

Friends of the Lewistown Public Library NEWSLETTER



May June 2014

Around the Library

Librarians Attend Montana Library Conference in April

Several librarians took advantage of the continuing education opportunities at the Montana Library Association Conference in Billings, MT on April 9-12. Library Director KellyAnne Terry, Youth Librarian Nancy Sackett, and Library Assistant Lora Poser-Brown attended the conference. They were also joined by Board Trustees Mary Frieze and Blanche Chapman for several of the seminars.

KellyAnne presented at the conference about "How to put on a Library Event." The group was able to tour the newly built Billings Public Library. The theme for this year's conference was Thrive! The conference focused on new technology regarding digitization, promotion and implementation of early literacy and youth services, and consistency and creativity in serving the public through new resources and programming.



Lewistown Public Library Earns Award

The Lewistown Public Library was awarded the Excellent Library Service Award for the second time at the Montana Library Association's annual conference held in Billings in April. The award recognizes excellent library service to the community and is based on a variety of criteria that must be met through programming, staffing, hours available, services available and special events. This award is presented by the Montana State Library Commission.

March & April Book Sale Results

March Book sales were **XXXXXXXXXX INFO TO COME**

In April, the Book Station continues to be a money magnet!! We made \$771 at the April Book sale. Mother Nature was on our side, atoning for those arctic blasts during some of our winter sales. Many thanks to Louise and Tony Gies for working the early shift and to Blanche and Mike Chapman for taking over for the late shift! Of course we appreciate all the book sorters who got the Book Station ready for the sale. We're afraid to name names in case we forget someone. You know who you are! Special thanks to Jim Hanson for making some new shelves to house our audio/video collection. You're a great group of volunteers!!

Computer Tutoring Now Available

Need help with your computer skills? Lora Poser-Brown can help you become more proficient with a one-on-one tutoring session. Lora works with patrons in half-hour increments on Tues afternoons, Wed mornings and Friday afternoons. She's able to help with a variety of basic computer skills: including Internet searches, how to shop online, e-mail accounts and Microsoft Office (Excel, Word, Powerpoint and Publisher). Lora can help on public library computers or your laptop. Call the Library and ask Lora for your tutor time today!



Calendar



May

2 Fri 12:30pm Friends of the Library Meeting. Upstairs Meeting Room.

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

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

May 14 4th Annual Author Dinner at the Elks Club. 5-6pm No Host Cocktails & Silent Auction; 6-7pm Dinner, 7pm featured speaker presentation by Montana author Pete Fromm.

June

3-6 Fri Summer Reading Program Registration

6 Fri 12:30pm Friends of the Library Meeting, Upstairs Meeting Room

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

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

13 Fri 9-11am "Literary Landscapes", community book club discussion. FREE Upstairs Meeting Room.

Friends of the Library will meet this June, July and August on the first Friday from 12:30 - 2pm in the Upstairs Meeting Room.

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From the President

Dear Friends,

The Friends of the Library decided at their April meeting that we should not recess for summer. So we will be meeting in June, July and August on the first Friday of each month. The rationale was that there are several friends who would like to be involved with our group but they take a break from our Montana winters and only spend the warmer months in Lewistown. Now that we'll be meeting in the summer they'll be able to participate in our meetings and decisions. And of course, the other reason is that often things come up in the summer that require a decision from our group. So don't think that you have to give up your summer plans to make the meetings, but if you're free be sure to stop by and let your voice be heard (and your muscles put to work as we continue to sort books for our monthly sales!)



Speaking of sales, I had a little wake up call at our last book sale when a shopper inquired what we do with the money we make selling books. This person was unaware that all the money we raise at our book sales directly benefits the Library. An example of this is in her continuing efforts to make our Library as warm and welcoming as possible, Library Director KellyAnne Terry asked the Friends to buy the two new rocking chairs you'll find in the fiction area. These chairs are so comfortable that you'll want to spend time rocking and reading on your next visit to the Library. We're helping finance the summer reading program as well as contributing to our author, Pete Fromm's speaking fee. And we've started the process of replacing the windows in the original Library building. This will take some time as we're looking at energy audits, and bids so that the new windows will maintain the Library's historic building status. So if you hear any speculation about what the Friends do with the money they make, you can answer with assurance that all our money goes to the Library!

Here's hoping that spring will finally find us here in Central Montana and that we'll all have time to help our wonderful Lewistown Public Library be the best that it can be.

Marie Anderson
President, Friends of the Library



Book Review by Blanche Chapman
The Goldfinch
Author Donna Tartt

The Pulitzer Prize for fiction was recently awarded to Donna Tartt for her book, *The Goldfinch*. You may have heard the buzz about what a good book this is. I agree and think *The Goldfinch* deserves a lot of attention.

The book has been referred to in some reviews as "bildungsroman", a German word that literally means "novel of formation/education/culture". But don't be put off by the heavy description that these words intone.

The Goldfinch will take you on a ride that you'll never want to end. The story is simple involving a young boy of 13 who, after being involved in a tragedy at the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art, is faced with making his way in the world with the memory of his lost mother and a very precious piece of art. Here the adventure begins. We watch the boy, Theo, make his way through a world that is both tragic and educational, covering 10 years. We see Theo struggle to define himself; his travels take him through love, art, obsession, friendship and most important, survival.

The Goldfinch is not a quick read at around 700 pages. But don't be daunted by its size, just jump in and savor every last word.

