

# Case at library offers wide array of local displays

It may not be common knowledge that the library has its own display case. This is rather small in size but the displays have certainly been interesting. In the past, we've had displays of antique toys, collectible plates, antique clocks, dried flowers, Easter Eggs, 'Gone With the Wind' collectibles and many others. All these displays are from private collections in our area and are set up for approximately one month.

Antique glassware is currently on display from the private collection

of Jean Middleton. This is a variety of items of different colours and interesting names. There is a pair of Whimsy Cornucopias and a Whimsy, apple green canoe with a daisy and button pattern. The 'Whimsies' were generally made by the glass blowers if they had any coloured glass left over at the end of the day. Cranberry is one of the interesting colours in glass. On display is a hand painted cranberry glass miniature oil lamp and a 'Cranberry Fairy Miniature Lamp' from the 1890s. This display will be

available for public viewing for the month of July. Watch for upcoming displays of crafts, sculptures and at Christmas time, a Santa Claus display.

Now for something really different. If you like an interesting chal-

lenge in fiction, Thomas King's 'Green Grass, Running Water' is wonderful! The story takes place in modern day Canada but combines Christian and Native mythology around the lives of some very intriguing characters. One might

wonder how Hawkeye, Robinson Crusoe, Ishmael and the Lone Ranger managed to make it into the same story. Well, it is rather logical, but you may have to read the first 50 pages to catch on to the joke.

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