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Ring in the new year with great classical music

The Fort Stockton Public library was proud to present two concerts by some amazing artists that were performing in West Texas. They were here as part of their individual nationwide tours.

The first concert featured soprano Erika Wueschner from Iowa and pianist David Shimoni from North Carolina. The two artists played an hour-long performance on Thursday, January 11, here at the library as part of the Piatigorsky Foundation. It truly was an enchanting evening and the performers satisfied the musical expectation of the audience as they responded with applause and a standing ovation.

Francesco Attesti, pianist, and Matteo Galli, organist, came all the way from Italy and gave a spell-binding 70 minute performance to Fort Stockton. Their concert was held at the First Baptist Church on Tuesday, January 16. The artists performance of Verdi's Requiem was superb. The two watched each other very carefully to be in perfect harmony as they performed a complex symphonic piece flawlessly. Their mellifluous unity brought the audience to their feet and made for a wonderful winter wonderland of fine music.

Not to forget, coming for an encore performance is our third musical guest, Peter Fletcher. This classical

guitarist hails from Georgia and welcomes the public to meet with him after his 70 minute performance. He will be strumming away at the library on February 22nd at 7:00 pm.

In coordination with Peter Fletcher's concert the *Friends of the Library* is hosting its annual membership drive at 6:00pm. This organization helps and supports the library in various ways. Join us and find out how you can help!

All of these concerts are made possible by the H. Edward Petsch Arts and Music Memorial, of which you can find more information on page 2.

Featured Books Coming in February



The Suspect

by Robert B. Parker

Successful outdoor author Stuart Gorman finds himself the prime suspect in the murder of his wife, Caryn, whose nude body he discovers near their hot tub at their

San Francisco home after returning from a weekend at his mountain retreat. Stuart is frank about his troubled marriage and is referred to an attorney who is eager to sink her teeth in a major case to overcome her personal loss and soon finds evidence that suggests that something was amiss in Caryn's career that triggered her death. Pick up a copy and discover the ending.



Family Tree

by Barbara Delinsky

The wealthy New England Clarke family has a new member, and she is not what the family envisioned. Elizabeth Clark, a beautiful daughter born to Hugh

and Dana, possesses definite African American traits, leaving the parents puzzled and the extended Clarke family scandalized. On what should be a joyous occasion now has Hugh and Dana struggling with issues of race, family, and trust. Delinsky often writes with insight about complex family matter and here adds though-provoking concern about race in America to the mix in a novel that will stir debate and inspire self-examination.



The Fifth Vial

by Michael Palmer

Palmer is known for medical thrillers and taps into people's fear of disease, doctors, and hospitals and converts that fear into unnerving suspense. In this thriller he plays with the phenomenon of organ donation, forcing

the reader to ask nervously, "Where do donated organs come from?" The answer comes slowly by having three different characters, widely separated by space and circumstance, each play a role in tracking down a powerful conspiracy network. The sprawling plot lurches along toward the discovery of a conspiracy to obtain organs by any means and sell them at high prices. Palmer delivers again!

To make Music and the Arts available to us

H. Edward Petsch was born April 24, 1931 in Fort Stockton to Fannie Warnock and Harry Edward Petsch. His first piano teacher, Mrs. Frances Ligon, instilled in Edward a love of music and was instrumental in Edward's admittance to the prestigious St. Louis Institute of Music after his graduation from Fort Stockton High School. There he studied with great Russian pianist, Leo Sirota. Through the Institute, Mr. Petsch also studied with French pianist, conductor, and composer, Nadia Boulanger.

In 1957, Mr. Petsch was invited to teach at the British School in Caracas, Venezuela, where he also performed many concerts. He returned to the United States several years later to join the piano

faculty at the St. Louis Institute for Music and to prepare for his debut concert program.

Mr. Petsch moved to Houston several years later to take over the piano studio of a friend. He soon opened his own studio in Houston for adult piano students. Mr. Petsch enriched the lives of all of his students by his encouragement not only to master the keyboard, but also to pursue goals and overcome life's setbacks. When Mr. Petsch passed away in 2002, he bequeathed a generous gift to the Fort Stockton Library to provide and enhance art, music, theatre, and cultural activities and programming to the community through the library.



Fast Facts about the Library

The library has **8,800** library cards issued: 5,581 adult cards, 2,016 children's cards, 774 young adult cards, 258 senior cards, and 70 educational, 10 organizational, and 91 visitor cards.

