

# HILLSBORO COMMUNITY LIBRARY NEWS

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## History —Broader and Narrower

From our outstanding regional collection comes a three-volume history of our state. The author, Frank D. Reeve, came to New Mexico for his health as a young man. He graduated from the University of New Mexico and went on to be a professor of history at UNM for 36 years. At the same time he also served as editor of the *New Mexico Historical Review* for 18 years.

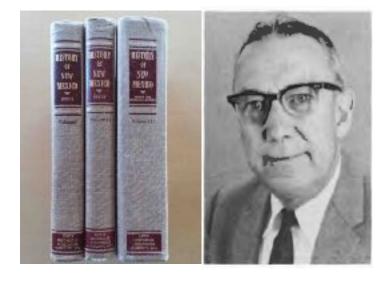
### Featured this Month

### History of New Mexico by Frank D. Reeve

Although covering only through the 1950s, this comprehensive history of our state is an important and in many ways unique reference. For example, Reeve begins with the pre-history of the state in terms of geological formation and the development of flora and fauna. He then moves forward temporally through the usual subject matter we call history, that is, humans. He proceeds from the early Native American situation through the Mexican intrusion and finally the United States encroachment.

His treatment is invariably incisive while treating each group with empathy. Thus, regarding the event that is usually referred to as the 1680 Pueblo Revolt, Reeve rightly labels it a Pueblo war for independence from Mexican rule (Chapter X). Nevertheless, the storyline adheres to the general principle that history is written by the victors, and the victors see themselves as representing progress. Consequently, the conflicts typically represent the perspective of the Pueblos over the Navajos and Apaches, of the Mexicans over the natives, of the Americans over the Mexicans and natives.

Numerous aspects of New Mexico history have been expanded and clarified over the past forty years since publication of this history. And Reeve makes some mistakes, of course. For instance, he says that "Kingston blossomed forth in 1883 to become the



county seat of Sierra..." (II, p. 236). That town did indeed blossom in 1883, but as we all know, Hillsboro was named the seat when the county was created in 1884. Nevertheless, it seems to me that overall this is a reliable work – and enjoyable to read to boot.

An interesting feature is the exceptionally heavy third volume, which is sub-titled "Family and Personal History." It contains biographical information for some 700 persons who became prominent in 20th century New Mexico, particularly during the 1930s and 1940s. Among the entries are such locally significant surnames as Beals, Chavez, Hopewell, Latham, Nunn, Robinson, Sullivan, and Tafoya. There is no order in the arrangement of entries, but this volume has its own index of surnames in alphabetical order.

Review by Garland Bills

# **Library Hours:**

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# **New at the Library**

### **Fiction**

Lightning Strike by William Kent Krueger The Great Believers by Rebecca Makkai Where the Dead Sit Talking by Brandon Hobson A Registry of My Passage Upon the Earth by Daniel Mason **Pride** by Ibi Zoboi In the Distance by Hernan Diaz In a Book Club Far Away by Tif Marcelo The Committed by Viet Nguyen The Exiles by Christina Kline The Tapestries by Kien Nguyen All Things Left Wild by James Wade **Gray Mountain** by John Grisham **Orphan Train** by Christina Kline Wildland by Rebecca Hodge

### **Science Fiction**

To Sleep in a Sea of Stars by Christopher Paolin

## **Mystery**

The Madness of Crowds by Louise Penny The Otter of Death by Betty Webb Anteater of Death by Betty Webb Koala of Death by Betty Webb Llama of Death by Betty Webb Puffin of Death by Betty Webb Last Woman in the Forest by Diane Les Becquets **Defense** by Steve Cavanaugh Winter Counts by David Heska & Wanbli Weiden Her Daughter's Cry by M M Chouinard A Gentleman's Murder by Christopher Huang Law of Innocence by Michael Connelly The Wife Between Us by Greer Hendricks & Sarah Pekkanen

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The Glass Universe by Dava Sobel **Undaunted Courage** by Stephen Ambrose Border Radio by Gene Fowler & Bill Crawford **Hunting Lion & Bear** by Frank Dines Fossil Men by Kermit Pattison The Girl in Building C by Mary Krugerud Simon & Schuster's Guide to Insects

#### **DVDs**

10 Items or Less ... The Band's Visit The Bourne Ultimate Collection The Untold Story of Emmett Louis Till The Fog of War ... The Way The Scent of Green Papaya Sensation of Sight ... Lost in Translation

#### **Audio Books**

The Night Gardener by George Pelecanos The Night Watchman by Louise Erdrich You Can't be Neutral on a Moving Train by Howard Zinn

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Wednesdays October 13, November 17, December 15

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