# Friends of the Lewistown Public Library

# **NEWSLETTER**

**Sept Oct 2016** 



## **Around the Library**

#### **Summer Reading Program Concludes**

The Family Summer Reading Program at the Library concluded on August 6 with participation numbers of 385 youth and 165 adults. It was a busy summer at the Library with scavenger hunts, special programming and guests, story times, and lots of reading and activities. Themes this year were "On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!" for the youth and "Exercise Your Mind" for adults. The activities and programming had lots of fitness



and wellness aspects, and the participation in these events was up considerably from previous years. Thanks to our many sponsors, including Friends of the Library, who made this another successful year.

#### July 27 Friends Quarterly Meeting minutes.

On July 27, the Friends held their quarterly meeting. It was decided that we would continue our "Second Wednesday Sales" due to the positive comments from patrons. We discussed an event to kickoff fundraising for the exterior repair work needed on the library building. Plans were discussed to hold a special sale during the holiday season of gently used ornaments, cards, wrapping paper, along with our collection



Meeting Minutes

of holiday books. Floss Kettering and Jim Dullenty announced their "retirement" from our collectible book sales, Chokecherry sale being their final event for the Friends. Be sure to stop by the sale on September 10th to show them your appreciation for their many years of service!

#### **Next Friends Meeting Wed October 26.**

The Friends recently announced their new quarterly meeting schedule. Our next quarterly meeting will be held on Wednesday, Oct 26, at noon in the Library Meeting Room.



That's 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 and join us at the Oct 26 Friends meeting!

#### **New Door to Upstairs Reading Room.**

Keep watching the imposing entrance to the Upstairs Room of the Library. FOL treasurer Tony Gies noticed that the door needed restoring and brought the matter to the attention of the Friends, who volunteered to pay for the task. A commercial painter has been found who's willing to take on the project which should be completed shortly.

# Calendar

### **SEPT**

1 Thurs 6pm

Presentation: George

Bird Grinell: Father of Glacier Park, Montana

Humanities Speaker Bureau. Free

**8 Thurs** 2pm Library Board Meeting. Upstairs Meeting Room.

**10 Sat** 9am-2pm BIG Chokecherry Book Sale at the Book Station.

**14 Wed** 2-4pm 2nd Wednesday Book Sale at the Book Station.

#### OCT

- **1 Sat** 9am-2pm Book Sale, Book Station.
- **9 Sun** 3pm Montana Repertory Theatre. "Bronte to the Future". Upstairs Reading Room. Free
- **12 Wed** 2-4pm 2nd Wednesday Book Sale at the Book Station.
- **13 Thurs** 2pm Library Board Meeting, Upstairs Meeting Room.

**26 Wed** 12pm Friends Quarterly Meeting. Upstairs Meeting Room at Library.

Book Sorting: Each at Thursday 10am

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

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

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### From the President

Dear Friends:

Tom and I had the pleasure of our 18 month old grandson's company recently and I was amazed to see him climb up to my laptop and use his finger to swipe the screen. Of course our laptop is not finger friendly and so he was very frustrated, but it got me to thinking about the differences between his generation and ours. I used to think that my grandparents' generation had to overcome such differences, going from horse and buggy transportation to seeing a man on the moon and yet, technology has made such advances that Alex will have a hard time understanding what life was like when a word processor was a typewriter. I admit to feeling a tad sad about this but then it occurred to me, books! Books or



literature can help us connect with and appreciate the world outside our experience, so he'll be able to read about the world I grew up in. Which is why libraries continue to be so important. Although libraries are so much more than a repository of books, they are still the best bang for our reading buck. We can travel through time, space, experiences and increase our awareness of everything through books. Libraries matter on so many levels!

At their August 15th meeting, the Lewistown City Commission unanimously approved the Lewistown Public Library's 2016-17 budget. I know that the Friends of the Library are extremely thankful for the Commissioners' support. Although libraries provide free services to their patrons, it still takes money to maintain a historical building, to pay salaries for employees, to belong to consortiums that allow access to online services we all use. And of course books are expensive, free wifi is not free to the library, keeping the lights on and the building comfortable takes a monthly toll and so it goes. The budget that passed last night was bare bones, not an extravagance included. We can be so appreciative of the creative minds of KellyAnne Terry, Library Director, and the dedicated staff for finding ways to work within the budget and provide all the services that we actually find necessary in making Lewistown a wonderful place to live.

The Friends' goal is to help make the Library the very best that it can be and the support we provide indeed helps to make our Library such a vibrant part of our community. Congratulations and keep up the good work because we are a part of the team that makes our Library so fantastic!

#### Marie Anderson

Marie Anderson, President, Friends of the Lewistown Library

### **Library Board Profile - Bridget Tighe**

- 1- How long have you served on the Library Board? May 2016
- 2- What do you see as your role on the Library Board? I see my role as one of support primarily. I am to support the library's mission, support all that it is and stands for in the community, and support the library staff in their important work.
- 3- How can the Library better serve the community? Our library is constantly growing trying new things and can better serve the community wiith opportunities that bring people to the library & connect them with outreach services.
- 4- How do you see the Library's role evolving with technology? The role remains the same- it's the delivery that changes. Libraries have found that e-readers have not decreased book reading, they have just provided another reading option. Technology provides increased opportunity for the library to connect with the people it serves. It also allows the library staff to efficiently connect with other libraries.
- 5- Brief Bio: I moved to Lewistown 2 years ago from Sidney, MT and live here with my youngest son, my husband, 6 cats, and our puppy. I am currently working on a mystery novel that I'm really excited about, and I have a fantasy novel on the back burner.
- 6- Favorite Pasttimes: I truly love anything that has anything to do with books. I read, write, and create art out of books. I like to zentangle (doodle art), knit, and bake cookies. I love the outdoors- fishing, camping, and exploring. I love travelling with my family.
- 7- What's your favorite book? The Hobbit is my favorite fantasy book. Joanne Fluke is my favorite cozy mystery writer. I loved John Jakes book and the Lonesome Dove series.
- 8- What we might not know about you?. I love coffee, books, cats, my puppy, 80s music. I love spending time with my family. I have loved libraries all of my life.

