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No New Year's Resolution? Let the library help!

If you're one of the many people that want to start anew this New Year but don't know where to start, come in and find the perfect book for your needs. Need ideas for resolutions? Here's a few of our own ideas with helpful books, videos, and resources available at your library to get you started!

- Get in shape
Buff Moms-to-Be
The Eat-Clean Diet: Fast Fat Loss that Lasts Forever
- Improve your technological skills
Rule the Web: How to Do Anything & Everything on the Internet
Absolute Beginner's Guide to iPods & iTunes
- Go back to school
Learning Library Express, our online database
- Get a better job
175 Best Jobs Not Behind a Desk
Amazing Resumes: What Employers Want to See & How to Say It
- Be environmentally conscious
How to Build Your Own Greenhouse

The Global Warming Survival Handbook : 77 Essential Skills to Stop Climate Change—or Live Through It

- Become more financially responsible
Finances After 55: Make the Transition from Earning a Living to Retirement Living
Personal Finance for Dummies
- Remodel your personal space
52 Weekend Makeovers: Easy Projects for Your Home
DIY Weekend Kitchen Makeovers
- Learn something new
How to write songs on guitar : a guitar playing and songwriting course
Spanish Around the House
- Learn to start a business
How to Start a Business in Texas
Financing Your Small Business

It's never too early (or too late) in the year to contemplate, plan, and initiate a positive change. While a New Year's Resolution brings with it a clear opportunity to look at your life, the reality is that these opportunities are available at all times. So what are you waiting for?

Featured Books for January



Plum Lucky

by Janet Evanovich

Stephanie Plum has a way of attracting danger, lunatics, oddballs, bad luck and mystery men. No one is more mysterious than the unmentionable Diesel. He's

back and hot on the trail of a little man in green pants who's lost a giant bag of money. Problem is, the money isn't exactly lost. Stephanie's Grandma Mazur has found it, and like any good Jersey senior citizen, she's hightailed it in a Winnebago to Atlantic City and hit the slots. With Lula and Connie in tow, Stephanie attempts to bring Grandma home, but the luck of the Irish is rubbing off on everyone: Lula's found a job modeling plus-size lingerie. Connie's found a guy. Diesel's found Stephanie. And Stephanie has found herself in over her head with the caper. *Plum Lucky* is an all-you-can-eat buffet of thrills, chills, shrimp cocktail, plus-size underwear, and scorching hot men.

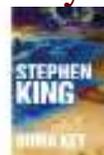


The Appeal

by John Grisham

After forty-two hours of deliberations that followed seventy-one days of trial that included 530 hours of testimony from four dozen witnesses, and after a lifetime of sitting silently as the lawyers

haggled and the judge lectured and the spectators watched like hawks for telltale signs, the jury was ready. Locked away in the jury room, ten of them proudly signed their names to the verdict while the other two pouted in their corners, detached and miserable in their dissension. There were hugs and smiles and relief because they had survived this and could now march proudly back into the arena with a decision they had rescued through sheer determination and compromise. Their ordeal was over; their civic duty complete. They had served above and beyond. They were ready. *The Appeal* is a powerful, timely, and shocking story of political and legal intrigue, a story that will leave readers unable to think about our electoral process or judicial system in quite the same way ever again.



Duma Key

By Stephen King

Six months after a crane crushes his pickup truck and his body self-made millionaire Edgar Freemantle launches into a new life. His wife asked for a divorce after he stabbed her with a plastic knife and tried to strangle her one-

handed (he lost his arm and for a time his rational brain in the accident). He divides his wealth into four equal parts for his wife, his two daughters, himself and leaves Minnesota for Duma Key, a stunningly beautiful, eerily remote stretch of the Florida coast where he has rented a house. All of the land on Duma Key, and the few houses, are owned by Elizabeth Eastlake, an octogenarian whose tragic and mysterious past unfolds perilously. When Edgar begins to paint, his formidable talent seems to come from someplace outside him, and the paintings, many of them, have a power that cannot be controlled. Soon the ghosts of Elizabeth's childhood return, and the damage of which they are capable is truly terrifying. Like *Lisey's Story*, this is a novel about the tenacity of love and the perils of creativity. Its supernatural elements will have King fans reeling.

Events

Steven Gennette and the PC Rhythm Singers once again performed at the library and brought to fruition an amazing variety of Christmas musical delights. The program progressed from sacred to popular, ending with the playful *Baby It's Cold Outside*. Several choir members had moments to shine with solos. Thursday's intimate concert which drew an audience of 30 was just beautiful! A reception followed the concert honoring the choir and their festive music.

The library held its annual Christmas Story Time and Puppet Show on December 20 at 10:00am and 6:00pm. At the

10:00 showing, Mrs. Clause was reading, visiting, and taking pictures with the children. The 6:00 showing had a puppet show, Christmas caroling with the group Stillwaters, and the children had a chance to visit and take pictures with Santa. We hope this was a treasured opportunity to make memories and carry on the special tradition of visiting with Santa.

The library will be closed Jan. 1 for New Year's Day and Jan. 21 for Martin Luther King Day.

"I Have a Dream..."



