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Friends of the Orcutt Library Donate New eBooks to the Santa Maria Public Library System

The Santa Maria Public Library is pleased to announce the addition of over 270 new electronic books to its Gale Virtual Reference Library (or GVRL) database offerings. The Friends of the Orcutt Library have donated over $4,300 to purchase electronic books on a wide array of topics that are perfect for summer.

The eBooks include *Rough Guide* travel books, *DK top 10* Travel and Back Roads guides, and a variety of *Idiot’s Guide* books. The *Rough Guide* and *DK Travel guides* include travel in the United States and abroad.

Also included are *Idiot’s Guides*; basic overviews on educational and entertaining subjects including retirement planning, cook books, crafts, history, literature, medicine, and many others. Each book offers a friendly pace, intuitive organization, jargon-free text and helpful pictures to explain the topic. The GVRL also provides access to research materials on a variety of topics.

To access the *Gale Virtual Reference Library* Webpage go to the City of Santa Maria Website [http://www.cityofsantamaria.org/3091.shtml#ElectronicDatabases](http://www.cityofsantamaria.org/3091.shtml#ElectronicDatabases), and then click on the “Gale Virtual Reference Library” icon.

Explore and enjoy new horizons by learning about a new topic each day from the comfort of your home, on your personal electronic device (i.e. cell phone, tablet, and/or laptop).

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