Tibetan Culture Talks

The Library will host a Humanities Montana Speakers Bureau program starting Monday, March 2 at 7 p.m. Deanna Campbell will present “Tibetan Culture: Yesterday, Today and . . .Tomorrow?” Campbell will provide an insider’s view of the rich and ancient Tibetan culture. She examines the situation of Tibetans at home, as refugees around the world and as indigenous Tibetans in Nepal.

The topic for March 2 is “The Nepal Scene Today: From Ancient Kingdom to Maoist Republic.” March 3 will continue the discussion of Tibetan Culture, and a final program on March 4 will be a synthesis of the two talks. All three programs begin at 7 p.m. in the Community Room and are open to the public.

Deanna Campbell is the executive producer and director of a documentary film on Tibetan culture currently in production. She has worked as the Executive Director of a non-governmental organization working with Tibetans in the Himalayan regions of Nepal and as a foreign expert for the Chinese government. For more information, please contact Alice Meister at 582-2401.

Celtic Tunes March 9

Join us for Exploring the Arts —an evening of original pieces, traditional folk music, and spirited Celtic tunes at 7:00 p.m. in the large Community Room on Monday, March 9. Steve Marty, Tom Robison, and Lindsay Turnquist, members of Weatherwood (formerly Triad), will discuss their musical roots and inspirations, how they borrow elements of folk and classical, and together the three musicians will offer a mix of traditional and improvisational, ancient, and contemporary tunes, all with a carefree, swinging spirit. Call 582-2426 for more information. The series is sponsored by the Library Foundation.

Spring Break Events

The Library will host several special children’s programs over Spring Break, March 16-20. Please join us for any of the following:

Monday, March 16: Rocks, Earthquakes & Volcanoes with geologist John Childs, 2-3 p.m.
Monday, March 16: Chess Club from 4-6 p.m. for chess players in grades K-12.
Tuesday, March 17: St. Patrick’s Day Party at 3:00 p.m. with music, games & stories for all ages, all nationalities.
Wednesday, March 18: Math Wiz from 3-5 p.m., an afternoon of math games for ages 7 and up. Parents welcome.
Friday, March 20: Going to the Dentist storytime for preschoolers at 10:15 a.m. Learn and discover more about your teeth. Dr. Joel Sayre and his staff will teach you how to brush and what foods are good to eat. Come watch a puppet show and play games.

Used Book Sale

Please consider donating your already read and used books to the Library! The Used Book Sale will be held Friday, March 27 through Sunday, March 29. The event will be held in the two Library meeting rooms and will feature hardbound and softbound fiction books and a broad range of non-fiction books. The small Conference Room will be devoted to children’s and teen books.

The Used Book Sale will begin with a pre-sale for members of the Friends on Friday, March 27 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Anyone is invited to join the Friends by purchasing an annual
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Library Book Groups

★ The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society by Mary Ann Shaffer is the chosen title for the Library Book Club meeting on Wednesday, March 4 at 7:30 p.m. All readers are welcome; please call 582-2410 for more information about the Book Club.

★ The Albert Gallatin Society for Great Books Discussion Group meets Saturday, March 21 at 10:15 a.m. to discuss Man’s Search for Meaning by Viktor E. Frankl. For more information about Great Books, please call Neil Lynch at 763-4380.

★ The Kids’ Book Group will meet on Thursday, March 19 at 4 p.m. to talk about The Name of This Book is Secret by Pseudonymous Bosch. The group is open to readers ages 8 and up; parents welcome!

★ The new book group for middle school students ages 11 and up meets on Thursday, March 26 at 4:00 p.m. in the Teen Study Room to discuss 39 Clues by Rick Riordan. Call 582-2404 for more information about book groups for students.

Great Decisions 2009

The 2009 Great Decisions foreign policy discussion group meets once a month on Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. The topic for March 19 is “Energy & the Global Economy.” Rising energy prices are affecting the global economy. Are there any realistic alternative energy scenarios? Read about the topic in the 2009 Great Decisions briefing book, available for purchase or check out. The series is sponsored by the Montana Center for International Visitors and Friends of the Library. Call MCIV at 994-4887 for more information.