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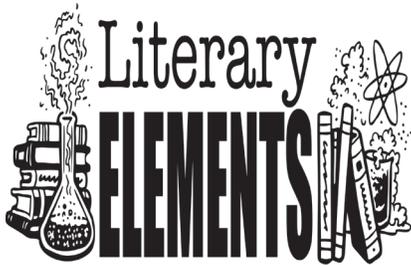
Youth Summer Reading Program

The Library is pleased to announce this year's theme for the Youth Summer Reading Program: Fizz, Boom, Read! This year's theme is oriented to things scientific and creative – biology, meteorology, the senses, math, color, sound, water and movement. The youth will maintain reading logs with a division of two age groups: Birth to Kindergarten and First Grade – Senior High. Youth can win weekly prizes and participate in drawings for the end of the program. Story times, scavenger hunts, a Family Trail Walk, a Storytime in the Park, a Magic Show and many other activities are planned. **Sign up the week of June 3rd** for all the information. The program runs for 8 weeks and is completed the first week of August. We look forward to seeing you!



Adult Summer Reading Program

This summer's Adult Reading program is "Literary Elements", reading with a focus on science in literature and the arts. Some things planned: Magic Show, Book Discussions, Puzzles and Games, Events and Outdoor Activities, and of course – Reading!



Prizes will be awarded at the end of the Program in August – lots of chances to participate and win!

Registration is the week of June 3 – June 7. If you register this week, your name will go in to a drawing for a planted container from Kring's Greenhouse. Participation and events begin June 10th.

"Literary Landscapes" coming to Lewistown June 13.

On Friday, June 13 from 9am-11am, the Lewistown Public Library is hosting "Literary Landscapes", a community book club focusing on major publications about the area. Books to be discussed include *This House of Sky* by Ivan Doig, *All But the Waltz* by Mary Clearman Blew, *Tough Trip through Paradise* by Andrew Garcia, and *Fool's Crow* by James Welch. Library Director KellyAnne Terry and Humanities Montana Director Ken Egan will facilitate the program. The presentation will be held in the Upstairs Meeting Room of the Library as part of the Montana Preservation Road Show. Library patrons are invited to attend as part the Adult Summer Reading Program. A complete recommended reading list will be offered.

The Montana Preservation Roadshow travels to central Montana and the community of Lewistown in June of 2014. The sweeping grandeur & history of the Judith Basin will be explored through visits to significant cultural sites on public and private lands. The event will include presentations and workshops about central Montana history & historic preservation, including "Literary Landscapes". The Montana Preservation Alliance, BLM, Forest Service and other partners will host this collaborative event.

Spring New Book Sampler

New FICTION

And the Dark Sacred Night by Julia Glass
The Auschwitz Escape by Joel C. Rosenberg
The Book of Deacon by Joseph Lallo
A Burnable Book by Bruce Holsinger
By its Cover by Donna Leon
The Cold Nowhere by Brian Freeman
Destroyer Angel by Nevada Barr
Frog Music by Emma Donoghue
Innocent Blood by James Rollins
I've got you Under My Skin by Mary Higgins Clark
King: #12 of the Black Dagger Brotherhood by J.R. Ward
The Lincoln Myth by Steve Berry
Wolf by Mo Hayder
Words of Radiance by Brandon Sanderson

New NON FICTION

The 900 Days: The Siege of Leningrad by Harrison Salisbury
A Call to Action: Women, Religion, Violence, and Power by Jimmy Carter
The Future of the Mind: The Scientific Quest to Understand, Enhance, and Empower the Mind by Michio Kaku
Montana Beer: A Guide to Breweries in Big Sky Country by Ryan Newhouse
Red Sox vs. Yankees: The Great Rivalry by Harvey Frommer
The Red and the White: A Family Saga of the American West by Andrew Graybill
You Must Remember This: Life and Style in Hollywood's Golden Age by Robert Wagner
John Wayne: The Life and Legend by Scott Eyman
Half Yard Heaven: Easy Sewing Projects Using Left-Over Pieces of Fabric by Debbie Shore
The Steamboat Bertrand and Missouri River Commerce by Ronald Switzer

New DVD's

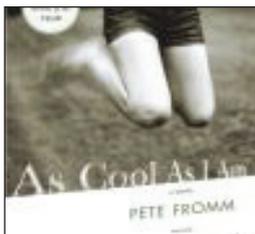
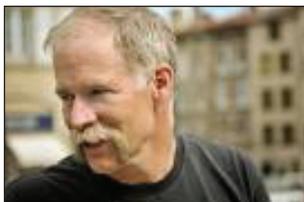
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 Ocean's Twelve
 Sleepy Hollow
 Spy Game
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 Uncle Buck
 West of Memphis
 The Wild Parrots of Telegraph Hill

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Pete Fromm headlines May 14 Author Dinner



The 4th Annual Author Dinner Fundraiser is set for May 14 at the Elks Club. Montana author Pete Fromm will be our guest speaker at this gala event, which includes a no-host cocktail hour, silent auction and catered dinner.

Tickets are going fast, but a few are still available at the Library or from any Library Board Trustee. The Author Dinner is sponsored by High-Heat Industries and the Friends of the Lewistown Library.

Pete Fromm is a 4X winner of the Pacific Northwest Booksellers Award for his novels *As Cool as I Am*, *How This All Started*, *Dry Rain* and *Indian Creek Chronicles*. His next novel, *If Not For This*, will be published in Fall 2014.

Fromm is on the faculty of Pacific University's MFA writing program and speaks regularly at writers conferences in US and Europe. He lives in Montana with his wife and 2 sons.

Tickets still available - call the Library today at 538-5212