



EL RANCHO DE LAS GOLONDRINAS

The Southwest's Premier Living History Museum

Introducing the Las Golondrinas Library!



"Reading gives us someplace to go when we have to stay where we are."

-M. Cooley

The Las Golondrinas Library is live and open for business! Golondrinas volunteers Marlene Jackson, Sandee Rudnick and Sandra Miner have cataloged all the books and you can browse through the books in your pajamas using the web-based tool, *TinyCat*. There is no app to download. Using the web browser on your phone, home computer, or iPad, just enter this URL:

<https://www.librarycat.org/lib/golondrinas>

You should find a search screen where you can enter any word(s) and click the search icon to get a list of books that have the words you entered somewhere in their title, their author's name, or perhaps their publisher's name. If you click on the title of a book in that list, you will get more information about that book, including its call number, which tells you where to find it in our library.

You should see three buttons: "Place Hold", "Check Out", and "Send a message to the librarian." If you want to

return to the original search screen, click on the tiny cat at the upper right of the window. You can also do much more complex searches.

Get full search instructions at this web site:

<https://wiki.librarything.com/index.php/HelpThing:Search>

For now, if you want to visit the library, come to the Golondrinas administrative office where you can browse and check out books. In the summer, we will implement a program to deliver books you place on hold to our Volunteer Casita to save you a trip to the office.

We will have some time during volunteer training in March to introduce the new system to volunteers. Meanwhile, Google experts can learn much more about the system by researching *TinyCat* and *LibraryThing*.

Please send questions, comments, and ideas to encourage library use by clicking the button, "Send a message to the librarian."

A huge shout out to these wonderful ladies for helping to make this all possible, especially Marlene, who will provide more in-depth information about this new system during our volunteer training sessions next month. We'd also like to thank former volunteer and current friend of Las Golondrinas, Barbara Goede, who made a large donation of books from her personal collection, inspiring this project.

Thank you all for your effort and time in making our library welcoming and accessible.

After all, between the pages of a book is a wonderful place to be!

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