Canine Trail Etiquette

What is your responsibility as a hiker with your canine companion? What is polite canine trail etiquette? There are certain skills that are necessary to learn in order to have a fun and successful hike, on public or back country trails. Join us for a special program on Sunday, March 8 at 12 noon presented by Nancy Tanner of Paws & People to learn about polite canine trail manners. Nancy Tanner is the owner/trainer of Paws & People, and travels throughout the northwest offering workshops on all topics relating to dogs. Visit www.pawsandpeople.com for further information.

Sunday Movie Matinee

The Library continues its series of classic family movies for ages six and older on Sunday, March 22 at 3 p.m. in the small Conference Room with the 1982 film Annie. The film is based on a comic strip character, Little Orphan Annie, who is adopted by billionaire “Daddy” Warbucks. It is 127 minutes long.

Library Computer Classes

March “Learning @ the Library” classes will be offered Saturday mornings from 9-10:00 a.m. in the Computer Lab. Please call 582-2410 to sign up.

March 7: Introduction to Computers Part 1
March 14: Introduction to Computers Part 2
March 21 Beginning Internet
March 28 Beginning Email Part 1 (Part 2 is April 4)

Yoga Class for Moms

Free yoga classes will continue every Thursday from 11:00-11:45 a.m. in the Community Room, thanks to certified yoga instructor Karen Averitt. All levels and abilities are welcome! Call Paula at the Library Foundation at 582-2426 for details.

Gallatin Valley Forum

The Library Foundation’s second program in this series features the inimitable Jack Horner, Curator of Paleontology at the Museum of the Rockies on Wednesday, March 25 at 7 p.m. Jack will be discussing dinosaurs, science, and the curiosity of a paleontologist as he continues his research in Montana and the world. Bring your own curiosity and be prepared to ask questions during this live audience discussion. The program will be taped and aired on various radio stations at a later date. The Gallatin Valley Forum is a six-part series sponsored by the Library Foundation.
New Look for Website

Check out www.bozemanpubliclibrary.org to see our new look! The Library website has recently been redesigned thanks to funding from the Library Foundation. Chris Grinnell of Bearing the Light constructed the redesign with guidance from the Library Technology Committee consisting of Pam Henley, Katie Biehl, Nancy Hatfield, Kari Grimm, and Lois Dissly.

Vote for Favorite Art

You can vote for your favorite sculpture this spring as part of the Gallatin Art Crossing project. Voting cards are available at the Library’s Information Desk. The goal is to purchase the chosen piece and install it permanently. Vote online at www.gallatinartcrossing.com.

Dr. Seuss Party

The Library will celebrate the birthday of Dr. Seuss on Thursday, March 5 at 4 p.m. in the Community Room. This annual party features the Star-Bellied Sneetch Machine, McElligot’s Pool, and the Crazy Hair Salon, staffed by members of the Phi Beta Pi Sorority. Kids, wear your most colorful clothing and your silly socks!

Books & Babies March 7

“Books & Babies” Saturday program will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 7 in the large Community Room. The program is free and open to all parents and caregivers of infants age 0-2. Join us!

Spanish/English Classes

Free Spanish and English language classes will continue at the Library on Saturday afternoons. Jose Serrano Herrera teaches Spanish for English speakers and English for Latinos from 2-3 p.m. Call Jose at 582-0381 to register for these free classes.

Abstract Landscapes in Atrium Gallery

Witness the beauty and passion for nature’s fields, trees, and mountains as seen through the eyes of accomplished artist Mary Keefer. Her current series of paintings includes whimsical elements that reflect the beauty and mystery of nature. Mary works as a reference librarian at both MSU-Bozeman and our Library. Please join the Foundation for the Opening Artist Reception on Friday, March 6 from 5:30-7:00 p.m.

★ Watch for construction updates on the Wallace Avenue access to the Library this spring.★