

Friends of the Lewistown Public Library NEWSLETTER



January/February 2016

Around the Library

Friends of Library Party 6pm Jan 14 - You're Invited!



Join your fellow friends to celebrate a year of hard work to make the Lewistown Public Library and your community a better place. Bring your beverage of choice and a yummy finger food to share. Don't miss our year-end festivities and lively evening with friends!

Scandinavian Culture Night – Save the Date!

Once again the Lewistown Public Library will be hosting a Culture Night in the Upstairs Meeting Room of the Library. On March 3, 2016 at 6:00 pm, be ready to celebrate Scandinavian countries and culture. "Scandinavia" is a historical and cultural-linguistic region in Northern Europe characterized by a common ethno-cultural North Germanic heritage and mutually intelligible North Germanic languages. It comprises the three kingdoms of Denmark, Norway, and Sweden. Anyone interested in helping out with Scandinavian Culture Night can contact KellyAnne Terry at Lewistown Public Library. Watch for future announcements re: this event.



Electronic Newsletter Coming Soon! One of the side effects of our Book Station is that we're in the recycling business. Not only do we provide a great book shopping opportunity, we recycle books donated by our supportive community. Now, the Friends are offering another opportunity to reduce paper consumption through our electronic version of the Friends Newsletter. We're going to offer a digital version of the FOL Newsletter to be delivered via email in 2016. When you receive your membership renewal reminder, there will be an opportunity for you to share your email address with the Friends and to indicate whether you'd like to receive the newsletter electronically or if you prefer the print version. An electronic newsletter is just a logical progression in our attempt to stay in touch without the expense of printing, paper and postage. If you'd like a paper version of the newsletter, you'll also be able to indicate that on your renewal form. The important thing is that you renew your membership!

Early Winter Book Sale Results At the November Book Sale, the Friends made \$695.00 for the benefit of our library. Thanks go to Louise & Tony Gies for working early, to Marie Anderson & Blanche Chapman for working late shift, and to all who helped sort & shelve books before the sale.

The December Book Sale had a steady stream of shoppers who spent \$540.50. We had positive comments about our newly arranged entry, which allows more shelf space for hard-backed mysteries. Thanks to everyone who worked on Thursdays leading up to the sale, and to our book sale workers, Louise and Tony Gies and Marie Anderson and Donna Phillip.

Friends Meeting and Work Day Schedules

Monthly meetings will be held the last Wednesday of each month at noon in the Upstairs Meeting Room at the library. To keep up with our ever increasing book donations, we're now sorting and shelving books every Thursday from 10:00 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. Email reminders will be sent on a regular basis. Hope to see you there!

Calendar



January

1 Fri Library closed
New Year's Day.

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

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

14 Thurs 6pm Friends Party. BYOB & finger food to share. Upstairs Meeting Rm.

22 Fri 6th Annual Chili Bowl at Jack's Hangar. 5pm Dinner, 6:30 Quiz. \$10/person at door includes chili dinner & entry for one person. Pre-register your team at 538-5212.

27 Wed 12pm Friends Monthly Meeting.

30 Sat 9am-2pm Winter Fair Book Sale at Book Station. Western & Collectible Books & our regular collection.

February

5-6 Fri & Sat Montana Library Assoc. "Offline" Technology Conference. Yogo Inn. Friends of Library is contributing sponsor.

11 Thurs 2pm Library Board Meeting,
Upstairs Meeting Room.

24 Wed 12pm Friends of the Library meeting, Upstairs Meeting Room.

March *Save the date!*

3 Thurs 6pm "Scandinavian Culture Night". Food, Drink, Music and More. Upstairs Meeting Room. FREE.

Lewistown Public Library Trustees:

Mary Frieze, Chairperson
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From the President

Season's Greetings!

The Friends have been at it again, making changes to schedules trying to find the perfect fit to make the best use of our time for everyone who likes to help out with book sorting and shelving. We meet every Thursday, excluding holidays, at 10:00 in the morning and we work until we've dealt with everything that's there to sort and shelve. We really don't have an end time because it just depends on the donations that have arrived at the Library during the week and how many willing hands we have helping. I really want all of you who help the Friends to know how much you're appreciated and also what a big round of thanks go to all of you who continue to donate books for our sales, helping the Lewistown Public Library be the very best that it can be.



We also made a big decision at our last meeting that will affect all of our members. The Friends Newsletter will be available electronically in 2016 for all of you who'd like to receive it that way. We'd save on postage, conserve paper, and we've noticed that our paper version doesn't always arrive at its destination in pristine condition, so there'd be no tearing in the electronic version. You'll have the option when you renew your membership for 2016 to indicate whether you want to continue receiving the newsletter in print format or if you're ready to hop on the paperless train and receive it electronically. The Friends do already communicate with those members who've supplied us with their email addresses to let you know about meeting dates and important events at the Library so this will just be a logical progression in our efforts to communicate with our members! Of course what's really important is that you continue supporting the Library through your membership in the Friends and we want to make sure that you receive our newsletter in the format that works for you.

I'm hoping that during this hectic, happy season you find the time to appreciate how fortunate we are to live in a such a generous, beautiful community that has at its center, our wonderful Lewistown Public Library and that you continue to support its endeavors through your membership in the Friends of the Lewistown Public Library.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Marie Anderson

Marie Anderson, President, Friends of the Lewistown Library

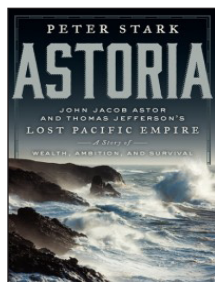
2016 Author Dinner to feature Peter Stark - adventurer

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 2010-11 in a small town in Northeast 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 will be Wed, May 18, 2016 at the Elk's Club.

