Friends of the Lewistown Public Library
NEWSLETTER
Jan Feb 2017

Around the Library

Nov 18 Reception honors Jim & Floss.
The Friends gathered at the Library Meeting Room Nov 18 to thank Jim Dullenty & Floss Kettering for their years of work on FOL Western and Collectible book sales. A lively crowd enjoyed the company of fellow friends and community, and the chance to honor these two volunteers for their commitment to our Library. Their final special book sale was held in September during Chokecherry Festival. Floss and Jim will continue to support the Library as volunteers. (Photo courtesy Neil Philip).

The Friends recently announced their new quarterly meeting schedule. Our next quarterly meeting will be held on Wednesday, Jan 25, at noon in the Library Meeting Room.

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 at the Jan 25 Friends meeting.

The Library will not be conducting a Chili Bowl on January 20, 2017 as formerly announced. Due to staffing issues at the Library in January, we have decided to take a hiatus this year and return in January 2018 with the biggest and best Chili Bowl ever! Please watch future issues for more information and thank you for your support during our time of transition.

Wanted: Silent Auction Items for 2017 Author Dinner.
The Library is looking for some quality donated items for the Silent Auction 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 or drop off items at the Library Front Desk. Thanks for your support!

First Holiday Decoration Sale A Success!
The Friends held their first Christmas Decoration Sale on Saturday, December 3, 2016. Thanks to the donations from Friends and other community members, we had many wonderful items to be sold on a “make an offer” basis. The sale was a resounding success! We owe our gratitude to the many Friends who worked to prepare the Book Station and the upstairs room of the library for both sale venues, as well as to the volunteers who worked!

Calendar

JAN 2017
7 Sat 9am-2pm Book Sale at the Book Station.
12 Thurs 2pm Library Board Meeting. Upstairs Room.
25 Fri Friends of Library Quarterly Meeting. Library Upstairs Meeting Room.
28 Wed 9-2pm Winter Fair Book Sale at the Book Station.

FEB
No Book Sale in February.
9 Thurs 2pm Library Board Meeting, Upstairs Meeting Room.

Save the Date!

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

APRIL
2 Sun 6pm Laura Pelon “Women in Music” Concert. Upstairs Meeting Room. FREE.

MAY
17 Wed 5pm at Elk’s Club, 2017 Author Dinner with Christine Carbo. Tickets on sale April 1 at Library or from Library Trustee.

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From the President

Holly Happydays!

I just love the holiday season which for me, starts in November and ends the middle of January. So I hope all of you are enjoying a renewed appreciation for all that we have and a sense of extra goodwill among us all, as well as a growing sense of how we want to live our lives in 2017.

One of the things I’m always so glad of is the Friends of the Lewistown Public Library. I’ve made some of my dearest friends through the Friends as well as feeling that I’m contributing to the wellbeing of our community through my support of the Lewistown Public Library. And guess what! You can be part of this great group of folks by simply renewing your membership in the Friends of the Library. Take a few minutes to fill out the enclosed renewal form and experience that great sense of satisfaction that comes with doing something for the greater good.

I always like to remind our members and prospective members that how involved you want to be with the Friends depends entirely on you. Some are content to send membership fees and that’s great. Others like to be involved with sorting books for sales and/or working the sales. Some might want to help with food for the various events that the Library sponsors. We even have Friends helping with our Facebook page. There are many ways to be involved and the great thing is no one is keeping track of who does what, its entirely up to you about what you’re willing to commit to. Another little positive is that we’ve cut our monthly meetings back to quarterly meetings, so just 4 meetings, if you’re interested in attending the FOL meetings. It’s a great group to be part of. This is also an appropriate time to remind you that aside from the many projects that we finance, we have a large goal in mind of helping resurface the newer part of the Library. This is a very worthy project! The stucco is cracking, and big chunks are missing from the exterior; this will require the sale of lots and lots of books and any other projects we can put our efforts into.

So have I persuaded you? It’s easy to fill out the renewal form and if you think of anyone who may be interested in joining our happy group, there are always membership forms at the Library’s Circulation Desk.

