

Library has many new DVDs and books ready for checkout

Spring has sprung, as they say, and it looks like new books are springing up all over Pioneer Memorial Library. If you are looking for some good reads (or tapes, or videos, etc.), then do we have a deal for you. Your free library card will open all sorts of opportunities for you to enjoy. Here are a few examples.

The following new movies are available for free 3-day checkout so you might want to fire up the VCR or DVD and come to the library to borrow one or two: *Runaway Jury* (DVD), *Lost in Translation* (DVD), *Out of Time* (DVD), *Radio* (DVD), *Italian Job* (DVD), *Under the Tuscan Sun* (DVD & VHS)), Secondhand *Lions* (VHS), *Hulk* (VHS), *Agent Cody Banks* (VHS), and *How to Deal* (VHS), to name but a few.

Most of the best selling books are available not only in print form but also as tape cassettes or CDs so if you have travel plans you might



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•JoAnne Sunderman

want to check these titles out. *The Prisoner of Vandam Street* by Kinky Friedman is a unique twist on Hitchcock's classic Rear Window. This time, P.I. Kinky Friedman is stuck in his New York apartment with only his cat and his black puppet head for company (neither of which are great conversationalists) while he recovers from a mild case of malaria.

He has little to do but stare out his window and, you guessed it, like Jimmy Stewart in the movie, Kinky sees a pretty young woman attacked in the apartment across the way — but no one can find any evidence or proof that anything went on over there. His friends don't believe him

and figure it is just part of Kinky's hallucinations caused by the illness. But, was it really foul play or merely a feverish dream Kinky saw that night? It's up to the reader to find out.

Remember Me When I'm Gone is a collection of what the rich and famous would write for their own epitaphs and obituaries.

Compiled and edited by Larry King (Larry King Live TV host), is an entertaining and eloquent collection of "last words" from people in the arts, politics, sports, and business - most of them still alive.

Of course I can't let you forget that Chautauqua Bleeding Kansas: Where the Civil War Began (sponsored by the Kansas Humanities Council) is right around the corner so here is one more video title you might want to add to your list Eric Eicher who was the talk discussion leader for the book *John Brown: The Legend Revisited* recently donated the PBS video *John Brown's*

Holy War to the Library saying it was a good movie to watch in preparation for the Chautauqua programs that will be here this summer.

We thank Eric for this gift and are happy to make it available to the

public. Be sure to check it out! It's really worth the view.

Stop by Pioneer Memorial Library soon. We are located at 375 West 4th and are open seven days a week as follows: Monday through

Thursday, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.; and Sunday, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. For more information contact the Library at 462-4470. We look forward to serving you.

Free firearm safety kits available

Families wanting a free firearm safety kit, which includes a gun lock, are encouraged to call or stop by the Thomas County Sheriff's office, said Undersheriff Mike Baughn on Thursday.

The safety kits are being made available through a partnership with Project ChildSafe, the nationwide firearms safety education program, and the sheriff's office.

"Each kit," Baughn said, "contains a safety curriculum and a cable-style gun lock which fits on most types of handguns, rifles and shotguns."

The goal of distributing about 700 of these free firearm safety kits, he said, is to prevent a child or any other unauthorized person from accessing a firearm in their home.

By partnering with Project ChildSafe, the sheriff's office is participating in the national effort to promote firearms safety education to all gun owners.

The safety kits are available at 225 N. Court, Colby or questions, call 462-4570.

Editor's note: Project ChildSafe is a program developed by the National Shooting Sports Foundation and will be distributing millions of the safety kits throughout the country over the next year. Money for the program was provided by a federal grant.

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