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The newsletter of the Johnson County Library System

Fall
2021

Johnson County Library

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Buffalo Hours

Mon, Weds, Fri: 10a-6p
Tues & Thurs: 11a-7p

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Kaycee Hours

Tues: 1-7p
Weds: 10a-noon, 1-5:30p
Fri: 10a-noon, 1-4p
Sat: 2-5p

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Spies and Sleuths

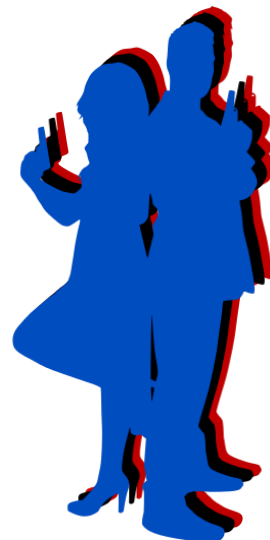
2021 Fundraiser Auction

Join us for annual benefit auction Friday, Nov. 5, at the Johnson County Library. This will be our 28th auction held over the past 30 years! The auction begins at 6 p.m. with the reception and silent auction, followed by the live auction at 7:30 p.m. Our theme this year is "Spies and Sleuths." Attendees are encouraged to dress as their favorite spy or most memorable detective! Tickets go on sale soon at the library for \$20 each. The ticket price buys entry as well as wine, hors d'oeuvres, and coffee for the evening.

Some of the items up for grabs include artwork, tools, gift certificates, dinners, and more. The Friends of the Library will also have their raffle basket of goodies available! Raffle tickets are \$5 for one and \$20 for five and benefit the Friends organization.

The event is sponsored by the Johnson County Library Foundation and Friends of the Library.

Please check with library staff as changes may occur due to ongoing COVID-19 illness, such as limitations on number of attendees, postponement, or cancellation.



Large Print expands

We're excited to offer new titles provided for free by the Utah State Library. This exchange will rotate out 12 or more large print books every few months, in addition to the books we purchase with donated funds. As use expands, we can always look at adding more! You can find these novels on the cart at the end of Large Print, to the right of the front desk.



Many hands make light work

Volunteers from First Interstate Bank stopped by Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 8 to help out with various cleaning projects as part of their community service outing in Buffalo.

WYOMING
Library to Business



Keep watch for our business-centered programs scheduled monthly! Wyoming Library to Business offers online sessions aimed at building and improving Wyoming small businesses, at no cost to our library or the participants. Call us to set up a time to use a dedicated computer, which lets you find the resources you need and make contact with experts who can help ramp up your business.

<https://library.wyo.gov/business/>

new releases

Fiction

Blind Tiger, by Sandra Brown
Clark and Division, by Naomi Hirahara
The Coldest Case, by Martin Walker
Dawn of Vengeance, by Ronie Kendig
Down Range, by Taylor Moore
Featherweight, by Mick Kitson
King of Infinite Space, by Lindsay Faye
The Last Commandment, by Scott Shepherds
Local Woman Missing, by Mary Kubica
The Man with the Silver Saab, by Alexander McCall Smith
Measure of Time, by Gianrico Carofiglio
Night Hawks, by Elly Griffiths
Radar Girls, by Sara Ackerman
Sleeper Agent, by Ann Hagedorn
Steel Fear, by Brandon Webb
Steep Price, by Robert Dugoni
Unthinkable, by Brad Parks
The Women's March, by Jennifer Chiaverini

Nonfiction

Below the Edge of Darkness, by Edith Widder
Confidence Men, by Margalit Fox
How to Teach Nature Journaling, by John Muir Laws
The Howe Dynasty, by Julie Flavell
In the Forest of No Joy, by JP Daughton
It's Elemental, by Kate Silberdorf
Jim Bridger, by Jerry Enzler
Last Best Hope, by George Packer
New Women in the Old West, by Winifred Gallagher
No Time Like the Future, by Michael J. Fox

Children's

Marty, by Rachel Noble
The Mysterious Sea Bunny, by Peter Raymundo
Red Shoes, by Karen English
Reggie, My Rhinoceros, by Werner Holzarth
Tiny Barbarian, by Ame Dyckman
The Vanishing Lake, by Paddy Donnelly

