Friends of the Lewistown Public Library

NEWSLETTER

May June 2016



Around the Library

May June edition - our first Electronic Newsletter!

This is our first newsletter to be sent digitally to those who so requested at the time of their membership renewal for 2016. For those of you who are receiving a paper copy in the mail and wish to join your fellow 28 digital newsletter recipients, please let Donna Philip know at donnaphilip46@gmail. com and she will be happy to add your name to the digital newsletter email list. By receiving your newsletter via email, you help cut our costs for paper and postage, as well as leaving a smaller carbon footprint.





The Monkey Has Spoken.

Survey Monkey results are in!

We recently conducted an email survey to ascertain members' (past & present) preferences for FOL meeting times. Results were analyzed and discussed at our April 27 Friends meeting. The final decision was made at that meeting. Results will be disseminated by email. We'd like to express our appreciation to the 39% of survey recipients who responded.

Election Time for the Friends.

Friends, just a reminder that the Friends of the Library meeting in May will see elections of officers. Our current officers have served for eight years and all except for the secretary have indicated a willingness to serve another two year term. However this is an opportunity to nominate candidates for the positions of president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. If you have any interest in nominating new candidates or in voting, be sure to attend the May 25th Friends meeting 12pm at the Lewistown Library Upstairs Meeting Room.

New! 2nd Wednesday Book Sales at the Book Station.

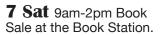
We decided to try out a mid-week book sale and were amazed at the great turnout. So we'll keep at it and invite you to join us at our next two sales: 2-4pm Wed May 11 and 2-4pm Wed June 8, at the Book Station. See you there.

Friends Work Day Schedules.

To keep up with our ever increasing book donations, we're now sorting and shelving books every Thursday from 10:00am to noon. It's our hope that with an increase in work hours and days, volunteers can find a convenient time to help out for as little or much time as desired. Join us and help your library, while enjoying the company of Friends.

Calendar

MAY





12 Thurs 2pm Library Board Meeting. Upstairs Meeting Room.

18 Thurs 6pm Annual Author Dinner featuring Montana author Peter Stark at the Elk's Club. 5pm Social hour/Silent auction, 6pm Dinner and 7pm Author presentation. Call Library at 538-5212 for tickets or from Library Board Trustees.

25 Wed 12pm Friends Monthly Meeting. Upstairs Meeting Room at Library.

Book Sorting: Each at Thursday 10am

JUNE

4 Sat 9am-2pm Book Sale at the Book Station.

7 Tues 9am-6pm Family Summer Reading Sign-ups begin. Continue all week. Call the Library at 538-5212 for details

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Lewistown Public Library Trustees:

Mary Frieze, Chairperson Blanche Chapman, Vice Chair Cathy Moser Patti Turk Tom Wojtowick Marie Anderson, Ex-officio KellyAnne Terry, Administrative Director

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From the President

Hola friends,

Tom and I just returned from a great trip to Costa Rica. There they use a phrase "pura vida" to say please, thanks, hi and goodbye. But more than that, pura vida is a life philosophy about appreciating what you have and connecting to your environment and the people in your life. This is of course a vast understatement of pura vida and I think it would take a lifetime to develop a real understanding of everything involved. But I was greatly taken with the whole concept and started to think about the things I appreciate about my environment and friends.



Lewistown is such a great place to live for many reasons, but of course one of the most crucial to my mind is the great services we enjoy through the Lewistown Public Library. The library personnel are so welcoming and helpful that I consider them to be the best part of our Library. This explains why our library once again most deservedly won the Montana Excellent Service Award. So congratulations to the hardworking women at the Lewistown Public Library! However the information and recreation that the Library provides the reading public whether its electronically or in print format along with the many programs that are available to everyone can't be beat. We are so fortunate to have and support such an asset to our community.

