Are you interested in clothing and fashion? If you are, you’ll be glad to know that the Hawai‘i State Public Library System received a gift donation of 10 Korean soap opera DVDs from KBFD-TV (Channel 32) last month. KBFD-TV, which is celebrating its 19th year of broadcasting, airs Korea’s most popular soaps in Hawai‘i. Since the late 1990’s, the station has seen an increase in its local viewership, when the Korean dramas started to gain in popularity, not only among Koreans but also among other nationalities.

In a brief ceremony at the McCully-Mō‘ili‘ili Public Library, Jeff Chung, Vice President of KBFD-TV, presented the DVDs to the Moon’s Place Book Club and State Librarian Jo Ann Schindler. McCully-Mō‘ili‘ili Library houses the majority of over 10,000 books and other materials in the Hawai‘i State Public Library System’s Korean language collection. The DVD titles and the number of sets include: “All About Eve” (3), “Aunt Maud” (2), “Oh! Pil–Seung, Bong Soon–Young” (3), “Puppet Times” (children’s stories, finger plays, songs), for ages 3-up: “Stories of Wit, Wonder, and Wisdom,” Apr. 7, 6:30 p.m., Lāna‘i’s, all ages; “State Tezutashi” (Kaua‘i cookbook author, “A Taste of My Best, Vol. 1”), Apr. 13, noon, book-signing and cooking demo, Līhu‘e, ages 12-up.

Speakers:
Officer John Coleman, Kapolei HPD, “Identity Theft: What it is and How to Prevent it,” Apr. 11, 6:45 p.m., Ewa Beach, for adults; Rebecca Andrew, Director/Teacher, Ohana Music Together of Hawai‘i, “Ohana Music Together” (music and movement for young children), Apr. 12, 1 p.m., ‘Ewa Beach, ages infant-5 years w/parent/caregiver; Jean Souza, Hawaiian Islands Humphback Whale National Marine Sanctuary, Kaua‘i’s Programs Coordinator, “A 45-Ton Talk About Hawai‘i’s Humphback Whales,” Apr. 13, 6:30 p.m., Waima‘a, Kaua‘i’s (+ make an ocean magnet, get a temporary whale tattoo), for all ages; Apr. 20, 6:30 p.m., Kōlōa, powerpoint presentation for adults; Apr. 27, 10 a.m., Kapa‘a (+ free coloring book), for preschoolers.

Vicky Dworkin, “Stories of Wit, Wonder, and Wisdom,” Apr. 12, 6:30 p.m., Kailua, for all ages; Brenda Freitas-Oregon, “Stories for Everyone,” Apr. 16, 10:30 a.m., McCully-Mō‘ili‘ili, for ages 3-5; and James McCarthy, “Songs and Stories with Irish Roots,” Apr. 16, 11 a.m., Mililani, for all ages. 

Proposer:
Christy Lippo, “Puppet Times” (children’s stories, finger plays, songs), for ages 3-up Apr. 11, 10:30 a.m., Wahiawa; Apr. 12, 3 p.m., Ka‘ūkī; Apr. 13, 10:30 a.m., Līhu‘e.

By Paul H. Mark

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By Cynthia Frazer, Kailua Public Library

Gloria Whelan

CHU JU’S HOUSE
(Grades 7-10)

14-year-old Chu Ju runs from home to safeguard her newborn sister Hua from being sent to an orphanage. She works her way from a riverboat through a silk factory to a rice farm, and eventually her own land. Life promises to be better for the sisters in modern, rural China than it was for her sly, heartless grandmother.

Timothy Tschirch

CHIEF SUNRISE, JOHN McGRAW, AND ME
(Grades 5-9)

Hank Cobb, 15, escapes his crooked, alcoholic Dad by hopping a freight train. It’s 1919, and all he wants to do is play baseball. His adventures with “Chief,” an alcoholic Indian pitcher, take him from a traveling “all girls” team to the major leagues.

Julia DeVille

JOW GRAVITATE, PERSONAL JOURNAL
BECAME A BESTSELLER
(Grades 7-10)

An emailed-at-the-last-minute assignment by Jamie excites her English teacher to submit it for publication. This results in instant celebrity status, mayhem and hilarity.

Sonya Sones

ONE OF THOSE HIDEOUS BOOKS WHERE THE MOTHER DIES
(Grades 8-10)

Ruby must relocate across the country to live with a Dad she’s never met: a rich, famous, handsome movie star; everyone loves him but her.

Charles De Lint

WOLF MOON
(Grades 9-12)

Kern has found a home and love, but the hunter who seeks his wolf form tracks him down, and steals his place.

Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

INCLUDING ALICE
(Grades 8-10)

For those who have followed this popular series since childhood. Sophomore year, and is finally marrying Sylvia! Lester has moved out, but has Patrick moved on?

Will Shetterly

“ALL GIRLS” TEAM TO THE MAJOR LEAGUES.

It’s 1919, and all he wants to do is play baseball. His adventures with “Chief,” an alcoholic Indian pitcher, take him from a traveling “all girls” team to the major leagues.

Gloria Whelan

MARIA FULL OF GRACE

Maria, a poor Filipino teenager, is desperate to leave a soul-crushing job. She accepts an offer to transport packets of heroin, which she swallows, into the United States. The ruthless world of drug trafficking proves to be more than she bargained for. In Spanish language with English subtitles.

Martha Kaui供需

MULAN II

The legend of Mulan continues in this all-new animated movie. The courageous heroine is back, along with favorite characters and some new friends, including the mischievous Mushu, who wants to keep Mulan single so he can retain his job as her guardian.

Hawaii State Library and Wailuku Library, funded through other sources, will also participate in the program. For more information, contact the participating library nearest you.

HSPLS Receives $8,515 Weinberg Grant

The Hawai‘i State Public Library System has received an $8,515 grant from the Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation through the Hawai‘i Library Foundation. The grant was used to purchase the American Library Association’s “Every Child Ready to Read @ your library” Kit.

State Librarian Jo Ann Schindler (left) and Galliene Wong, Grants Director, Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation, display samples from ALA’s “Every Child Ready to Read @ your library” Kit.

By Wayne Kaneshiro, LBPH

LIBRARY TOOLS

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That’s the new librarian – Ms. Crouching Tiger.