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ASTRONOMY SERIES TO CONTINUE

The Library will continue its series of astronomy programs presented by the Yellowstone Valley Astronomers Association this month with a talk titled ***Learning from Binary Star Systems*** on Thursday, April 28th at 7:00 p.m. on the third floor meeting room.

MSU-B Physics Professor Matt Benancquista will explain binary stellar systems & how astronomers study them & use their findings to gain knowledge about the universe.

For more information, call the Library at 657-8258.

FENG SHUI PROGRAM COMING THIS MONTH

On Monday, April 11th the Library will present a program titled ***An Introduction to Feng Shui.***

Local Feng Shui consultants Mary Cavanaugh & Valerie McConaughey will give an introduction to this Chinese art of placement that helps to interpret nature and discover the best positioning for furniture in your home or your business.

This program will begin at 7:00 p.m. on the third floor meeting room.

PROGRAM ON MT ACONCAGUA COMES THIS MONTH

The Library is pleased to present a special program this month titled ***Climbing Mt. Aconcagua: One of the Seven Summits*** on Tuesday, April 12th at 7:00 p.m. on the third floor meeting room.

Senior High English teacher Steve Gardiner recently completed a climb of Mt. Aconcagua in Argentina. It is one of the famed Seven Summits & the highest mountain in South America.

Steve will be on hand to present a talk and slideshow about this exciting event. For more information, call the Library at 657-8258.

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LIBRARY TO SPONSOR TAI CHI PROGRAM

The Oriental art of Tai Chi is rapidly becoming a popular form of exercise and can be practiced by anyone. On Wednesday, April 13th, Malcolm Goodrich of the Martial Arts Academy of Billings will present a free program titled ***Introduction to Tai Chi.***

Mr. Goodrich will talk about the history of this Oriental exercise, discuss its benefits, and then demonstrate some of the more elementary movements in Tai Chi. This will be an audience participation activity, so dress comfortable & come prepared to participate.

This program will begin at 7:00 p.m. on the third floor meeting room.

FRIENDS TO HOLD SPECIAL SALE THIS MONTH

The Friends of the Library will hold a special ***Spring Preview Book Sale*** between the hours of 10 – 2 on Wednesday, April 27th on the third floor of the library.

The Friends will once again have thousands of hardback & paperback books available for great prices. This sale will be open only to members of the Friends. Those who are not members but would like to attend the sale will need to join at the door.

For more information, contact the Library at 657-8258.

BILLINGS TO HOST MLA CONFERENCE

Billings will be the host of the annual Montana Library Association Conference to be held April 23rd through the 26th at the Holiday Inn Grand Montana. The theme for this year's conference is "Dare to Dream". The 2005 MLA Conference co-chairs are Cindy Patterson, Children's Librarian a t Parmly Billings Library and Eileen Wright, Reference Librarian at the MSU-Billings Library. The registration form and entire conference schedule are available on the MLA website at www.mtlib.org.

FIRST ONE BOOK BILLINGS PROGRAM A SUCCESS

The first One Book Billings program that took place during March was deemed a success by those who participated in it. Over 60 readers participated in reading and discussing ***Blind Your Ponies*** by Bozeman author Stanley Gordon West at 5 different discussion groups throughout the community. The program was capped off by a talk by Stanley Gordon West before 120 people at the Library on March 22nd, during which Mr. West fielded questions from the audience, talked about writing the book & about his career as a writer.

The Library would like to thank the participation of Senior High English teacher Terra Beth Jochems, the Montana Reading Council, the Midland Empire Reading Council and the Friends of the Library for making this first One Book Billings program as successful as it was.

Foundation News

Did you know?

The Library's Infomobile made nearly 700 stops at 40 locations in residential neighborhoods and at schools and senior centers, checking out 28,655 items.

Be part of the library's story!

As the Parmly Billings Library Foundation continues to grow, we look for our members and supporters to help us provide the Library with current materials – books, CDs, video and periodicals.

Please remember the Parmly Billings Library in your giving. Contributions of all sizes are accepted at Parmly Billings Library Foundation, 510 North Broadway, Billings, Montana 59101.

