# **Parmly Billings Library**

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# All during February— it's Black History Month!

Check the article below and the calendar—we're offering many free programs and films!

# RECURD YOUR LIBRARYS Black History Month

# **PROGRAMS:**

The Library, in conjunction with the *Black Heritage Foundation*, is sponsoring a number of Thursday programs to recognize Black History Month in February. Please join us for the following:

- Thursday, February 5: Black Politicians including Condoleeza Rice, Willie Brown and Barack Obama
- Thursday, February 12: Black Poetry including readings from Maya Angelou by MSU-B poetry students
- Thursday, February 19: An Evening of Jazz with Lloyd Marsh and Friends
- Thursday, February, 26: The Harlem Renaissance with Ruth Curtis

These are free and begin at  $7:00\,\mathrm{pm}$ . The poetry readings on Feb. 12 will be held at the MSU-B Student Union. All other programs will be on the  $3^{\mathrm{rd}}$  Floor of the Library.

### **FILMS**

The following films will be shown on Saturdays during Black History Month:

- Saturday, February 7, 1:00pm: Sarafina with Whoppi Goldberg and Miriam Makeba (1992, PG-13)
- Saturday, February 14, 11:00am: Thelonius Monk: Straight No Chaser with Thelonius Monk (1988, PG-13)
- Saturday, February 21, 11:00am: To Kill a Mockingbird with Gregory Peck (1962)
- Saturday, February 28, 11:00am: Cry, the Beloved Country with James Earl Jones and Richard Harris (1995, PG-13)

These excellent films are free and shown on the  $3^{\rm rd}$  Floor of the Library. For more information, call the Library at 657-8258.

# Parmly Billings Library NEWSLETTER—No. 14, February 2009

WHOOPI GOLDBERG

# A Hidden Treasure at the Library

Did you know that there is a library within our Library? It is the **Genealogy** 

Room (or Gen Room) and is located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor in the southwest corner. The collection there includes genealogy magazines, local obituaries and over 1,200 books. These are owned by the Yellowstone Genealogy Forum, Daughters of the American Revolution and Mayflower Descendants. The books deal with topics such as immigration, U.S. states, family histories, diaries, biographies, foreign countries, "how to" research, military and census.

The Gen Room is open to the public for researching family trees. The key is at the Reference Desk on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor. The books and magazines must be used in the Gen Room. New this year are Librarians in the Gen Room on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Volunteers from the Yellowstone Genealogy Forum will be available to help anyone researching a family tree.



# Thank YOU for Making a Difference!

**Library Foundation** wishes to express our sincere appreciation to every one of our **2008 Donors**. From our annual *Food for Thought* special event to the celebration of our *20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary* to our successful annual appeal, the Foundation has had another productive year—*thanks to you!* Through your generosity and belief in our work, we will continue our mission of providing supplemental support for our Library.

The Board of Parmly Billings

Library lovers—be part of making our Library great! Give a gift to the Foundation. Your contribution will continue the legacy of providing all citizens in our community the opportunity to read, connect and explore. The Foundation is very proud of our contribution to the Library's newest program—**Books and Babies**. In memory of former Foundation Board Member, **Sue Boedecker**, we bought a beautiful cabinet and supplies. Her legacy is helping create a new generation engaged in the joy of reading.



Pictured above are Sue Boedecker's two daughters and grandchildren with Norma and Thomas Buchanan.

of Parmly Billings Library

**Great News!** The Friends of the **Library**, the Junior Women's Club, the volunteer organizations at both hospitals and Parmly Billings Library have successfully initiated programs to advocate literacy for the youngest members of our community! Working from both hospitals, the Books for Babies project delivers, to every newborn, a packet which includes a board book, an introduction to the Library and its reading programs, and a simple instruction book for the caregivers who will be reading to these future citizens. At the Library, the **Books and Babies** program, initiated by Cindy Patterson and her staff, Elizabeth and Allyn, meets every Friday on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor. Check the newsletter calendar for times and dates. This is a grand opportunity for caregivers, especially new parents, to meet one

another, share time with their babies (up to two years), and read and listen to books! Toddler siblings are welcome, too. After reading the many studies that have been done, we have all learned the importance of language and reading for infants and youngsters of all ages. Timely reading and exposure to books is invaluable and we'd like the Library to become an early and indispensable part of children's lives. This program is free and open to all. The only qualifications are the willingness of caregivers to participate at whatever level they and their child or children are comfortable. So come on down...check us out! The 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor space is safe and secluded from the main floor so that your children may be themselves—lively and full of fun!!

