



Behind the Cover

The Monthly Newsletter of Bemis Public Library

Sign Up for a Library Card!

September is National Library Card Signup Month and Bemis will hold a photo contest to promote getting and using a library card. Take a photo of someone or a group of people with their library cards, or with library books/media, and send it to bemislib@earthlink.net, along with your name and telephone number. We will post the photos on the library website and enter participants' names in a drawing for a \$25 gift certificate to a downtown Littleton business of their choice. The person who submits the most creative photo will win a \$30 gift certificate. This contest is open to all ages. Sign up for a library card in September and you will receive a free book or prize, and your name will be entered in a drawing for a \$30 gift certificate to Tattered Cover Bookstores. If you already have a library card, you can enter your name to win a \$30 gift certificate to a downtown Littleton business of your choice. A library card gives you access to a wide variety of free materials, including the latest movies, downloadable ebooks and audio books, best sellers, as well as magazine and newspaper articles online.



Musical Moments at Sophie's Place

Performances feature a variety of musical talent from Littleton and the Denver metro area.

Saturday, September 10, 2:00-3:00 p.m. The explosive sound of Six Foot Joe and the Red Hot Rhinos, a seven-piece horn band, will entertain with a variety of classic rock and rhythm and blues music.



Antique Appraisal Fair

Curious about the value of a family treasure? Find out from the experts at the library's free Antique Appraisal Fair on **Friday, September 16, from Noon-7:00 p.m.** Bring dishes, art, jewelry, coins, toys, stamps, books, lamps, clocks, glassware and other antiques and collectibles to be evaluated by local appraisers. A maximum of two items will be appraised. Photos of large pieces of furniture are preferred. Appraisers will explain the history, significance and approximate value of each item. To register for a time slot with appraisers, call the library at 303-795-3961.

Mysteries of the Shroud of Turin

Colorado-based researchers, John and Rebecca Jackson, will present their findings regarding the Shroud of Turin, **Tuesday, September 20, 7:00-8:30 p.m.** Since 1990, the Turin Shroud Center, located in Colorado Springs and founded by the Jacksons, has been recognized internationally as one of the world's foremost scientific research centers on the Shroud of Turin. The Shroud is a linen cloth bearing the highly distinct image of a crucified man; it is believed by some to be the burial cloth of Christ. Dr. John Jackson, a physicist, was the leader of an American team that examined the Shroud first-hand. He has delivered presentations on the Shroud of Turin at international symposiums throughout the world and his research was recently featured in a History Channel documentary, *The Real Face of Jesus*.



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Saturday Movie Matinee: *Rio*

Bring the family to see the animated film, *Rio*, on the library's big screen, **Saturday, September 24, 2:00-4:00 p.m.** Captured as a young bird from the wild, Blu (voiced by Jesse Eisenberg) is a rare blue Macaw parrot living miles away from his homeland, Brazil. When his human owner discovers that Blu is the last male of his kind, they head south to Rio de Janeiro to meet the only remaining female. But it's far from love at first sight between Blu and the fiercely independent, high-flying female, Jewel (voiced by Anne Hathaway). The two rare birds are captured by greedy animal smugglers and become lost in the Brazilian rainforest. They embark on a hilarious and clumsy adventure where they learn about friendship, love, courage and spreading one's wings to fly. Free popcorn and lemonade will be provided.



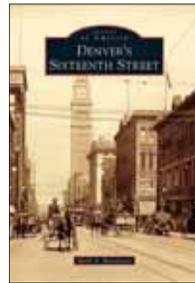
Banned Books Week

Celebrate Banned Books Week 2011 and the freedom to read, **September 24 through October 1**, by participating in a contest where you will match passages from banned books with the covers of the books. Stop by the main floor reference desk to pick up a contest form. Each participant will be entered in a drawing to win one of two \$25 gift certificates from Amazon.com. The contest is open to children age ten and up, teens and adults.



Denver's Sixteenth Street

Local author and historian, Mark A. Barnhouse, will give an entertaining talk and show historical photos of Denver's Sixteenth Street on **Monday, September 26, 2:00-3:00 p.m.** Sixteenth Street has always been the Mile-High City's "Main Street." Sixteenth Street got its jump start in 1879 when Horace Tabor came to town and built the city's first five-story skyscraper at the corner of Sixteenth and Larimer Streets. In the second half of the 20th century, Sixteenth Street saw major changes, including the creation of one of the most successful pedestrian malls in the country. Barnhouse has been fascinated with Sixteenth Street ever since, as a small boy, he attended "Breakfast with Santa" in the Denver Dry Goods Tea Room. He has combed through a variety of archives for the most interesting images of Sixteenth Street, many never before published. Copies of the author's book, *Denver's Sixteenth Street*, will be available for sale and signing.



