CINEMA CIRCUS WEST

“Short films are nice because they can tell a story that isn’t two hours long. Plus you can watch lots of different ones in a shorter time!” These were the wise words of 10-year old kid critic, Tom Rath.

Cinema Circus West will premiere 11 short films at the Library on Saturday, September 7. The films are appropriate for kids age three to 10, but older kids and adults will enjoy these funny, poignant, and entertaining shorts too! Due to the popularity of last year’s event, there will be two showings this year: a matinee from 3 - 4pm and a repeat that evening from 6 - 7pm. Sandwiched in the middle is the circus! Enjoy face-painting, a photo booth by Ideal Photography, costumes from Rocky Mountain Toy Company, juggling, break dancers, and wildlife activities with the Greater Yellowstone Coalition. You can see a premiere of Grizzly Creek Films’ Kinect Nat Geo TV: America the Wild, the first wildlife program ever transformed into a two-way television experience. Meals are available from a variety of food trucks and vendors, so plan to come for the whole experience! This family-friendly event is free and open to everyone, but be sure to get a ticket for the films at the special table on the Plaza starting at 2pm. This event is made possible by the generous sponsorships of the Bozeman Film Festival, First Security Bank, Pizza Campania, Music Villa, and the Bozeman Library Foundation. For more information, contact Paula at 582-2426.

MENT STIRRUPS, SAGE, AND SHENANIGANS

Life on a Montana ranch in the 1930s, 40s and 50s was anything but dull. It was a time that demanded resourcefulness, hard work, courage, and a sense of humor. Join sisters Francie Berg, Anne Krickel, and Jeannie Thiesen on Sunday, September 15 from 2-3:30 pm in the Community Room, when they will share tales of ranch life that are part of their recently published book, Montana Stirrups, Sage, and Shenanigans: Western Ranch Life in a Forgotten Era. Copies will be available for sale.

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The Friends of the Library are thrilled with the popularity of the new MOST WANTED collection! In July, the 83 books in the collection were checked out 212 times. Donations to the Friends may be designated to help this program grow; for more information call 582-2433. Have you stopped by the Friends Used Book Store? The books are flying off the shelves thanks to our dedicated volunteers and shoppers! Remember new books are added weekly and proceeds benefit the Friends and the Library. Thank you to Jason Cargill, owner of Lindley Perk Coffee Shop, for providing customer service to the Used Book Store patrons.
The Friends Board just completed a Strategic Planning session in August. A big thank you to Sue Hall, from Library Strategies, who donated her time to help the Friends chart a path for the future.

Only a couple more months until the next Used Book Sale November 15, 16 & 17. If you would like to donate books, please bring them in anytime during Library open hours.

TUESDAYS @ 2:00 CLASSES

The Library’s basic computer classes begin in September and include:

Sept. 3 and 10—Introduction to Computers: Learn the basics of using your computer in a two-part class. This fun class is for persons with limited experience to learn the basic components of the computer, the Windows operating system, and how to effectively use a mouse.

Sept. 17—Gmail Basics: Learn how to send and receive email using your Gmail account. Some basic computer skills needed.

Sept. 24—Introduction to the Internet: Confused about getting started? Learn about the Internet and take the first step into cyberspace. Participants will gain a basic understanding of the function and structure of the Internet, search engines, Internet terminology, ways to connect to the Internet, and simple searching.

Classes are from 2-3pm and are held in the Board Room on the second floor. Please call 582-2410 to reserve your spot.

LIBRARY BOOK CLUBS

The Friends’ Book Club meets on Wednesday, September 11 at 6:30pm to discuss Life of Pi by Yann Martel. All are welcome; you can call 582-2410 for more information.

The Albert Gallatin Great Books monthly discussion meets on Saturday, Sept. 21 in the 2nd Floor Board Room at 10:15am to discuss The Moon and Sixpence by Somerset Maugham. Call Neil Lynch at 763-4380 for more information.

The Kids’ Book Club for readers ages 8-11 meets on Thursday, September 26 at 4pm in the Student Corner. Call 582-2404 for the title selected or to have your name added to the email list.

POWER OF WE SERIES

The Power of We, an interfaith group of Pilgrim Congregational, Temple Beth Sholom, and the Unitarian Fellowship, is sponsoring an educational forum series on Violence in Our Culture: As American as Apple Pie? Forums will be held on Thursdays at 7pm in the Community Room. The schedule is:

Sept. 26: History of Violence in America, and Stand Your Ground Laws

Oct. 10: Domestic Abuse

Oct. 17: Violence in Bozeman and the Castle Law;

Oct. 24: Mental Health Issues in Violence and The Role of Media

Oct. 31: Non-violent Communication and Building Community.

Speakers include Professors Billy Smith and Steven Swinford, MSU; Rabbi Ed Stafman; Chief of Police, Ron Price; Scott Malloy, Director of Gallatin Mental Health Clinic; representatives from Haven and the Voice Center; and Carson Taylor, City Commissioner. This series is co-sponsored by the Library and the Bozeman Daily Chronicle.

