



# FEBRUARY 2010

# NEWSLETTER

## KOHA Advantages

Everyone is excited about our new circulation system. The new search feature allows patrons to search not only our libraries' collection, but the collection of six others as well, including: Akron, Manitou Springs, Nederland, Ouray, Wellington, and West End Schools. Also, by the end of September, a total of 21 new libraries will be added: seven in April and May; and 14 in September. If a patron finds a book they are looking for, they can place a hold on the book and it will be sent by in-state courier to our location to be picked up by the patron.

## Staff Training

On January 28, 2010, the library closed for the whole day! We're sure everyone that stopped by was surprised. On that day, all the staff learned many new things. Some of those things will help you, the patron; while others will help us do our jobs better. One of the biggest training items on our agenda that day was learning about the new databases that are linked on the left side of our website: Global Road Warrior; BYKI (Before You Know It) language learning software; eBooks; and ePrep. Even though we have had some initial training on these sites, we are all still fairly new to them and will be learning right along with you, our patrons.

## Art Exhibits

Dolores Public Library is always pleased to display local artists' work. Remember, if our patrons have seen your work on display here at the library, maybe they'll remember it as something they would like to purchase at a later date.

## Parking

Because we have such limited parking, please remember your fellow patrons and park in ONE parking space only! And if you are having a meeting, it would be appreciated if you would use the overflow parking that the post office provides.

## Volunteer of the MONTH

What would we do without Ellen's green thumb?!?! She is the one that keeps all the plants alive and blooming for everyone's enjoyment.

ORCHIDS TO ELLEN!

## Reading Programs

Every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m., Kathie Butler, the Children's Librarian, holds our Children's Story Time for children of all ages.

After school reading programs are also conducted by Kathie Butler. Kindergarteners through 5<sup>th</sup> graders (Ready Readers, Rainbow Readers, and Roaring Readers) meet Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays.

The Middle School Rapid Readers and the High School Ravenous Readers meet once a month.

The Rapid readers are reading "City of Ember" by Jeanne DuPrau. The Ravenous Readers are reading the Hunger Games Series by Suzanne Collins and are currently into the second book, "Catching Fire." Diana Haun, with other interested volunteers, is conducting the Middle School and High School Reader groups.

## Monthly Displays

Every month, there is a new display just past the circulation desk for your reading enjoyment. We will be displaying the "National" holidays, interests, health concerns, etc. Don't hesitate to stop and look at the display and if you find a book there that you would like to read, go ahead and take it - we put it there to pique your interest in a new subject! Following are the subjects for this month and next month that you will find on the display:

### February

- Black History Month
- Wild Bird Month

### March

- Women's History Month
- Poetry Month

## New Books

The following authors are coming out with new books in March:

### Capitol Betrayed

Bernhardt, William

### Caught

Cohen, Harlan

### The Silent Sea (Oregon Files)

Cussler, Clive

### Whiter Than Snow

Dallas, Sandra

### Hell Gate

Fairstein, Linda

### Money To Burn

James Grippando

### Deception (Alex Delaware)

Kellerman, Jonathan

### House Rules

Picoult, Jodi

### Down the Wire

Rosenfelt, David

### Think Twice

Scottoline, Lisa

### Deep Shadow (Doc Ford)

White, Randy

## Lost and Found

Have you left something of value here at the library? Maybe it was a bracelet charm ... or an electronic device ... a coat ... a hat ... anything? If you think you have lost something here, ask someone at the circulation desk. You will have to describe it in detail so we know it is really yours, but if it is, we want you to have it!

