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Parmly Billings Library NEWSLETTER—No. 62 February 2013

Library Seeks Name Suggestions Black History Month

With the beautiful building under construction, the Board of Trustees of Parmly Billings Library is considering a new name. The trustees have already determined that they do not want the facility to be named in exchange for a donation. The Board is asking residents for suggestions for a new Library name.

Libraries around the country are often named for geographic locations, physical features such as geologic formations or rivers, historic features or events, individuals of historic significance to the community or ones who have achieved literary success or provided significant service to the Library or community. Residents are not limited to these considerations, however. What do you think would be a meaningful name for our newest community facility?

Make your suggestion online at http://ci.billings.mt.us/NewLibraryName or mail it to or drop it off at the Library. To be considered, all names must be received by Thursday, February 21, 2013.

The Board appointed a **Library** Naming Committee to review all suggestions and determine whether or not to recommend a new name for the Library. They are meeting on the 4th Floor of the current Library, Noon, Monday, March 4. If the committee selects a name to recommend, it will be presented to the Library Board for consideration at its regular monthly meeting, Noon, Thursday, March 14, also on the 4th Floor.

If the Board decides on a name, it will be presented to the City Council and the Yellowstone County Commissioners.

- CRAFTERMOONS! The sessions are 4:00pm, Wednesdays. Call
- 657-8258 or stop by the 2nd Floor Reference Desk.
- Feb. 6: Winter Bird **Feeding Basics**
- Feb. 13: Painting

Since 1976, Black History Month has been celebrated annually in February. It is a time to remember the important people and events of African-American history and culture that have shaped our country. Join us in celebrating the achievements of black Americans. The Library is partnering with the **Black**

Heritage Foundation for a series of weekly programs and films highlighting African-American history and culture. All are free and the public is encouraged

to attend.

We Need YOU! The High Plains Book Awards,

sponsored by the Library, showcases regional writers and writing that reflects life in the High Plains region. Help us out as a community reader! During late March and April, you'll be assigned several books and six weeks to read and rate them. Interested? Email our Reader Wrangler at crm2765@bn.com.

All but one* of these **PROGRAMS** are on Thursdays. All are 7:00pm on the 3rd Floor.

- Feb. 7: Slavery by Ruth Curtis and **Poetry** with Michele Terry
- Feb. 14: Segregation Now presented by Christine Pierce
- Feb. 21: Blues and Gospel featuring Lloyd Marsh and his band
- Feb. 25: Second Stanza Poetry*
- Feb. 28: From Then to Now presented by Pastor Robin C. Allen,

The **FILMS** are held on *Saturdays*, 11:00am, on the 3rd Floor.

One Book Billings

March's book is Ghosts of Wyoming, a collection of short stories by Alyson Hagy. Discussions take place the week of March 4th; participants receive a reading copy of the book, courtesy of The Friends of the Library.

Sign up begins Monday, February 11.



Our city's new Library building continues becoming more of a reality as daily construction progresses on schedule. Remember you can view the construction activity via the webcam—just go to the Library's website!

The annual Library Foundation retreat took place on January 12. This was a great way to begin the planning process for a busy and challenging 2013. We were fortunate to have **Chris Bingley** of CTB Consultants as our facilitator. One of our major topics of discussion was redefining our mission statement to make it more applicable to current times. We are looking forward to the challenges the Foundation will encounter in the future. Stewardship of the Foundation and the

Library are of prime importance to the Board. We welcomed two new members: George Warmer, managing partner for Coldwell Banker Commercial; and **Bob Griffin**, a partner with the Crowley Fleck law firm. Both of these civic-minded gentlemen bring great ideas, skills and resources to the Board. Thank you, George and Bob, for your commitment and dedication to the Foundation.

Remember to check this month's calendar at www.billingslibraryfoundation.org.

For more information about the PBL Foundation, contact Leslie Modrow, Foundation Director, at 237-6149 or leslie@billingslibraryfoundation.org.

For this New Year, our wish is that you always have a good book near by!

This month will definitely be one of ushering in the NEW and letting go of the OLD as we continue preparations for our transition to the new Library building. Part of this letting go will be the closure of the Book Nook located on the 1st Floor of the Library on Thursday, January 31. Instead, we will now feature a **Book Nook** Cart at our twice-a-month book sales.

of Parmly Billings Library

That is correct! We now hold **Book** Sales on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month, 11:00am-1:00pm, on the 3rd Floor. Of course there will be the same great quality and selection! Planning has begun for the Spring Book Sale scheduled for April 12-14. Mark your calendars accordingly and look forward to further info later.

