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## IN THE STACKS

A Newsletter from the Peninsula Library Foundation

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### Back(yard) To The Future?

The Belvedere-Tiburon Library Agency (BTLA) has taken the first step toward assessing the feasibility of using the land behind the library for a future building expansion. The process begins with the analytical work required in the Town of Tiburon's land development application.

Access to the land would enable the library to expand the facility to meet the identified space deficiencies and service needs. While recognizing the needs of the library, the BTLA is looking beyond our walls to other organizations in the community for partnering. A community committee has therefore been formed to assess the viability of a joint venture project. This

committee, called the Community Partnerships for Library Expansion (CPLE) Taskforce is meeting monthly to discuss the possibilities.

Representation on CPLE includes members from the Library Agency Board, the Peninsula Library

Foundation, the Joint Recreation Department, the Landmarks Society, the Town of Tiburon, and the City of Belvedere. The hoped for result is to provide a facility that meets the identified space and service needs of each organization and serves the communities, strengthens ties within and between the communities, and enhances the overall quality of life for all.

#### CPLE Members:

Edward Zelinsky, Chairperson  
Rita Fink, Vice-Chairperson  
Connie Wiley, Belvedere City Council  
Alice Fredericks, Tiburon Town Council  
Barbara Creamer, Bel-Tib Recreation Dept. Director  
Jerry Riessen, Bel-Tib Recreation Dept. Board  
Mima Cataldo, Librarian, Reed Union School District  
Mary Falk, Peninsula Library Foundation President  
Justin Faggioli, Peninsula Library Foundation  
Victoria Fong, Bel-Tib Library Agency  
Deborah Mazzolini, Bel-Tib Library Director  
Piper Berger, Landmarks Society Archivist  
Harry Matthews, Landmarks Society

### Message from the Director

The other day I met a woman at a local store who was asking where she could get something copied. I told her that the library had two public accessible copy machines. She asked me where the library was. I asked her where she lived. She said Tiburon. Now that took me aback.

Although most people do know where we are, many don't realize how many services their local public library has to offer. For example, do you know that we have an excellent CD collection, a very popular and ever-growing DVD selection, and important

research materials? Do you know the library's subscription database resources are accessible from home? Do you know about our adult programs, our excellent children's room, and our teen-based Youth Advisory Council?

Of the 11,220 Bel-Tib Residents, 73% have library cards, and that's a great statistic, but only about 27% use their card regularly. So how do we get you here? Please take a couple of minutes to fill out the enclosed survey and return it to the Library. Let us know! Thank you.

*Deborah Mazzolini*

# Authors Amongst Us

*Check out our new books by the following Authors living in Tiburon and Belvedere:*

**Must We Fight?: From The Battlefield to the Schoolyard, A New Perspective on Violent Conflict and Its Prevention**, edited by William L. Ury.

Mr. Ury, a director at Harvard Law School's Program on Negotiation, proposes that a practical program for conflict management between two parties involves a third side - "the community in which the combatants and their dispute are embedded." With co-contributors Frans de Waal, a primatologist and Brian Ferguson, an anthropologist, the writers also explore the "commonly held belief that violence and war are part of our primate and prehistoric heritage."

**Latex Monkey with Banana**, by Jonathan Worlde, a professional jazz musician, photographer and international adventurer. His fast paced thriller is set in the steamy Hispanic nightclubs and the underworld of illegal immigrants and drug dealers in Washington, DC.

**Guardian Angel**, by Jim Chriss, a first time author, who takes readers to the inside of a White House made vulnerable by its reliance on funding and illicit services provided by a big corporation. Timely and a great read!

**Souvenirs de Voyage: A Traveler's Keepsake Book**, by Louise Kollenbaum, who shows us how to assemble a travel collage from those small precious things we collect on our travels and how to preserve the memories.

**What About the Kids? Raising Your Children Before, During, and After Divorce**, by renowned child psychologist Judith S. Wallerstein. Co-authored with Sandra Blakeslee, a science writer, this study looks at the stages of divorce and its aftermath. Includes practical advice and assistance to parents facing divorce or coping with its aftermath.

**High Blood Pressure for Dummies**, by Dr. Alan Rubin, a nationally recognized expert on diabetes. A plain English guide on the causes of high blood pressure and how to treat it, including how to work with your doctor to change your lifestyle and develop a diet and exercise program to bring your blood pressure to a healthy level.

