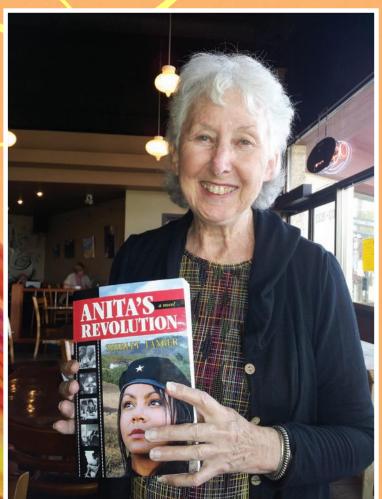
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"Anita's Revolution" visits Vancouver



"Fidel Castro announced before the United Nations in 1960 that Cuba would be "a territory free from illiteracy" by the end of 1961. How Cuba achieved that goal is what Anita's Revolution is about. Cuba called upon its young people to volunteer to become teachers, and more than 100,000 of them answered the call. It was to be the adventure of their lives! Supplied with two army-style uniforms, boots, a beret, a hammock, a wool blanket and a Coleman-style lantern, the brigadistas—members of the literacy brigades—spread out over the island to live, work alongside and teach those forgotten people how to read and write.

The character "Anita" wants to volunteer, but first she must overcome her parent's objections. It's not a job for kids, they say. Counter-revolutionaries are causing havoc everywhere. It's way too dangerous! Anita gets to become one of those 100,000 brigadistas, and it is through her adventures, experiences and challenges that we come to understand how the collective effort of those teenagers changed the future of a million people and the island nation called Cuba.

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