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The 'light' has gone out our lives. Sounds ominous? Well, it really is a serious matter. Since we took occupation of our head office building, staff on the northern side have been afforded a lovely view of the Cape Town Waterfront and harbour. To our chagrin, however, judging by the depth of the ear-splitting excavations on an adjoining site, a sky-scraper is shortly likely to blot out this view totally. This, together with the enormous sun-shields (see page 7) being fitted to our building, will in effect place us well and truly in the 'dark'! In the circumstances we are not our sprightly selves and rely on our readers to forgive any gremlins that may have crept into this edition.

Let's get back to this issue that sees the featuring of the international organisation known as *Biblionef* and the outlining of South Africa's part therein as described by Jean Williams in the article, *Biblionef South Africa bringing books to the bookless*.

Professor Shirley Kossick tickles our bibliophile fancies with a compelling article on the recent spate of fact cum fiction novels and in *Bookworld* we spotlight Dan Sleight's prize-winning historical novel, *Eilande*.

We also concentrate on the forthcoming Olympic Games in Athens. Stefan Wehmeyer details the various web sites available where sport aficionados of all disciplines can obtain a wide variety of information on the sport of their preference, whilst Janine de Villiers and Freddy Ogterop allow a nostalgic look at past highlights of the Games featured in the many videos in our collection in the article, *The Greeks are at it again!* Our resident artist Monica Wagner offers suggestions for an interesting display to celebrate the return of the Games to the city where they originated, way back in the days of the Greek City States.

Our best wishes go with the South African team and let's hope that they bring back a load of gold, silver and bronze medals.

Dis voel half of ons liggie besig is om te verdoof. Klink erg né, maar hierdie is 'n ernstige saak. Sedert hul intrek kon personeel aan die noordekant van die Provinsiale Biblioteekdiensgebou 'n pragtige uitsig oor die Kaapse Waterfront en hawe geniet. Te oordeel aan die geweldige diep en oorverdowende uitgrawings wat nou voor die gebou plaasvind, sal die wolkekrabber wat hier gaan verrys, ons beslis vir ewig van hierdie ou plesier tje ontnem. Tesame met die reuse sonskerms (sien bladsy 7) wat aan ons gebou aangebring word, gaan dit maar 'donker' wees hier by ons. Onder die omstandighede is ons dus nie onself nie en vertrou dat ons lesers enige drukkersduiweltjies wat mag ingesluip het, sal oorsien.

Om terug te kom na hierdie uitgawe - maak kennis met *Biblionef Suid-Afrika* en wat die organisasie vir ons land beteken soos beskryf deur Jean Williams.

Bibliofiele word geprikkel deur professor Shirley Kossick in haar insiggewende artikel oor die verweefde wêreld van feite en fiksie, en in *Boekwêreld* verskyn 'n diepgaande bespreking van pryswenner Dan Sleight se historiese novelle, *Eilande*.

Ons fokus ook in hierdie uitgawe op die Olimpiese Spele wat vanjaar in Athene gaan plaasvind. 'n Bespreking deur Stefan Wehmeyer maak 'n wêreld van webwerwe vir sportentoesiaste oop waar inligting oor elke denkbare sportsoort beskikbaar is. In *The Greeks are at it again!* stel Janine de Villiers en Freddy Ogterop die Diens se uitgebreide versameling van video's, nostalgies van aard en ander, oor die Spele bekend. En vir die kunstiges onder ons lesers het ons grafiese kunstenaar, Monica Wagner, 'n interessante uitstalling ontwerp om die terugkeer van die Spele na die plek van sy oorsprong, die Griekse Stadstate, te herdenk.

Ons beste wense vergesel die Suid-Afrikaanse span en mag hulle met 'n vrag goud, silwer en brons medaljies terugkeer

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