Teen

Betrayed, by Kiera Cass
Daughter of Sparta, by Claire Andrews
Hello, Cruel Heart, by Maureen Johnson
My Contrary Mary, by Cynthia Hand
Namesake, by Adriene Young
Red Wolf, by Rachel Vincent
XOXO, by Axie Oh

Movies

Closer
Couples Retreat
Hidalgo
The Mask
Peter Pan Live
Solo
The Women

Kaycee Branch 738-2473

Branch Manager Bonnie Ross & Monica Brock

We have a book discussion scheduled for 7 p.m., Monday, Nov. 1 and our title is *Finding Dorothy* by Elizabeth Letts. The book discussion will view the movie *The Wizard Of Oz* on Tuesday, Oct. 19, at 5 p.m.

We started our story hour on Tuesday, Sept. 7 and had a good turnout. The children made a salt-dough handprint craft for their grandparents.

Also, we recently were gifted a collection of western history books. Here's a sampling of what we received—quite the selection.



FRIENDS

of the Library
Est. 1972

Who are the Friends?

Men and women who promote and support the library.

Ongoing projects ...

- Provide funding for physical improvements
- Provide assistance & funding for the Summer Reading programs
- Sponsor the annual library auction with the JC Library Foundation
- Provide assistance & funds to further National Library Week, Mother's Day Tea, and other local humanities programs
- Provide baby books to parents of newborns

Friends Book Club

Meets 3 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month at the library in Buffalo.

Friends board/members

Meets 4 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month at the library in Buffalo.

Johnson County Library

FOUNDATION

Est. 1976

What is the Foundation?

The Foundation was created in 1976 by patrons who saw the need to ensure the future of the library. Through donations, memorials, and fund-raising, these volunteers have successfully supported special needs of the library & established a permanent endowment.

The Foundation sponsors the annual library auction with the Friends and raises money for both the endowment and the library's special projects.

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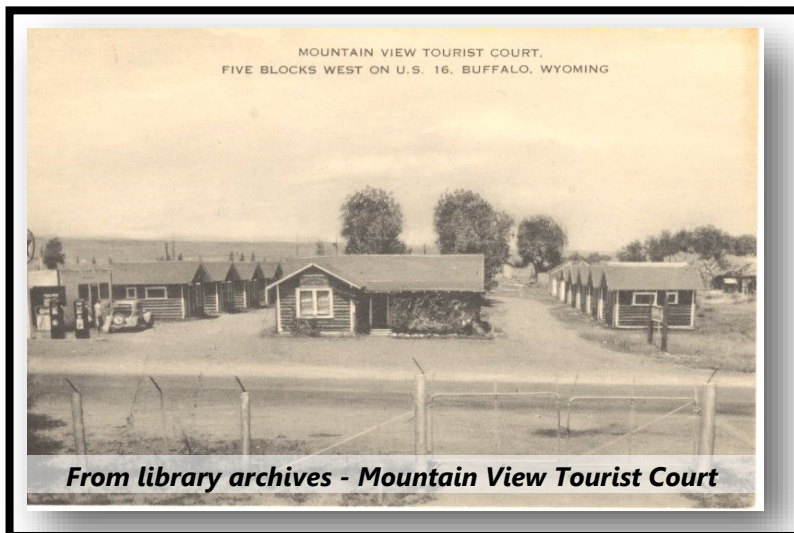
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Video Games: New Gifts!

Several months ago, two brothers who use our library donated two Nintendo Switch video games with the desire they be made available for checkout by our library patrons. We ran with their idea and, utilizing donated gift funds, purchased 20 more Switch games, which can now be check out from the Teen Room! Patrons can check out 2 games on their card at a time, for 3 weeks. For the time being we will not be renewing beyond that.

We've also received two more gaming donations—mini Nintendo (NES) and Super Nintendo (SNES) gaming systems, with controllers and power plugs. These come preloaded with classic games such as the original Super Mario Brothers, The Legend of Zelda, and their sequels. Our goal is to have them available for checkout this fall—more details to come in terms of checkout procedures and due dates.

Many thanks to our patrons who have made these new additions to our collections available through the generosity of their donations.



