



Behind the Cover

The Monthly Newsletter of Bemis Public Library

Saturday Movie Matinee: *Twilight*

See the film phenomenon, *Twilight*, on the library's big screen, **Saturday, April 4, 2:00-4:00 p.m.** Bella (Kristen Stewart) doesn't expect much when she moves to the small town of Forks, until she meets the mysterious and handsome Edward (Robert Pattinson), a boy who's hiding a dark secret--he's a vampire. As their worlds and hearts collide, Edward must battle the bloodlust raging inside him as well as vampire enemies who would like to make Bella their prey. The movie is based on the best-selling book by Stephenie Meyer. Free refreshments will be provided. Rated PG-13.



Looking for a Job? The Library Has Workshops for You!

The following free workshops will be presented at the library, from **10:00 a.m. to noon**, by staff from Arapahoe Douglas Works:

- ◆ **Job Search Toolkit - Friday, April 10, 10:00 a.m.-noon**
You can't build a house without the right tools. Likewise, you need the right tools to land that targeted job. Become an expert in finding the proper job search tools and how to use them. Afterwards, you will be able to build your job search plan and move forward to employment.
- ◆ **Resume Concepts, Friday - April 24, 10:00 a.m.-noon**
The resume is a powerful marketing piece of your job search. This class, appropriate for the resume beginner as well as experienced resume writers, sheds light on the essential features of successful resumes. Learn how to structure your resume to get an interview.

Worlds Connect at Bemis During National Library Week

Bemis is joining libraries around the country in celebrating **National Library Week, April 12-18**. This year's theme is *Worlds Connect @ Your Library*. Stop by the library and try identifying the country of origin for eight folk costumes. You will receive a free book of your choice or a transformer pen just for entering the contest. Winners will have their names entered into a drawing to win one of five gift certificates for dinner at Wild Ginger Thai Restaurant, Damascus Grill, Kai Japanese Cuisine, El Parral Mexican Steak House, or Romano's Italian Restaurant in Littleton. This program is for all ages.



Puppets & Things on Strings

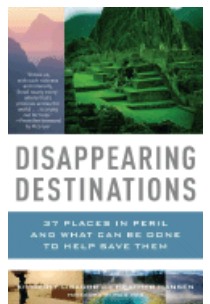
Celebrate **National Library Week** at Bemis with a unique and memorable family event for all ages. *Puppets & Things on Strings* will be presented on **Saturday, April 18, 11:30 a.m.** by ventriloquist Mark Hellerstein. Please see Children's Programs on Page 3 for more details.

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Disappearing Destinations: Places in Peril Around the World

Go on a photographic tour of the most beautiful, yet endangered, travel destinations on earth, **Tuesday, April 14 from 7:00-8:30 p.m.** Author and travel journalist Heather Hansen will talk about places in peril, ranging from the ancient city of Timbuktu in Mali to the boreal forests of Finland. Hansen has biked, backpacked and bushwhacked all over the planet writing about travel, the outdoors and the environment for several national magazines and newspapers, including *Outside*, *Mother Jones* and *The Los Angeles Times*. She is the co-author of the new book, *Disappearing Destinations*; copies of the book will be available for purchase at the program.



Money Matters Series

Bemis is joining with the Arapahoe Community College Library to present the following series of programs on financial issues:

♦ **Investment Strategies for Surviving the Storm**

Tuesday, April 21, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Bemis Public Library

Noted financial speaker and author Jim Lunney will talk about strategies to protect your finances through even the harshest economic downturn. Lunney is the author of *Surviving the Storm: Investment Strategies That Help You Maximize Profit and Control Risk During the Coming Economic Winter*. Many of Lunney's economic predictions concerning the U.S. economy came to pass during 2008. Lunney is the founder of the Wealth Strategies Group.



♦ **The Financial Meltdown**

Tuesday, April 28, 7:00-8:00 p.m. at Bemis Public Library

The U.S. economy is experiencing one of the most profound structural changes in history. From the housing debacle to the credit crisis, the impact has been felt in just about every corner of the world. Staff from Active Minds will explain the origins of the current situation and proposed remedies of the new Obama administration.

♦ **College Funding**

Tuesday, May 5, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Arapahoe Community College Library

Speakers from private and state colleges will talk about saving for college, student loans, scholarships and work study programs.

♦ **Consumer Finances for Tough Times**

Tuesday, May 12, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Arapahoe Community College Library

A panel of financial experts will discuss a variety of consumer related issues, including wise use of credit cards, dealing with debt, protecting your savings, etc.

Musical Moments @ Sophie's Place

Relax while listening to music in Sophie's Place at the library. Monthly performances feature a variety of musical talent from Littleton and the Denver metro area.