Stay warm and happy.

Marie Anderson
Marie Anderson, President, Friends of the Lewistown Library

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. 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. When she wasn’t working as a technical writer and teaching, she was raising her son and became involved in Pilates. Ultimately, breaking away from technical writing and opening her own Pilates studio afforded her the flexibility to write creatively again. She began her work on a mystery series based in Glacier Park and has published two novels to that effect, The Wild Inside and Mortal Fall. Currently, Christine and her husband, Jamie, live in Whitefish with three kids, one dog and a cat.

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. Tickets go on sale the first week of April, and will be available at the Library or from any Library Board Trustee. The event is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Save the date and we look forward to seeing you this spring!

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2016 Year in Review: Friends of Library Accomplishments

As you consider a renewal or new membership to the Friends of the Library you might ask how the Friends achieve their goal of helping the Lewistown Public Library. The Library operates on a budget passed by Lewistown City Commissioners and Fergus County Commissioners. It’s a no frills budget, so when something comes up that’s not covered, the Friends step in.

The Friends made a major investment in technology for the Library. We purchased a new printer, two new smart/interactive big screen TV’s, and nine new computers.

The Friends financed the repair and refinishing of the original doors to the Library. We also repaired and restrung the original blinds in the Upstairs Meeting Room.

The Friends paid speaking fees for four guest speakers and the honorarium for Peter Stark at the 2016 Author Dinner. And, we wrote a substantial check to fund the Summer Reading Program and donated to Shakespeare in the Parks.

The Friends also work behind the scenes. Much of the food for the Scandinavian Cultural Night and 2016 Chili Bowl was prepared by the Friends.

The Library budget only stretches so far. Then the Friends step up to help the Lewistown Public Library be the very best that it can be. Join us today!

4 great reasons to renew your membership this January:

1. Support Library Programs: 100% of funds raised by Friends benefit Library programs & service.
2. Give back to your Community: Your efforts improve Library facilities and provide services & gathering place for community.
3. Encourage Literacy: FOL supports the Library efforts to create reading opportunities for kids and adults and promotes literacy.
4. Have Fun: This is volunteering made fun. Join us at book sortings, help with events or support us with your membership.

Renew your membership today by writing your check to Friends of The Lewistown Library. Memberships are just $5, but we’re happy to receive any size donation. Mail to or drop by: Lewistown Public Library, 701 W. Main St, Lewistown MT 59457.

New Winter Books & DVD’s

New FICTION - in Large Print

Because I’m Watching – Christina Dodd
The Flame Bearer – Bernard Cornwell
Moonglow – Michael Chabon
Order to Kill – Vince Flynn
Cakewalk – Rita Mae Brown
Daughters of the Bride – Susan Mallery

New FICTION - in Regular Print

The Green Road – Anne Enright
The Girl Before – Rena Olsen
Fire Touched – Patricia Briggs
Marked in Flesh – Anne Bishop
Seventh Plague – James Rollins
To Capture What We Cannot Keep – Beatrice Colin
Fatal Pursuit – Martin Walker

New NON FICTION

American Philosophy – John Kaag
Horseback Schoolmarm Montana, 1953 –1954 – Margot Liberty
Shaken – Tim Tebow
The Hidden Life of Trees – Peter Wohlleben
Carry On, Warrior – Glennon Doyle Melton
Birds: Myth, Lore and Legend – Rachel Warren-Chadd

New DVD’s

The Nightmare before Christmas
The Family Man
A Christmas Story
Secret Life of Pets
The Mentalist – seasons 3-7
Game of Thrones – season 6
War Dance
African American Lives 2

UPCOMING BOOK SALE DATES
Jan 28 Wed 2 - 4pm
No February Book Sale
March 4 9am - 2pm
At the Book Station.
Across from Lewistown Library
All Sales benefit the Library.
Roman Culture Night - 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 can contact KellyAnne Terry at the Lewistown Public Library at 538-5212.

6pm Wed March 15, 2017, Library Upstairs Meeting Room