New York Public Library Lists Robert Laxalt Novel Among 1991 Books for the Teen Age

Author Robert Laxalt has received yet another literary accolade for his work. Laxalt's novel, *The Basque Hotel*, has been included among the New York Public Library's "1991 Books for the Teen Age." The list, which has been published every year since 1929, is distributed to libraries across the U.S. and several foreign countries and names the most appropriate books for young readers ages 12 to 18.

*The Basque Hotel*, first published in 1989, is a novel about Pete, a young boy growing up in 1930's Nevada. Pete's world is circumscribed by the Main Street -- shops and stores, the pool hall, the boardinghouse hotels of Nevada's capital. Carson City, as Laxalt describes it, is "a place of liquid shade and green grass, among blistering summer heat." Pete's dreams, both realized and dashed, are the subject of *The Basque Hotel*. Laxalt skillfully weaves those dreams into a story full of cruelty and kindness, love and terror, pathos and adventure, and then offers a cautious understanding of the world in which Pete lives.

Attention Librarians:

Make sure you have copies of Robert Laxalt's award winning novel, *The Basque Hotel*, on your shelves. Libraries receive a special 20% discount on all orders placed with the University of Nevada Press. See other side for additional order information.