- ♦ **Wednesday, April 22, 4:00-5:00 p.m.:** In celebration of Jazz Appreciation Month, the **Dry Creek Dixie Dawgs Jazz Band** will entertain with a variety of jazz favorites. The ten band members are students from Arapahoe High School.

Book Groups at Bemis

We have a variety of Book Groups that meet throughout the month. Choose a group that suits your interests and schedule. Then join us for some stimulating discussions.

♦ **Senior Book Club**

Meets the **first Monday of each month at 2:00 p.m.**

Apr. 6: *Angels & Demons*
by Dan Brown



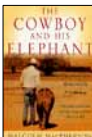
The murder of a world-famous physicist raises fears that the Illuminati are operating again after centuries of silence, and religion professor Robert Langdon is called in to assist with the case.

May 4: *A Spot of Bother*
by Mark Haddon



The descent into madness of sixty-one-year-old George Hall goes largely unnoticed due to his family members' preoccupations with their own individual relationship crises.

June 1: *The Cowboy & His Elephant*
by Malcolm MacPherson



In the late 1980s, a female baby elephant's family is slaughtered, and the baby is transported to America to be sold. Bob Norris is a cowboy with an enormous empathy for animals. The two come together and experience a life-changing bond.

Monday Evening Book Group

Meets the **third Monday** of the month from **7:00-8:00 p.m.**

Apr. 20: *Thirteenth Tale*
by Diane Setterfield



When her health begins to fail, the mysterious author Vida Winter decides to let Margaret Lea, a biographer, write the truth about her life, but Margaret needs to verify the facts since Vida has a history of telling outlandish tales.

May 18: *Water for Elephants*
by Sara Gruen



Ninety-something-year-old Jacob Jankowski remembers his time in the circus as a young man during the Great Depression, his friendship with Marlena, the star of the equestrian act, and Rosie, the elephant who gave them hope.

June 15: *Delta Wedding*
by Eudora Welty



A novel of a September wedding in Mississippi in the 1920's, at Shellmound, the plantation of the Fairchild family.

Computer Services & Computer Classes

Bemis has 22 Internet access computers on the lower level of the library, plus another six located in the Children's Room for use by our patrons in 5th grade and younger.



Also, wireless Internet access is available in Sophie's Place for patrons with wireless-enabled laptop computers.

Our computers use Microsoft operating systems and software that includes Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint and Publisher. All of our PCs are linked to printers. Printing costs are \$0.10 a page for black only or \$0.25 a page for color. Our computer lab has 12 PCs and may be scheduled for group use. We are happy to assist patrons individually at any time if you need help using the computers or the Internet.

We also offer *free* computer and Internet classes on a regular basis. To find out about upcoming classes or group use of our computer lab, call the library at 303-795-3961 or stop by the Information Desk.

Currently, space is available in the following classes:

- ♦ **Beginning Excel**
Wednesday, April 15, 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Wednesday, May 27, 9:00-11:00 a.m.
- ♦ **Beginning Internet**
Saturday, May 16, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
Wednesday, June 10, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- ♦ **Beginning Windows**
Wednesday, May 6, 9:00-11:00 a.m.
- ♦ **Beginning Word**
Wednesday, May 20, 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Saturday, June 20, 9:00-11:00 a.m.
- ♦ **Computer Comfort**
Saturday, May 2, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
Wednesday, June 3, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- ♦ **Job Hunting Online**
Wednesday, April 29, 9:00-11:00 a.m.
- ♦ **Mousercise**
Wednesday, May 13, 9:00-10:30 a.m.


Class Descriptions:

- ♦ **Beginning Excel** - Learn how to navigate a workbook, format cells, insert basic formulas, and sort data.
- ♦ **Beginning Internet** - Learn how to search the Internet by subject or keyword, use browser controls, and evaluate web sites.
- ♦ **Beginning Windows** - Introduction to the Windows XP operating system.
- ♦ **Beginning Word** - Learn to write, edit and save documents with this popular word processing program.
- ♦ **Computer Comfort** - Learn basic computer information necessary to operate a PC.
- ♦ **Job Hunting Online** - Learn how to search library databases and Internet sources for your job hunt.
- ♦ **Mousercise** - Improve your mouse skills with fun exercises.

