# Friends of the Lewistown Public Library

# **NEWSLETTER**

**March April 2017** 



# **Around the Library**

#### Next Friends Meeting Wed April 26, 2017.

The Friends now have a quarterly meeting schedule. Our next quarterly meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 26, at noon in the Library Meeting Room.

Due to unforeseen circumstances our January meeting was cancelled on short notice. Our apologies to all who showed up. The January meeting was re-scheduled for February 22. Topics discussed 2/22 were collectible books, future of Winter Fair & Chokecherry book sales, changes in Book Station, need for volunteer to take over email, and Roman Culture Night.

With only four meetings a year, we hope to see as many members as possible so we can make decisions needed to move forward on our many ongoing efforts to help the Lewistown Public Library be the very best that it can be. Mark your calendar & join us for the April 26 Friends meeting.



#### Wanted: Silent Auction Items for 2017 Author Dinner.

The Library is looking for some quality donated items for the Silent Auction to be held at the Author Dinner. This year's Author Dinner features Montana mystery author Christine Carbo on May 17, 2017 starting at 5:00pm. Anyone who has something special that they can part with to go towards this fundraiser, please contact KellyAnne Terry at the Library 538-5212 or drop off items at the Library Front Desk. Thanks for your support!

#### New volunteer "Social Media Specialist" to keep us posted.

For the last several years, FOL email specialist Donna Philip has generously lent her skills and time to remind us all of upcoming events & meetings.. Donna recently decided it's time to pass the torch:

"For the past several years I have sent you Friends news.
In the transmitting of such I have tried to amuse.
But the time has now come to put my fingers to rest.
As with all my Friends duties I gave it my best.
Now we need someone new who will type and hit "send."
Won't you please consider being our new emailing Friend?"

LaVonne Limpus has stepped forward, volunteering to take over these duties for Friends of the Library. Thanks to both Donna and LaVonne!

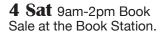
#### **Librarian Announces New Arrival**

Librarian Dani Buehler is proud to announce a new arrival. Baby boy Callum James Buehler-Smith was born January 25, 2017. Callum entered the world at 10 pounds, 2 oz. and joins big brother Nels Colin Buehler-Smith. Congratulations Dani and Clint.



## Calendar

#### **MARCH**





**15 Wed** 6pm Roman Culture Night. Upstairs Meeting Room. FREE.

#### APRII

- **1 Sat** 9am-2pm Book Sale at Book Station
- **2 Sun** 6pm Laura Pelon "Women in Music" Concert. Upstairs Meeting Room. FREE.
- **13 Thurs** 2pm Library Board Meeting, Upstairs Meeting Room.
- **26 Wed** 12pm Friends of Library Quarterly Meeting. Library Upstairs Meeting Room.

Save the Date!

#### MAY

**17 Wed** Annual Author Dinner featuring Christine Carbo. Elks Club. Tickets on sale 4/1 at Library or from Board trustee.

**23 Wed** 6pm Dr. Sarah Thompson "Following Nicholas Point through Blackfeet Country 1846", Humanities Montana. Upstairs Meeting Room. FREE.

Book Sorting - Every Thursday at 10am

#### **Lewistown Public Library Trustees:**

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## From the President

Thanks to all of you who renewed your membership in the Lewistown Friends of the Library so quickly! We count on you in our continuing goal to help the Lewistown Public Library be the very best that it can be. And if some of you set your membership form aside thinking about getting around to it later, here's a gentle reminder that you can still renew your membership.

I've been thinking about this letter for some time wondering how to tactfully state a hard truth. In the end I decided to just relay my concerns to you. So here goes: during my long tenure as president of the Friends I've watched our active membership decline while our workload stays the same. We tried to determine how you felt about our meetings last year with an online survey and responded to the results by moving from monthly to quarterly meetings. But did we see an increase in attendance at our meetings? No! We've tried sending out emails to all our members reminding them of meetings, events, workdays, etc.

