside Roofing, Coca-Cola Bottling Co. of Hawaii, HMS Host, Hansen Foodservice, Roberts Hawaii and Starbucks Coffee. Hole-in-One sponsors

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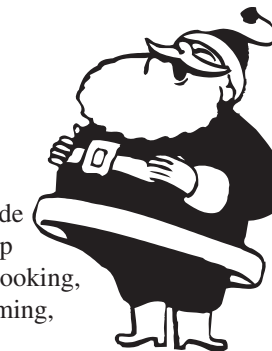
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Holiday Season Happenings @ Your Library

By Paul H. Mark and Susan Nakata



It's the Holiday Season...come celebrate with us @ your local library! This month, public libraries statewide are setting up book displays featuring titles that will help everyone prepare for the holidays, including books on cooking, gift wrapping, decorating, homemade craft ideas, tree trimming, and the origins of Christmas, Hanukkah, and Kwanzaa.

Many libraries are also scheduling special holiday storytimes and a variety of family programs. Here is a sampling of the programs; admission is free:

- **Puppet Times with Christy Lipps**, Dec. 2, 10:30 a.m., McCully-Moiliili Public Library; and Dec. 6, 2 p.m., Waianae Public Library. Features favorite children's Christmas stories; sponsored by Friends of McCully-Moiliili Public Library and Friends of Waianae Library, respectively. Call 973-1099 (McCully-Moiliili) or 697-7868 (Waianae).

- **Under the Stars: Star Light, Star Bright**, Dec. 5, 6:30 p.m., Kapolei Public Library Children's Room (for all ages). "Travel" to distant lands in stories, songs and poems. Bring a camera to take photos with Santa near his sleigh! Call 693-7050.

- **Holiday Cards with Jocelyn Lopez**, Dec. 6, 1 p.m. and Dec. 12, 6:30 p.m., Kahuku Public & School Library Conference Room (ages 5-up). Learn how to use stamps to create beautiful holiday cards; sponsored by the Friends of the Library at Kahuku. Call 293-8935.

- **Magician Bradley Choy Magic & Comedy Show**, Dec. 6, 6 p.m., Waipahu Public Library's C.O. Andy Anderson Room (ages 3-up). Show features live rabbits; children must be accompanied by an adult at all times. Program sponsored by the Friends of Waipahu Public Library. Call 675-0358.

- **Winter Wonderland with Oogles N Googles**, Dec. 7, 10:30 a.m., Mililani Public Library Children's Area (ages 2-up). Children will have fun singing and dancing while learning about the winter season. Program sponsored by the Friends of Mililani Public Library. Call 627-7470.

- **Traditional Christmas Music**, Dec. 8, 3:30 p.m., Molokai Public Library (for all ages). Features a trio on baritone sax, trumpet and celtic harp. Call 553-1765.

- **Holiday "Do Re Mi" Music with Art Suankum**, Dec. 11, 3 p.m., Pearl City Public Library Adult Reading Area (ages 5-up). Children will learn how to sing and play musical instruments to Christmas songs. Program sponsored by a patron's donation to Pearl City Public Library. Call 453-6566.

- **Keiki Holiday Craft program**, Dec. 9, 10 a.m., Kailua-Kona Public Library. Children ages five and up are invited to join library staff in making fabric wreaths,

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Mark Your Calendars

Dec. 25 – Christmas Day holiday, all libraries closed. Some libraries will have special holiday hours. Call your local library for holiday hours or visit: www.librarieshawaii.org.

Jan. 1, '07 – New Year's Day holiday, all libraries closed. Some libraries will have special holiday hours. Call your local library for holiday hours or visit: www.librarieshawaii.org.

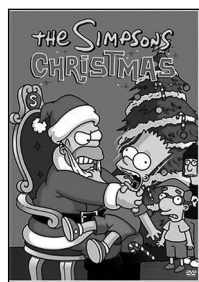
Holiday Season DVDs @ Your Library

By Sally Walstrum, Librarian,
HSL – Art, Music, Recreation Section

Here are some classic and timeless DVDs to help you enjoy this Holiday Season:

CHRISTMAS WITH THE SIMPSONS

Celebrate Christmas Simpson style, with this collection of five animated holiday stories.



