NOON NOTES

The Monday, February 2 Noon Notes concert features "Goethe in Song," starting at noon in the Community Room. Join Elizabeth Croy (soprano) and Julie Goss willer (piano) for a presentation on Goethe in historical and current contexts. Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, poet, philosopher, botanist, and novelist, has provided a wealth of literary material for artists and composers. This program will explore the meaning behind Goethe's texts through narration and musical performance. This popular chamber music series is sponsored by the Montana Chamber Music Society and is hosted by the Library Foundation. Visit www.montanachambermusicsociety.org/concerts-noonnotes.htm for more information or call Paula at 582-2426.

THIS IS YELLOWSTONE

Whether you’ve been in Montana a long time or recently arrived, you will discover something new about Yellowstone Park. Join us on Sunday, February 1 at 1:30pm for “This is Yellowstone” presented by Rick & Susie Graetz. The program will explore the magnificence of a park within an ecosystem – 2.2 million acres of mountain splendor through 120 photos and the spoken word. Surrounded by almost 18 million acres of legendary mountain country, Yellowstone and its adjoining wild lands is a place of stunning beauty and mystery. Rick Graetz is a Geography professor at University of Montana and UM’s Crown & Yellowstone Director, and Susie Graetz is Managing Editor of UM Press. This free program is sponsored by the Library and Humanities Montana.

RAISING YOUR SPIRITED CHILD PROGRAM

The Friends of the Library will sponsor a free evening workshop on Thursday, February 26 presented by Mary Sheedy Kurcinka, Ed.D., nationally recognized family educator and author of Raising Your Spirited Child. All parents, teachers, and caregivers are invited at 6:30pm in the Community Room. Mary will discuss how to identify your own style and that of your child or adolescent, share some practical strategies that allow you to work together, and create a plan to stop power struggles before they start. No registration necessary.

The Friends also sponsor a five-week series of classes, which has already been filled. For more information, please call 582-2404.

COMPUTER CLASSES

Let us help you with technology! Sign up for any of the classes this month at www.bozemanlibrary.org and go to Computer Classes under “What’s Going On.” Call 582-2436 for more information.

MICROSOFT POWERPOINT

Master Microsoft’s ubiquitous presentation tool in this 2-part class. Learn
how to use templates to rapidly create attractive presentations, how to import and align objects on a slide, and the best practices for creating effective slide presentations. Part 1 is Tuesday, February 3. Part 2 is Tuesday, February 10. Class starts at 6:30pm and ends at 8pm.

MICROSOFT EXCEL
Spreadheets are great for keeping track of data and performing calculations on large amounts of data. Learn how to enter, organize, and manipulate data in this introductory class. Prior experience with Excel is not required. Part 1 is Thursday, February 5. Part 2 is Thursday, February 12. Class starts at 6:30pm and ends at 8pm.

GOOGLE DOCS
Tap into the power of collaboration with Google Docs. In this new class you will learn how to create, share, and edit documents online. You will also be introduced to a variety of free online tools created by Google. Familiarity with word processing software is recommended. Part 1 is Tuesday, February 17. Part 2 is Tuesday, February 24. Class starts at 6:30pm and ends at 8pm.

MICROSOFT PUBLISHER
Learn the basics of Microsoft’s desktop publishing tool Publisher. Rapidly create flyers, newsletters and signs from a wide variety of templates or create original publications from scratch. Part 1 is Thursday, February 19. Part 2 is Thursday, February 26. Class starts at 6:30pm and ends at 8pm.

FRIDAY FORUM
Join Wonderlust for the second installment of the monthly Friday Forum series hosted by the Library on Friday, February 13 at 12pm in the Community Room. Franke Wilmer will discuss the Affordable Care Act, providing an overview of its main provisions and its performance so far in terms of cost impacts (both costs of health care and impact on premiums) and coverage. She will talk specifically about Montanans who have benefitted from the ACA and also who has not benefitted. She will also discuss prospects for Medicaid expansion in the current Montana Legislative session.

This discussion is co-sponsored by the Library Foundation and is free and open to the public. For more information, please contact Paula at 582-2426.

THE GREEN MAN FEB. 23
The Library and Humanities Montana are excited to co-sponsor “The Green Man in Art, Architecture, and Folklore” on Monday, February 23 at 7pm in the Community Room. This program explores the Green Man, a character known best from sculptures in mediaeval European architecture. The Green Man is often seen as a symbol of humankind’s relationship with the natural world, but many questions remain about his origins and meaning. The character is also known to scholars and researchers as the “foliate head”—a man’s face formed by and/or emerging from leaves. Kristen Prinzing, Executive Director of MusEco Media and Education Project, will present this fascinating program. She will explore questions of the Green Man’s origins, influences, contemporary significance, and the rich insights the character might grant us into humankind’s relationship with nature. Images, live musical performance, video, and literary excerpts (and possibly a personal appearance by the Green Man himself) bring this program to life. For more information, please call 582-2410.

ART LECTURE
The Gallatin Art Crossing exhibits a variety of sculptures throughout downtown Bozeman and in the Bozeman Sculpture Park, located on the Bozeman Public Library grounds. The Art Crossing hosts a lecture series with local artists, kicking off on Tuesday, February 24 at 7pm in the Community Room and continuing monthly through May. The Library and Art Crossing share the goals of displaying public art and encouraging community involvement and interaction with the art by introducing viewers to many artistic approaches. To learn more about the lecture series and exhibit, visit www.gallatinartcrossing.com or contact Paula at 582-2426.