Fast Facts about the Library

- Photocopier for patron use
- 10 PC's with Internet access
- 2 Children's PC's with games
- Digital piano for patron use
- Tax forms
- Inter-library Loans
- TexShare databases
- Videos & DVDs
- Books on tape & CD
- Books & Videos in Spanish
- And much more

Snuggle into a great book for January

For Children

Little Mouse's Happy Birthday
by Jeanne Modesitt

Little Rooster's Diamond Button
by Margaret R. McDonald

Maggie and the Monster
by Elizabeth Winthrop

Mars Needs Moms!
by Berke Breathed

My Heart Is a Magic House
by Julie Jacobs

One Saturday Evening
by Barbara Baker

Out of the Egg
by Tina Matthews

Penguins! Strange and Wonderful
by Laurence Pringle

Promise is a Promise
by Florence P. Heide

Polar Bear: Arctic Hare
by Eileen Spinelli

For Adults

In Everything Give Thanks
by Terry Barnes

Simple Gifts
by Lori Copeland

Unwrapping Christmas
by Lori Copeland

Frasier Island
by Susan P. Davis

Like Always
by Robert Elmer

Blameless
by Thom Lemmons

To Love Anew
by Bonnie Leon

Where Willows Grow
by Kim V. Sawyer

Blood Evidence
by Mel Odom

Sweet Dreams Drive
by Robin L. Hatcher

DVDs

Angelina Ballerina: Follows Her Dreams

Bob The Builder: Bob's X-Treme

Bob's Top Team

Charlie & Lola, Vol. 3

Charlie & Lola, Vol. 4

Charlie & Lola, Vol. 5

Thomas: Carnival Capers

Thomas' Trusty Friends

Thomas: James Goes Buzz

Thomas: The Special Letter

Thomas & The Toy Workshop

Thomas Gets Tricked

Veggie Tales: I Love My Lips

VT: I Can Be your Friend

Dora Saves the Mermaids

Cowgirl Dora

Dora: Summer Explorer

Hank the Cowdog: The Runaway Windmill

It's YOUR Library...



We asked library Patron Nancy Santoni, what she has to say about her library...

When I think about our library here in Fort Stockton, I think of the little engine that could. As

a single mother and working full time I take college courses through the internet. From electrical engineering to criminal justice, there has yet been a time when I could not find resource material which I have needed for a class. The environment and atmosphere,

while it is professional, it is well situated for our community. The staff members are friendly and very helpful. Throughout the various holidays of the year, I have seen the library welcome each with events and decorations. What a nice surprise to see Santa Clause made a visit. The modern library is no longer about books, magazines, or newspapers. Our library has met that challenge. There are ten computers available and connected to the internet. This library is doing

its best to cut down on that internet divide, just ask the kids. Even if you are new to the computer world they have software to teach you. You want to learn how to play the piano, you guessed it. Come on down to the library, there is a piano you can learn on. As I look forward to the New Year I also look forward to the numerous shows and community events which will be held here at our local library. Happy New Year everyone!

January 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Library Closed New Year's Day	2	3 J R R Tolkien, author of <i>The Lord of The Rings</i> , Birthday	4	5 Nellie Tayloe Ross became 1st woman governor
6 Carl Sandburg, poet- writer-historian, Birth- day	7	8 George Washington gave 1st State of the Union message in 1790	9	10 Thomas Paine's classic <i>Common Sense</i> was published in 1776	11 1st Report that ciga- rettes & smoking were health hazards was published in 1964	12
13 National Geographic was created in 1888	14 Investment Club Meeting @ 6:00	15	16 Literary Club Meeting @ 2:00	17 Shari Lewis, puppet- eer & leader in chil- dren's educational television, Birthday	18 A A Milne, author of <i>Winnie the Poob</i> stories, Birthday	19 Edgar Allan Poe, poet & writer, Birthday
20	21 Library Closed Martin Luther King Day	22	23	24	25 American Airlines 1st coast-to-coast flight service on Boeing 707 in 1959	26 Electric dental drill patented in 1875 by George Green
27 Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's Birthday	28 Vietnam War ended in 1973	29	30 Library of Congress was burned in 1815	31		



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W-9am-6pm
T-10am- 8pm
F- 9am-6pm
S- 9am- 3pm

Online Library

Many of the Library's resources are available for you to use 24 hours a day, 7 days a week from any computer with an internet connection. Simply go to www.fort-stockton.lib.tx.us where you'll find:

Online Catalog

Search for books held by the Library, place holds and Interlibrary Loan requests, and renew your items.

News & Calendar of Events

Upcoming programs, news, and links to images and information about past events at the library

Links & Online Research

Resources for research and general interest, many of which can only be accessed by Patrons of the Fort Stockton Public Library. Here you will find **TexShare** databases such as MEDLINE, Literature Resource Center, NetLibrary eBooks, and the Handbook of Texas, plus links to local, area, state, and federal sites. Keep your library card nearby—you'll need it to access some of these databases!

You'll also find new book arrivals, and a new database called **Learning Express Library**. Refer to next page for more information.



JANUARY 2008 CHILDREN & ADULT PROGRAMS

