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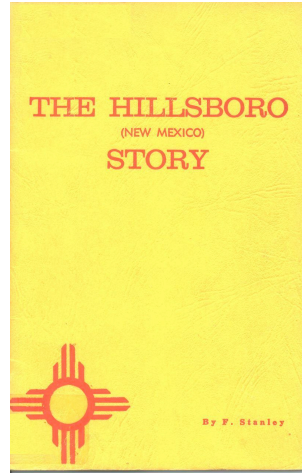
Our Town

Louis Crocchiola was the son of Italian immigrants, born in New York. After entering the priesthood and in the process acquiring the name Stanley Francis Louis Crocchiola, he moved to the Texas Panhandle because of his health. He soon became enamored of the history of the southwest, particularly New Mexico, and at his own request was moved into the state starting at Taos and moving on to several other towns over the years. While never a professional historian he diligently researched and self-published about 150 books on the history of New Mexico and West Texas including 123 pamphlets, each being devoted to a single town, area, or event in New Mexico history. Many of the towns covered have become ghost towns or are totally lost. The library has copies of the books about Hillsboro, Kingston, Lake Valley, Hermosa, Grafton, Antoncito, Belen, Clayton, Otero and Manzano.

Featured This Month

The *Hillsboro, New Mexico Story* by F. Stanley is typical of these, being a 20 page pamphlet covering the history of Hillsboro from its founding up through the 1930s. It tells all of the usual stories about the town including the discovery of the Rattlesnake (or Snake) mine, the naming of the town, the floods of 1887 and 1914, the exploits of Albert J Fountain (more fully covered in the Kingston and Lake Valley books), the murder of him and his son Henry and the later trial. There are many others stories both famous and relatively unknown. Much of the Hillsboro story is told in the words of contemporary newspapers--the Black Range and others.

The book is a mine of information on the day-to-day activities of the town residents, their travels, their good and bad fortunes and their social events. There are detailed lists of residents and businesses, including owners and often their origins. The mines



active at various times are named often including their owners and earnings. The book would be a good source of information for anyone interested in tracing the activities and locations of ancestors or other persons of interest who lived in or even visited the area.

The thing I liked most about this book and the others in the series was that they give an unvarnished view of what the population of the area was really like during the period without any glossing over details as is common in most historical works, or interpretation of how life was lived as occurs in even the best of historical fiction.

Introduction and Review by Joe Diel

Notes From the Library Board

Don't forget the Hillsboro Community Garage Sale Mother's Day Week-end for some fabulous bargains as well as benefits to the Hillsboro community!

No bake sale in May. Look for us again the first Saturday of June with all your favorites goodies from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm in front of the Post Office.

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New at the Library

Non-Fiction

Indians of the Rio Grande Delta by M.Salinas
Agaves, Yuccas, and Related Plants by Mary and Gary Irish
T.R.: The Last Romantic by H.W. Brands
Thomas Jefferson: Passionate Pilgrim by Alf J. Mapp, Jr.
Once a River: Bird Life and Habitat Changes on the Middle Gila by Amadeo M. Rea
The Audubon Society Encyclopedia of North American Birds by John K. Terres
Resist much, Obey Little: some notes on Edward Abbey by James Hepworth and Gregory McNamee
How Indians use wild plants for food, medicine, and crafts by Frances Densmore
Dancing on the stone: selected essays by J.Nichols
Ranching West of the 100th Meridian by Richard Knight, Wendell Gilgert and Ed Marston
Working Wilderness by Nathan Freeman Sayer
Hoist a Cold One by Melody Groves
The Crash of TWA Flight 26 by Charles Williams
A Spy's Guide to Santa Fe and Albuquerque by E B Held
Sweet Grass Mornings by Slim Randles
Bear, Lion and Deer: Where the Wild Mustangs Roamed by Frank Dines

Classics

The House of Mirth by Edith Wharton
The Bohemian Girl by Willa Cather
The Hamlet by William Faulkne
Lolita by Vladimir Nabokov

Large Print

Absolute Fear by Lisa Jackson
An Unexpected Song by Iris Johansen
Simple Genius by David Baldacci
Bone Garden by Tess Gerritsen
The Edge of Winter by Luanne Rice
Countdown by Iris Johansen
Camel Club by David Baldacci

Fiction

The Solitaire Mystery by Jostein Gaarder
The Treasure by Iris Johansen
The Trudeau Factor by Juris Jurjevics
Fools Crow by James Welsh

Mystery

Faceless Killers by Henning Mankell
Bones by Jonathan Kellerman
Quicksand by Iris Johansen
Killer Heat by Linda Fairstein
Stalemate by Iris Johansen
Shadow Zone by Iris Johansen
Chasing the Night by Iris Johansen
Pandora's Daughter by Iris Johansen
Dark Summer by Iris Johansen
Hide by Lisa Gardener
Double Take by Catherine Coulter
The Apprentice by Tess Gerritsen
The Sixth Man by David Baldacci
Down the Darkest Road by Tami Hoag
Deeper Than Dead by Tami Hoag
Secrets to the Grave by Tami Hoag
The Alibi Man by Tami Hoag
Eight Days to Live by Iris Johansen
Hell's Corner by David Baldacci

For a complete listing of Library materials, visit
<http://www.hillsborocommunitylibrary.com>

Library Hours:

Sunday & Monday: closed
Tues. 3:30 - 5:30pm Wed. 1:00 – 4:00pm
Thurs: 3:30 - 5:30pm Fri: 10:00am – 1:00pm
Saturday 10:00am–2:00pm

Bookmobile: Wednesday, May 16

Hillsboro: 1:00 –2:00 pm Kingston: 2:30-3:30 pm