Books and more for Curling up with on a Cold Day

For Children

Here Comes T. Rex Cottontail
by Lois G. Grambling
Dimity Dumpty, Humpty's Little Sis
by Bob Graham
Duck at the Door
by Jackie Urbanovic
I Don't Like Gloria!
by Kaye Umansky
This Way Ruby!
by Jonathan Emmett
Tippy-Tippy-Tippy, Hide!
by Candace Fleming
Nobody Asked Me If I Wanted a Baby Sister

by Martha Alexander
Take Care Good Knight
by Shelley Moore Thomas

Video Series

Animal life for Children
US Geography for Children
Health for Children

For Adults

Dust: A Richard Jury Mystery
By Martha Grimes
Friday Night Knitting Club
by Kate Jacobs
A Deeper Sleep
by Dana Stabenow
Bad Blood
by Linda Fairstein
Off Armageddon Reef
by David Weber
Trouble
by Jesse Kellerman
Breakpoint
by Richard A. Clarke
Exile

by Richard North Patterson
Dance Sport Video Series
Salsa Survival
Paso Doble
Exotic Rumba
Cha Cha Cool Moves

For Everyone

DIY to the Rescue
DIY Weekend Kitchen Makeovers
Chicken Soup for the Dieter's Soul
Dr. Neal Barnard's Program For Reversing Diabetes
Home Enlightenment
Absolute Beginner's Guide to iPod and iTunes
Revolutionary Chinese Cookbook
How To Build Your Own Greenhouse
FLIP- How to Find, Fix, and Sell Houses For Profit
Health Video Series
Achieving Weight Loss
Brain Food
Controlling Blood Sugar
Slow the Aging Process

It's YOUR Library...



We asked library Patron Scott Owens what he has to say about His library....

As a minister in Fort Stockton, I appreciate the fact that I have a

place to do research in. There is a great diversity of material that I can choose from when I am up against those tough subjects. Another great benefit about the library is the fact that they offer special events for the family. We make it a family outing at times to go to the library and check out movies and books. Thanks so much for the great facilities and everyone is so helpful and nice.

**TO READ A BOOK
FOR THE 1ST TIME
IS TO MAKE AN
ACQUAINTANCE
WITH A NEW
FRIEND; TO READ IT
FOR A 2ND TIME IS
TO MEET AN OLD
ONE.**

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February 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<i>American Heart Month</i>			1 <i>National Freedom Day</i>	2 <i>Rural Library Sustainability Workshop</i> <i>9-4:30</i> <i>Ground Hog Day</i>	3
4 <i>Olympic Winter Games were held for the 1st time in 1932</i>	5 <i>Investment Club @ 7:00PM</i>	6 <i>Ronald Reagan's Birthday</i>	7 <i>Ballet was performed for 1st time in America in 1827</i>	8 <i>Story time @ 10:00am</i>	9 <i>Beatles appeared for 1st time on Ed Sullivan Show in 1964</i>	10
11 <i>Thomas Edison's Birthday</i>	12 <i>Lincoln's Birthday</i>	13 <i>Garden Club Meeting @ 10:00</i>	14 <i>St. Valentine's Day</i>	15 <i>Postage Stamps were 1st used in 1842</i>	16	17
18	19 <i>Presidents' Day</i>	20 <i>U.S. Post Office was created in 1792</i>	21 <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	2 2 <i>Story time @ 10:00</i> <i>Friends of the Library Membership Drive @ 6:00 PM</i> <i>Peter Fletcher Concert @ 7:00PM</i> <i>Washington's Birthday</i>	23	24
25	26	27	28 <i>1st televised basketball game occurred in 1940</i>			

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Online Catalog

Search for books held by the Library, place holds and Interlibrary Loan requests, and renew your items.

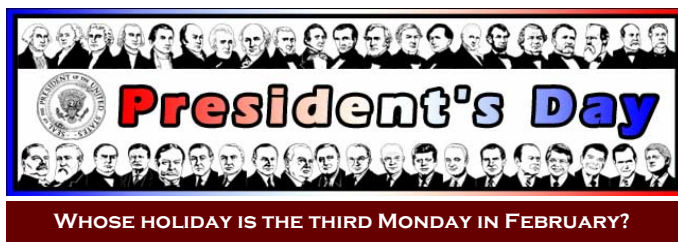
News & Calendar of Events

Upcoming programs, news, and links to images and information about past events at the library

Links & Online Research

Resources for research and general interest, many of which can only be accessed by Patrons of the Fort Stockton Public Library. Here you will find **Novelist**, the **Automotive Repair Reference Center**, **TexShare** databases such as MEDLINE, Literature Resource Center, NetLibrary eBooks, and the Handbook of Texas, plus links to local, area, state, and federal sites. Keep your library card nearby—you'll need it to access some of these databases!

You'll also find library hours, the history of the library, New Arrivals, and much more.



Officially the federal government observes this day as Washington's Birthday. However, the states are not obliged to adopt federal holidays, which only affect federal offices and agencies. While most states have adopted Washington's Birthday, other states celebrate President's Day. Many Americans believe that this holiday honors both President Washington and Lincoln because their birthday falls in February. Yet others believe that these presidents' are among our most honored and beloved our nation has had. In 1971 President Nixon declared this holiday as a day to remember the achievements of all the Presidents. So sensibly whether you honor one or the other or all may depend on where you live and what you believe in.



FEBRUARY 2007 CLASSICAL CONCERTS AND CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