**Get off the Fence: the 10 + 1 Steps to Help You Make That Big Decision**, by Rhoda Makoff, and Jeffrey Makoff, a mother-son team. Presenting ten steps to effective decision-making plus a crucial eleventh component - the role of emotional issues - the "gut,"

"heart" or intuition! Includes fascinating stories about people who have made major life decisions and changed their lives for the better.

Our Collection is growing and Rita Fink and Marie Feldman are still gathering biographical and bibliographical information on each of our local authors. **Authors, please note:** if you have any biographical material that does not appear in your work or if you would like to donate a copy of your work please contact Elaine Crepeau at ext. 229.

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## New on

**Magazines & More** ([www.magazinesusa.com](http://www.magazinesusa.com).) has joined eScrip, and will give the Library **10%** of what eScrip members spend at their website. Their prices are very competitive for new and renewal or add-on subscriptions to hundreds of magazines. By joining eScrip ([www.escrip.com](http://www.escrip.com)) and choosing the Belvedere-Tiburon Library as a designated organization, you can help the Library grow. Just use your eScrip registered credit card when buying magazines or shopping at merchants such as Boardwalk Market, Mollie Stone's and Whole Foods.

### *What You're Reading - As of April* The 15 Most Requested Library Books

- 1 *Life of Pi: a novel*, by Yann Martel
- 2 *The Last Detective*, by Robert Crais
- 3 *The King of Torts*, by John Grisham
- 4 *Pigs at the Trough: how corporate greed and political corruption are undermining America*, by Arianna Huffington
- 5 *The Secret Life of Bees*, by Sue Monk Kidd
- 6 *What Should I Do With My Life?*, by Po Bronson
- 7 *Leap of Faith: memoirs of an unexpected life*, by Queen Noor of Jordan
- 8 *The Perricone Prescription: a physician's 28-day program for total body and face rejuvenation*, by Nicholas Perricone
- 9 *I Don't Know How She Does It: the life of Kate Reddy, working mother*, by Allison Pearson
- 10 *The Jester*, by James Patterson
- 11 *Jarhead: a Marine's chronicle of the Gulf War and other battles*, by Anthony Swofford
- 12 *The Da Vinci Code: A novel*, by Dan Brown
- 13 *Drop City*, by T. Coraghessan Boyle
- 14 *Michelangelo and the Pope's Ceiling*, by Ross King
- 15 *The Power of Full Engagement: managing energy, not time, is the key to performance and personal renewal*, by Jim Loehr and Tony Schwartz

## Programs in the Founders Room

### The Marin Men's Chorus

Back again, this time with songs of spring.  
Tuesday, May 27, 7:30pm

### Joanie Greggains

KGO Radio Host, fitness expert,  
and author of **Fit Happens**. Educational and fun.  
Tuesday, June 10, 7:30pm

### Tiburon Health and Security Services

**Richard Pearce, Tiburon Fire Chief.**  
Thursday, June 12, 7:30pm

### A History of Chinese Art

**Paul and Madeleine Fu**, internationally known local  
artists. Includes a demonstration of the techniques of  
Chinese Calligraphy.  
Thursday, June 19, 7:30pm

### History of the White Shark of the Farallon Islands

**Peter Pyle, Biologist**, Point Reyes Bird Observatory,  
presents an illustrated program  
Tuesday, June 24, 7:30pm

### Marin Poetry Center

Presents their Summer Traveling Show  
Tuesday, August 19, 7:00pm

### Afternoon Tea at the Library.

Enjoy homemade sandwiches and sweets with Program  
Committee members and library staff.  
3rd Wednesday of every month, 3:00pm

### Ephemera with Eli

Join your friends and neighbors for trivia night.  
4th Thursday of every month, 7:30pm

*All programs are free and open to the public. Also check for new programs in the Library column of The Ark or on the Web at thelibrary.info.*

## Film Series @ the Library



A local monthly Friday evening film series is now in preparation for launch in September of 2003. A committee of film buffs, spearheaded by Janice Anderson-Gram and Beverlee Johnson, plans to provide an intimate venue for showing new and innovative feature length films with an emphasis on filmmakers from the local area. Programs of short films will be included occasionally. While creating interesting evenings for film aficionados in our community, the Committee expects we will also be an ideal audience for filmmakers. A long-term goal is to become a preview audience for new films.

