

Friends of the Lewistown Public Library NEWSLETTER



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Around the Library



5th Annual Chili Bowl – Save the Date!

Trivia anyone? It's time to once again gather a team together for the annual Chili Bowl. This fundraiser benefits the Lewistown Public Library's Summer Reading Program and has become a fun event to look forward to during those cold winter months.



The Chili Bowl will be held at Jack's Hangar on Friday, January 30, 2015. This year you will need to register your team at the library prior to the event. Tickets are \$10 per person and include both a complete chili dinner and an entry fee for one person. Teams should be comprised of no more than eight people. Put on your thinking cap and come enjoy an evening filled with food, friends and fun!

Launch of Virtual Reader Services: "Library Connect"

Please be ready to participate in a new feature on our website at www.lewistownlibrary.org. This feature, **Library Connect**, will allow patrons to talk with our librarians about reading advisory and putting together reading lists for future enjoyment. Each librarian at Lewistown Public Library will have a page to follow that includes their expertise or love of a particular genre, such as mystery or youth science fiction. The librarians will also blog about book reviews and their particular reading interests and will help you find your next great read! Look for the launch of this virtual reader service in the coming months.

Fall Book Station Sale Results - New Sales Record!

Our Chokecherry Festival/September Book Sale netted \$2065.50! It's believed that's a record! The breakdown is \$1434.00 for western collectibles and \$631.50 for regular books. Thanks are in order to Jim Hanson and Mike Chapman (and his Trout Unlimited buddies) for setting up the tent in the morning and to Jim and Mike for coming back to take it down, pack up the unsold books, and cart a sizable new donation of books to the storage shed!! You guys are GREAT.

The October sale generated \$485.85. Thanks to all who came forward with offers to help with the sale. Early shift workers were first-timer Georgia Cline with expert guidance from Marcia Gans. Another first-timer, Jacque Rollyson, came on board for the late shift and was shown the ropes by Floss Kettering. Thanks to Blanche Chapman for running the meeting & organizing volunteers for the sale.

Turkey Talk – The Country that is!

Sandy Armstead, a teacher at Fergus High School, went on a teacher exchange last summer to the country of Turkey. She will present her experience on November 20, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the Upstairs Meeting Room of the Library. Sandy will talk about the culture of Turkey as well as offer up some Turkish refreshments and photos of her time there. Join us for a Turkey Talk right before Thanksgiving!



Calendar



November

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

4 Tues Library Closed: Election Day.

6 Thurs 2:00pm. Library Board Meeting, Upstairs Meeting Rm (changed from Nov 13).

6 Thurs 6pm Bill Rossiter presents "Lincoln and Liberty, Too: The Musical Legacy of the Civil War".

11 Tues Library Closed: Veterans Day.

13 Thurs 6pm Causes and Outcomes of the Civil War: Discussion moderated by Dan Bell. Upstairs Meeting Room.

20 Thurs 10am. Friends of the Library Meeting. Upstairs Meeting Room. Or Book Sorting at the Book Station.

20 Thurs 6pm. The Culture of Turkey, The Country: Presentation by Sandy Armstead. Upstairs Meeting Room.

27 Thurs Library Closed: Thanksgiving.

December

4 Thurs 10am. Friends of the Library Meeting at Upstairs Meeting Room or Book Sorting at the Book Station.

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

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

24 Wed Library closes @ noon -Christmas Eve.

25 Thurs Library Closed - Christmas Day.

31 Thurs Library closes @ noon - New Year's Eve.

January

1 Thurs Library Closed - New Year's Day

From the President

Dear Friends:

This October I had the wonderful opportunity to visit three beautiful and very old European cities: Prague, Vienna and Budapest. Taking in the sights of their “old towns” and incredible buildings, everywhere we went work was taking place to restore and maintain these historic treasures. I couldn’t help but compare them to our own state and then Lewistown. Montana is bigger than Hungary, Austria and the Czech Republic put together and our wild and wonderful Missouri river is longer than the historic Danube River. I’m pretty sure that we don’t have the ornately beautiful buildings that fill these historic cities, anywhere in Montana. But thinking about Lewistown and Montana made me remember all over again the wonders that we do have.



