

NEW TITLES ADDED TO BOOK CLUB KITS

Because of the success of the recent *Book Club in a Bag* program that the Library, with the assistance of the Friends of the Library, recently started, 5 new titles have been added that can now be checked out, and read and discussed, by book clubs in the community.

The 5 titles are: **Breaking Clean**, by Judy Blunt; **Friday Night Lights,** by H.G. Bissinger; **Little Women** by Louisa May Alcott; **Reading Lolita in Tehran** by Azar Nafisi and **The Sparrow** by Mary Russell.

Each kit contains 10 copies of a single title, with a discussion guide that can be used to jumpstart your discussion of the book. To find out more information about this program, ask at the Circulation desk or call 657-8258.



ADULT PROGRAMS FOR MARCH

The Library will sponsor three excellent adult programs during March.

On Thursday, March 10th, Danny Krug & Teri McDonald of Primerica Financial Services will present a program titled *Living in Financial Freedom: How Money Works.* They will discuss things such as budgeting, how to make your money work for you, how to reduce debt & control credit cards, & the right types of life insurance for you.

On Wednesday, March 16th, Ron Garritson will present a historical program titled *Sign Talkers: A History of Plains Indians Sign Language.* He will discuss this subject within the context of the Lewis & Clark Expedition and the trappers and traders of the Rocky Mountain fur trade.

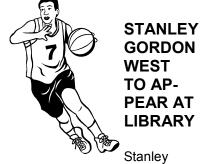
Finally, Thursday, March 31st, members of the Yellowstone Valley Astronomers will present the first of a series of 3 astronomy programs at the Library. The first program will be titled *All About Observing the Night Sky* and will be presented by Pat Cormier. Mr. Cormier will present an introduction to backyard astronomy & observing methods, with computer graphics of the Billings night sky, the constellations and celestial objects that can be seen

Each of these programs will begin at 7:00 p.m. on the third floor of the Library. For more information, call 657-8258.

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Gordon West, the Bozemanbased author of *Blind Your Ponies*, will present a program at the Library on Tuesday evening, March 22nd at 7:00 p.m. on the third floor, during which he will talk about his books & his career as a writer.

Mr. West's book is the subject for the first One Book Billings program, during which participants in 5 different discussion groups will meet throughout the month to talk about this book that focuses on the challenges & adversities faced by a high school basketball team, its coach & its players in the small community of Willow Creek, Montana

The Library invites any member of the public to come to Mr. West's program.

BOOK CHARACTERS TO VISIT THE LIBRARY

Clifford the Big Red Dog and Mouse from the book "If You Give a Mouse a Cookie" will be visiting Parmly Billings Library during the Week of the Young Child. The program will be held Saturday, April 2nd beginning at 1:00 p.m. on the first floor of the library. All children attending will be given a free book following the program. This program is being sponsored by the Billings chapter of the Montana Association for the Education of Young Children.

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THURSDAY NIGHT FILM SERIES CONTINUES WITH COMEDIES

The Library's *Thursday Night at the Movies* will continue this month with a series titled *Screwball Comedies* and will feature 5 classic comedies from the 30's and 50's. The following films will be shown:

Thursday, March 17th: **My Man Godfrey** with William Powell & Carole Lombard (1936).

Thursday, April 7th: **Bringing Up Baby** with Cary Grant & Katherine Hepburn (1938).

Thursday, April 21st: *It Happened One Night* with Clark Gable & Claudette Colbert (1934).

Thursday, May 5th: **Ruggles of Red Gap** with Charles Laughton & May Boland (1935).

Thursday, May 19th: **Some Like It Hot** with Tony Curtis, Jack Lemmon & Marilyn Monroe (1959).

So be sure & bring your funny bone & some snacks and join us on the third floor of the Library for these classic screwball comedies. Each showing will begin at 7:00 p.m.

CALEDONIAN SOCIETY PRESENTS PROGRAM

Members of the Billings Caledonian Society will present a special program titled **Scotland Through Her Dances and Music** on Saturday morning, March 5th at 11:00 on the third floor of the Library.

Come & hear the pipers, drummers and dances from the Caledonian Society as they demonstrate some of the popular music and dances from Scotland.

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



Foundation News

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. The Library is a safe, nurturing place for our community, and it's the Library's staff and many supporters that make it so. We look forward to a bright future as improvements to our Library are underway. Won't you join us? Be part of the library's story!

Please remember the Parmly Billings Library Foundation 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 libfound@billings.lib.mt.us

Remember, A Great Community Deserves A Great Library!

For Library Foundation Board information, please contact:

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Friends News

The Friends have been involved in "Operation Paperback," a volunteer project to ship books to U.S. troops overseas. We are working on our second shipment of high quality, gently used books. These books are sent not just to Iraq, but anywhere U.S. troops are stationed. Alice Layman and Bernice Korwald have selected the books, using the guidelines of Operation Paperback, and Joyce Hoffman has been responsible for the shipping. We would appreciate donations, particularly of adventure stories, biographies, and histories in paperback for this purpose.

For more about this project, you can visit the Operation Paperback website at http://

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back.usmilitary support.org/.

The Friends want to thank the hard work of Alice Layman, Bernice & Monk Korwald, & Betty & Gary Hinrichs for making February such a "romantic" month by keeping the book nook stocked with such a fine selection of romance paperbacks. The sales from this area have been very successful.

The next Friends Board meeting will be Wednesday, March 2nd at 11:00 a.m. on



ST. PATRICK'S DAY CRAFT

Celebrate "National Craft Month" at the Library by participating in an after school St. Patrick's Day craft. This special craft is designed for ages and 5 and up. It will be held Friday, March 11th from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. on the Library's 3rd floor.

Pre-registration is required. For more information call Children's Services at 657-8256 or email kidsdesk@billings.lib.mt.us.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY WEBSITES

A very short list of interesting St. Patrick's Day sites on the Internet: http://wilstar.com/holidays/ patrick.htm St Patrick's day history and

http://www.st-patricks-day.com/ aboutireland_sports.asp A newer site with links to Irish info, sports, and awful Irish jokes.

links.

http:// www.historychannel.com/ exhibits/stpatricksday/ index.jsp The History Channel's version, including a quiz and a video.

http://www.stpatricksday.ie/ cms/ How they celebrate in Ireland: Dublin's festival

http://www.kidsdomain.com/ holiday/patrick/ Children's site with crafts

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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Family Member	\$25.00	BILLINGS, MONTANA		
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	Price Books	☐Book Sale Committee		
Please clip and mail application back with your payment				



Library HoursLABOR DAY - MEMORIAL DAY

Monday	10 am - 9
pm Tuesday	10 am - 9
pm Wednesday	10 am - 9
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Thursday pm	10 am - 9
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.

MARCH STORY TIME

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

March	1	Dr. Seuss
March	8	Lions and Lambs
March	15	Happy St.
		Patrick's Day
March	22	Happy Easter
March	29	Let's Fly a Kite

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

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

March	2	Dr. Seuss
March	9	Lions and Lambs
March	16	Happy St.
		Patrick's Day
March	23	Happy Easter
March	30	Let's Fly a Kite

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

March 3	Dr. Seuss
March 10	Lions and Lambs
March 17	Happy St. Patrick's Day
March 24	Happy Easter
March 31	Let's Fly a Kite

Bears at the Movies Fridays 10:30-11:00 a.m.

March	4	Come and see
March	11	fun videos with
March	18	your family and
March	25	friends!

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