

Three exhibits on tap at the library

Three exhibits are coming up in November:

■ **The Worth a Thousand Words** exhibit with work by a group of nine professional artists from Sun City, a small exhibit called *Eye See Divergence and Dissent* by Marissa Palmer, and *Pictures from India: Peace Corps 1969-1972* with photography by Georgetown attorney Dale Illig.

The *Worth a Thousand Words* exhibit opened October 30 and runs through November 30. (The library will be closed November 5-9; more about that below.) This exhibit includes works by a select group of Sun City's professional artists. The participating artists are Marci Boone, Sherry Daerr, Sigi Field, Darrell Hutchinson, Violet Nicklen, Nancy Rankin, Robert Rosamond and Bill Snelson.

The artists will be recognized at a reception from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, November 11. The reception is free and open to the public, and is a great time to come see the exhibit, enjoy some refreshments and meet the artists and learn about their work.

Eye See Divergence and Dissent by Marissa Palmer is on display on the first floor through December 28. "My exhibit is about what the eyes see and what it is to see through the eyes of historically oppressed and persecuted groups of people," she notes.

Beginning November 20, the library will have an exhibit of black and white documentary photographs taken by a young Dale Illig 50 years ago in rural India. Dale Illig, who has



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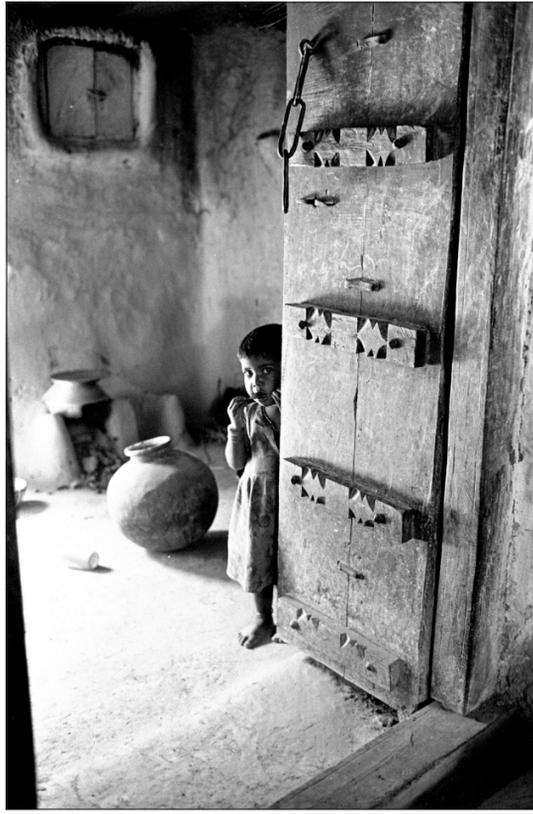
Dana Hendrix

practiced law for 33 years in Georgetown, joined the Peace Corps in 1969 to help drill water wells in the drought-stricken villages of eastern Uttar Pradesh, India. During the three and a half years he was there, he took hundreds of photographs that show scenes of village life, farming, the Ganges River, as well as portraits and landscapes including some from a trek to the Himalayas in Nepal. A selection of these photographs will make up the *Pictures from India: Peace Corps 1969-1972* exhibit.

While he was there, Dale also made a 16mm film, *A Tubewell for Kapura Village*. The library will host a reception honoring Dale from 3-6 p.m. Sunday, December 2, with a showing of the film and question-and-answer session beginning at 4:30. The reception and film showing are free and open to the public. The remarkable photographs he took there have been digitized and printed, and will be on display through December 6.

Annual inventory

It's always interesting to visit a friend's home and take a peek at what's in their bookshelves. Seeing



Dale Illig

Dale Illig's photographs of village life in India will be on display in the *Pictures from India: Peace Corps 1969-1972* exhibit November 20-December 6 at the library.

what someone reads can provide a window into their heart and mind, past and future, imagination and concerns. And beyond what's there, how are the books organized and arranged?

There are many ways home libraries might be organized — by who in the household they belong to, by subject or by no system at all. Regardless of your organizational system, it has likely happened that you have gone to the shelf where you know a particu-

lar book should be and ... it's not there.

Now imagine how often that might happen if 36,272 people were sharing your bookshelves, including small children who are exceptionally enthusiastic about pulling books off the shelf to look at and whose attempts to reshelve the books when their parents suggest it may be imprecise at best. It would be hard to keep them organized and on the shelf, especially if you tend to be generous

in loaning books to your friends, as libraries are.

Every week we happily open our stacks to an average of 8,153 people of all ages. Our staff and volunteers work year-round to keep things in order, but now and then we just have to close the doors and do a complete inventory to figure out what's where and what's perhaps been misshelved, misplaced, damaged or lost. Then we work to get it all reshelved, replaced, repaired, or withdrawn so people who are looking for library materials won't be frustrated.

