



Turn The Page



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HAVE YOU CLEANED YOUR PROJECTOR FILTER LATELY?

Did you know that projector light bulbs cost \$400 (yes that's for **ONE** bulb)??

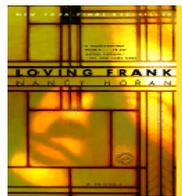
Prolong the life of your bulb by keeping the filter clean.

Not sure how to clean it? Contact Debbie Hamilton for instructions (ex. 658).

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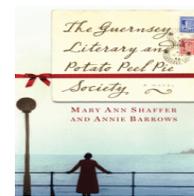
What? GPS Has a Book Club?



The newly formed GPS Faculty Book Club met on Jan. 15th at Terra Nostra for food, fun, and fellowship, and oh yes!—to discuss our first book, *Loving Frank* by Nancy Horan.

In it, Mamah Borthwick Cheney struggles to justify her love affair with renowned

architect Frank Lloyd Wright. Four years earlier, in 1903, Mamah and her husband had commissioned Wright to design a new home for them. During the construction of the house, a powerful attraction developed between Mamah and Frank, and in time the lovers, each married with children, embarked on a course that would shock Chicago society and forever change their lives.



Our next meeting is scheduled for April 2nd at 4:30 p.m. at the new Terminal Brewhouse located at 6 East 14th Street. We will be reading *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society*. All are welcome to join! Email Marty to be added to the contact list.

Resource to support Black History Month

Looking for a video to support your lesson on the Civil Rights movement, the Underground Railroad, African American Cowboys, or the Negro Baseball League?

Try Discovery Education's United Streaming Video, a really great, vetted database we're paying for!

YouTube is great, too, but like all things on the Net, it's user beware. You never know what you're going to get. **Count on Discovery Education for a quality video every time.**



Cool New Technology!

Did you know that the library owns **5 Flip Ultra Video Cameras** available for loan?

Please consider borrowing these cameras for your digital storytelling projects, to archive and critique student presentations, to



create video essays...the possibilities are endless!

These cameras have a built-in USB connection that plugs right into your computer for easy video uploads.

Contact Debbie to check one out today!

Database News

A really cool database that you should know about is Grolier Online. You're probably thinking, but that's just an Encyclopedia!

Not in 2009, it's not! One of our favorite features is Grolier's International News Desk. Find International news briefs, links to world newspa-

pers, and more! Simply go to the library web site, click on databases, and open Grolier.

“My test of a good novel is reading to begin the last chapter.”

-Thomas Helm

News From Around the World

Click on a continent to view a news brief below.



News Brief from Europe

European Union - January 12th, 2009

The European Union (EU) signs an agreement with Russia and Ukraine to monitor supplies of gas from Russia to Europe through Ukrainian pipelines. The deal comes as countries across Europe deal with shortages after Russia cut supplies over a payment dispute with Ukraine. Supplies are expected to return to

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Vampire Madness!!!

Did you know that a group of GPS Seniors known only as "TheTwi1ightClub" has brought about a cult following, second only to the actual *Twilight* book/movie that they reenact?

The videos can be seen on YouTube (www.youtube.com/thetwi1ightclub) and since January, have had over 2,000 hits!

It is quite possible that half of those hits were made by

members of the GPS faculty who, like the girls, are rabid **Fanpires** and (not to name names) come from departments as varied as Development, Science, English, Technology, College Guidance, the Business Office, and yes, of course, the library.

If you're a fan, check out their site! It's a lot of fun and sure to give you a chuckle.



So what's this pathfinder thing I keep hearing about?

Assigning a research project that involves books, databases, or web sites?

If so, let us create a **tool** for your girls to teach them research skills, help them get familiar with the databases many will use at the college level, and filter out only good quality websites.

We're also available to come to your room to demonstrate the databases or, of course, you're always welcome in the library! Email to schedule your class visit today!

Researching
Science
Information

Researching Science Information



Science Fair Project
Find a Topic NOW!



BOOKS: Search Athena for broad topics such as physics, biology, cells, solar power, chemistry or photosynthesis. Look in the 500-600s for all kinds of science related information. Look in the reference section too!



DATABASES: <http://www.gps.edu>; click on Bruiser Net/Library Media Services/Databases
You will want to search broad topics here too!



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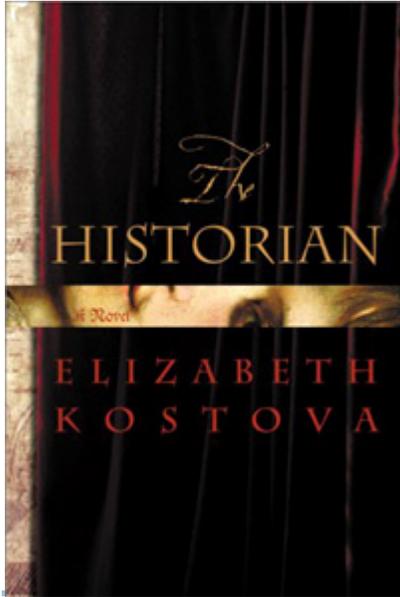
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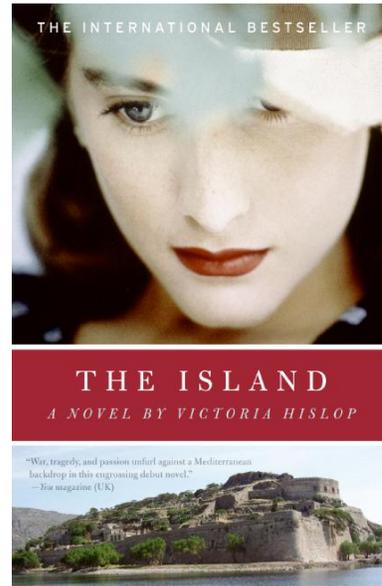
INFOTRAC Gale Virtual Reference Library (E-books) click on Science
Student Edition Click on the Subject Guide Search
Science Database (this database is more "scientific")

Might we recommend...

Marty:



Katie:



Google Books-the new library?

Is a library's relevance shrinking as new technologies like Google Books are growing? Not just no, but heck no!

Google is tackling the enormous task of digitizing millions of books from the world's largest libraries. What kinds of obstacles are they encountering?

For one, there is a multi-million dollar copyright infringement lawsuit going on as we speak. Like the Napster suit that took place years ago, it is unlikely that contemporary authors and publishers will willingly open their work to the net, free of charge.

That means that only works published 70 years ago are

free to be scanned. Not many NYT bestsellers will fit that criteria!



Books are just the tip of the proverbial iceberg. Many scholarly research articles, journals and other important materials are virtually inaccessible via the Net. Rather, subscription accounts (most times paid for by libraries) are needed to access the articles in full text. **Visiting the library either in person or logging in through your member ac-**

count is your only choice.

What it basically boils down to is this: the Internet complements library service, it doesn't negate it. We too jump on Google for quick facts, pictures, and articles, but if we're looking for good quality information, databases are our best bet. We librarians went to graduate school for this! We know what resources to purchase, how to access the information, and how to teach our patrons to find the information themselves.

Google books and the Net are great applications, but they simply don't take away the need for the traditional library or librarian.