When we drive down Main Street in Lewistown we have a wonderful vista of our own unique buildings, especially our courthouse and the Lewistown Public Library along with other buildings from the early 1900’s. As members of the Friends of the Lewistown Public Library we can be so proud of the work we’ve done to maintain our beautiful building from the upstairs meeting room to the painting both inside and out of the building to our help now in replacing the windows in the original part of the library with historically accurate yet energy efficient new ones. We’ve done this through our hard work every month at the Book Station and other fund raising projects! Someday our grandchildren or great grandchildren will drive down Main Street Lewistown and be awed at our beautiful and historic Library because we’ve been so dedicated to helping keep the Lewistown Public Library one of Central Montana’s treasures. And although what the library offers its patron will have continued to evolve, it will still be the vibrant heart of our community because the Friends will continue to help the Lewistown Public Library be the best that it can be!

Hats off to the Friends for their efforts. Let’s keep up our good work to maintain and preserve the Lewistown Public Library.

Marie Anderson

President, Friends of the Library

150th Anniversary of The Civil War

In honor of the 150th Anniversary of the American Civil War, the Lewistown Library will offer special programming. First, authentic Civil War artifacts will be displayed in our foyer display case as you walk into the building. This fabulous collection comes from Dennis Borud, Civil War aficionado and living history participant.

On November 6, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., the Library is happy to welcome Humanities Speaker Bill Rossiter and his program “Lincoln and Liberty, Too: The Musical Legacy of the Civil War”. These songs, the marginal notes of history, help us to understand a pivotal and traumatic point in American memory.

On November 13, Dan Bell will facilitate a discussion on Civil War history in the Upstairs Meeting Room at 6:00 p.m. The theme of the discussion will be causes of the Civil War and the outcomes. Refreshments will be served and a lively discussion should ensue!

6pm Nov 6 - Bill Rossiter
6pm Nov 13 - Dan Bell
At the Upstairs Meeting Room



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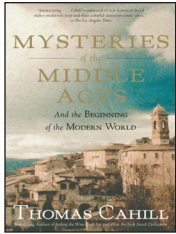
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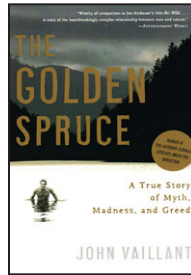
Books we're thankful for...



The Hinges of History series by Thomas Cahill
Each book in the series tells part of the story of how the Western world became (to quote Cahill) "the people we are and why we think and feel the way we do." In the fifth book, *Mysteries of the Middle Ages*, Cahill portrays people of the Middle Ages whose lives still impact us today. As our Holiday Season approaches, I'm finding this a delightful and thoughtful read. *Review by Mary Frieze*

The Golden Spruce by John Valliant

My friends all raved about this book and they were right. Valliant weaves a spellbinding account of a "modern-day" man's battle to counteract the environmental devastation he helped create. This page-turner also documents the history of the Queen Charlotte Islands: native settlements & life, early sea-going exploration, otter fur trade, and clear cut destruction of B.C.'s old-growth forests. Fascinating, suspenseful and insightful are words that describe Valliant's debut book. *Review by Roger Lohrer*



Friends of the Library ByLaws Update

The Friends of the Library are in the process of updating their by-laws, something that hasn't been done for some years. In September, a committee was formed to work on the by-laws and asked to bring a first draft to the October Friends meeting. The first reading of the amended by-laws was done at the October meeting.