We moved our workday schedule to every Thursday at 10:00 so that you might have more of an opportunity to help with organizing and sorting our much appreciated book donations at the Book Station. Thankfully we still have a committed corps of helpers, but not a real increase in volunteers. Our dedicated helpers are getting older and more tired, so in my mind one of our most crucial tasks is to find more folks who are willing to step up and help. If you have a great idea of how to do that, please share it with me! Or if you've been thinking about getting more involved, now's the time. We need you.

Last year we were able to make a real difference in the Library through our donations, but the Library needs us more than ever! There are some big projects that require our help. Our new goal is to help replace the crumbling exterior on the "new" part of the Library. We'll have to sell a lot of books to accomplish that...and we'll need you!

I know I've always said that our members only have to do what they're comfortable with and I'm not reneging on that. But we really do need you!

Thanks-

#### Marie Anderson

Marie Anderson, President, Friends of the Lewistown Library

## **New Library Board Trustee: Rev. Jean Collins**

How long have you served on the Library Board? I am brand new to the Library Board having only attended two meetings as a Board member.

What do you see as your role on the Library Board? My role at the moment is to more fully understand the inner workings of the Board and the Library itself. I'm very fortunate to be learning from and in the midst of a great Library Board and Library Staff!

How can the Library better serve the community? It's clear to me the Library does a marvelous job serving the community. I think we can better serve the community by spreading more broadly the good news of the Library & its many resources.

Brief Bio: I grew up in Missoula and attended school there from Kindergarten through University of Montana. After 15 years back east, I returned to Missoula in 1993. I served as Chaplain at U of M for a number of years, and have been the Rector of St James Episcopal Church in Lewistown since September 2013. I have two adult children, Andrew, 32, and Liz, 28. When they permanently settle, I will buy the house next door. (Please don't tell them!)



Favorite Past times: I adore my kids, dogs and pretty much all animals, baseball, travel, scotch, and the beautiful state of Montana.

What's your favorite book? My favorite book is **The Bible** - actually a collection of books. You can't be surprised!?! It is difficult to name my next favorite, but I think it's **Eat, Pray, Love** by Elizabeth Gilbert.

What we might not know about you? I drive a 1997 Toyota 4Runner named Julian with 435,000 miles on it. It still has the original clutch. I love that car so much it's probably sinful.

Thanks, Jean for sharing with us. Welcome to the Library Board!

## Friends of the Lewistown Public Library

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#### Membership

Please support The Friends of the Lewistown Library, with your tax deductible membership of just \$5 at www.lewistownlibrary.org.

#### **Become a Member!**

To join, pick up a membership form at the library or online at www.lewistownlibrary.org.

Join Us!

## Roman Culture Night - March 15, 2017. Don't Miss it!

Once again the Lewistown Public Library will be hosting a Culture Night in the Upstairs Meeting Room of the Library. On March 15, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. be ready to celebrate the culture of Ancient Rome with this "Ides of March" fete. Get out your best Julius Caesar toga and laurel wreaths to partake in the culture, food and wine, song and civilization concepts of this glorious age.

Ancient Rome was an Italic civilization that began on the Italian Peninsula as early as 8th century BC. Located along the Mediterranean Sea and centered on the city of Rome, it expanded to become one of the largest empires in the ancient world with an estimated 50 to 90 million inhabitants. In 12 centuries of existence, Roman civilization came to dominate Southern and Western Europe, Asia Minor, North Africa and parts of Northern and Eastern Europe.



Ancient Roman society has contributed to modern government, law, politics, engineering, art, literature, architecture, technology, warfare, religion, language and society. Anyone interested in helping out with Roman Culture Night on March 15, 2017 can contact KellyAnne Terry at the Lewistown Public Library at 538-5212.

### **Lauren Pelon to Headline April 2 Event at Library**



Lauren Pelon, who performed during the 2016 Summer Reading Program, will be bringing her talent and instruments back to the library. On April 2, 2017 at 6:00 pm Lauren Pelon will conduct her concert, "Women in Music: Someone Will Remember Us." In this one hour show, Pelon traces the story of women in music and performs music from around the world. The concert celebrates music written by, or for, women. Crossing the boundaries of time, distance and culture.

Pelon sings and plays ancient and modern instruments - some of which were traditionally played by women, some forbidden to women. Don't miss this unique program at 6pm Sunday, April 2, 2017 at the Upstairs Meeting Room, sponsored by the Friends of the Lewistown Public Library.