For more information, call teen/outreach librarian Mark Decker at the library, 303-795-3961, or check the Bemis teen blog site online at <http://bemisteen.blogspot.com>. Join other teens for the following activities:

- ♦ **Anime Club**
First Sat. of the month @ Noon
Apr. 4: *Howl's Moving Castle*
May 2: *Pumpkin Scissors*
June 6: *Fighting Spirit*
- ♦ **Wii - Third Thursdays @ 3:30 p.m.**
 Enjoy popular interactive video games featuring a different game each month.
Apr. 16: *Star Wars: The Force Unleashed*
May 21: *Shaun White Snowboarding*
June 18: Special Event Time 2:00-4:00 p.m.
 Contest with prizes:
Are You Smarter Than a 5th Grader?
- ♦ **Teen Advisory Group (TAG)**
Fourth Friday of the month @ 3:30 p.m.
Apr. 24: Talent Show Contest Details & Summer Reading
May 22: Facebook at the Library
June 26: Open Agenda

Special Teen Events

- ♦ **Teen Movie - *Twilight***
Saturday, April 4, 2:00-4:00 p.m.
 A love story between a vampire, Edward (Robert Pattinson), and a human, Bella (Kristen Stewart). Rated PG-13. 
- ♦ **A Night of Poetry**
Wednesday, April 8, 7:00 p.m.
 April is National Poetry Month! Join us for an evening devoted to reading, listening to, and writing poetry. Bring original poems of your own to read or receive critiques on, or bring a favorite poem you'd like to share. Refreshments will be provided. For poetry fans in 6th-12th grades. Please call the library at 303-795-3961 or email Mark, the teen librarian, at mdecker@littletongov.org to register for this event.
- ♦ **Teen Movie - *The Devil's Arithmetic***
Saturday, April 18, 2:00 p.m.



In recognition of National Holocaust Remembrance Day, we will show the film, *The Devil's Arithmetic*, based on the book by Jane Yolen. Kirsten Dunst plays Hannah, a modern teen more concerned with trends than history.

During Passover dinner, she zones out as her relatives harp about concentration camps. But then Hannah passes through a portal to the past, where she becomes her own ancestor in Poland during the Nazi persecution of the Jews.

Children's Programs



Puppets & Things on Strings

Celebrate National Library Week at Bemis with a unique and memorable family event for all ages. *Puppets & Things on Strings* will be presented on **Saturday, April 18, 11:30 a.m.** by ventriloquist, Mark Hellerstein. This theater production includes comedy, puppets, and lots of audience participation. Come with us on an "Adventure in Reading" as we explore the magic and importance of reading. Don't miss the hilarious high-jinks of a fabulous full-stage marionette production of *Jack and the Beanstalk*. Space is limited; please plan to arrive early.



Ventriloquist Mark Hellerstein

Celebrate National Library Week @ Bemis

We encourage you to stop in and discover all that Bemis has to offer during **National Library Week, April 12-18**. This year's theme is *Worlds Connect @ Your Library*. Did you know that over 250 story time sessions are offered in the Children's Room each year? Lots of early literacy practice is gained as children leave the library with armfuls of books each time. Story times also cultivate a strong foundation for lifelong learning, a curiosity about the world and of course, a love of reading.

In addition to story times, Children's Room activities include entertainers, movies, crafts, computer classes and even the chance to read to animals through the Paws to Read program. You also can check out books, magazines, music, audio books, DVDs, puppets and more. We look forward to seeing you and helping you find whatever you need. So "Get Connected" and celebrate libraries with us this month.



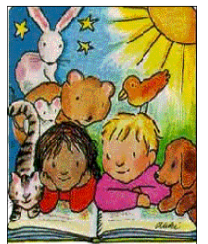
Bemis Bookmark Contest

Summer Reading is just around the corner, which means it is time for our annual **Bookmark Contest**. Break out your crayons, paint, color pencils and markers to create an awesome picture that might be reproduced on a Children's bookmark. Kids in grades K-5 are encouraged to create a picture that represents our theme, *Be Creative @ Bemis*. We will choose one picture from each age category to publish on our bookmarks. Stop by the reference desk in the Children's Room to pick up your entry form. All entries must be submitted by **9 p.m., April 30**.

Weekly Story Times & Ongoing Activities

Story Times end May 1 and resume June 2.

- ♦ **Story Box: Ages infant-36 months**
Tuesdays & Wednesdays at 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
 A thirty-minute session for children and a caring adult to introduce the joy of rhyme, rhythm and reading. Space is limited; free tickets are available one week in advance.
- ♦ **Preschool Story Time: Ages 3-Kindergarten**
Thurs. 10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. & Fri. at 10:30 a.m.
 Thirty minutes of stories, songs, and activities with a puppet show the first week of the month.
- ♦ **Saturday Stories: Ages 3-Kindergarten**
Saturdays, April 11 & 25 at 10:30 a.m.
 A family story time geared to ages 3-kindergarten, but all ages are welcome. Children under 3 must attend with an adult.
- ♦ **Paws to Read: For readers in grades 1-5**
Saturday, April 18, 10 a.m.-noon
 Practice reading to a visiting pet pal. Please call 303-795-3961 to register for a twenty-minute spot. Presented by R.E.A.D. Reading Education Assistance Dogs & Denver Pet Partners.
- ♦ **An Artist Showcase:** Artwork by students from *The Village at Ames Preschool* will be on display in the Children's Room in April.



