

# INDEPENDENT FILMS TO START IN AUGUST

The *Thursday Night at the Movies* series will begin showings of 10 excellent independent films, many of which have either been nominated for or won awards. The following films will be shown:

Thursday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>: *Half Nelson* (Rated R, 2006)

Thursday, August 16<sup>th</sup>: *Brick* (Rated R, 2005)

Thursday, September 6<sup>th</sup>: *Station Agent* (Rated R, 2003)

Thursday, September 20<sup>th</sup>: *On a Clear Day* (Rated PG-13, 2005)

Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup>: *Enduring Love* (Rated R, 2004)

Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup>: *Bigger Than the Sky* (Rated PG-13, 2005)

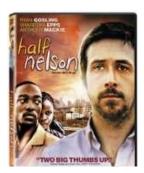
Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup>: *Around the Bend* (Rated R, 2004)

Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup>: Last Night (Rated R, 1999)

Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup>: *My Son the Fanatic* (Rated R, 1998)

Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup>: *Kinky Boots* (Rated PG-13, 2005)

Each of these films will begin at 7 p.m. on the third floor meeting room. So... brings some snacks, and a friend, and come and join us for some of these great movies, sponsored by the Parmly Billings Library Foundation



## LIBRARY AT SUMMER FAIR

For the third year in a row, the Library had a booth at Summer Fair, the annual fund raiser for the Yellowstone Art Museum.

This year, 4 staff members, as well as volunteers from the Friends of the Library, staffed the Library's booth. For the second year, we were fortunate to have a perfect place to set up, in the shade under a huge cottonwood tree and close to the wading pool.

The staff gave away nearly 200 fans with the slogan "I'm a fan of Parmly Billings Library" to those who stopped by. In addition, we gave away nearly as many of the Library bags to people who used them throughout the day to carry some of the things that they purchased at the Fair.

The Friends of the Library collected about \$270 from their book sales. Considering that the books ranged in price from 25¢ to \$3.00, you can see that there were a lot of books that were sold.

Finally, 107 people entered a raffle for a canvas library bag, a library teddy bear and Parmly Billings Library coffee mug.

This was a good opportunity for Library to go outside of its walls to advertise its services and for the Friends of the Library to make their presence better known.

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# LIBRARY PRESENTS HERB PROGRAM

The Library will present a special lunch and learn program titled *Growing Herbs in Billings* on Wednesday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at noon on the third floor.

Library staffers and gardeners Lynne Puckett and Margaret Wiser will talk about the use of herbs for cooking, medicinal purposes and for use in making dyes. With the Saturday Farmer's Market in full swing, this will be an excellent program to help you with those herbs you buy on Saturdays.

### **HERBS ON THE WEB**

Here is a very short list of Internet sites about herbs – growing, using, recipes, and botanical gardens. Remember to VERIFY any information thru multiple sites or with books too – even the most reliable source can make honest errors.

http://www.botanical.com/botanical/mgmh/mgmh.html
Mrs. Grieve's "A Modern Herbal" online full text – written in the 1930s but still has much good information, especially about growing. The web site warning says, "...some of the information may now be considered inaccurate, or not in accordance with modern medicine."

http://www.botanicgardens.org/ ourgardensnew/herb.cfm

The Denver Botanic Gardens web site – one of the two closest botanic gardens to Billings.

http://www.gardenguides.com/plants/info/herbs/herb.asp

Garden Guides' Herb growing & using guides – lots of growing instructions, with descriptions and recipes. Individual herb pages describe the plant, what it needs to grow well, and culinary, medicinal, and other uses. Good pictures too. (I like this site)

http://www.redbuttegarden.org/ Salt Lake City Botanic Gardens & Arboretum – the other close (relatively) garden to Billings.

### http://www.kew.org/

Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, England – the oldest, largest, most comprehensive herb garden in the world, and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. There have been herbs growing there since the 1500s and probably earlier. (Fabulous website.)

# LIBRARY PRESENTS POETRY READINGS

The Library will present an evening of poetry readings by Bernie Quetchenbach and Michael Czarnecki on Monday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. on the third floor.

Mr. Quetchenbach is the author of *Everything As It Happens* and teaches at MSU-B. Mr. Czarnecki owns Foothills Publishing in New York, has conducted poetry workshops throughout the country, and has been involved in publishing poetry for over 20 years. Both of these poets are giving readings throughout the country and we are pleased to have them here at our Library.

# "Get a Clue@ Your Library" and "YNK @ Your Library" Summer Reading 2007

The Parmly Billings Library Summer Reading Program concluded on July 26<sup>th</sup> with an Open House at the Library. Over 1,800 area children and young adults registered for the program and read for 36,000 hours making this a very successful summer program. Children and Young Adults who registered for the program earned "Clue Coins" and "Thumb Prints" by reading, and doing various other activities. The "Clue Coins" and "Thumb Prints" were used to purchase t-shirts, book bags and also to register for prizes.

