



# HILLSBORO COMMUNITY LIBRARY NEWS

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## Real Life!

Last month, we featured the New Mexico of the past This month, you might want to catch up on current events with our featured book or pick another biography from the Library's collection of famous lives.

## Featured This Month:

### **Between Worlds: The Making of an American Life**

by Bill Richardson

Whether you are a Republican or a "Yellow Dog" Democrat, as a resident of New Mexico you should find this book of considerable interest. There is even a Hillsboro connection since Bill Richardson's Lieutenant Governor, Diane Denish, recently purchased a house in Hillsboro.

This is an autobiographical account of Bill's life, what he has done and how he came to be where he is now. His dad (a Republican) worked for Citybank in Mexico City and his mother is Mexican. Because his dad was born on a ship in transit between countries, he wanted to be sure Bill's citizenship was assured so his mom traveled to Pasadena where Bill was born. Bill was raised in Mexico City and lived there until he was 12, so Spanish is his first language. He then went to Massachusetts for high school and college. After college he worked as a legislative assistant in Washington and found he liked politics. He decided he wanted to run for political office but had to decide where to do that. He chose New Mexico where he had the advantages of his Mexican mom and childhood, an Anglo name and he looked like an Indian.

He served as congressman from New Mexico for eight terms, as UN ambassador and cabinet posts in Clinton's administration. At personal requests from individuals, and later at the request of our government, he has met and negotiated with Saddam, Kim Jong Il, Fidel and numerous other famous and infamous persons. The book contains two sections with photographs illustrating Richardson's life and activities.

After reading this book, I remarked to others that he comes across as the "Energizer Bunny," always looking for the next challenge or deal. Because of his prior experience in Washington, right after he was elected he was promoting legislation for New Mexico and did not remain in the background as first-term congressmen are supposed to do. He enjoys politics.

He avoids the question of a 2008 bid for the presidency, and while some current issues are discussed, he does not detail what he would do if President. He certainly has broad and far-ranging experiences that make him an attractive candidate. While Marge and I moved to New Mexico three years ago for other reasons too numerous to list, it is a bonus to find we also have a driven, charismatic and passionate governor.

*Reviewed by Tom Myers*



## Notes from the Library Board

You might want to talk about what you've been reading with other avid book people. What better place to meet up than at the **TUESDAY EVENING COFFEE HOUR**? Come and enjoy the free refreshments and the good company.

## Special Events:

**Tuesday, June 6 : COFFEE HOUR 7:00pm - 8:00 pm**

**Saturday, July 1: BAKE SALE: 12:00pm -1:00 pm**

## New at the Library:

**Get Shorty** (DVD) -- **A Fistful of Dollars** (VHS video)

**Partner in Crime** by J.A. Jance (Books on Tape)

### Non-Fiction:

**The Woman at Otowi Crossing**, by Frank Waters

**Navaho Trading Days**, by Elizabeth Hegemann

**My Penitente Land**, by Angelico Chavez

**Fort Union and the Santa Fe Trail**, by Robert Utley

**The Maxwell Land Grant**, by William Keleher

**Law and Order Ltd, the Rousing Life of Elfege Baca**, by Kyle Crichton

**Early Medieval Art**, by John Beckwith

**New Mexico's Troubled Years, the Story of the Early Territorial Governors**, by Calvin Horn

**Echoes of the Bugle, Forts of New Mexico**, by Dale Giese

**Billy the Kid and the Old Regime in the Southwest**, by A.Hyde

**Hot Springs & Hot Pools of the Southwest**, by Jayson Loam

**The Centuries of Santa Fe**, by Paul Horgan

**Solar Remodeling in Southern New Mexico** by Grant Price

**Ghosts of Kingston and Hillsboro** by Bill Rakocy

**Pass of the North**, by C.L. Sonnichsen

**Down the Santa Fe Trail and into Mexico**, by Susan S.Magoffin

**The Santa Fe Expedition**, by Walter F. McCaleb

**General Crook in the Indian Country** by John G. Bourke

**Ghost Town Basketball, Former high school basketball teams of New Mexico**, by Steve Flores

### Fiction:

**S is for Silence, N is for Noose** (large print) by Sue Grafton

**Shadow on the Rock** by Willa Cather

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