

Beyond the Stacks

A Newsletter from North Lake County
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BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR THE LIBRARY

Gala Gathering Celebrates 100 Years



It was a birthday party worthy of 100 years — a century of library service, that is!

The festive gathering was held on Saturday, November 10th in our library meeting room, where the community was greeted with decorations, cake and ice cream, live music, entertainment, and fun.

Children played rousing games of musical chairs and enjoyed the professional puppet

show performed by Kalispell puppeteer, Sherry Johns.

There was also a drawing for several



A puppet show by puppeteer Sherry Johns of Kalispell entranced children and adults alike at our 100th birthday party!

prizes that, like the library, were celebrating their centennials: Oreo cookies, an electric blanket, Whitman's samplers, etc., and even a crisp new \$100 bill.

Special thanks are due to those who contributed, including Sherry Johns, pianist Trish Tavenner, and organizer Mary Ann Jones.

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FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY REPORT by Carole Wheat

The 15th annual Bookfriends Christmas Tea was held on December 12th at Ralph and Jan Campbell's home on Finley Point. Three combined book groups listened to short descriptions of the many new volumes being passed around, as guests sampled an array of holiday goodies. Mary O'Brien was the guest author and told about her new book,

May: The Hard-Rock Life of May Arkwright Hutton.

Friends of the Library also presented Mary with a \$1,500 check for the North Lake County Public Library to use in purchasing new adult fiction.

The combined Thursday Morning and

Afternoon book groups will meet Jan. 24 at 1:00 in the Library Community Room to discuss "The Ruins of Us" by Keija Parssinen. Wednesday's group will meet Jan. 23 at 1:00 at Polson's Methodist Church to discuss "The Sheep Queen" by Thomas Savage.

Please join us in one of our discussion groups in the new year. Happy Reading in 2013!

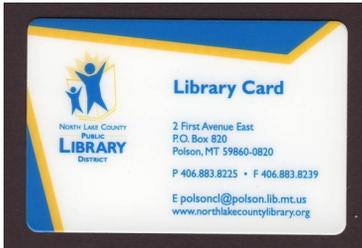


Patron Database

We're cleaning up our electronic database, removing the names of patrons who have not used their library cards for several years. The staff expects the project to be completed by March 1st.

If you haven't used your card lately, but plan to do so in the future,

please notify the library by calling 406-883-8225 or stopping by the circulation desk. The staff can update your contact information and renew your library privileges. The goal is to keep patrons' names in the database unless they have permanently moved away or are deceased.



News Flashes!

Genealogists will be interested to know that the library now offers Ancestry.com here in the library building for searching family history.

And...

World Book Online is also being added in the near future!

(The library is)

“a happening place!”

Trustee

Carole Olson

on our

Facebook page

Children's Programming Resumes

Mother Goose Time will resume Monday, February 4th. This special half-hour program is intended for babies and toddlers ages 0-3 and their caregivers. Two sessions will be presented each Monday the library is open through April, at 10:15 am and again at 12:30 pm.

Story Time will start again on Thursday, Feb. 7th with the theme “Tracks in the Snow”. These programs are geared toward children ages 3 -5 and their caregivers. Story Time will be offered at 10:00 am and again at 1:00 pm each Thursday through April.

Get Tech Help

Did you receive a new electronic device for the holidays? Our technology training specialist, Mandy Moran, can help you learn to use it! Call or stop by the circulation desk for a schedule of classes or make an appointment for a one-on-one tutorial.

FOUNDATION BULLETIN by Bob Bushnell

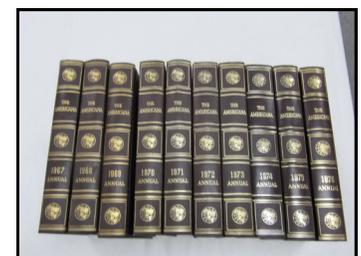
How satisfying is the feeling of holding something in your hands? Something that you can put down on the table next to you, and pick it up when you want to continue. Do you have to change batteries or recharge? Not ever. Can you stack them up next to your chair, pick one up, and open it? Always. Can you go to the library and ask for a technical publication about sound? Certainly you can. When

was it published? Flip to the copyright page and check the date. My goodness, it was published in 1927. You're holding that publication in your hand.

Can you browse a Kindle? Well, kind of.

Books. Not Kindles, not Nooks, not smart phones, not iPads. As a writer, we're certainly in the 21st

century, for this was written on a PC and sent to the library via the Internet.



Did You Know?

Along with your library card comes immediate access to North Lake County Public Library's password for the exciting resources contained in the vast EBSCOhost databases. These provide patrons with the latest information from nearly 20,000 periodicals. Topics include health,

academics, history, business, children's resources, science, and many more. Also available are practice exams for competency tests, including the SAT, ACT, and ASVAB, etc. In addition, EBSCO's Discovery Service allows patrons to use a simple search box

while exposing them to nearly everything that is available in libraries throughout Montana. EBSCOhost's e-book collection, which provides access to North Lake County Public Library's digital version of books and journals, is also available.



Come See Our New Parenting Section!

Many thanks to the Friends of the Library for their generous support. With their help, the library has added hundreds of new books to our collections.

Among the additions is a whole section of

books for parents, caregivers, and others who work with children. Located



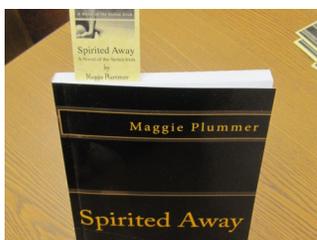
conveniently in the juvenile area, the books range in topic from how to raise an autistic child to manners, cooking healthy kid-friendly foods, and tips for raising babies, teens, or twins.

Watch the Montana Memory Project online, where in 2013 you will see Paul Fugleberg's Historic Polson-area collection of photographs. Paul, the library staff, and volunteer Bill Olson are working hard to preserve Paul's lifelong collection in digital form!

A Signing and a Sale

Local author Maggie Plummer signed her new book *Spirited Away: a Novel of the Stolen Irish* on November 9th at the library. Refreshments were served, and everyone who attended had a great afternoon!

The annual Fall book sale was staffed by our wonderful volunteers. Held in the meeting

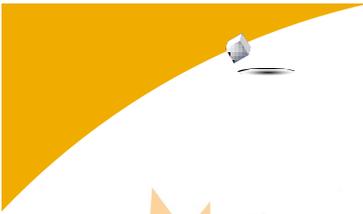


room on November 2-3, the sale was a big success, earning more than \$600 for the library. New books will be purchased for the collection with the monies.

Thanks, volunteers!



Our two-day book sale brought many happy buyers!



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MORE HIGHLIGHTS



Mother Goose and young patrons welcome Miss Marty!

The library staff extends a warm welcome to **Marty Memmer**, our new Youth Services Librarian. Miss Marty hopes that everyone who hasn't already met her will come by to say hello!

A local grant was received from the **Greater Polson Community Foundation** for a pilot project to place four "reading nooks" in Polson area businesses. Initial work is underway on this innovative project. Watch for more news soon.

We're grateful to the **Tamarack Federation** for providing some of the monies needed to begin an exciting new project: digitizing our historical local newspapers for the **Montana Memory Project**. More about that later, too!

