



HILLSBORO COMMUNITY LIBRARY NEWS

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Summer at the Movies

In 1975, the summer blockbuster movie was born. Crowds deserted the beaches for the icy cool of the movie theater at the mall—Stephen Spielberg’s “Jaws” offering more chills than the water. Nowadays, the Christmas season often features serious cinematic art presented for the Academy Awards deadlines, but the summer continues the trend of loud, brash, heart-pounding Hollywood entertainments. Your Library has a film for all seasons and all patrons, and this month we feature our growing collection.

Featured This Month

The Library actively collects on VHS the films of the American Film Institute's list of the top 100 films of the 20th century. (<http://www.afi.com/tvevents/100years/movies.aspx>) Currently we own all but about ten of these titles. You can spot these videos on the shelf because each has a little yellow dot at the top of the spine with its number on the AFI list. The AFI also has a list of the best 100 comedy films from which we are selecting titles. We currently own about 40 of them on VHS.

The recent library survey led us to collect all the films that have won Academy Awards for Best Picture of the Year on either VHS or DVD. We currently own about 55 of these films. More information:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Academy_Award_for_Best_Picture

As the AFI and Oscar lists do not include foreign films, for those we have turned to the Internet Movie Database (<http://us.imdb.com>) We first used the IMDB as a basis for selecting movies from among those donated to the library. Since millions of users of this database rate the movies, it provides a popular value for a film. A film must receive a rating of at least 7 on a scale of 1-10 to be added to the collection because of our limited space. The IMDB can be sorted by the most popular movies in various categories (genres). We are currently adding unique titles from the IMDB's top 250 movies as well as top comedies, top westerns and significant foreign films.

An additional web resource for library patrons’ movie selection is Metacritic (<http://www.metacritic.com>) with synopses, critics’ and users’ ratings, and links to media reviews.

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Library Hours:

Sunday and Monday: CLOSED
Tuesday: 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm
Wednesday: 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Thursday: 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm
Friday: 10:00 am – 1:00 pm
Saturday: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

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Notes from the Boards

A thousand thanks to Barbara Bedford, who is retiring after many years as Library Volunteer coordinator. Her dedication and generous service are much appreciated. A new volunteer for this important position is being sought.

Special Events:

Tuesday, August 8 : COFFEE HOUR 7–8pm

September 2 – 4 :

ANNUAL BOOK GIVE-AWAY at the Apple Festival

Sat. (8am-4pm), Sun. (8am-4pm), Mon. (8am-12)

Tues, October 10, Thank-you Volunteers Party, 7-8pm

New at the Library:

For the Kids: Anne of Green Gables...Anne of Avonlea
Ring of Bright Water

Adult Films: A Midsummer Night’s Dream (DVD)...Arou the World in 80 days (TV)...Back to the Future...Bananas. Big...For A Few Dollars More...Ghostbusters...Gigi...Gue Who's Coming to Dinner...Harold and Maude...Hope and Glory...Hud...In and Out... Last of the Mohicans...Man Who Shot Liberty Valence...Manhattan...Matrix...Modern Times...Monty Python's Life of Brian...Mrs. Miniver ... National Lampoon's Animal House...Private Benjamin... Producers (1968)...Richard III...Seven year itch...Sleeper

Fiction: Cold Service, by Robert B. Parker....Bandits, by Elmore Leonard... My Antonia, by Willa Cather...Damascus Gate, by Robert Stone ... White Shadow by Max Evans...Predator by Patricia Cornwell...Laughing Boy, by Oliver La Farge

Nonfiction: 1000 Spanish idioms ...501 Spanish verbs
Rammed Earth House ... Sadie Orchard; the time of her lii
Lower your blood pressure in eight weeks
Historical markers in New Mexico ... Solar home

Audio Books: Dust to Dust, by Tami Hoag
Tan and Sandy Silence, by John D. MacDonald