The evening will feature a catered dinner, a silent auction and time to visit and listen to Peter Stark. 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!

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!

What the Friends accomplished in 2015.

Ever wonder why the Lewistown Public Library needs support from the Friends of the Library when it operates on a budget approved by the Lewistown City Commissioners and by the Fergus County Commissioners? That budget is designed to cover the most basic requirements for our Library's operation. If you think of all the wonderful enrichment opportunities our Library offers, you'll find the Friends in the background providing financial support and legwork.

Start with the wildly popular Chili Bowl scheduled in January, then the fabulously successful Irish and Slavic culture nights. Look at our enriching & entertaining Author Dinner, the summer ice cream social & folk musicians, and the fall series bringing popular local authors and lecturers for our community's enjoyment. At each event, you'll find the Friends in the background helping, however their assistance is required.

Then look at the new, historically accurate windows in the Meeting Room--the Friends paid for the installation. When we noticed patrons stumbling in the Book Station, the Friends installed new and additional lights. Thank the friends for the new siding and paint on the Book Station. The flowers gracing the library's exterior in the summer come from the Friends. The Friends just bought a new laser printer for library patron use and furniture to make your leisure reading in the Library more comfortable,

Our Library is such an asset to our community because we have a wonderful and visionary staff and director, support from the community and the Friends to help with all the extras that truly make the Library the heart of Central Montana. Be very proud of what your membership dollars and the Friends' monetary contributions have accomplished.

Renew or join the Friends today & support your library!

Library Staff Profile: LaVonne Limpus

What's your role at the Library? I will be in charge of the Non fiction area and circulation as well as other as assigned.

Favorite part of the job (so far)? I'd say the books and the people. I enjoy being part of what the library provides to our community. I get really excited when the little ones run up with a pile of books they cannot wait to read.

What's your education history? My Bachelors Degree is in English Literature and Masters in Education Technology.

How did you happen to come to Lewistown? I was born and raised here, went away for college and life for about 20 years. My mom, who was terminal, wanted to come back to Lewistown and so I made the move to be with her. I loved being home so much I stayed after her passing in 2014.

Before the Library, what was your most interesting job? I was a Sales and Marketing Executive for Gibson Guitar Corporation for 10 years. I met a lot of famous musicians and that was very interesting.

What's your favorite book? Pride and Prejudice

What do you do in your spare time? I am active in animal rescue so besides taking care of my own brood of 7 I do try and help other animals as I can.

What's something we don't know about you? I am a luthier. I can build stringed instruments from scratch.

Thanks LaVonne for sharing with us and welcome to the Library staff!



Winter New Books & DVD's

New FICTION

Avenue of Mysteries – John Irving
Coal River – Ellen Marie Wiseman
Commander in Chief – Tom Clancy
The Guilty – David Baldacci
The Host – Robin Cook
House of the Rising Sun – James Lee Burke
The Immortal Nicholas – Glenn Beck
The Japanese Lover – Isabel Allende
The Magic Strings of Frankie Presto – Mitch Albom
Mrs. Sinclair's Suitcase – Louise Walters
Precious Gifts – Danielle Steel

New NON FICTION

Andy and Don – Daniel de Vise
Bone Broth Diet – Dr. Kellyann Petrucci
Concussion – Jeanne Marie Laskas
The Devil's Chessboard – David Talbot
Franklin's Lost Ship – John Geiger
Humans of New York : stories – Brandon Stanton
The ISIS Apocalypse – William McCants
Montana Chillers – Ellen Baumler
Sold Out: – Michelle Malkin
Three Ringlings in Montana – Lee Rostad

New DVD's

Jerusalem: center of the world
 Farmland
 Jamestown's Dark Winter
 1913 : Seeds of Conflict
 The Pilgrims
 Monster
 Philomena
 The Theory of Everything
 Three Backyards
 August : Osage County
 The Jewish People : a story of survival

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.

2016 BOOK SALE DATES

- * Jan 2 Sat 9am-2pm
- * Special Winter Fair Book Sale:
Jan 30 Sat 9am-2pm -- Western,
collectible & regular books
- * No Book Sale Feb 6
- * March 5 Sat 9am-2pm

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NEWSLETTER
Friends of the Lewistown Public Library
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6th Annual Chili Bowl Friday Jan 22, 2016



What: A Chili Dinner/Quiz Night Fund raiser. Teams of 8.

Why: Benefits the Lewistown Library's Summer Reading Program.

Where: Jack's Hangar, Lewistown

When: Friday, Jan 22, 2016. Dinner starts at 5:00pm, quiz starts at 6:30pm.

Cost: \$10 per person includes complete Chili Dinner and one entry fee. Teams can pay in advance or at the door.

Preregistration: Lewistown Public Library @ 538-5212

Prizes: Awarded to the top three teams. Put on your thinking cap and come enjoy an evening filled with food, friends and fun!

**5:00pm Dinner, 6:30 Quiz at Jack's Hangar in Lewistown.
You must preregister your team to ensure a spot.**

Sponsored by Friends of the Lewistown Public Library and Lewistown Public Library Staff.