

LIBRARY PRESENTS LUNCH AND LEARN IN APRIL

The Library will present four excellent Lunch and Learn programs in April. The following programs are planned:

Wednesday, April 4th: **Your Credit History and You.** Has your credit card debt been mounting? Does your credit rating need a boost? Charles Pinnick of Consumer Credit Counseling explains how to deal with credit problems & helps you get a grip on your plastic.

Wednesday, April 11th: *Knitting: It's Not Your Grandmother's Pastime Anymore!* Knitting is cool, with college students and snowboarders among those taking up this craft. Julia Warmer, of Wild Purls, discusses the latest fashion, yarns and patterns for newbies or experienced knitters alike.

Wednesday, April 18th: *College Is Still Possible.* It's never too late or out of reach. Learn about courses for professional development, academic achievement or just plain fun. Cindy Millard of MSU-B talks about courses, career services and financial aid.

Wednesday, April 25th: *Growing Older, Getting Better.* Listen and communicate with your body, and you can live free from chronic pain and mental stress. Certified Feldenkrais teacher Diana Gallardo will tell you how improving your ability to move can improve overall wellbeing.

Each of these programs begins at Noon on the Library's third floor. So....bring your lunch and **LEARN!**

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

LEARN TO LOVE JAZZ

April is Jazz Appreciation Month and jazz is one of the great, original American art forms. And there is probably no one in Billings who is more knowledgeable about jazz than local musician Ralph Sappington

Join Ralph for a special program on Tuesday, April 17th as he talks about *How to Listen to Jazz*. Ralph will bring his trumpet, and one or two of his colleagues, and will talk about great jazz musicians from the past, demonstrate the art of improvisation and talk about some of the different jazz styles that have come down through the 20th century. If you're not a jazz fan, you will be by the time you leave this program.

This special National Library Week program will begin at 7 p.m. on the third floor of the Library.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

The week of April 15th is National Library Week, and Parmly Billings Library is busier than ever, with a wider variety of services than ever. Sure, you can still check out books, just you always have. But the Library also provides Internet use. access to over 20 different databases that search and print articles from thousands of journals, a large collection of DVD's, audio books and musical compact discs, as well as a wealth of programming for children, teens and adults. Take some time during the week of April 15th to visit the Library and see the wide number of services that we provide, or visit the Library's Web page at www hillings lih mt us

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PROGRAMS FOR TEENS

Poetry in the Teen Pit

April is National Poetry Month, and the Library will sponsor two evenings of poetry readings by local teens. On Tuesday, April 10th, students from the Creative Writing class at West High will present an evening of readings from some of their original poems.

On Thursday, April 12th, students from Billings Senior High School will also participate in readings from their own poems. You are encouraged to come listen to some of these talented students at both of these evenings. These readings will take place in the Teen Pit on the second floor of the Library at 7 p.m.

Anime Film Club Meets

Are you a fan of anime films? You'll want to attend the next meeting of the Montana Animeniacs, the Library's anime film club. We meet on the 4th Saturday of each month, at 2 p.m., to watch a recent anime film or anime series obtained from Operation Anime. All anime fans are invited. The next meeting will be on Saturday, April 28th on the third floor of the Library.

Teens on Tuesday Book Club

The next meeting of the Library's Teen Book Club will be on Tuesday, April 17th. This discussion group, aimed at Middle School students, will be discussing the book *Stuck in Neutral* by Terry Trueman. If you are interested in joining this group, call the Library at 657-8258. Those who participate will receive a free copy of the book, and must be sure and read the book before the discussion.

SE HABLA ESPANOL

The Library's monthly Spanish Conversation Group will meet on Tuesday, April 3rd at 5:30, and Saturday, April 14th at 1:30 on the third floor of the Library. Each group will have a moderator or facilitator, who will pick a topic for discussion or who will work to get things going. Anyone, from fluent speakers to those who are learning Spanish, is welcome to attend. To find out more information, or to get on an e-mail list of those interested, contact Jim Peters at the Library at 657-8291 or PetersJ@ci.billings.mt.us.

