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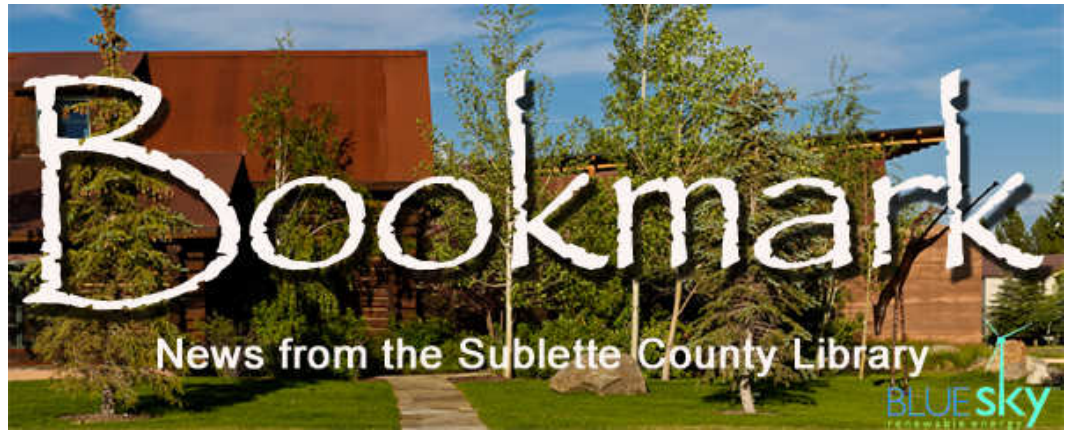
### Raising Green Awareness with the Blue Sky Program

In an effort to generate community awareness and to highlight the benefits and applications of renewable energy, the Sublette County Library with funding from Rocky Mountain Power's Blue Sky Program has installed grid-tied passive solar photovoltaic cells on the new addition's south side.

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The library's photovoltaic panels are located on the Charles Street rammed earth walls of the new addition.



## Edgar Allen Poe Comes to Life in One-Man Show

Friday, June 11th at 7 pm

Edgar Allen Poe's poems *The Raven* and *The Tell Tale Heart* take on new meaning as character actor Duffy Hudson sheds light on the mysterious author in this engaging one-man show. Not only does he take you back in time, but Hudson vividly weaves biographical events central to Poe's life and creates a performance with as much drama and intrigue as the author himself.

A Broadway trained actor, Hudson exhibits great passion for his subject, providing empathy for this misunderstood writer plagued by misfortune and emotional turmoil. Students and adults alike will enjoy this perfect opportunity to learn more about this enigmatic author.

*Deep into that darkness peering, long I stood there, wondering, fearing, doubting, dreaming dreams no mortal ever dared to dream before.*

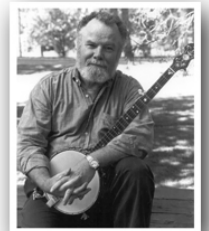
From *The Raven*  
Published in 1845



## Stories, Songs & Sodbusters: The Little Old Sod Shanty on the Plains

Wednesday, May 5th at 7 pm

Enjoy an evening of musical merriment with Bill Rossiter about the "real" journey west. When settlers headed west with high hopes, they were met by rattlesnakes, claim jumpers and constant hardship. Inspirational songs morphed into hilarious parodies as they used a hardy sense of humor to get them through those tough times:



*How happy am I when I crawl into bed  
A rattlesnake rattles a tune at my head,  
A coy little centipede, void of all fear  
Crawls over my pillow and into my ear.*

From *To the West: A Parody*

Rossiter's songs will be accompanied by banjo, autoharp, harmonica, guitar, "wild exaggerations and downright fabrications." Don't miss this one of a kind event—you'll be laughing so hard you won't realize you've also learned something!