HOLIDAY CELEBRATION WITH MICKEY & PALS

Celebrate the holidays with Mickey and pals in seven classic animated stories. Mickey and Pluto discover that friendship is the best gift of all in *Mickey's Good Deed*. Donald and chipmunks Chip 'n' Dale battle over a huge spread of holiday treats in *Tinker Toys*.



HOLIDAY FACTS & FUN: HANUKKAH

Experience the sights and sounds of a Hanukkah celebration, complete with songs and colorful activities.



IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE

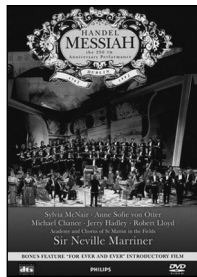
James Stewart stars in this Christmas classic from 1946. George Bailey, a desperate and suicidal man, is



visited by a guardian angel who shows him how important he has been to those around him in his life.

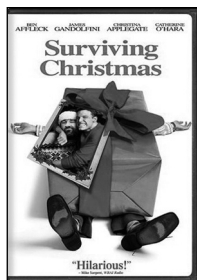
THE MESSIAH: THE 250th ANNIVERSARY PERFORMANCE

Filmed in Dublin in 1992 on the 250th anniversary of the premiere of Handel's *Messiah*, this concert performance features Sir Neville Marriner and his Academy of St. Martin-in-the-Fields with an international line-up of soloists, including Sylvia McNair, Anne Sofie von Otter, Jerry Hadley, Michael Chance, and Robert Lloyd.



SURVIVING CHRISTMAS

Ben Affleck stars as an executive who is tired of spending the holidays alone so he returns to his old family home. He offers the family there \$250,000 to let him spend Christmas with them. His demands become annoying, but in the end they all find the holiday spirit!



(Holiday Happenings, from front page)

holiday party trail mix, and bead and bell ornaments. Call 327-4327.

- **Christmas Crafts & Stories**, Dec. 13, 3 p.m., Hana Public & School Library Meeting Room (for all ages). Listen to Christmas stories read aloud and make a Christmas craft to take home. Call 248-4848.

- **Holiday Season Concert by the Lutheran Church of Honolulu Choir**, Dec. 16, 11:30 a.m., Hawaii State Library Main Lobby (for all ages). Led by Director Carl Crosier, this choir will perform sacred choral music. Co-sponsored by the library's Hawaii & Pacific and Art, Music & Recreation Sections. Call 586-3520.

Call the hosting library as soon as possible if a sign language interpreter or other special accommodation is needed

for any of these programs. Programs are subject to change. For a complete listing of our Holiday Season programs, visit the HSPLS website: www.librarieshawaii.org.

Korean Library Foundation Donates Korean Drama DVDs

McCully–Moiliili Public Library received a donation of Korean television drama and feature film DVDs, valued at over \$5,500, from the Korean Library Foundation on November 16th.

This generous donation included a total of 27 copies of 14 different kinds of popular Korean television dramas such as “*Winter Sonata*,” “*Full House*,” and “*All In*,” each of which has more than 100 customers waiting to borrow the title. In addition, the Foundation donated “*The King & Clown*,” one of this year’s biggest hit movies in Korea.



These DVDs will be added to the Korean language collection of more than 17,000 books and other materials housed at the McCully–Moiliili Public Library. Customers with a valid library card may borrow the DVDs for seven days at \$1.00 per copy. By using the Hawaii State Public Library System’s online reserve feature, customers can specify the library where they would like to pick up the DVDs.

The “Korean Wave” has been an overwhelming success in Hawaii, thanks to the phenomenal growth of the Korean television drama and film industry. It is hoped that this latest donation will assist non-Korean speaking local residents to learn more about and enjoy Korean culture.

