



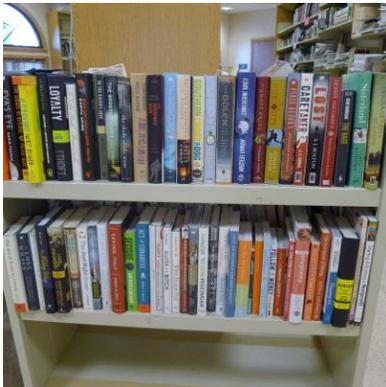
# Librarian's Report

August 2013

Princeville Public Library

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## Collection Development



I ordered as much as possible from the first order list of the fiscal year to restock our “new” bookshelves. Our staff has been great about processing new materials promptly so that these items can be ready to borrow as soon as possible.

There are always many books on our order lists that I would like to buy beyond what our branch materials budget allows. I am grateful to the Friends of the North Shore Library at Princeville for supplementing our budget with additional funds which permits me to add more new books, audio books, and DVDs to our collection.

We recently re-arranged our DVDs so that documentaries, Hawaiiana, and foreign language titles are in their own sections. This makes it easier for patrons to browse for titles of interest in these categories. Quite a few patrons on the North Shore enjoy our selection of movies in French, Spanish, Mandarin, Japanese, and many other world languages!

## Programs



Pamela Brown with one of her featured interviewees

We hosted two adult programs in August. On August 7<sup>th</sup>, **Pamela Brown**, the editor of *Kauai Stories*, described the process of interviewing Kauai residents for her book and highlighted some favorite anecdotes. Two of the people featured in her book were in the audience and spontaneously shared stories about playing with friends in the sugar plantations and sailing on the Hokule`a.

On August 21<sup>st</sup>, **Todd Sarner** presented a workshop on Secure BASE parenting, which encouraged parents to develop a strong relationship with their children and provide a secure environment by establishing their authority firmly and lovingly.

## Children's Program

We offered the **Toys 'n' Tots** playtime program on Thursday mornings in August. About 20 children and caregivers participated each week. Several parents and grandparents remarked that they appreciate the nice new toys that are available for their kids to play with. One also said her 3-year-old son envies his older brother who attends preschool, and he is excited to have his "own" event!

## Community Relations



*Michael Somers, president of the Rotary Club of Hanalei Bay (left) and myself (right)*

I was invited to speak at the **Rotary Club of Hanalei Bay's** meeting on August 1<sup>st</sup>. I presented a brief "Year in Review" slideshow and talked about my vision for the library, including focusing on supporting people's pleasure reading (and viewing and listening), providing materials for lifelong learning, featuring programs that showcase a variety of world cultures, and creating a beautiful and comfortable space for people to enjoy.

One Rotary member stood up and said that he appreciates the library's programs for children—his daughter and son come to our storytime and Toys 'n' Tots programs regularly.

## Public Service Stats

- **Library materials checked out/renewed: 6902**
- Requests placed: 209
- New borrowers added: 78
- New items added: 340 (more than double the number added in August 2012!)