Check out the PBLF website at Parmly Billings Library Foundation information -- www.billings.lib.mt.us/found2.html or send us an email at lib-found@billings.lib.mt.us

Remember, A Great Community Deserves A Great Library!

For Library Foundation Board information, please contact:

Ann Miller
Foundation President

Friends News

The Friends have a new Hospitality Chair—Nancy Steel, whose first outing was the successful Ron Garritson presentation on Plains Indian Sign Language. We were so glad to welcome some knowledgeable Native Americans who use sign language who brought some interesting information about current use of this method of communication.

Members of the Board of FOL recently joined the Board of the Foundation to visit with Marilyn Miller, Executive Director of the MSU-Billings Foundation. She was able to give us valuable information as to the organization and utilization of our volunteers & contributors.

The FOL of the Library are happy to welcome Joyce Hoffmann back from a long, well-deserved vacation. She is an invaluable member of our team, having just brought to a successful conclusion the creation of our non-profit 501(C)3 incorporation status. We missed her enormously.

The next Friends meeting is Wednesday, April 6th at 11:00. All Friends members are welcome to attend.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Check one

☐ Regular Member $10.00

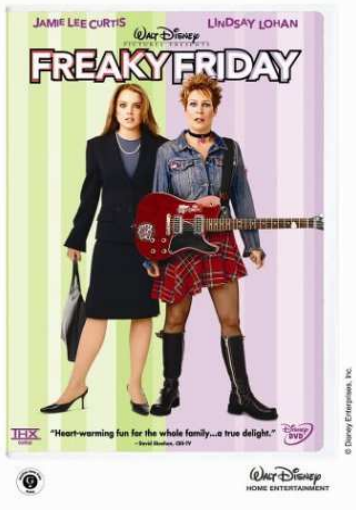
☐ Family Member $25.00

MAKE YOUR CHECK
PAYABLE TO:
FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY
510 NORTH BROADWAY
BILLINGS, MONTANA

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Interested in Volunteer Work: ☐ Sort Books ☐ Book Sale ☐ Price Books ☐ Book Sale Committee

Please clip and mail application back with your payment



KIDS BOOKS TO MOVIES

Celebrate National Library Week April 10th – 16th with special after school movies. The Library will have special showings of kid's movies that are based on books. At the end of each movie a drawing will be held to give away 3 copies of the book. The movies will be held on the first floor of the library in Children's Services beginning at 3:30 p.m.

Monday, April 11th – **"Tuck Everlasting"** 90 min. based on the book by Natalie Babbitt

Tuesday, April 12th – **"Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone"** 152 min. based on the book by J.K. Rowling

Wednesday, April 13th – **"Ella Enchanted"** 96 min. based on the book by Gail Carson Levine

Thursday, April 14th – **"Holes"** 117 min. based on the book by Louis Sachar

Friday, April 15th – **"Freaky Friday"** – 97 min. based on the book by Mary Rodgers

Library Hours
LABOR DAY - MEMORIAL DAY

Monday	10 am - 9 pm
Tuesday	10 am - 9 pm
Wednesday	10 am - 9 pm
Thursday	10 am - 9 pm
Friday	10 am -6 pm
Saturday	10 am -5 pm
Sunday	1 pm - 5 pm

MEMORIAL DAY - LABOR DAY
All above, except Library is closed on Sundays.

APRIL STORY TIME

Teddy Bear Cubs
Tuesdays 10:30-11:00 a.m.
3-6 yr. olds

April 5 Going Quackers
April 12 April Showers
April 19 Think Spring
April 26 Fish Fun

Honeycomb Kids
Wednesdays 10:30-11:00 a.m.
2-3 yr. olds

New and Fun Afternoon Story Time!
12:30 – 1:00 p.m. 3 – 6 yr. olds

April 6 Going Quackers

April 13 April Showers
April 20 Think Spring
April 27 Fish Fun

The Story Bears
Thursdays 10:30-11:00 a.m.
3-6 yr. olds

April 7 Going Quackers

April 14 April Showers
April 21 Think Spring
April 28 Fish Fun

NEW! Story Time with Janis
Thursdays 1:00 – 1:30 p.m.
Beginning April 14th!

Bears at the Movies

April 1 Have fun
April 8 watching
April 15 videos
April 22 with your
April 29 friends!

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