# Friends of the Lewistown Public Library NEWSLETTER

September October 2015



## **Around the Library**

#### **Summer Reading Program a Success!**

The Family Summer Reading Program at the Library concluded on August 1 with participation numbers of 360 youth and 160 adults. It was a busy summer at the Library with scavenger hunts, discussion nights, special guests and story times, and lots of reading and activities.



Themes this year were "Every Hero has a Story" for the youth and "Escape the Ordinary" for adults. Thanks to our many sponsors, including the Friends of the Library, who made this another successful year – the program just keeps growing!

#### **Late Summer Book Sales Results**

Our **July 4th book sale** brought in \$594.75. Thanks go to Louise and Tony Gies for working early and to Joyce Swanz and Jacque Rollyson for working late shift, as well as to all who worked hard shelving books and straightening up the Book

Station in preparation for the sale!!!

The **August 1st book sale** was sizzling like the temperatures outside on Saturday!! We made \$771.60!!!! It's always gratifying to see so many people coming in to support our library with their book purchases. There were several out of town visitors who are looking forward to coming to the next sale before returning home. They were all impressed with The Book Station and its contribution to our town!!



The Friends made \$565.50 at the **August 15 special sale** held as part of the Cowboy Poetry Gathering. Thanks to all who worked to get The Book Station ready on Tuesday and Thursday and to volunteers who worked the sale. Tony & Louise Gies worked early, and Clint Loomis & Mary Frieze worked late. Floss Kettering handled duties at the special table for the entire sale.

### Thank you Friends for your membership!

The Friends of the Library sends a great big thank you to all of you who graciously donated to our cause of helping the Lewistown Public Library be the very best it can be. Some of you were extra generous in your renewal dues; we really appreciate your thoughtfulness.

We also want to thank all of you who sent in membership dues. This money all goes directly to projects supporting the Library. Those of you who are so great about always answering the call to work at The Book Station deserve more thanks than we could ever possibly express.

## Calendar September



**3 Thurs** 12:30pm. Friends of Library meeting Upstairs Meeting Room

**12 Sat** 9am-2pm. "Chokecherry" Book Sale at the Book Station.

**17 Thurs** 2pm. Library Board Meeting, Upstairs Meeting Room.

#### October

**1 Thurs** 12:30pm. Friends of Library meeting Upstairs Meeting Room.

3 Sat 9am-2pm Book Sale at Book Station.

**4 Sun** 3pm. "Growing Up in Wonderland" by Montana Repertory Theater. Upstairs Meeting Room. Doors open 2:30. Refreshments. Free.

**8 Thurs** 6pm. "Winner's Circle - Kentucky Derby Party" featuring Cathy Moser. Upstairs Meeting Room. Refreshments. Free.

**15 Thurs** 2pm. Library Board Meeting, Upstairs Meeting Room.

**21 Wed** 6pm. "Ghostly Gatherings-Montana Haunting Stories" by Ellen Baumler. Upstairs Meeting Room. Free.

### **Lewistown Public Library Trustees**

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## From the President

Dear Friends,

How quickly our summer hiatus from meetings has come to an end! I hope you are all well rested and ready to jump in and help the Friends meet their commitments at the Book Station and helping with events sponsored by the Library. Our first meeting this fall will be at 12:30pm Sept 3rd in the Upstairs Meeting Room at the Library and I'm looking forward to a good turnout as we start this year's discussions. We won't have a sale on Sept 5th because our September sale always coincides with Chokecherry Festival. We'll need lots of help both preparing for and working the Sept 12th sale.



One of the things I've always enjoyed about being a member of the Friends of the Library is that we're only asked to do what works for us. This summer saw Tom and me missing many workdays and sales, but there was always someone else filling in for us. We've had some especially dedicated workers this summer because we've had an extra sale with honoring the Cowboy Poetry book sale commitment made several years ago and then in June we had a special sale to help raise money for the Lewistown Swimming Pool. Although it was held in conjunction with a regular sale day, it involved a lot of extra work. So a special thanks go out to those Friends who stepped up to help out with our absences.

We always are so appreciative of the folks who donate books for our sales; we couldn't exist without you. However this summer we did receive a great surprise when Brad Parrish made a huge donation of books in wonderful condition to help us with our mission of helping the Lewistown Public Library be the best that it can be. Super thanks Brad for thinking of the Friends when you were looking for a new home for your book collection.

Again, Friends, we're looking forward to seeing you Thursday September 3rd at 12:30 for our first meeting of 2015-2016.

## Marie Anderson President, Friends of the Library

## What's that great looking building?

We've had a busy, busy summer at the Book Station. After years of FOL discussion, Jim Hanson and Neil & Donna Philip put up new siding at the Book Station and stained it a rich brown to showcase the existing rock work on the building.

Then Neil decided the two storage sheds needed a fresh coat of paint to match the Book Station. The Friends (and anyone who drives on Main Street) owe these three a hearty thank you and round of applause for their contributions to improving the look of Main Street, Lewistown.





Jim Hanson built new shelves into the storage closet area. The Friends also added to and updated the lighting inside the Book Station. The Book Station will be safer and everyone should be able to read the titles of books on even the lowest shelves.

Come on in and check out these impressive improvements for yourselves! Thanks again to our heroes Jim, Donna and Neil.

## Friends of the Lewistown Public Library

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

Support your library with a tax deductible membership of just \$5 a year! To join, pick up a membership form at the library or online at www. lewistownlibrary.org.