Book Groups at Bemis

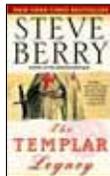
We have a variety of Book Groups that meet throughout the month. Choose a group that suits your interests and schedule. Then join us for some stimulating discussions.

♦ Senior Book Club

First Monday of each month at 2 p.m.

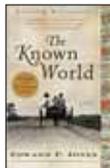
Sept. 12*: *The Templar Legacy* by Steve Berry

Former secret agent Cotton Malone and Stephanie Nelle, a U.S. Justice Department prosecutor, must solve the mystery of fourteenth-century Templar riches and secrets before Raymond de Roquefort and his murderous allies prevail. **We will meet on the second Monday in Sept. due to the Labor Day holiday.*



Oct. 3: *The Known World* by Edward Jones

When a plantation proprietor and former slave--now possessing slaves of his own--dies, his household falls apart in the wake of a slave rebellion and corrupt underpaid patrollers who enable free black people to be sold into slavery.



Nov. 7: *Way off the Road: Discovering the Peculiar Charms of Small Town America* by Bill Geist

Geist offers up an amusing and expansive collection of America's quirky, strange and offbeat nooks. Readers will find nearly 30 tales that will amaze and amuse and maybe inspire some extra stops on their next road trip.

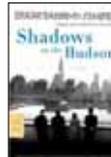


♦ Monday Evening Book Group

Third Monday of each month at 7 p.m.

Sept. 19: *Shadows on the Hudson* by Isaac Singer

This novel traces the intertwined lives of a group of Jewish refugees in New York City in the late 1940s. At its center is Boris Makaver, a pious, wealthy businessman whose greatest trial is his unstable daughter, Anna. Singer explores both the nature of faith and love in the aftermath of the Holocaust.



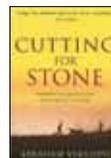
Oct. 17: *The Neighbors are Watching* by Debra Ginsburg

When the teenage daughter he secretly fathered with an ex-girlfriend shows up pregnant at his doorstep, restaurant manager Joe experiences turbulence in his marriage. The daughter's arrival in a quiet suburban neighborhood sets off a chain reaction of secrets and lies that threatens to engulf the neighbors along with the approaching flames from two huge wildfires.



Nov. 21: *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese

Twin brothers born from a secret love affair between an Indian nun and a British surgeon in Addis Ababa, come of age in an Ethiopia on the brink of revolution. Their love for the same woman drives them apart.



Computer Services & Computer Classes

Bemis has 22 Internet access computers on the lower level of the library, plus another seven located in the Children's Room for use by our patrons in 5th grade and younger. Also, **wireless Internet access is available throughout the building for patrons with wireless-enabled laptops.**



Currently, our computers use Microsoft XP operating systems and Microsoft Office 2003 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 \$0.50 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 learn about or register for an upcoming class and/or group use of our computer lab, call the library at 303-795-3961 or stop by the Information Desk.

All classes and open computer lab are held from 9-10:30 a.m. except where noted.

Currently space is available in these classes:

- ♦ **Beginning Access Parts 1 & 2* MS Office '03**
Tues., Sept. 27 (Part 1) & Wed., Sept. 28 (Part 2)
**Students should sign up for both classes.*
- ♦ **Beginning Excel - MS Office 2003**
Tues., Sept. 20; Tues., Oct. 18
- ♦ **Intermediate Excel - MS Office 2003**
Wed., Sept. 21; Wed., Oct. 19
- ♦ **Beginning Internet**
Sat., Sept. 17; Sat., Oct. 15
- ♦ **Beginning PowerPoint - MS Office 2003**
Tues., Oct. 25
- ♦ **Beginning Publisher - MS Office 2003**
Wed., Oct. 26
- ♦ **Beginning Windows XP**
Tues., Sept. 6; Tues., Oct. 4
- ♦ **Beginning Word - MS Office 2003**
Tues., Sept. 13; Tues., Oct. 11
- ♦ **Computer Comfort**
Sat., Sept. 3; Sat., Oct. 1
- ♦ **Mail Merge in MS Word 2003**
Wed., Oct. 12
- ♦ **Resumes with MS Word 2003**
Wed., Sept. 14
- ♦ **Windows Keyboard Commands**
Wed., Sept. 7
- ♦ **WinWay Resumes**
Wed., Oct. 5
- ♦ **Open Computer Lab - Every Thursday**
No registration required. Receive one-on-one time with a computer class instructor.