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LIBRARY HOURS: M-Th 9-9; F-Sa 9-5; Su 1-5

If you are disabled and seeking an accommodation to participate in a Library program, please notify the Library one week in advance in writing or by calling 303-795-3961 or TDD 303-795-3913.

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Soldiers with a Secret: Women Who Fought in the Civil War

Hear the true stories of women who fought in the Civil War and how they managed a soldier's life in disguise on **Monday, April 27, 2:00 p.m.** Re-enactor Lynne Lawlor will present this program dressed as a Civil War soldier. Lawlor also will talk about the dilemmas faced by modern female Civil War re-enactors, in particular, how they reflect the problems faced by the women of the Civil War era.



Upcoming Programs

Mark your calendars now for these library events coming next month:

- ♦ **Music & More at the Sophie Center Celebration** - Saturday, May 2
1:00-2:00 p.m. - Music by Stray Dog
2:00-4:30 p.m. - Film *Blindsight* and Exhibit of Tactile Art
- ♦ **Alien Volcanoes: A Cosmic Tour**
Tuesday, May 5, 7:00-8:00 p.m.
- ♦ **Annual Mother/Daughter Tea Party**
Saturday, May 9, 2:00 p.m.
- ♦ **Saturday Movie Matinee: Australia**
Saturday, May 16, 1:30-4:30 p.m.
- ♦ **Stories & Tales from Rocky Mountain National Park's Past**
Monday, May 18, 2:00 p.m.
- ♦ **Brides of the Multitude: Prostitution in the Old West**
Tuesday, May 19, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- ♦ **Summer Reading Programs Begin for Children, Teens & Adults**
Tuesday, May 26

Schedule of Library Events

- Apr. 1-29** Paint Box Guild Art Show
Teen Games: *Wii*, 3:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, Apr. 1** Yahoo Email Basics, Class Full, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
Library Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Thursday, Apr. 2** Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
- Friday, Apr. 3** Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
Bemis Knitting Group, 2:00 p.m.
- Saturday, Apr. 4** Introduction to Microsoft Word, Class Full, 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Teen Anime Club, 12:00 noon
Saturday Movie Matinee: *Twilight*, 2:00-4:00 p.m.
- Monday, Apr. 6** Senior Book Club, 2:00 p.m.
Free Medical Services Van, Bemis Parking Lot, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Apr. 7** Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, Apr. 8** How to Search on the Internet, Class Full, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
Teen Night of Poetry, 7:00 p.m.
- Thursday, Apr. 9** Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
- Friday, Apr. 10** Job Search Toolkit Workshop, 10:00 a.m.-noon
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
Bemis Knitting Group, 2:00 p.m.
- Saturday, Apr. 11** Saturday Stories, 10:30 a.m.
- Sunday, Apr. 12** Easter - **LIBRARY CLOSED**
- Apr. 12-18** National Library Week
- Monday, Apr. 13** Free Medical Services Van, Bemis Parking Lot, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Apr. 14** Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
Disappearing Destinations: Places in Peril Around the World, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, Apr. 15** Beginning Excel, Space Available, 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
- Thursday, Apr. 16** Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
- Friday, Apr. 17** Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
Bemis Knitting Group, 2:00 p.m.
- Saturday, Apr. 18** Beginning Internet, Class Full, 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Paws to Read, 10:00 a.m.-noon
Puppets & Things on Strings, 11:30 a.m.
Teen Movie: *The Devil's Arithmetic*, 2:00 p.m.
- Monday, Apr. 20** Free Medical Services Van, Bemis Parking Lot, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Monday Evening Book Group, 7:00-8:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, Apr. 21** Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
Investment Strategies for Surviving the Storm, 7-8:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, Apr. 22** Beginning Windows, Class Full, 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
Musical Moments @ Sophie's Place with *Dry Creek Dixie Dawgs Jazz Band*, 4-5:00 p.m.
- Thursday, Apr. 23** Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
- Friday, Apr. 24** Resume Concepts Workshop, 10:00 a.m.-noon
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
Bemis Knitting Group, 2:00 p.m.
Teen Advisory Group, 3:30 p.m.
- Saturday, Apr. 25** Saturday Stories, 10:30 a.m.
- Monday, Apr. 27** Soldiers with a Secret: Women Who Fought in the Civil War, 2 p.m.
Free Medical Services Van, Bemis Parking Lot, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Apr. 28** Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
The Financial Meltdown, 7:00-8:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, Apr. 29** Job Hunting Online, Space Available, 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
- Thursday, Apr. 30** Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
- Fri., May 1** Bemis Knitting Group, 2:00 p.m.

Find specific program details elsewhere in this newsletter.