THE WORLD OF WONDER
Have you seen the art display this month? School-age kids and families are invited to meet Emily Yellow Bird on Wednesday, February 18 at 4pm in the Community Room. Discover mermaids, dragons, and tulips during a treasure hunt and a hands-on paper cutting activity!
CALL FOR ARTISTS

The Library encourages local artists to submit proposals to exhibit in the Library’s Atrium Gallery. The goal is to showcase both traditional and innovative contemporary art forms, with each exhibit on display for one to three months. The Library is committed to exhibits that will expand the public’s appreciation of art, as well as reflect the diversity of the community. Selections are chosen by the Library Art Committee, consisting of local artists, community members, and staff from the Library and Library Foundation. Submissions for 2016 will be accepted until April 30. Incomplete or late submissions will not be considered. To learn more, please see the exhibit proposal guidelines at www.bozemanlibrary.org/about/art.php, or contact Paula at 582-2426.

A MOVEABLE FEAST

Make plans to join us at A Moveable Feast, the kick-off for our new fundraising campaign for a Bozeman Public Library bookmobile! Feast on specially-prepared food and drinks at Montana Ale Works on Wednesday, February 25 for either round one from 5:30 – 7pm or round two from 7:30 – 9pm, and have your chance to meet visiting author Edward Hemingway, as well as Valerie Hemingway, Patrick & Carol Hemingway. They will be there to sign books and chat about recent writings.

Tickets are $40 per person, which includes locally crafted beers and small plate pairings specially prepared with a Caribbean theme! Be sure to try the specialty cocktail for a minimum $10 donation, with all proceeds to benefit the bookmobile campaign! For tickets and information call 582-2425 or email programs@bozemanlibraryfoundation.org. This event is for ages 21 and over. Special thanks go to Montana Ale Works, a proud Community Partner, for making this event possible!

LIBRARY BOOK CLUBS

✦ The Friends Book Club meets on Wednesday, February 11 at 6:30pm to discuss The Scarlet Letter by Nathaniel Hawthorne. All interested readers are invited, and copies of the book are available to borrow. For more information, call 582-2410.

✦ The Albert Gallatin Great Books discussion group meets on Saturday, February 19 at 10:15am in the Board Room to discuss The Odyssey by Homer. All readers are welcome. Contact Jeff Lynch at jefflynch967@yahoo.com.

✦ The Kids’ Book Club will meet on Thursday, February 19 at 4pm to discuss The Mysterious Howling by Maryrose Wood. All readers age 8-12 welcome! Call 582-2404 to join.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The Friends held their Annual Membership Meeting in January, and are making plans for another year of supporting your Library! The Friends’ main fundraiser is Used Book Sales, which require dozens of volunteers. Book Sale volunteers help set out the books for the sale, straighten books, help patrons find specific book titles—and an added bonus is you get to talk about books with numerous readers! If you’re interested in becoming a Friends volunteer, contact Erin Mock at 582-2433. The next sale is March 20-22!

DOG WORKSHOP SERIES

“Aggression in the Family Pet: Two Case Studies” is the topic for the Thursday, February 12 program in this series led by Nancy Tanner. Nature and nurture both play a role in how a dog feels about their world, but where we humans get goofed up is when we take advice that actually causes more harm than good; then we label our dogs, which changes how we feel about them. We will also discuss what is aggressive behavior and what is not. Nancy is a Certified Professional Trainer and Owner of Paws & People Training.
BOOK DISCUSSION FOR KIDS

MSU's Human Development Clinic is partnering with the Library for a children's book discussion group to provide children and parents opportunities to discuss social awareness, interpersonal skill development, empathy, and emotional regulation. The first meeting will take place on Tuesday, February 17 at 4pm. The topic is “Diversity” and will feature *The Name Jar* by Yangsook Choi and *Princess Grace* by Mary Hoffman. There will be an accompanying activity and resources provided. For more information, please contact Adam Jurick or Taniquell Wilder at the Human Development Clinic at 994-4113.

AREA 626

Don’t wait until the last minute to make something special for your Valentine. Join paper craft instructor Robin Jones-Shirey Tuesday, February 10 at 6:30 in the Community Room. Use the Library's Cricut machine to make pillow boxes and cards for someone special. Space is limited. Call 582-2410 to register.

TAX HELP IS HERE

Once again, Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) will offer free tax return preparation at the Library. Volunteers will be in the Conference Room Tuesdays from 10am-6pm beginning February 3. Electronic-filing is available. Please bring your Social Security Card, Driver's License, last year's tax return, W2 forms, and checking account information. *Appointments are required* and can be made by calling Margrit at 586-6641 or Don at 587-8666. Can’t make Tuesdays? There are other groups offering free tax assistance. Find a list at our website at www.bozemanlibrary.org.

OPEN MIC NIGHT

Open mic night takes place on Friday, February 27 at 7pm with the Bozeman Poetry Collective. The Collective meets monthly to share and experience poetry through the spoken word. All genres are welcome. Contact David Shields at bozemanpoetry-collective@gmail.com or by phone at 589-5259.