The amended by-laws were sent by e-mail to the membership. The second reading will be at the second Friends meeting October 30th. Anyone who did not receive the by-laws by e-mail may stop at the library and pick up a copy. Comments and suggestions may be brought to the October 30th meeting, held at 10 a.m. in the library, or may be sent to Floss Kettering at leilakett@yahoo.com and she will bring them to the meeting for discussion.

The final reading and vote on the amended by-laws will be at the December Friends meeting on December 4th.

Favorite Holiday Traditions of Library Trustees

"When I was a child growing up in Lewistown, Christmas eve went something like this. Early in the evening we would make a trip to Hobson to see my grandmother and other relatives. This meant an hour of sitting still, not fidgeting and pretending that the day was like any other day. Then, back to Lewistown for oyster stew. I am pretty sure I did not take to oysters very well (that has changed). Then, the big moment. Opening gifts! I can still see it now as if it were yesterday. Great memories – life was simple and full of surprises". Blanche Chapman

"I love all the traditional things about Christmas: gifts, greenery, baking, cards, but the best part is getting together with family and friends and spoiling the grandkids. So I guess that the best part of the holidays for me is people!" Marie Anderson

"I have two favorite Holiday traditions. I love celebrating Thanksgiving with close friends, sharing the joyful camaraderie and the season's delicious tastes and fragrances. Then in December, I cherish sharing Season's Greetings – written and vocal – with friends and loved ones". Mary Frieze

Late Fall New Book Sampler

ADULT FICTION

Bird in Hand – Christina Baker Kline
Bittersweet – Colleen McCullough
Falling from Horses – Molly Glass
Girl you Left Behind – Jojo Moyers
Gray Mountain – John Grisham
Illusion of Separateness – Simon Van Booy
King's Curse – Philippa Gregory
Lila – Marilynne Robinson
Madame Picasso – Anne Girard
Meadowlark – Dawn Wink
Mean Streak – Sandra Brown
Ploughmen – Kim Zupan
Silent Sister – Diane Chamberlain
Some Luck – Jane Smiley
Station Eleven – Emily St. John Mandel
Winter Street – Elin Hilderbrand

ADULT NON FICTION

Foraging the Mountain West - Thomas Elpel
Poisoned: A Corrupt System, An Accused Killer, and the Crusade to Save Him - Steve Shukis
World Order - Henry Kissinger
The Teacher Wars: A History of America's Most Embattled Profession - Donna Goldstein
How to Be a Victorian: A Dawn to Dusk
Guide to Victorian Life - Ruth Goodman
Clouds of Glory: The Life and Legend of Robert E. Lee - Michael Korda
Killing Patton: The Strange Death of WWII's Most Audacious General - Bill O'Reilly
Death in Yellowstone: Accidents and Foolhardiness in the First National Park - Lee Whittlesey
Be the Message: Taking Your Faith Beyond Words to a Life of Action - Kerry Shook
Behind the Curtain: An Insider's View of Jay Leno's Tonight Show - Dave Berg

DVD's

Pilates Weight Loss for Beginners
Trail of Tears: A Native American Documentary Collection
The Assassination of Jesse James by the coward Robert Ford
Beverly Hills Cop
How do you know
Moms' night out
Naked Gun 33 1/3
Prime
Relative Strangers
Rockwell
Taking Chance

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Bill Rossiter presents: Lincoln and Liberty, Too: The Musical Legacy of the Civil War



Bill Rossiter, retired instructor of literature and folklore, chair of the Humanities Division, Flathead Valley Community College

The songs of the American Civil War provided a sound track for one of the most important periods in our history. Their messages, both the official songs and the sometimes-wicked parodies written by the troops, give us a glimpse of the period that we might miss if we study only battles and politics. Lincoln himself was often the subject—or the target—of these songs, some of which make today's political wrangling look downright polite.

This presentation features clips from that sound track, accompanied by banjo, guitar, auto harp and harmonica.

6pm, Thursday November 6, 2014

FREE at Lewistown Library's Upstairs Meeting Room.