Activities during the program included story times, crafts and a weekly program featuring a special guest each week. The programs this year included Zoo Montana, Astronomy for Kids, Rocks and Minerals, the Billings Police Dept. K-9 dog and a visit to the Western Heritage Center. Teen Programs included book (Continued on page 3)



# **Foundation News**

# "Illustrate a Story"

Please plan to join us for a creatively designed evening of books, desserts and wine all to raise funds for the Parmly Billings Library Foundation.

One of a kind illustrated story books written by local celebrities and artists will be auctioned off on Tuesday, October 16 beginning at 7:00 p.m. In addition to these literary works of art, rare, first editions and autographed books will also be auctioned. Premier author, Julia Flynn-Siler, author of House of Mondavi: The

Rise and Fall of an American Wine Dynasty will be our special guest. A book reading by Flynn-Siler and wine tasting will also be held at City Vineyard.

Please call Leslie at the Foundation office at 237-6149 for more details. Don't miss this exciting evenina!



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# Friends News

The Friends are in the process of establishing of memorial fund for two of their finest volunteers, Berta Morrison and Barbara Sessions, each of whom has passed away in the last few months. Both of these people were long-time volunteers who spent countless hours with the Friends at the Library. The memorial will benefit their chief interest, Parmly Billings Library, and checks for this memorial may be made out to the Friends of the Library and earmarked "Morrison & Session Memorial." The proceeds from the memorial fund will go towards a painting by

Marilyn Beth Hughes which will be placed in the Children's Services are of the Library. Bob Morrison, Berta's husband, and Addison Sessions, Barbara's son, were both instrumental in choosing the artist and the type of memorial.

The Friends have set the date for their fall book sale. It will take place on Thursday - Sunday, October 18th - 21st. The annual meeting of the Friends and the Friends only sale will take place on Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup>. The other 3 days will be open to the general public. As always, thousands of books, magazine and audio visual items will be on sale at great prices.

The next Friends Board meeting will be Wednesday, August 8th, at noon on the third floor.

☐ Book Sale Committee

#### MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO: Regular Member \$10.00 FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY 510 NORTH BROADWAY Family Member \$25.00 **BILLINGS, MONTANA 59101** Name: Address: City: State: E-mail Address: Phone: \_\_ Interested in Volunteer Work: Sort Books ☐ Book Sale

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please clip and mail application back with your payment

☐ Price Books

## "Get a Clue" Summer Read ing (continued)

discussion groups, origami, tie-dye, astrology, kite making and writing workshop.

Parmly Billings Library would like to thank the following sponsors for their support of the 2007 Summer Reading program: Academy of Nail, Skin & Hair, Alpha Delta Kappa, Arby's, Barnes & Noble, Beartooth Harley-Davidson, Big Splash Waterpark, Billings Bulls Rugby Team, Billings Gazette/ Far Country Press, Billings Mustangs, Billings Police De partment, Borders, Candy Town USA, Cactus Threads, Cold Stone Creamery, Costco. Cracker Barrel, Dairy Queen, Daniel & Marilee Nichols, Del Taco, Domino's Pizza, Econo Print, Elizabeth Johnson, Friends of the Library, Fran Bergum, Fuddruckers, Gainan's, Godfather's Pizza, Golden Corral, Great Northern Book Company, Julie Morris-Discovery Toys, Kinsey and Ian Laib, Mad Science, McDonald's, Montana National Guard, Montana Shakespeare in the Parks, Mountain Mudd, Pixie's Popcorn at Geyser Park, Red Robin, Scheel Sports, Splash Page, Sue Skaggs, Sylvan Learning Cen ter, Texas Road House, The Bike Shop, Village Smithy Opals, Inc., The Vinner Fami ly, The Yellow Bus, Thomas Books, Wendy's, Western Heritage Center. www.billingsbulletin.com, www.brighteyes.myarbonne.c om. Yellowstone Art Museum. Yellowstone Valley Astronomy Assoc. and ZooMontana.





# **Library Hours**LABOR 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

# MEMORIAL DAY to LABOR DAY

All above, except Library is closed on Sundays.

#### **AUGUST STORY TIME**

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

August 6 Come and enjoy
August 13 fun stories

August 20 with
August 27 Carina!

### **Story Time**

Tuesdays 10:30-11:00 a.m.

August 7	No Story Time
August 14	No Story Time
Have fun at Montana Fair!	
August 21	Welcome to
	Story Time!
August 28	It's Back to
	School Time

## **Story Time**

Wednesdays 10:30-11:00 a.m. And 12:30 to 1:00 p.m.

August 1 No Story Time
August 8 No Story Time

August 15 No Story Time – Have

fun at Montana Fair!

August 22 Welcome to Story

Time!

August 29 It's Back to School

Time

### **Story Time**

Thursdays 10:30-11:30 a.m.

August 2 No Story Time Au-

gust 9 No Story Time

August 16 No Story Time – Have

fun at Montana Fair!

August 23 Welcome to Story

Time!

August 30 It's Back to School

Time

### **Friday Videos**

Fridays 10:30-11:00 a.m.

August 3 Come and

August 10 watch fun

August 17 videos

August 24 with your

August 31 friends!

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