For more information, call teen 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:

♦ **Read the Movie Club**

First Sat. of the month @ noon

Our **Read the Movie Club** discusses a book, then watches the movie. *Join us even if you haven't read the book.* Join us in September for *Soul Surfer*, the incredible true story of surfer Bethany Hamilton who at age 13 lost her arm in a shark attack. Rated PG. Free popcorn and lemonade will be provided.

Sept. 3: *Soul Surfer*

Oct. 1: To be determined

Nov. 5: To be determined



♦ **Wii & Kinect**

Third Thursdays @ 3:30 p.m.

Play a different video game each month!

Sept. 15: Rock Band & Kinect Adventures

Oct. 20: Super Smash Bros Brawl & Boxing

Nov. 17: To be determined

♦ **Teen Advisory Group (TAG)**

Fourth Friday of the month @ 3:30 p.m.

Sept. 23: Teen Read Week programs

Oct. 28: Program planning

Nov. 25: No meeting scheduled

Battle for the Best Book

Help choose the best teen book at Bemis. Each week, teens can vote for the best teen book by sending their votes by email to teen librarian Mark at mdecker@littletongov.org. Each week two books from the nominated titles will be chosen to "battle" against each other. Teens will vote for the book they'd like to see stay in the competition; the losing title will be removed. The battle continues through early October with the final title being announced during **Teen Read Week, October 17-23**. Teens: every nomination or vote you submit enters your name into a prize drawing to be held in October. Winners will receive a copy of a book of their choice. Monitor the battle at the Bemis teen blog or by visiting the library.

Special Teen Events

Manga - Learn It, Love It, DRAW It!
Saturday, September 17, 2:00 p.m.

Manga is one of the fastest growing forms of comics and graphic novels across the world! In this class, you'll discover what manga is, why it is so popular, its history, and most importantly, how to draw the manga style!

Children's Programs



Animal Adventures with Safari Sally

Meet a variety of live animals up close and personal with Safari Sally on **Sunday, September 18, 2:00 p.m.** Invertebrates, reptiles and mammals from around the world will be featured in this furry, fun and informative program for families with children ages 3 and older.



September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month

Celebrate our library by getting a card or using the one you already have. Kids, show your new card and receive a prize at the Children's Desk during September.

Benefits of Reading Aloud with Children

Reading aloud with children not only is fun, but good for them. Here are just a few benefits of reading aloud with children:

- ♦ Self-esteem grows as children experience the security of having a parent or other caring person read aloud with them.
- ♦ Communication skills increase with parents and other family members.
- ♦ New concepts can be introduced in fun, age-appropriate ways.
- ♦ Listening, vocabulary, memory and language skills are broadened.
- ♦ Imagination and creativity develops.
- ♦ Information about the world around them can be shared.
- ♦ Individual interests in special subjects can develop.
- ♦ Positive behavior patterns and social values are learned.
- ♦ Positive attitudes towards themselves and others can be nurtured.
- ♦ Establishes a joy of reading.



Information provided by the Family Literacy Foundation.

Weekly Story Times & Ongoing Activities

♦ **Story Box: Ages infant-36 months**

Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Fridays at 9:30 a.m.

A 30-minute session for children and a caring adult introducing the joy of rhythm and reading. *Space is limited; free tickets are available one week in advance.*

♦ **Preschool Story Time: Ages 3-kindergarten**

Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.
Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

Thirty minutes of stories, songs, and activities with a puppet show the first week of the month.

♦ **Paws to Read: For grades 1-5**

Third Saturdays, 10:00 a.m.-noon.

September 17: Readers in grades 1-5 can practice reading to a visiting pet pal. Bring your own book or choose one from our collection. Call 303-795-3961 and ask for the Children's Room to register for a 20 minute spot.
Presented by American Humane Association.