Then I started thinking about how I value my friends and I realized that many of my strongest friendships have developed through my involvement with the Friends of the Library. Whether we gather to work or celebrate there's that great connection we have coming together to help the Lewistown Public Library be the very best that it can be. We have weekly opportunities to mingle when we sort and shelve books for our book sales, which we call "work days" but really we have such fun getting together for a common cause that its somewhat of a misnomer. And we gladly welcome newcomers to join in our fun. If you're looking for a great cause, supporting the Lewistown Public Library through the Friends of the Library could be one of your pura vida moments!

Marie Anderson

Marie Anderson, President, Friends of the Lewistown Library

Boys in the Boat

By Daniel James Brown

Friends raved about this book. It seemed a stretch to stay interested in book entirely about a rowing crew. But it's a book about the University of Washington rowing crew that defeated both "best in the nation" Ivy League and California teams and Hitler's top rowers at the 1936 Olympics. It turned

out I couldn't put it down.

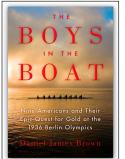
Focusing on Joe Rantz, a young, self-made college student from humble beginnings in the backwoods of Olympia, Washington, the book weaves the true story of eight college sophomores and a coxswain that made history. This fascinating portrait brings alive the boys, the coaches and crew fans nationwide that cheered them on.

This is, in part, a tale of blue-collar kids that unite to defeat top US rowing teams from privileged and wealthy backgrounds and ultimately compete against Hitler's Aryan "master-race" crew.

Brown's descriptions make you feel you're witnessing each oar stroke of their training and thrilling to the races they win, and those they lose, in the battle for the 1936 Olympics.

This too, is a story of what it takes to succeed in a highly technical sport requiring the ultimate in precision, teamwork, and a positive mental attitude, plus the ability to give it your all physically. Inspiring and uplifting, this book is a must read, both to experience the writer's superb craftsmanship and to follow this exciting tale of triumph over adversity.

Book review by Laurie Lohrer



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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!

2016 Family Summer Reading Program

The Library is busy planning this year's Family Summer Reading Program! Our librarians are busy planning projects, reading lists, programs, and activities for the theme of Health, Wellness and Fitness. In the youth area, the theme is Get in the Game! and the adult theme is Exercise Your Mind. The Library will bring healthy activities, nutrition, active games, mind games, music and writing programs, and wellness to its patrons this summer.

Both groups will maintain a reading and activity log with a calendar of events. Youth can win weekly prizes and participate in drawings for the end of the program. Adults will participate in earning tickets towards end of the program drawings, grand prizes and ultimate prizes.

Story times, scavenger hunts, a History of Music presentation, book discussions, board game night, writing clubs, hiking, park visits, trail walks and many other activities are planned. Sign up the week of June 7th for all the information. The program runs for 9



weeks and ends the 6th of August. We look forward to seeing you!

Lewistown Library wins Annual State Award Again!

On April 8th, at the 104th annual Montana Library Association conference held in Missoula, the Lewistown Public Library received the 2016 Excellent Library Service Award (ELSA) from the Montana State Library (MSL) Commission. The awards were announced by Commissioner Anne Kish.

The ELSA recognizes libraries for achieving excellence in serving their communities in areas including collection development, information access, policies, planning and evaluation, fiscal management, board accomplishments, continuing education for staff and trustees, and outreach to the community.



"The Montana State Library Commission is pleased to recognize Montana's excellent libraries with the ELSA award," said Chair Colet Bartow "Montana's communities face unique challenges of geography, scarce resources, and diverse needs. The libraries that receive the ELSA are not only meeting these challenges, they are exceeding expectations to ensure that the communities they serve are provided with the best resources, services, technology and information. Congratulations to the trustees, library staff, communities for their commitment to excellence."

Library offers Senior & Adult Outreach Thursdays.

Librarian Nancy Sackett provides senior and adult outreach each Thursday morning at area assisted living and residential facilities. "One of the most rewarding parts of my Library work is sharing books and reading at senior assisted living facilities each Thursday. The residents love it," said Sackett. This is just one more way our Lewistown Public Library provides an allencompassing program of serving the Central Montana community.