The films will be shown in the Founders Room at the Library. Doors will open at 6:30pm, and the feature will begin promptly at 7:00pm, with seating limited to 60 people on a first come, first served basis. With a donation of \$5.00, movie goers can enjoy a film, wine, popcorn, and snacks. The Committee hopes to provide an ideal opportunity for meeting friends, viewing a first rate film, and perhaps going on to dinner at one of our local restaurants, many of which will be offering a 10% discount with presentation of your movie ticket. **Mark your calendars for the first three Friday evening films in the Series....Sept. 19, Oct. 24, and Nov. 21.**

## Art Exhibits

All Library visitors are welcome to visit our exhibits of the works of local artists in the Founders Room.

### Watercolors by Pamela Ross

of Corte Madera  
May 20 - June 27

Reception: Tuesday, May 20,  
6:00 - 8:00pm

### Photographs by C.R. Snyder

of San Anselmo  
June 30 - August 8

### Contributors to this issue:

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## Reflections from the Reference Desk

Today is a peaceful Saturday morning at the Reference Desk. It's raining heavily, and the Library seems like a haven against the grey world outside. Patrons are quietly browsing books and DVDs, using the internet, spread out with their laptops and paperwork in each of the alcoves, and reading newspapers, chairs drawn close to the fireplace.

I've had several reference queries so far — enough to make the morning pass quickly. I thought it might be interesting to describe, in general terms, the kinds of questions we resolve. First came a very common one: "Where can I find some product reviews?" In this case, the patron was asking about mattresses and was referred to *Consumer Reports* and other buying guides, as well as to a good product comparison site on the web.

One patron was doing medical research — we usually get at least one health-related question daily, and our staff is adept at referring patrons to medical encyclopedias, and finding books and authoritative internet resources for them.

Another person was tracking down a quote. We have a good collection of quotation books on the reference shelves, but found the quickest solution to be a search on the website Bartleby.com, a good source for quotations.

Someone else was doing legal research. After spending time unsuccessfully trying to find the information himself, the patron approached the Desk. The Library has an extensive collection of Nolo Press books, which are excellent sources of self-help legal guidance, and he was shown the particular guides relevant to his topic, as well as to some reputable websites.

Saturday morning is a prime time to look at the new issues of *Value Line*, one of several investment newsletters to which the Library subscribes. The weekly issues usually arrive on Friday. *Standard & Poor's Outlook* is also popular, along with *Morningstar*. I try to make patrons aware of the Weiss Ratings guides, and the newest newsletters: *Morningstar's Stock Investor*, and *Fund Investor*.

The April new car issue of *Consumer Reports* has arrived, and the 2003 new car buying guides are starting to come in. One of the most common questions we get at this time of year is for information about the new cars. In addition to *Consumer Reports* guides, the Library subscribes to *IntelliChoice*, AAA guides, Edmunds, and Jack Gillis guides.

It's now mid-afternoon. The sun has come out, the library has filled with people, and the pace at the Reference Desk has quickened. The reflective mood of the morning has given way to triage-mode where several questions are juggled at once, and there is no time to analyze the questions: we just answer them, and move quickly on to the next.

Joan Garrett

### Getting the Word Out: *Posters by Card*

Timnah Card creates the library's program posters and bookmarks, and updates the Program web page. Timnah moved to San Francisco from Utah in August 2001, and has worked in the Children's Room here at Bel-Tib since October 2001. She also works in the Children's



Room at the Mill Valley Public Library. Timnah recently began the MLIS program at San José State University, and is in a mentoring program under Children's Librarian Alicia Bell, Technical Services Head Elaine Crepeau, and Library Director Debbie Mazzolini.



### Want to Dig Up Your Roots?

See *Heritage Quest Online*

According to its developer, ProQuest Information and Learning Company, "*HeritageQuest Online* is a digital resource that combines searchable images of U.S. federal census records with digitized books containing family and local histories from around the country. This online resource is an essential collection of unique material for both genealogical hobbyists and professionals."

To start: Go to the homepage, <http://thelibrary.info>. Click on the link marked "Reference Desk." Scroll down to *HeritageQuest Online* and click. If you're in the library, you can get right in. From home you will be asked to put in your name, library card barcode, and PIN. (If you don't have a PIN, call the Reference Desk at 789-2661, or refer to the *PIN* article included in the February 2003 edition of *In The Stacks*.) Due to the copyright license agreement with the database provider, remote access will be limited to residents of the Town of Tiburon and the City of Belvedere. (Cont'd on p.7)

# In the Children's Room

**ONGOING PROGRAMS**

**Baby Bounce** for ages 2 & under  
Mondays at 10:30 and 11am, through May 19.  
Songs and fingerplays! Resumes June 16 - July 21.