## "1846 Travel among Blackfeet" topic of May 23 Presentation.

On Wednesday, May 23 6PM at the Library's Upstairs Reading Room, Dr. Sarah Thompson will present "Following Nicholas Point through Blackfeet Country 1846". Nicholas Point was a French Jesuit priest known for working with Father Pierre Jean De Smet to establish missions among the Salish and Coeur d'Alene. Less known is his journey beginning in August 1846 that took him to Fort Lewis on the Missouri and into buffalo hunting camps of the Blackfeet and Gros Ventres during winter.

Dr. Thompson's program explores images and narratives from Point's eight-month travels. Participants will have an opportunity for hands-on review of materials, focusing on differences between Jesuit and Indian perceptions. Thompson is currently on a book exploring the images of Nicolas Point through the eyes of the tribal communities he painted.

This free, special presentation is sponsored by Humanities Montana.

## New Late Winter Books & DVD's



#### **New FICTION**

All our Wrong Todays - Elan Mastai First Light - Bill Rancic The Prisoner - Alex Berenson Lincoln in the Bardo - George Saunders The Chemist - Stephenie Meyer Behind Her Eyes - Sarah Pinborough The Girl Before - J.P. Delaney Shadowbahn - Steve Erickson Buffalo Jump Blues - Keith McCafferty As Good as Gone - Larry Watson Revelation: a Matthew Shardlake Tudor Mystery - C.J. Sansom This is How it Always is - Laurie Frankel Night of Fire – Colin Thubron Wild Horse Springs - Jodi Thomas Echoes in Death - J.D. Robb Below the Belt - Stuart Woods

#### **New NON FICTION**

The Lost City of the Monkey God – Douglas Preston

The Undoing Project – Michael Lewis Thank You for Being Late –Thomas Friedman Hidden Figures – Margot Lee Shetterly My Life, My Love, My Legacy – Coretta Scott King

The Book of Joy - Dalai Lama & Desmond Tutu

Once we were Sisters – Sheila Kohler Storm in a teacup: the Physics of Everyday life – Helen Czerski The Little Book of Hygge – Meik Wiking

#### **New DVD's**

J.A.G. the complete series
The Duel
Hell or High Water
Mechanic
Mechanic Resurrection
Poirot series 10
Amy
Wild Card
Dead Wood the complete series
The Duchess of Duke Street series 1&2

## UPCOMING BOOK SALE PATES

March 4 Sat 9am - 2pm April 1 9am - 2pm

At the Book Station.

All Sales benefit the Library!

# Don't Miss It!

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Pelon's educational & entertaining programs have been presented in venues throughout the world from Ann Arbor to Kazakhstan. Don't miss this special spring concert!

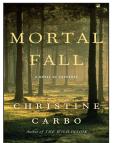
"Women in Music: Someone will remember us."

# **2017 Author Dinner to feature Christine Carbo May 17.**

The Lewistown Public Library is pleased to announce Christine Carbo as the guest speaker for the 2017 Annual Author Dinner. Christine Carbo is the author of *The Wild Inside and Mortal Fall*, the first two novels in her suspense series about Glacier Park.

The 7th Annual Author Dinner will be Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at the Elk's Club. The evening will feature a catered dinner, a silent auction and time to visit and listen to Christine Carbo. No Host Cocktail Hour and Silent auction from 5-6pm, dinner at 6pm, author presentation at 7pm.

Tickets are \$45 each, go on sale the first week of April and will be available at the Library or from Library Board Trustees.



Christine grew up in Gainesville, FL then moved to Kalispell, MT when she was twelve. After receiving a Masters in English/Linguistics at University of Montana at Missoula, Carbo began teaching English courses at Flathead Valley Community College in her hometown of Kalispell. Currently, Christine and her husband, Jamie, live in Whitefish with three kids, one dog and a cat.



The event is sponsored by Lewistown Public Library Board and Friends of the Lewistown Public Library. We look forward to seeing you May 17!

**Wednesday May 17, 2017 at the Elk's Club - Don't miss it!**