New Spring Books & DVD's

New FICTION

As Time goes by - Mary Higgins Clark Bullets Don't Die - William W. Johnstone Clawback - J.A. Jance Extreme Prey - John Sandford Family Jewels - Stuart Woods Fool me Once - Harlan Coben Front Runner - Felix Francis A Girl's Guide to Moving on - Debbie Macomber Hard Luck Money - William W. Johnstone Journey to Munich - Jacqueline Winspear The Last Mile - David Baldacci Obsession - Nora Roberts Off the Grid - C.J. Box Private Paris - James Patterson The Summer before the War- Helen Simonson

New NON FICTION

The Abundance – Annie Dillard
Charles M. Russell: printed rarities from
private collections – Larry Len Peterson
The Debt Escape Plan – Beverly Harzog
The Good Gut – Justin Sonnenburg M.D.
The Immortal Irishman – Timothy Egan
Playing to the Edge: American Intelligence in
the age of Terror – Michael V. Hayden
Rightful Heritage – Douglas Brinkley
Rising Strong – Brene Brown
You are Your own Best Medicine – Frederic
Saldmann M.D.

New DVD's

The Big Country
The Big Year
The Cheyenne Social Club
Doctor Who – season 8
The Far Country
Hot Lead and Cold Feet
Lost in Paradise – Jesse Stone
Shirley Valentine
Two Mules for Sister Sara

Go to www.lewistownlibrary.org click on "Catalog" and then on the words "New Arrivals" for a complete listing of new items in the library.

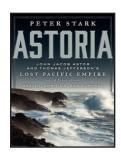
UPCOMING BOOK SALE PATES

May 7 Sat 9am-2pm June 4 Sat 9am-2pm July 2 Sat 9am-2pm

At the Book Station.
All Sales benefit the Library!

Peter Stark at 2016 Author Dinner May 18

The Lewistown Public Library is pleased to announce Peter Stark as the guest speaker for the 2016 Annual Author Dinner. Peter Stark is an adventure and exploration writer. Born in Wisconsin, he studied English and anthropology at Dartmouth College, took a master's in journalism from the University of Wisconsin, and headed off to the remote spots of the world writing magazine articles and books. His home base is Missoula, Montana, although he and his family periodically live abroad for a year, most recently during 2010-2011 in a small town in NE Brazil.



A long-time correspondent for Outside magazine, Stark's articles and essays have also appeared in Smithsonian, The New Yorker, The New York Times Magazine, Men's Journal, and many others. His best-known book, *Last Breath: Cautionary Tales from the Limits of Human Endurance*, was translated into seven languages and named Amazon.com's No. 1 Sports/Outdoor Book of 2001. Stark's latest book, *Astoria*, recalls in his own words, "the great expedition that came after Lewis and Clark and started the first American settlement on the west coast." For more information on Peter Stark visit www.peterstarkauthor.com.



The 6th Annual Author Dinner is Wed, May 18, 2016 at the Elk's Club. 5pm Social Hour/Silent Auction, 6pm Dinner, 7pm Author

Presentation. Tickets are on sale now available at the Library or from any Library Board Trustee. However, seating is limited, call today. Don't miss this presentation by a noted Montana author.

Limited Tickets - call the Library at 538-5212 today!

Sponsored by Friends of the Lewistown Public Library, Hi Heat Industries, Lewistown Public Library Board of Trustees.

Save the Date!

Laura Pelon – Thursday July 14 at Lewistown Public Library Another great event at our community library.

Music from the Backyard and Front Porch

This concert of American music shows the importance of learning our local stories and music. It features music of America's indigenous peoples, as well as the songs and instruments of America's many immigrants.

Pelon's educational & entertaining programs have been presented in venues throughout the world -- from the Russian Institute for the



History of the Arts in St. Petersburg, Russia to the Siamsa Tire National Folk Theatre in Ireland; from the Conservatory of Music in Almaty, Kazakhstan to The Grand 1894 Opera House in Galveston, Texas; from the Ramshorn Theatre in Glasgow, Scotland to the Glenstal Abbey in Ireland; and from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor to Southern Cross University in New South Wales.