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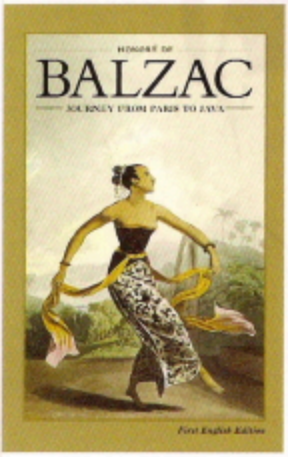
ON SHELVES

Editions Didier Millet Bali announces a new title: "My Journey from Paris to Java" by renowned French novelist and playwright Honoré de Balzac. Honoré de Balzac (1799–1850), one of the pioneers of literary realism, makes a short fantasy diversion to the mystical island of Java, where he, or rather the narrator, encounters a deadly poison-breathing tree, civilized monkeys, love-sick sparrows, and the epitome of Oriental desirability of his day – the women of Java. This charmingly small work was nevertheless much loved by Balzac himself, and it provides a captivating glimpse of the breadth of his imagination. This is the first English edition of the French original Voyage de Paris à Java, featuring color photographs and illustrations of Java and a comprehensive Gazeteer that provides architectural and historical information.



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NEW PLAYERS

Lotus Restaurants announces its new players. Italian Chef Mauro Sarti and Italian Manager Marco Bertini will be in charge at the Lotus Garden Restaurant in Nusa Dua and Agung Putra Dalem recently replaced Alberto Remondi as Group Manager & Executive Chef of the Lotus Group. Lotus Restaurants presents varied cuisines of the world including Asian and European specialties with an Italian accent along with a wide selection of beverages, surrounded by lotus flowers and Indonesian antiques and in an enchanting and relaxing atmosphere. Twelve international restaurants are operated in Bali, Lombok and Singapore, and additional locations in Southeast Asia are planned. **www.lotus-restaurants.com**

SPICED UP!

The Nusa Dua Beach Hotel & Spa introduces its new signature Mojitos selections: Spiced Strawberry Mojito, Garden Mojito, and Royal Mojito. The resort's F&B team has concocted these three treats from a traditional Mojitos recipe, all with premium Cuban rum. The leading cocktail is the Spiced Strawberry Mojito with fresh strawberry puree and a hint of cracked black pepper, served over crushed ice. The next one to try is the Garden Mojito, with cucumber and fresh mint and topped with sparkling mineral water. For a touch of class, sip the Royal Mojito: the classic Mojito topped with sparkling wine. The mouthwatering nip is now available at both the Lobby Bar and Chess Bar of the Nusa Dua Beach Hotel & Spa. **Nusa Dua Beach Hotel & Spa (0361) 771-210; www.nusaduahotel.com**

SAVE A TEEN

The Aston Denpasar and the Putera Sampoerna Foundation (PSF) have signed a MOU for a fundraising program called "Save a Teen" on March 19. "We have invited guests to come and help Indonesian youth reach their goals by donating just one dollar or about 10,000 rupiah when they check-in. This program will begin on March 19 and will be continued for the next 6 months," said Irmansjah Madewa, General Manager of the Aston Denpasar.
An international school will be built in Singaraja, North Bali and start operations in 2011. About 120 students will be accommodated from all over Bali with a tight examination selection. This school will be the third after Malang, East Java and Palembang, South Sumatera. **Aston Denpasar, Jl. Gatot Subroto Barat No. 283, Denpasar, (061) 411-999; www.astondenpasar.com**