Thanks Bridget for sharing with the Friends!



### Friends of the Lewistown Public Library

#### **Officers**

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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.

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#### **Lewistown Library Makes Top 10 List!**

Wow! Check out "Only in Your State" at www.onlyinyourstate.com/montana/bored-in-mt/ This blog by Jessica Wick, links you to "12 Perfect Places To Go In Montana If You're Feeling Bored". Our Library finds itself among imposing entries like Museum of the Rockies, Fort Peck Theater, the old Montana Prison, Dumas Brothel, Zoo Montana, Gates of the Mountains Boat Tour, Montana Vortex, Moss Mansion, Silver Bow Drive-In Theater, Lolo Hot Springs and the Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument. Head to our lovely Library, without being bored, and enter into a wondrous world of information, entertainment, and sociability. Stop on by to see for yourself why the Lewistown Library made the list at #8.

# **Special Presentation 6pm Sept 1 - Explorations of George Bird Grinnell: Father of Glacier National Park**

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was shortly to disappear before his eyes. Nobody was quicker to sense the desecration or was more eloquent in crusading against the poachers, the hide hunters, and the disengaged U.S. Congress than George Bird Grinnell, the "Father of American Conservation." Grinnell founded the first Audubon Society, cofounded the Boone and Crockett Club with Teddy Roosevelt, and led the effort to establish Glacier National Park.

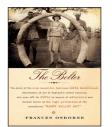


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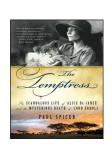
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### **What Librarians Read: LaVonne Limpus-Jurack**

The Bolter by Frances Osbourne. Picture the roaring twenties, British Colonists in Africa, money, cocaine, promiscuity and infidelity, the norms of the "Happy Valley Set", a group of hedonistic British aristocrats who settled in the Wanjohi Valley, in colonial Kenya and Uganda. Idina was the queen of the "set". Married early, this mother of 2 left her children behind to seek fun and excitement. I found this book fascinating, with her flamboyance and the time period in which she lived. She created a world in which



she could do as she wanted without sanctions. The lack of insight from the characters convinced me much of the book was rumor and speculation. The Temptress by Paul Spicer. A similar biography of debauchery chronicles socialite and heiress Alice de Janze, whose trysts were world-renowned. particularly after she shot and wounded a lover in Paris. The author paints a



terrible and extravagant portrait of this woman including marking her as the murderess of the Earl of Errol, Josslyn Hay. The book, while well written, was a culmination of dates and scenarios. The author utilized conjecture to "solve" the mystery of the Earls murder and still one can never really know who dun' it.

Enjoy intrigue, solving murders and reading about real people who took their extreme lifestyles to mythic heights? Try these books!

## New Fall Books & DVD's



#### **New FICTION**

300 Days of Sun – Deborah Lawrenson
A Daughter"s Dream – Shelley Shepard Gray
Ink and Bone – Lisa Unger
The Woman in Cabin 10 – Ruth Ware
The Royal Nanny – Karen Harper
The House of Secrets – Brad Meltzer
The Revolving Door of Life – Alexander
McCall Smith
A Certain Age – Beatriz Williams
We could be Beautiful – Swan Huntley
Enchanted Islands – Allison Amend
Magic – Danielle Steel
Sweet Tomorrows – Debbie Macomber

#### New NON FICTION

The War on Cops – Heather MacDonald My Life on the Road – Gloria Steinem Second Chances – Pat Smith The Mistresses of Cliveden – Natalie Livingstone Crisis of Character – Gary J. Byrne Rise of the Rocket Girls – Nathalia Holt The Intimidation Game – Kimberley Strassel

#### New DVD's

The Widower
Audrey's Rain
At Middleton
Poldark
Wallander season 4
Columbo seasons 3 – 5
Nature's Perfect Partners

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

Sept 10 Sat 9am-2pm Sept 14 Wed 2-4pm Oct 1 Sat 9am-2pm Oct 12 Wed 2-4pm

At the Book Station.

All Sales benefit the Library!

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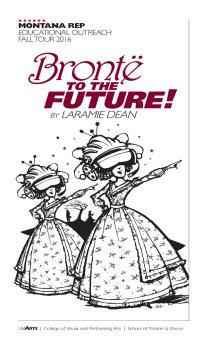
Speakers Bureau and Friends

# **6pm Sept 1 at Library Upstairs Meeting Room. FREE.**

# Montana Repertory Theatre: Bronte to the Future

The Brontë sisters, Emily and Charlotte, having told their most well-known tales—Wuthering Heights and Jane Eyre, respectively—now want to leave the past behind and explore a future time in order to see what will happen to their characters in a more contemporary setting. Brontë to the Future! is a mashup that places the Brontës' beloved Jane and Rochester and Catherine and Heathcliff in the world of today—and possibly tomorrow—while retaining all the romance and Gothic splendor of the original stories.

Told in under 55 minutes, this engaging and relevant new comedy is played out by two actresses and the theatrical appearance of their many suitors, as they struggle with all the same issues teens have today: relationships, authority figures, and peer pressure. The audience can compare and contrast the original novels with the play and discuss the Gothic novel and the Romantic genre.



**3pm Sunday Oct 9, Library Upstairs Meeting Room** 

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