LEARN ABOUT THE MONTANA COSERVATION CORPS

Are you interested in discovering what it is like to live in a tent for a season, working with a crew that becomes more like a family than co-workers and seeing sights that have rarely been seen? Join Sarah Shade in a program titled *Explore Unseen Montana: The Montana Conservation Corps* on Monday, April 23rd at 7 p.m. on the third floor of the Library.

Sarah, a member of the Conservation Corps, will help us explore some of the popular and not-so-popular parks and forests in Montana and gain some insight to the inner-workings of a Montana Conservation Corps Field Crew.

BOOK CHARACTERS TO VISIT THE LIBRARY

Celebrate "The Week of the Young Child", April 22-28 at Parmly Billings Library with a special program featuring a visit from children's book characters. This program will take place on Saturday, April 28th in the Story Time Corner. The book characters will be here along with a special guest who will be reading the stories. Free books will be given out to children in attendance.

This special event is being sponsored by the Billings Chapter of the Montana Association of the Education of Young Children. Contact Children's Services at 657-8256 for more information.



Foundation News

The Parmly Billings Library Foundation, a 501 (c) 3 "not for profit" corporation, was created to ensure that the Parmly Billings Library is not just another library, but an excellent library for the community. The Foundation's objectives are to provide, enhance and enrich the programs and services of the Library to meet the challenges of tomorrow.

Your gift to the Parmly Billings Library Foundation today will ensure that our library is positioned to meet those challenges and ensure that our Library remains an essential component of our community.

For more information, please contact Leslie Modrow, Development Director for the Parmly Billings Library Foundation at 237-6149 or email her at lmod-row@billings.lib.mt.us

KIDS BOOKS TO MOVIES

Celebrate National Library Week April 15th – 21st 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 a copy of the book. The movies will be held on the first floor of the library in Children's Services beginning at 4:00 p.m.

Monday, April 16th -

"Because of Winn-Dixie" 106 min. based on the book by Kate Dicamillo

Tuesday, April 17th - "Hoot" 90 min. based on the book by Carl Hiaasen

Wednesday, April 18th - "Flicka" 95 min. based on the book by Mary O'Hara

Thursday, April 19th - "Charlotte's Web" 113 min. based on the book by E.B. White

Friday, April 20th - "Curious George" 88 min. based on the book by H.A. Rey

LIBRARY PRESENTS EARTH DAY PROGRAM

The Library will present a special Earth Day program when Dr. Alan Ostby talks about *Designing and Living in the Self-Sufficient Home* on Saturday, April 21st at 11 a.m.

Dr. Ostby, whose Lockwood home was featured in the February 17th issue of the *Billings Gazette*, has lived off the power grid since 1997. He will discuss the design of his home and his experiences living in it.



Friends News

The Friends recently held 2 small book sales, both of which were successful. On Wednesday, February 28th, they held a small public sale between 11 – 2. On Saturday, March 3rd, they held an all-day special collectible sale. Both of these types of sales were new, and were experiments to test their success. And they were successful! The Friends earned over \$2,500 between these two

sales, and some additional memberships as well.

The next event that the Friends will sponsor will be a guitar recital by New York-based guitarist Peter Fletcher on Tuesday, May 8th. Mr. Fletcher, a student of Christopher Parkening, performed last year, and it was a treat for those who came. There will be more on this in next month's Turning Page.

The next Friends Board meeting will be Wednesday, April 11th, at noon on the third floor.

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Library HoursLABOR DAY to 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

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APRIL STORY TIME

Story Time with Carina Mondays 12:30-1:00 p.m.

April 2	Come and
April 9	enjoy fun
April 16	stories
April 23	with
April 30	Carina!

Teddy Bear Cubs

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

April 3	Hippity Hoppity Easter
April 10	Hats Off To You
April 17	April Showers
April 24	Going Quackers

Honeycomb Kids

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

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

April 4 Hippity Hoppity Easter April 11 Hats Off To You April 18 April Showers April 25 Going Quackers

The Story Bears

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

April 5	Hippity Hoppity Easter
April 12	Hats Off To You
April 19	April Showers
April 26	Going Quackers

Bears at the Movies

April 6	Have fun
April 13	watching videos
April 20	with your
April 27	friends!

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