♦ **Bemis Library Dial-a-Story:**

Your child can listen to a story anytime by calling 303-795-3960. Enjoy a new story or an old favorite.



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Online Catalog: <http://bemis.sirsi.net>

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 call 303-795-3961 or TDD 303-795-3913.

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English as a Second Language Classes

Learn English at the library! **Beginning English classes are held in the library's classroom from 9:00-10:30 a.m., Monday-Thursday, and 5:30-7:00 p.m., Monday-Wednesday. Intermediate English classes are scheduled from 10:30 a.m.-Noon, Monday-Thursday, and 7:00-8:30 p.m., Monday-Wednesday.** These classes are open to teens age 17 and over and adults who want to learn English or improve their English. There is a \$30 donation requested for adults 21 and older and no charge for individuals ages 17 to 21. You may register for the classes with an instructor anytime during the year. The ESL classes are held in conjunction with Littleton School District Six and an instructor is provided by the District. For more information call Alejandra Harguth or Dawn Munson, ESL instructor, at the library, 303-795-3961.

Upcoming Events

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

- ♦ **Adventures in Tuscany**
Tuesday, October 11, 7:00-8:00 p.m.
- ♦ **Saturday Movie Matinee: *African Cats***
Saturday, October 15, 2:00-4:00 p.m.
- ♦ **International Craft Fair**
Saturday, October 22, Noon-4:00 p.m.
- ♦ **Musical Moments at Sophie's Place: Tom Allan Grengs Polka Band**
Saturday, October 22, 2:00-3:00 p.m.
- ♦ **A Haunted History of South Denver**
Monday, October 24, 2:00-3:00 p.m.
- ♦ **Frightful Friday: Ghost Hunting**
Friday, October 28, 7:00-10:00 p.m.

Schedule of Library Events

- Sept. Art Exhibit** Littleton Fine Arts Guild Show
- Sept. 1-30 National Library Card Signup Month**
- Thursday, Sept. 1** Open Computer Lab, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
International Conversation Circle, 12:30-2:00 p.m.
- Friday, Sept. 2** Bemis Knitting Group, 2:00 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 3** *Computer Comfort, Space Available, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
Teen Read the Movie Club, *Soul Surfer*, Rated PG, Noon
- Monday, Sept 5** Labor Day
LIBRARY CLOSED
- Tuesday, Sept. 6** *Beginning Windows XP, Space Available, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
*Story Box, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, Sept. 7** *Windows Keyboard Commands, Space Available, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
*Story Box, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Library Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Thursday, Sept. 8** Open Computer Lab, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
- Friday, Sept. 9** *Story Box, 9:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
Bemis Knitting Group, 2:00 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 10** Musical Moments at Sophie's Place, 2:00-3:00 p.m.
- Monday, Sept. 12** Senior Book Club, 2:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, Sept. 13** *Beginning Word, Office '03, Space Available, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
*Story Box, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, Sept. 14** *Resumes with MS Word '03, Space Available, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
*Story Box, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
- Thursday, Sept. 15** Open Computer Lab, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
Senior Wii Bowling, 2:00-3:00 p.m.
Teen Wii & Kinect Games, 3:30 p.m.
- Friday, Sept. 16** *Story Box, 9:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
*Antique Appraisal Fair, Noon-7:00 p.m.
Bemis Knitting Group, 2:00 p.m.
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- Wednesday, Sept. 21** *Intermediate Excel, MS Office '03, Space Available, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
*Story Box, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
- Thursday, Sept. 22** Open Computer Lab, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
- Friday, Sept. 23** *Story Box, 9:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
Bemis Knitting Group, 2:00 p.m.
Teen Advisory Group, 3:30 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 24** Summer Movie Matinee: *Rio*, Rated G, 2:00-4:00 p.m.
- Monday, Sept. 26** Denver's Sixteenth Street, 2:00-3:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, Sept. 27** *Beginning Access, Part 1, MS Office '03, Space Available, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
*Story Box, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, Sept. 28** *Beginning Access, Part 2, Space Available, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
*Story Box, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
- Thursday, Sept. 29** Open Computer Lab, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.
International Conversation Circle, 12:30-2:00 p.m.
- Friday, Sept. 30** *Story Box, 9:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
Bemis Knitting Group, 2:00 p.m.

***These programs require a reservation or ticket. Please call 303-795-3961.**

Specific program details elsewhere in this newsletter.