That inventory process will happen November 5-9 this year. During those five days, you will be able to come inside only to purchase GoGeo bus tickets (come in through the Eighth Street doors). You can return books in the drive-through book drop in the Ninth Street parking lot if you want to, but nothing will be due that week. Nothing will be checked out. No hold notices will go out, no library story times will happen, no study rooms will be available — instead, the library will be closed and staff will be organized into efficient and cheerful teams in comfy shoes, equipped with scanning equipment with which to inventory the entire 111,195-item physical collection — and not only books but DVDs, CDs, puzzles, kits, bicycles — even our 65 circulating cake pans will be checked and accounted for.

So please forgive the inconvenience that our annual inventory closing may

Upcoming events

- Now through November 30 *Worth a Thousand Words* exhibit
- Now through December 28 Marissa Palmer, *Eye See Divergence and Dissent* exhibit
- October 31, 10 a.m. Spooky Storytime Halloween Party
- November 5-9 Library closed for inventory
- November 11, 2-4 p.m. Reception for *Worth a Thousand Words* exhibit
- November 12, 9:15 a.m. Music with Mar (ages 0-6)
- November 17, 3 p.m. Teen Super Smash Bros. Tournament (ages 12-18)
- November 18, 2 p.m. Austin Jazz Band (Live Music at the Library)
- November 20-December 6, Dale Illig, *Pictures from India: Peace Corps 1969-1972* exhibit
- November 24, 1-5 p.m., Teen Dungeons and Dragons Group (ages 12-18, first meeting of a new monthly program)
- December 2, 3-6 p.m., Reception for Dale Illig with a 4:30 showing of the film *A Tubewell for Kapura Village* and question-and-answer session.

cause for you or your family. We'll be open and organized again on November 11. See you at the library!

Dana Hendrix is the Fine Arts Librarian at the Georgetown Public Library.

HARC denies Walgreens plans for store on Austin Avenue

November 1, 1918

Mrs. S.M. Morris of Weir has received from her son, Mr. Shirley Morris who is on the battle front in France, a German helmet captured from some of the German dead on the fields of battle. The affair is a substantial looking steel hat, weighs about two pounds and 11 inches thick, is said to repel a great many of the smaller caliber bullets and shrapnel.

The Enterprise Cash and Carry Prices [This is just a sampling to compare to today's prices.] Flour, 14-pound sack, \$1.50; Crisco,

3-pound can, 95 cents; pinto beans, per pound, 8 cents; black-eyed peas, per pound, 11 cents; jello, per package, 12 cents; Libby's evaporated milk, per can, 6 cents; 10-gallon lard case, each 50 cents. Compare these prices with the prices you have been paying and you can readily see where you can save money by trading at the Cash and Carry Store We Sell For Spot Cash. Please don't ask us to make a ticket for anything.

October 30 & November 2, 1975

In a two-hour discussion, county commissioners are trying to decide whether

Yesteryears

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or not the ambulance contracts should be renewed. The service is operating under a large deficit. They may ax Round Rock service. They will decide on Friday.

Founder H.R. Gibson spoke at the grand opening of Georgetown's Gibson Store.

At Southwestern's Homecoming, Mrs. Gene Klein was given the Pearl A. Neas Award. Dr. George Nelson and Thomas Douglass were Co-Mr. Homecomings.

Granger Dam construction for completion in 1979

Chamber of Commerce President Don Hewlett gave Mary Kubala her award as Employee of the Month. She works at M&J Hair Fashions.

October 30 & November 3, 2002

The statue of Lady Justice on the courthouse dome will be removed for repairs of the dome. The work continues slowly because of the rains.

Jasmin Arpin, escorted

by Kyle Griffith, is the GHS Football Sweetheart. The Sweetheart is chosen for her strong support of the team.

The Historic and Architectural Review Commission (HARC) has denied Walgreens plans for a store near the old Church of Christ on Austin Avenue. The plans will be sent back to the developer, since they did not meet the guidelines set out.

Be sure to vote Tuesday!

October 27 & 31, 2010

Council hired former mayor Leo Wood's consult-

ing firm to write a grant to apply for \$12 million for Northwest Boulevard improvements and for the overpass to the Rivery. Contingent on receiving the grant, Wood's firm will get \$600,000.

Commissioners say County Attorney Jana Duty has no right to sue them (for removing \$101,000 + from her budget to hire an outside attorney to represent them rather than her staff) either as an individual or in her official capacity. Commissioners would not comment on the suit and Ms. Duty was unavailable for comment.

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