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# LEARN@NOON

Sunday

**Lunch & Learn** programs begin at Noon on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of the Library. *Bring your lunch and come to learn!* 

Monday

#### Sweeten Up Your Valentine's Day.~

February 4, Wednesday, Noon

Presenter: Bernice Mason, Yellowstone County Extension Food and craft ideas to make Valentine's Day more fun!

#### Who Was St Valentine?~

February 11, Wednesday, Noon

Presenter: **Elizabeth McNamer**, Rocky Mountain College Learn about the historic St. Valentine and why he is celebrated.

# Family Reading Program

We're celebrating *I Love to Read Month* with our 13th annual **Family Reading Program**. Family Reading encourages families to develop the habit of reading aloud together. Families who read together for 20 minutes a day record the dates in their reading journal. Those completing the program will receive a book and be entered into a drawing for a special grand prize! *Journals are available through Thursday, Feb. 5.* Questions? Stop by or call the Children's Services Desk, 657–8256, or visit www.billings.lib.mt.us

**Kids' Valentine Crafts**~Feb. 6 & 13, Fridays, 4:00–5:00 pm Pre-registration is required for the crafts. Call 657–8256.

**Magic by Bob**~February 24, Tuesday, 7:00 pm Celebrate the end of I Love to Read Month with a special program featuring **Magic by Bob** on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of the Library.

Book it with a Buddy~February 25, Wednesday, 7:00 pm
The Library announces a book discussion group for 4th, 5th and
6th graders who are accompanied by an adult. The Coretta Scott
King Award winner and Newbery Honor book, Elijah of Buxton
by Christopher Paul Curtis, has been chosen in recognition of
Black History Month. Registration is required and all participants
will receive a free copy of the book. This program is sponsored by
The Friends of the Library and the Midland Empire Reading
Council, in conjunction with the American Library Association's
We the People: Created Equal Bookshelf. For more information
or to register, please contact Children's Services at 657–8256.

# **PROGRAM: VALENTINE CALLIGRAPHY**

Wednesday

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Learn to make your own Valentine cards and gifts! Members of the Yellowstone Calligraphy Guild will present Valentine Calligraphy for the Family. Guild members and participants will make cards and gifts. All children must be accompanied by an adult and adults are encouraged to attend. Join them at 10:30 am, Saturday, February 7, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor.

**Thursday** 

## PROGRAM: INVESTING

Are you worried about investing in these difficult economic times? Do you need some professional advice to help you? In this free program titled **Don't Fear the Bear, Sue Anderson** of Edward Jones Investments, will talk about putting the current economic news into perspective and staying focused on your long-term investments goals.

Come at 7:00 pm, Tuesday, February 10, to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor.

#### **READING: LINDA GROSSKOPF**

In a special author reading, **Linda Grosskopf** will talk about, and read from, her recent book **Challenges Above &** 

Beyond: The Biography of Governor Tim and First Lady Betty Babcock. Babcock, who was born in Minnesota, was the Republican governor of Montana from 1962 to 1969.

Join her at 7:00 pm, Wednesday, February 25, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor.

# **TUESDAY CLASSES: TECHNOLOGY**

This series focuses on email, Microsoft Word and genealogy sources. Registration is required for these free classes. Please call the Library at 657–8258 or stop by the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Reference Desk.

Beginning Email Using Yahoo: 11:30am, Feb. 3
Intermediate Email: 11:30am, Feb. 10

Beginning Microsoft Word 2003: 11:30am, Feb. 17
Heritage Quest Genealogy Search: 11:30am, Feb. 24

Get the latest Infomobile Calendar!

Download February's schedule under Services.

www.billings.lib.mt.us

#### **Library Hours**

Saturday

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

# Helpful Information

# Phone numbers ~

**Friday** 

Hours: 657–8259 Infomobile: 657–3091 Reference: 657–8258 Renewals: 247–8519 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@billings.lib.mt.us

# Story Time Programs ~

Carina's Stories Mondays, 12:30–1pm

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

Honeycomb Kids

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

Fun Afternoon Story Time

12:30-1pm

(3-6 year olds & parent/caregiver)

The Story Bears

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

Books & Babies Lap-Sit Fridays, 10:15-11am

# (babies & parent/caregiver) Video Programs ~

Bears at the Movies Fridays, 10:30–11am