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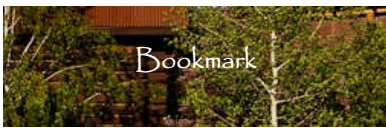
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## Blue Sky Program (Continued from front)

### What are Photovoltaic Cells?

Passive solar photovoltaic cells (PV cells), otherwise known as solar panels, convert sunlight into electricity. The word "photovoltaic" means the process of converting light (photons) to electricity (voltage). PV cells are increasingly a method used by homeowners and utility companies alike to generate power.



Sustainable living and renewable energy is a topic that our community members have increasingly expressed interest in.

The Blue Sky project was completed on October 1st, 2009. The generator's nameplate rating is 4.0 kW and is expected to generate 12 kWh/day with an annual estimated production of 4,300 kWh. The average Wyoming family uses approximately 11,000 kWh of energy a year; our project installed in a home would generate less than half of that. Our aim is to educate the community about some of the proven benefits of solar energy as this evolving

technology continues to become more accessible to the layperson. Here are some of these benefits:

- Solar panels are easy to install and maintain as renewable sources of energy
- There is minimal environmental impact where panels are installed
- Solar is a renewable, non-polluting energy resource



## The Library's New Addition: A Green Building Success

We love our library addition and judging from the amount of use it is getting, the community does too. From the planning stages, goals were outlined with the intention of having the library addition be built as green as possible. General environmental goals of the project were:

- To use resources efficiently
- To avoid using scarce resources
- To use durable materials
- To use energy and water efficiently
- To select materials that don't generate pollution
- To promote good indoor environment quality

The contractor was asked to consider these items when

selecting products and substitutions, and to carry out green means and methods of construction.

On the library website, we have expanded on the following topics with detailed examples of green building techniques used:

- Sustainable Site Location & Water Efficiency
- Energy & Atmosphere
- Materials & Resources
- Indoor Environmental Quality
- Day Lighting & Glazing
- Innovation & The Design Process

If you prefer not to use the Internet, please ask a library staff member to access information for you.

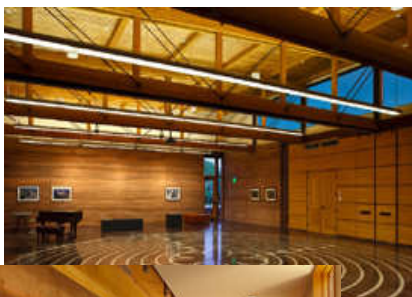


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For more information about the green building techniques used in the library's new addition and to view photos, visit

[www.sublettecountylibrary.org](http://www.sublettecountylibrary.org)



## A Renewable Gift: A Charitable Donation

### Daily Efforts to Reuse, Reduce, and Recycle



Being a publicly funded library, we aim to reduce waste, consume less and stretch available resources. Here is just a sample of what we do:

#### 5 Ways We Reuse

1. Books, music, movies, magazines and more are re-circulated and loaned out again and again and again...
2. Out of date magazines are reused for children's art projects
3. An ongoing Friends of the Library book sale saves thousands of books from landfills
4. Obsolete office equipment is donated and recycled
5. Interlibrary loan items are shipped in reused packaging



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Those pieces of scratch paper you use to jot something down quickly at the computer? They were once misprints from the copier.

#### 7 Ways We Reduce

1. Low cost cloth book bags are available for purchase or check out
2. Energy management controls on computers and lighting conserve electricity and natural gas
3. We repair damaged books, instead of replacing them
4. The Kindle™ Wireless Reading Device is available for patrons who prefer to read electronic rather than paper copies of books
5. The library offers scanning and emailing of documents to reduce volume of printed and faxed items
6. Library staff work a flexible schedule allowing a four day work week, which eliminates one full day of commuting
7. Ceramic coffee mugs are available in the Coffee Café

#### Many Ways We Recycle

- We participate in recycling programs to dispose of cardboard, paper products, ink and toner cartridges

We are always looking for new ways to stretch the public's dollar. If you have ideas for us, call us at (307) 367-4114 or email

Give a gift to your library and your community that is an investment for the future. The Sublette County Library Foundation must raise \$295,652 from private sources in order to receive matching state monies allocated by the Wyoming Legislature in 2008<sup>1</sup>. Monies raised through your generosity will be used to improve public library service in Sublette County under the direction of the library's Board of Directors.