**Toddler Storytime** for ages 2-3  
Wednesdays at 11am through May 21.  
Resumes June 18 - July 23.

**Preschool Storytime** for ages 3-5  
Tuesdays at 4pm, through May 20.  
Resumes June 17 - July 22. Older kids welcome!

**Cocoa Hour Read Along** for ages 7 & up  
Wednesdays at 4pm through May 22.  
Resumes June 18 - July 23.

*Note that pre-registration is required for the ongoing programs. Call Alicia Bell, Children's Librarian, at 789-2662 to register.*

**SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

**Sharing Books with Babies and Toddlers**

Thursday May 15  
10:30am.  
A special workshop for parents and youngsters to help foster lifelong reading at home. We'll show you how to pick the best titles for different age levels, how to use books as a gateway for creative play, and how to easily personalize stories for your family. Registration Required (older kids welcome!)



**Peter Pan**  
by Traveling Lantern Theatre

Thursday May 29  
4:00pm  
Join us for a performance of this children's favorite, just the right length for young ones. It's "not too scary" for ages 3 & up.

**Join our Summer Reading Program**  
**Monday June 16 - Thursday August 14**

Featuring reading logs, bookmarks, free "goodies of the week", and **great performances**. Make reading a part of your summer by visiting the library to check out books. We'll have recommended reading lists available, and a librarian will be available to help you find new and old favorites.

List the books you read on your Reading Log and receive a sun visor, stickers, book bags & more. Different prizes are featured each week.

**And Come to the Performances:**  
**(Ages 5 & up)**

- Thu June 19 1:30 pm Onye Onyemaechi-Village Rhythms African Drums
- Thu June 26 1:00 pm Steve Chaney- Ventriloquist
- Thu July 10 1:30 pm Puppet Art Theater "Jack and the Beanstalk"
- Thu July 17 1:30 pm Gunnar Madsen- Musician- Singer/Guitar
- Thu July 24 1:30 pm Kirk Waller- Storyteller
- Tue July 29 1:00 pm Wildlife Associates " Bay Area Wild" animals
- Thu Aug 7 1:30 pm Gerald Joseph- Magician
- Thu Aug 14 1:30 pm Summer Reading Party with Carnival of Chaos

**Star Wars**  
**Summer Movie Fest**

**Every Wednesday**  
**June 18 - July 16**  
**5:00pm.**

Fans will love this chance to see the entire series in one summer! Popcorn provided.



# Coming in May!

## A New Design for the Library's Web Site

<http://www.thelibrary.info/>

### New Site Features

- Great looking new home page!
- Fast access to the “Virtual Library,” library tools like newspaper and magazine databases you can search from home
- Links from the home page to lists of the most popular search engines and free email sites
- New department pages for Library Information, Reference, Readers’ Resources, Catalog, Kids, Teens, and Community



New home page

- A clear and consistent interface
- Monthly lists of new titles added to the collection, including books, DVDs, CDs, and audio books



New department page

- A new readers’ area for people looking for a good book to read
- An expanded collection of staff recommended Web links in over thirty categories
- “Library Scenes” gallery of photos of library users and staff
- A new area for teens
- A new collection of local resources, including links to local businesses, schools, organizations, churches, and clubs.

## New Investment Newsletters

The Library has added two new monthly newsletters to its collection of investment resources. All investment publications are held behind the Reference Desk.

### Morningstar Stock Investor

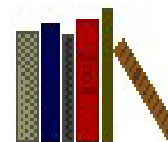
The Morningstar Stock Investor focuses on individual stocks, with 550 companies rated by 40 industry specialists. This is a departure in rating strategy from other Morningstar publications, which focus on statistical markers, rather than being “analyst driven.” Two types of stock portfolios are tracked: the Tortoise and the Hare. The Tortoise features stocks considered to have below-average volatility, and represent the analysts’ favorite conservative picks. The Hare features the analysts’ favorite growth picks with above-average volatility.

Two other sections of this newsletter include information about specific companies, stocks to avoid, and a feature on the Morningstar Bellweather 50. The Bellweather 50 is “a watch list of 50 large cap companies with long-term competitive advantages.”

### Morningstar Fund Investor

This newsletter purports to help you “Discover new funds, and build great portfolios.” The Morningstar Fund Investor tracks three model portfolios: Aggressive Wealth Maker, Wealth Maker, and Wealth Keeper. In addition it has articles on fund selection featuring analyst picks, and “hidden gems.” A monthly review of the Morningstar Fundinvestor 500, “Red Flags,” or funds to avoid, and a commentary by Morningstar Managing Director Don Phillips round out this interesting newsletter.

