Friends’ Book Sale Collects $200,000

The recent 63rd Annual Friends of the Library of Hawaii Book Sale, Hawaii’s biggest and best book sale, collectively approximated $200,000. Proceeds from the sale benefit the Hawaii State Public Library System by providing public libraries and staff with books and equipment, performance programs, and continuing education grants.

More than 400 volunteers from various community groups and other organizations provided valuable assistance to the Friends for the 10-day book sale. In addition, the Friends’ received more than $21,000 in donations from local businesses, and food donations from Safeway and Zippy’s Restaurants.

New Online Databases are Available

Are you an avid newspaper reader? Do you want to start up a small business or need to expand your existing business? Are you looking for the latest information about health issues? If you are, check out the Hawaii State Public Library System’s website (www.library.hawaii.gov) for these new online databases provided by EBSCOhost:

Newspaper Source Plus
More than 700 full-text newspapers, providing more than 31 million full-text articles. It contains comprehensive full text for major newspapers such as the New York Times (from January 1985 to present), Boston Globe, Christian Science Monitor, Irish Times (Ireland), San Francisco Chronicle, The Sydney Morning Herald (Australia), The Times (UK), Toronto Star, USA Today, The Washington Post, and The Washington Times (D.C.).

All staff articles are also included from many newspapers such as The Dallas Morning News, Houston Chronicle, Star Tribune (Minneapolis), The Philadelphia Inquirer, and The Seattle Times.

Consumers can search and browse within medical encyclopedias, health pamphlets, popular reference books, and magazine articles.

Consumer Health Complete
Designed to provide health care information for the everyday consumer. It provides convenient access to easily understandable health and medical information. Consumers can search and browse within medical encyclopedias, health pamphlets, popular reference books, and magazine articles.

In addition, there are evidence-based health reports on diseases, conditions, injuries and procedures that consist of high-quality information written for the lay person. There is information on drugs and herbs, alternative health, plus videos and animations on men or women’s health, aging, and general health issues.

To begin your search on these databases, please visit: http://hspls.org/serials/databases.html. Scroll down the alphabetized list to find them and see other topics of interest, as well. You will need your Hawaii State Public Library System (HSPLS) library card number and PIN (personal identification number) in order to access these subscription databases from outside an HSPLS library.

Online Databases, from front page


Small Business Reference Center
Up-to-date information on relevant topics ranging from starting a company, operations management and sales to growing or rescuing a business. It contains nearly 400 full-text periodicals and over 450 full-text reference books.

The user-friendly interface guides users through small business and entrepreneurial subject areas, common business types, a help-and-advice section, and provides information on how to create business plans that lead to successful funding. Business videos provide critical information for business owners: interviews, ‘lessons learned’ features, lectures and ‘how to’ videos help foster success in all aspects of managing a business. A collection of state-specific resources supports the researcher with demographic data and other local information.

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Meet Award-winning Crime Novelist at Oahu Libraries

By Paul H. Mark

Award-winning author Douglas Corleone will be featured in a “Meet the Author” program at five Oahu public libraries from August 4 – September 19.

Corleone, former New York City criminal defense attorney and current Kapolei resident, won the 2009 Minotaur Books/Mystery Writers of America First Crime Novel Award for the recently published “One Man’s Paradise” (Minotaur Books, April 2010), a riveting legal thriller set on Oahu.

“One Man’s Paradise” is the story of Kevin Corleone, a disgraced criminal defense lawyer who flees Manhattan for Honolulu, only to learn that Paradise can be every bit as lethal as the City That Never Sleeps. Minotaur Books hailed this gripping tale of failure and the search for redemption as “...the stellar debut of an exciting new crime-writing voice.”

Corleone is currently at work on the sequel to “One Man’s Paradise,” a novel tentatively titled “Night on Fire,” in which Kevin Corleone defends a young bride accused of arson at a popular Hawaiian island resort.

Meet award-winning author Douglas Corleone at the following libraries:
- August 4 (Tuesday), 6:30 p.m. at Wahiawa Public Library (250 California Avenue; ph. 622-6345)
- August 14 (Saturday), 11 a.m. at Kapolei Public Library (1020 Manawai Street; ph. 693-7050)
- September 1 (Saturday), 11 a.m. at Hawaii Kai Public Library (249 Lunahilo Home Road; ph. 397-5833)
- September 4 (Tuesday), 6:30 p.m. at Kahuku Public & School Library (56-490 Kamohalua Highway; ph. 293-8935)
- September 19 (Saturday), 2:30 p.m. at Kaneohe Public Library (45-829 Kamakahua Highway; ph. 233-5676)

The free one-hour program will include a question-and-answer session and is suitable for teens and older.

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

For more information, please call the Adult Services Librarian at Kapolei Public Library at 693-7050.