Upcoming September - November

Wednesday afternoons - Brownies and Books: Our story hour for grownups! Join us at 3 p.m. in the Fraley room at the library for readings by staff and guest readers.

Thursday mornings - Storytime! For toddlers. Join us at 10 a.m. for stories, activities, and more. Sept. 9 through Nov. 4; Jan. 13 through March 17.

Monday, Oct. 11 - Library closed for Columbus Day holiday.

Monday, Oct. 18 - Board of Trustees monthly meeting. 4 p.m. in the Twing meeting room at the library.

Friday, Nov. 5 - Library closed for annual auction preparation. The auction begins at 6 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 22 - Board of Trustees monthly meeting. 4 p.m. in the Twing meeting room at the library.

Thursday, Nov. 11 - Library closed for Veterans Day.

Thursday, Nov. 25 and Friday, Nov. 26 - Library closed for Thanksgiving holiday.

Friday, Dec. 24 - Library closed for Christmas Eve holiday.

Fleeting, Golden Light

By Nancy Tabb

In *Owen Wister Out West His Journals and Letters* edited by Fanny Kemble Wister, a book you can find in our library, Wister describes what he sees in the Powder River County. On our prairies there is a fleeting, golden light at the end of the day that is just breathtaking. I believe he is telling of this phenomenon. I also agree with Mr. Wister, “that you can hardly make a journal too full.”

Owen Wister is the author of *The Virginian*. In this classic western novel, the Virginian gets his man at Buffalo’s Occidental. Wister made several trips to Wyoming and both his novel and his journals are terrific local history reads.

Sharing this from his journal entry which begins, At Tisdale’s (TTT ranch), June 13, 1891 (pgs. 103-104)...

“We killed a rattlesnake. We saw a few antelope. Powder River is a beastly stream. But Tisdale’s ranch stands where good country begins. There are cottonwoods in the bottoms, and the river twists out of the dreary empty plains here and gets among pleasant sunny bluffs, and timber lies only a little back from it on steep hills...I spent the night, and am now much at leisure-very pleasant delightful leisure. Rose at five, breakfast five-thirty. Then the four men went off in various directions. Cook’s at the house. My scrub is loafing by himself, as I am. The day was cool till lately, with the clear sky and the ‘light that never was on sea or land.’ This can transfigure even such hopeless godforsaken country as this at the south edge of Tisdale’s, and make it seem like a piece of Paradise, though a flat one. Wish I could draw. Writing is so wretched. But I am bound on this trip to lose nothing. Former experience has taught that you can hardly make a journal too full. I hope I shall be able to keep it up and get down in notes, anyhow, all the things that are peculiar to this life and country.”

September 14th

If the Creek Don't Rise by Leah Weiss

Leader: Pat Witt

October 12th

Etta and Otto and Russell and James, by Emma Hooper

Suzi Black

November 9th

If You Lived Here, I'd Know Your Name, by Heather Lende

Leader: Linda Loveless

December 14th

Being Santa Clause by Sal Lizard

Leader: Brandi Sump

January 11th

One for the Blackbird, One for the Crow, by Olivia Hawker

Leader: Peggy Skinner

February 8th

Ordinary Grace by William

Kent Krueger

Leader: Heidi Mumm

March 8th

Divergent by Veronica Roth

Leader: Brandie Sump

April 12th

The Giver of Stars by Jojo Moyes

Leader: Cathy Jones

May 10th — *Selection gathering for titles into the next year*



Friends of the Library Book Discussion

September 2021 through May 2022

We meet at 3 p.m. on second
Tuesdays in the Twing Room

Summer Reading By the Numbers

Children

149 participants

3,600 hours

Prize winners:

Pre-K: Arden Sheets, Trayben Tobiasson

Grades K-1: Cohen Dunlap, Preah Tobiasson

Grades 2-3: Trisa Farris, Dillon Roberts

Teens

52 participants

4,300 hours

Prize winners:

Top reader: Dravyn Burch-Jones (392 hours)

2nd grand prize: Kayla Durham

Adults

11 participants

Grand prize winner: Juli Jarvis

Our mission as a library system and community hub is to Collect, Share, Promote, Learn, Adapt, & Grow. Users are foremost.