## Fiction



### *Some good books you may have missed:*

**Book of Salt** by Monique Truong, is the first person narrative of Bonh, a Vietnamese cook for Gertrude Stein and Alice B. Toklas set in 1930’s Paris. Bonh blends the story of his banishment from his native land against observations of his employers and of their famous salon.

**The Buzzing** by Jim Knipfel, is a dark comedy about reporter Roscoe Baragon’s coverage of the “kook beat” on a metropolitan newspaper. Roscoe covers everything from conspiracy theories and alien abductions to local news. His fascination with the weird may now lead him to something more sinister or perhaps to a Pulitzer Prize. For fans of noir writers Hiaasen and Kinky Friedman.

**Stone Heart: a novel of Sacajawea** by Diane Glancy, is a journal of the Shoshoni woman who led the Lewis and Clark Expedition. Told in a both spiritual and lyrical second person narrative, the tale captures Sacajawea’s experiences on the journey juxtaposed against actual diary entries from both Lewis and Clark.

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## *Heritage Quest* (from page 4)

To search the census, click on the “Search Census” link. This will take you to the basic search screen, where you can enter surname and given name of the head of household, and select the census year and state you wish to search. You may also do a comprehensive search on all years and states available. Currently, 1790, 1800, 1810, 1820, 1870, 1890, 1910 and 1920 (selected states) have been indexed and can be searched. Other censuses can be viewed and browsed online, but searching is not yet available. An advanced search option which allows you to search indexed states by age, sex, race and birthplace is also available..

In addition to census data, *HeritageQuest Online* provides access to over 25,000 family and local histories, every word searchable. So you can search by name or

place or keywords, or browse pages online. As an example, enter “Marin County” as a search term in the Place Name field. The result can provide you with access to an incredible breadth and depth of local historical information.

Help screens and general genealogy primers round out this rich source of material for both novice and seasoned genealogy researchers. *HeritageQuest Online* is rapidly expanding its resources, adding new census years and state data to the current indexes, and promising to add newspaper obituary files, and much more. For more information, assistance, or just to let us know what you think about this new database, contact the Reference Desk at 789-2661.

# Teen Scene

## Pizza and Prizes!

Come to a Pizza Bash (with prizes) to be held at the end of our **Summer Reading Program**,

which runs from June 16 through August 15.



*Here's how to join us:*

1. Read some books!
2. Fill out a form in the Teen Alcove with a short review for each book you read and put it in the designated Review Box. If you liked it, make us want to read the book!! If you hated it, tell us why!
3. You will be entered into a drawing for great prizes (movie passes, gift certificates, and more!) each time you complete a review.

**Want help choosing great books?** Look at the lists in the Teen Alcove, and also check out a cool website called "Reading Rants! Out of the Ordinary Teen Booklists!" <http://tln.lib.mi.us/~amutch/jen/>

You might also want to choose from some of the books listed below, the first of which was winner of the **2003 Printz Award** (for literary excellence in literature published specifically for readers ages 12 through 18). The others were Honor books:

**Postcards from No Man's Land** by Aidan Chambers  
A complex and passionate novel for mature readers, which interweaves the story of 17-year-old Jacob's trip to

Amsterdam to find his grandfather's grave with the flashback story of the teenage Dutch girl who took care of Jacob's grandfather when he was a wounded young soldier during World War II. Family secrets are revealed and Jacob makes surprising discoveries about life, sex, and love.

**The House of the Scorpion** by Nancy Farmer

A gripping novel set in the near future in a country called Opium, featuring a drug lord, a boy who discovers he's a clone, fieldworkers who are turned into zombies by computer chips, old secrets and conspiracies, and lots of excitement. Also winner of the American Book Award.

**My Heartbeat** by Garret Freymann-Weyr

Fourteen year old Ellen idolizes her older brother and has a crush on his best friend, but things become difficult when it appears that the two boys might be gay. A gentle, honest, upbeat novel about the sometimes confused arena of teen sexuality.

**A Hole in My Life** by Jack Gantos

A hard-hitting memoir of the bleakest year of the author's life, the time he spent at age 20, in prison for drug smuggling. Yet, he says it was this harrowing experience which turned him into a writer.

## Stay Tuned...

Watch the Teen Alcove for announcements about movie nights and other activities this summer, including a **Buffy the Vampire Slayer Party!** And mark your calendar now for a very special event, Saturday, November 1, from 10 am to noon. We'll have a **Teen Dream Workshop** with author and dream expert, Dr. Patricia Garfield.

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