LIFE OF PI AUTHOR VISITS

Join the Library Foundation for “A Community Conversation with Yann Martel,” author of Life of Pi, on Friday, September 6 at 9am in the Community Room. Martel is the keynote speaker for MSU’s Freshman Convocation the evening before at the Brick Breeden Fieldhouse. (Convocation is free and open to the public; doors open at 6:30pm.) The following morning at 9am, Mr. Martel will answer questions from the community in a more intimate setting. Books will be sold by The Country Bookshelf, followed by a signing.

Yann Martel is a compelling speaker and masterful storyteller, using fiction as a means for helping us all explore the larger truths of the universe. He has won numerous literary awards, including the 2002 Man Booker Prize for Life of Pi. The book was made into an Academy Award-winning film directed by Ang Lee, which will show on Thursday, September 19 at 6:30pm in the Community Room. Call Paula at the Foundation Office at 582-2426 for more information.
ATRIUM GALLERY ART

The Library Foundation invites the community to an Art Opening Reception for Robert Howell on Friday, Sept. 13 from 6-7:30pm in the Atrium Gallery. The exhibit, “Night Sky Landscapes with a Twist,” will be shown through the end of October. Robert will be available to answer any questions about his unique photographic process during the reception.

This is a one-of-a-kind photographic display that you don’t want to miss. In addition, Comet ISON will become visible with binoculars under a dark sky in late September and will reach its peak brightness on November 28. Updates on the Comet, Aurora Forecasts, and Robert’s night time photo adventures can be found at www.RobertHowellPhotography.com. Each photograph is for sale, with a portion benefitting the Library.

GYPSY RHYTHM WRITERS

The Bozeman Gypsy Rhythm Writer’s group meets every Monday night starting Sept. 9 in the Board Room on the second floor. The group welcomes all levels of writers, and encourages the free exchange of ideas among writers. The meetings include weekly critiquing of work. Please call Ingeborg van Zanten Hayes at 586-8006 for more information.

MUSIC @ THE LIBRARY

Exploring the Arts will be taking a break this fall so that the Library Foundation can focus on building the new chamber music series, Noon Notes at the Library. Join us for live concerts on the first Monday of the month, beginning October 7.

YOGA FOR ALL

This popular class returns on Tuesday, September 3 with Turi Hetherington from 11-11:45am in the Community Room. Open to all ages and abilities, this class focuses on the basics of yoga, breathing, and mind/body connections. Parents, caregivers, and kids are invited to enjoy 45 minutes of relaxing yoga. Please bring your own mat. The free program is sponsored by the Library Foundation.

WRITER’S VOICE CONTEST

The inaugural Writer’s Voice competition celebrating author Yann Martel’s presence at the 2013 Freshman Convocation drew 38 submissions from MSU students and the community. Winners will be honored at a reception on Thursday, September 5 at 3pm in Renne Library. Visit www.montana.edu/convocation for names of winners. This competition was co-sponsored by the MSU Writing Center, the MSU Library, and the Bozeman Public Library Foundation.

BISON DAY

Partnering with the Bozeman Schools Foundation, the Library will host all first graders and their families for an afternoon of bison activities on Friday Sept. 20 at 2:30pm. Each first grader receives the book Buffalo Music by Tracey Fern through the Links to Literacy project. The Schools Foundation chose a companion book to the One Book – One Bozeman selection, Last Stand: Ted Turner’s Quest to Save a Troubled Planet by Todd Wilkinson to strengthen the community-read program and involve the elementary schools.

The Library program enhances the book with help from Montana Outdoor Science School, the Pioneer Museum, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks, and others, including Yellowstone National Park. First graders and families won’t want to miss this opportunity to learn about the furry beasts in Bozeman’s own backyard!

For more information, call Mary Jo O’Donnell at the Bozeman Schools Foundation, 522-6071.
SUMMER READING SUCCESS

Our annual Adult Summer Reading program, “Groundbreaking Reads,” drew to a successful close with 42 reading logs submitted by 26 participants. At six books a log, that is 252 books read! Eight lucky participants won prizes in a random drawing: Claire Eldridge, Paige Lammey, Sarah Gilkerson, Elise Tuck, Milou de Meij, Renee Gilpin, Pam Columbus, and Caroline Gottschalk. Thanks to all those who participated, and a big thanks to the Country Bookshelf for prizes!

The Children’s “Dig Into Reading” program gave out over 1000 reading logs and kids picked up 3,000 stickers, one for each visit to the Library. We have given away over 150 free books to summer readers so far (and still giving). Our thanks to the Friends of the Library for sponsoring summer reading and all the special performers we enjoyed!

W. NIKOLA-LISA VISIT SEPT. 17

W. Nikola-Lisa developed an interest in writing books for young readers as a second grade teacher at Irving School almost thirty years ago. Now, he is the author of 25 books, and will be presenting some of his work on Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 6:30pm in the Children’s Room. With an interest in music and storytelling, Mr. Nikola-Lisa’s programs are entertaining for all ages. So, whether or not you have children at home, come and join us for this special program. For more information about his work, visit his website at www.nikolabooks.com.

POKEMON LOVERS UNITE!

Meet others Pokemon fans for a fun afternoon on Saturday, September 14 from 1- 5pm in the Conference Room. Movies, games, card trading, and more—and help us plan a new Pokemon Club! For more information, contact Ginny at 582-2404.