The Sublette County Library Foundation is an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and all contributions are tax deductible to the full extent of the law. Please contact Library Director Daphne Platts at (307) 367-4114 for more information about donating to the Foundation.

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 Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_

#### Every dollar counts!

My total contribution is \$\_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to the **Sublette County Library Foundation, Inc.**  
P.O. Box 489, Pinedale, WY 82941

Each dollar raised (up to \$295,652) will be matched \$1 for \$1 by the State of Wyoming<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Wyoming Public Library Endowment Challenge, Wyoming Statute 18-7-201 to 18-7-205





### Pinedale Main Library

155 S. Tyler Ave.  
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Fax: (307) 367-6722  
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www.sublettecountylibrary.org

Monday through Friday:  
10:00 am – 5:30 pm &  
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
Saturday:  
10:00 am – 5:00 pm

#### Pinedale Ongoing Events:

- Preschool Story Times  
Tuesdays at 10 am &  
Thursdays at 10:30 am
- Pinedale Library Afterschool Youth  
(PLAY)  
Mondays from 3-5 pm

### Big Piney Branch Library

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P.O. Box 768  
Big Piney, WY 83113  
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Fax: (307) 276-3516  
BPBranch@sublettecountylibrary.org  
www.sublettecountylibrary.org/BPBranch

Monday through Friday:  
10:00 am – 5:00 pm  
Monday & Wednesday:  
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
Saturday:  
11:00 am – 2:00 pm

#### Big Piney Ongoing Events:

- Preschool Story Hour  
Ages 0-5  
Thursdays at 10:30 am

## Library Addition Recognized as Achievement in Architecture

Carney Architects, now known as Carney Logan Burke Architects has received the *2009 Distinguished Building Award of Citation* from the American Institute of Architects (AIA) Western Mountain Region (WMR). The Jackson-based firm was responsible for the design of the original 1998 building and 2009 addition. According to their website, the library's addition utilizes the first insulated rammed earth walls in the country. Of the over 250 design award entries accepted from across the nation, the project represents one of only 13 chosen by an esteemed jury of architects.

"We aspire to make livable, durable, and beautiful buildings that resonate with the past but live within the present," says John Carney, Principal Architect.



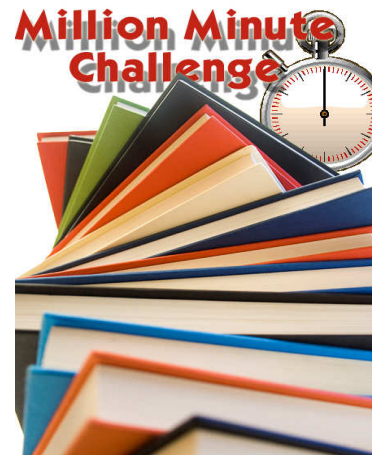
The Sublette County Library Foundation, Inc. is dedicated to the financial support and assistance of the public libraries of Sublette County, Wyoming. It provides capital improvements, furnishings and programming for the libraries in Pinedale and Big Piney.

We are extremely grateful to donors for all gifts to the Foundation. Monies raised through your generosity are used to improve public library service in Sublette County under the direction of the library's Board of Directors. The Sublette County Library Foundation is an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and all contributions are tax deductible to the full extent of the law.

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## We Challenge You to One Million Minutes of Reading

Would you like your family to spend more time reading and away from the TV? Challenge yourself and your family to read every day.



### What is the Million Minute Challenge?

The Million Minute Challenge begins June 15th, 2010. The Sublette County School District #1 threw down the challenge to read a total of one million minutes as an entire community in one year!

This summer, everyone can sign up at the library to kick off the challenge and read 5,000 minutes as a family or individually over the summer. Family teams and individuals will be required to return their reading logs to show how much he or she has read. All minutes turned in to the library will count towards the Million Minute Challenge goal. At the end of the summer, any team or individual reaching 5,000 minutes or more will be eligible to win a grand prize.

Be apart of something big this summer! Stay tuned for more details...