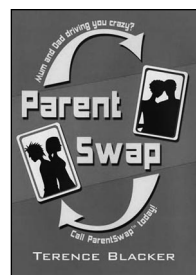
Formerly known as Moon’s Book Club, the Korean Library Foundation was established in 2005 to assist the Hawaii State Public Library System to raise funds for Korean language books and other materials.

New Teen Titles

By Willis Oshiro, Young Adult Librarian,
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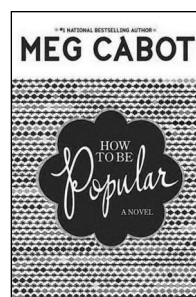
Terence Blacker PARENT SWAP

(Gr. 6 – 12) Because his life is a bit of a mess, 13-year-old Danny Bell agrees to let ParentSwap™ try to match him with his Ideal Parents, but he soon realizes that the company is about more than giving adolescents a new start.



Meg Cabot HOW TO BE POPULAR

(Gr. 6 – 12) Sixteen-year-old Steph Landry finds an old book on how to be popular and decides to change her social status by following its advice, much to the bafflement of her two best friends.



An Na WAIT FOR ME

(Gr. 6 – 12) As her senior year approaches, Mina yearns to find her own path in life but working at the family business, taking care of her little sister, and dealing with her mother’s impossible expectations are as stifling as the Southern California heat, until she falls in love with someone who offers a way out.



Alex Flinn DIVA

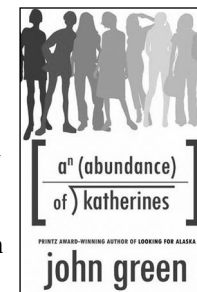
(Gr. 9 – 12) Despite her mother’s objections, 16-year-old Caitlin determines to pursue her dream of becoming an opera singer by attending a performing arts school in Miami.



John Green

AN ABUNDANCE OF KATHERINES

(Gr. 9 – 12) Having been recently dumped for the nineteenth time by a girl named Katherine, recent high school graduate and former child prodigy Colin sets off on a road trip with his best friend to try to find some new direction in life while also trying to create a mathematical formula to explain his relationships.



Meg Rosoff

JUST IN CASE

(Gr. 9 – 12) Convinced that Fate is out to get him, 15-year-old David Case assumes a new identity in the hope of avoiding what he believes is certain doom.



Temporary Library Closures

- **Kahului Public Library** (Maui) – library and book drop are closed for a re-roofing project. Reserve requests may be picked up at **Wailuku Public Library**. Customers may visit any public library that is open to fulfill their library services needs. An announcement will be made when the library is scheduled to reopen.
- **Laupahoehoe Public & School Library** (Big Island) – library and book drop remain closed due to the damage caused by two major earthquakes on Oct. 15. In the meantime, customers may visit any neighboring public library. An announcement will be made when the library is scheduled to reopen.
- **Liliha Public Library** – closed for an air conditioner upgrade project through Dec. 8. Book drop will remain open; however, do not return audio visual materials such as CDs, videos or DVDs since they are fragile. As an alternative, customers may visit the **Hawaii State Library** or **Kalihi-Palama Public Library**

for these returns and for other library services needs. Call 587-7577 to hear automated updates for the repair schedule. Scheduled reopening date: 12/9/06, however an announcement will be made to confirm or revise this date.

In addition, customers may log-on to the HSPLS website: www.librarieshawaii.org from their home or office computer, to browse the HSPLS Catalog for book titles, eBooks, digital audio books, and a wide variety of other online resources), which provides full text materials from magazines, newspapers, journals and other publications.



Sheryl Lynch, Young Adult Librarian of Liliha Public Library, was honored last month as the 2006 Librarian of the Year for the Hawaii Library Association at its annual conference held at the Waikiki Beach Resort & Spa. Here, Lynch (left) displays the winner’s plaque with Hillary Chang, Young Adult Librarian of McCully-Moiliili Public Library, who nominated her for the annual award.

LIBRARY TOONS!

By Wayne Kaneshiro, LBPH