The Friends thank the community for their understanding regarding the need for phone contact with us when you are making a large book donation. Should you wish to make a donation more than the size of two small boxes, please call us at 237-6170, 10:00am-2:00pm, on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

The mission of the Friends is to promote and enhance Library usage and literacy through volunteerism and financial assistance. We are always looking for new members, volunteers and donations. Join us and help support your Library!

Always on the move, we remember (paraphrasing Newton):

...a body in motion stays in motion ...a body at rest stays at rest

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TECH TUESDAYS: A BRAND NEW WORLD

Monday

Tuesday

Learn about the great new online resources available through our website. Pre-register by calling 657–8258. All classes take place on *Tuesdays*, 4–5 pm, in the 2nd Floor Computer Classroom.

- Feb. 5: American Indian History Online, biographies, events, timelines, maps
- Feb. 12: **Testing & Reference Center**, résumé builders, test preparation
- Feb. 26: Science Online, how the world works

SUPPORT GROUP: eREADERS

Sunday

Does your eReader have you confused? Let us help you at our **eReader Support Group**. Registration is required due to limited space. Call 657–8258 or stop by the Reference Desk.

Sessions are 4:00pm, Thursdays, February 7 and 21, in the 2nd Floor Computer Classroom.

PROGRAM: VITA TAX ASSISTANCE

The United Way's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance

(VITA) program offers free tax preparation and e-filing to people with basic returns who made \$50,000 or less in 2012. For more information, visit www.unitedwayyellowstone.org.

Come Noon–3:00pm, Saturdays in February, to the 2nd Floor.

PROGRAM: LINCOLN AND LIBERTY, Songs as Sound Clips from the Civil War

The **songs of the American Civil War** provided a soundtrack 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 song. **Bill Rossiter** brings the music to life with banjo, guitar, autoharp and harmonica. This program is sponsored by *Humanities Montana*.

Hear him 4:00pm, Wednesday, February 20, on the 1st Floor.

Get the latest Bookmobile Calendar!
Download February's schedule here:

www.billings.lib.mt.us

February 2 is Bring Your Child to the Library DAY!

Thursday

Wednesday

Begin with a *Story Time at 11am*, then stay to make a fun craft to take home, draw your favorite book character, and so much more!.

Join us on Saturday, February 2, 11:00am-1:00pm, 1st Floor.

Family Reading Program Activities

Parmly Billings Library is celebrating *I Love to Read Month* with our 17th annual **Family Reading Program**. Record 20 days of reading before February 25 to be entered into a drawing for a prize. You may sign up at Children's Services or online at www.billings.lib.mt.us

A **Valentine's Day Craft, "Valentine Origami,"** is scheduled on *Friday, February 8, 4:00–5:00pm.* For ages 3–11; pre-registration is required. To register call Children's Services at 657–8256.

Celebrate the end of **I Love to Read Month** with a special show featuring **Magic by Kameron**. Everyone is invited!

Join us 7:00–7:30 pm, Tuesday, February 26, on the 1st Floor.

A Class for KIDS!

KIDS' CLASS: INTRO TO MAGIC

Magician **Kameron Messmer** is teaching a class for budding magicians, ages 7–13. Call 657–8256 to register.

Intro to Magic: 4–5pm, Wednesday, February 13, 3rd Floor.

Just for TEENS!

FOR TEENS: WRITER'S GROUP

Join us 5–6pm, Tuesdays, February 12 & 16, 2nd Floor Large Study.

FOR TEENS: ARTS & CRAFTS CLUB!

For more information and to pre-register, call 657–8258 or stop by the 2nd Floor Reference Desk. All supplies provided. Join us *4–5:30pm, Thursday, February 28*, on the 3rd Floor.

Library Hours

Monday-Thursday 10am-9pm Friday 10am-6pm

Saturday 10am-5pm

Sunday 1pm-5pm

Saturday

Helpful Information

Phone numbers ~

Friday

Hours: 657–8259 Bookmobile: 657–3091 Reference: 657–8258

Senior/Homebound: 657-8255 TDD/TTY: 657-3079 Children's: 657-8256 Foundation: 237-6149

Friends of the Library: 237–6170

Webpage ~www.billings.lib.mt.us

Email ~ refdesk@ci.billings.mt.us

Story Time Programs ~

Story Time Tales

Tuesdays, 10:30-11am (3-6 year olds & parent/caregiver)

Tales & Tots Story Time

Wednesdays, 10:30-11am (2-3 year olds & parent/caregiver)

Story Time Tales

Thursdays, 10:30–11am (3–6 year olds & parent/caregiver)

Books & Babies Lap-Sit

Thursdays, 3:15-4pm Fridays, 10:15-11am (babies & parent/caregiver)

Saturday Story Time Saturdays, 11-11:30am

Video Programs ~

Movies @ the Library Fridays, 10:30–11am