**Join Us Today!** 



## **Montana Repertory Theatre Coming Oct 4**

The Montana Repertory Theatre is once again doing a production at the Lewistown Public Library on Sunday, October 4, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. This year's play is called *Growing Up in Wonderland*, written by Jillian Campana and inspired by Lewis Carroll's Alice's *Adventures in Wonderland*.

Fourteen-year-old Alice does not want to be an adult, especially because she feels it is being forced upon her. When her older sister Lorina asks her to grow up she responds with, "Why would I want to do that?" Perhaps Alice is right. According to her, adulthood is boring, tedious, and unimaginative. When she meets a series of absurd characters at Lewis C. Wonder High School, her maturity is tested. Perhaps an ability to deal with disappointment, sadness, and fear is just as important as retaining a youthful playfulness. Can Alice stay young at heart and still grow up? Can you?

Doors for the event open at 2:30 pm. A question and answer session with the actors and director will follow the show. Refreshments will be served. The play is free to the public. The Montana Repertory Theatre's performance at the Library is sponsored by the Friends of the Lewistown Public Library.

## "Ghostly Gatherings" - Ellen Baumler Oct 21

Ellen Baumler is coming back to the Lewistown Public Library by popular demand! Historian, storyteller, and award-winning author, Baumler weaves a ghostly web in a thought-provoking journey to Montana's most spirited places. Basing her true stories on firsthand accounts, personal interviews, and historical records, her well-researched tales have scared and delighted audiences of all ages. With a ghostly twist on history, Baumler captures Montana's cultural heritage and brings the state's supernatural past to life.

Ellen Baumler earned her Ph.D. from the University of Kansas in English, classics, and history. She has been the Montana Historical Society's interpretive historian since 1992 and is the author of numerous books and dozens of articles on diverse topics. Come to the Library on Wednesday, October 21, 2015 for a ghostly sampling of tales from Ellen Baumler. This event is sponsored by The Friends of the Lewistown Public Library and Humanities Montana and is free and open to the public.

### Friends Fall Meeting & Sale Dates Reminder

Our first meeting for the 2015-2016 year will be Thursday, September 3rd at 12:30. If you remember last year, the Friends decided to hold our monthly meetings on book sorting Thursdays before our monthly sales day which is the first Saturday of each month. There are a few exceptions and September is one of them. We hold our September sale during the Chokecherry Festival when the Friends offer rare, collectible and western books. In January we hold two sales because we hold another special sale during Winter Fair and then we cancel our February sale.

So it sounds confusing, but Donna Philip sends out great email reminders about meetings, work days and sales. For now the important date to remember is Sept 3rd and we'll make sure you're informed about our other meeting dates via email.

# Early Fall New Book Sampler

#### **NEW FICTION**

Circling the Sun by Paula McLain
Code of Conduct by Brad Thor
The Curse of Crow Hollow by Billy Coffey
Devil's Bridge by Linda Fairstein
The English Spy by Daniel Silva
Go set a Watchman by Harper Lee
The Great Yellowstone Steamboat Race by
Robert J. Steelman
The Incarnations by Susan Barker
The Mountain Story by Lori Lansens
The Night Sister by Jennifer McMahon
Sea Lovers: short stories by Valerie Martin
Speaking in Bones by Kathy Reichs
The Sunrise by Victoria Hislop
Woman with a Secret by Sophie Hannah

#### **NEW NON FICTION**

Smart Money, Smart Kids: Raising the Next Generation to Win with Money by Dave Ramsey

Boots and Saddles: Military Leaders of the American West by Thomas Phillips Altruism: The Power of Compassion to Change Yourself and the World by Richard Matthieu

The Third Horseman: A Story of Weather, War, and the Famine History Forgot by William Rosen

Find the Good: Unexpected Life Lessons for a Small-Town Obituary Writer by Heather Lende

Our Man in Charleston: Britain's Secret Agent in the Civil War South by Christopher Dickey

The New Bohemians: Cool and Collected Homes by Justina Blakely

The Oregon Trail: A New American Journey by Rinker Buck

Sick in the Head: Conversations About Life and Comedy by Judd Apatow

John Mullan: Soldier, Explorer, Road-Builder by Stewart Nash

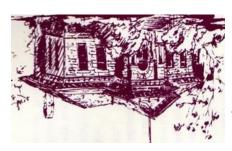
#### **DVD's**

Act of Valor

Cancer: The Emperor of All Maladies (non-Fiction)
Rob Roy
The Sting
Guys & Dolls
3 Days of the Condor
Walking on Water

Tropical Rainforest (non-fiction)

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## "The Winner's Circle"-- Kentucky Derby Party Oct 8

Our own Cathy Moser, the author of "The Winner's Circle" published in the Winter Issue of Montana Magazine of Western History will present her article in virtual format. As part of the Humanities Montana Speaker's Bureau, Cathy will make a presentation for the Lewistown Public Library on horseracing in the late 19th Century in Montana.

The presentation will take place 6pm Thursday, October 8, 2015 in the Upstairs Meeting Room. A Kentucky Derby theme will be featured to honor Spokane, the only Montana horse to win the Kentucky Derby. Cathy is a Library Board Trustee.

Please wear your best hat or horse racing gear. Refreshments and good company will be served. This event is free and open to the public.



6pm Thursday October 8 at Lewistown Public Library.