

# Behind the Cover

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## Musical Performance: Celtic Chaos



Join us for an afternoon of toe-tapping Celtic, folk and bluegrass music on **Saturday, November 3, 2-3 p.m.** from local band, Celtic Chaos. Learn about Irish history and Irish step dancing during this musical performance.

## Self-Publishing at Your Library

Learn about the Pressbooks platform for writing, designing and formatting your eBook at this introductory class on **Wednesday, November 7, 6-7 p.m.** We'll move on to the SELF-e service for self-publishing your eBook and adding it to the library catalog and the "Indie Colorado" collection of local authors. Open to all writers. *Space is limited. Registration is required. Register online at [www.littletongov.org](http://www.littletongov.org) or call the library at 303-795-3961.*

## World War I: The Great War



As we mark the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of World War I, join Active Minds for a look at the "war to end all wars" on **Monday, November 12, 2-3 p.m.** We will start by understanding the ingredients that kindled the flame that was ignited by the assassination of Archduke Ferdinand on June 28, 1914 and follow the story as the various players get pulled into the conflict, including the United States in April of 1917. We will end with a brief preview of how the seeds of future conflict were sewn at the conclusion of World War I.

## Creating an eBook: Intro to Pressbooks

See how Pressbooks can help you produce professional-quality eBooks in ePUB, MOBI, PDF, and other formats at this class on **Wednesday, November 14, 6-7 p.m.** Write and organize your content, add and edit information about your book, and format the overall design, including cover art. Recommended for new and seasoned writers interested in learning how to create an eBook for self-publishing. *Space is limited. Registration is required. Register online at [www.littletongov.org](http://www.littletongov.org) or call the library at 303-795-3961.*



## Crafts at the Library: No Worries November

The holidays can be a stressful time, but we have you covered! Try your hand at a variety of crafts designed to carry your worries away on **Sunday, November 18, 2-4 p.m.** From Guatemalan Worry Dolls to polymer clay worry stones, these crafts are perfect gifts for anyone on your list or for your own peace of mind. The library will provide supplies and instructions. *This program is for adults only. Registration is required. To register, call 303-795-3961 or register on-line at [www.littletongov.org](http://www.littletongov.org).*

## Movie Matinee: *Ocean's 8*

See Danny Ocean's estranged sister Debbie attempt to pull off the heist of the century in *Ocean's 8* on **Saturday, November 24, 2-4 p.m.** Her first stop is to assemble the perfect all-female crew. The movie stars Sandra Bullock, Cate Blanchett and Anne Hathaway. Enjoy free popcorn and lemonade. PG-13.



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## Helpful Hints for Caregivers

We understand the challenges in maintaining your life while helping others. If you are a caregiver, join CyndiLee Champion Bennett of InnovAge on **Monday, November 26, 2 p.m.**, for a presentation that will include area resources, relaxation techniques, helpful hints for providing care and a special care package to take home.

## Self-Publishing for Writers: Intro to SELF-E

Learn to use the SELF-e publishing and discovery platform on **Wednesday, November 28, 6-7 p.m.** Submit your eBook to the library catalog and make it accessible statewide through "Indie Colorado." Learn about self-publishing options available through SELF-e. Recommended for writers with an existing eBook in either PDF or ePUB 2 or 3 formats. *Space is limited. Registration is required. Register online at [www.littletongov.org](http://www.littletongov.org) or call the library at 303-795-3961.*



# Food For Fines

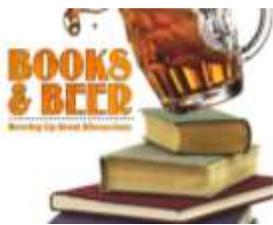
Donate a non-perishable unexpired food item and have an overdue fine removed from your Bemis Library record **November 11–December 31**. Offer does not apply to lost or damaged books. Food will benefit Integrated Family Community Services which helps people living in western Arapahoe County and northern Douglas County.



## Holiday Book Sale

Holiday shopping was never easier than buying books at the Friends' Holiday Book Sale **November 17–December 31**. Donated books in pristine condition that are truly gift worthy and all at reasonable prices. You'll find craft, cooking and children's books, as well as fiction, history, art, current events, gardening, biography and more.

## Books & Beer: Brewing Up Great Discussions



Each month this book group brews up great discussions at Saint Patrick's Brewing Company. Read our nonfiction book selection and then join us to discuss it over a beverage. No meeting in November or December due to Thanksgiving and Christmas. Join us **Thursday, January 25** to discuss *It's All Relative: Adventures Up and Down the World's Family Tree* by A.J. Jacobs. The discussion starts at 6 p.m., but be sure to get there a little earlier to take advantage of the happy hour prices! Saint Patrick's Brewing Company is located at 2842 W. Bowles Ave, Littleton, CO 80120.

## Book Groups at Bemis

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

### ◆ Senior Book Club

First Monday of each month at 2 p.m.

Nov. 5: *A Gentleman in Moscow*  
by Amor Towles

When, in 1922, he is deemed an unrepentant aristocrat by a Bolshevik tribunal, Count Alexander Rostov is sentenced to house arrest in the grand Metropol Hotel across the street from the Kremlin. Rostov has never worked a day in his life and must now live in an attic room while some of the most tumultuous decades in Russian history are unfolding outside the hotel's doors. Unexpectedly, his reduced circumstances provide him a doorway into a much larger world of emotional discovery.

Dec. 3: *Mr. Penumbra's 24-Hour Bookstore*  
by Robin Sloan

The Great Recession has shuffled Clay Jannon away from life as a web-design drone and into the aisles of Mr. Penumbra's 24-Hour Bookstore. But after a few days on the job, Clay discovers that the store is more curious than either its name or owner might suggest. The customers are few, and they never seem to buy anything—instead, they "check out" obscure volumes from strange corners of the store. Suspicious, Clay engineers an analysis of the clientele's behavior, seeking help from his variously talented friends. But when they bring their findings to Mr. Penumbra, they discover the bookstore's secrets extend far beyond its walls.



### ◆ Monday Evening Book Group

Third Monday of each month at 7 p.m.

Nov. 19: *My Grandmother Asked Me to Tell You She's Sorry*  
by Fredrik Backman

Precocious Elsa, a sharp-witted seven-year-old, has only one friend, her protective, eccentric Granny, who tells her nightly bedtime fairy tales of the Land of Almost-Awake. But when cancer takes Granny away, Elsa is tasked with delivering her grandmother's final letters of apology to the other residents of the building, people whom granny felt she mistreated during her life.

Dec. 17: No book discussion in December

Jan. 28\*: *A Gentleman in Moscow*  
by Amor Towles

See book description above.

\* We will meet on the fourth Monday in January due to the MLK holiday.

Feb. 25\*: *Heft* by Liz Moore  
Former academic Arthur Opp weighs 550 pounds and hasn't left his rambling Brooklyn home in a decade. Twenty miles away in Yonkers, seventeen-year-old

Kel Keller navigates life as the poor kid in a rich school and pins his hopes on what seems like a promising baseball career. The link between this unlikely pair is Kel's mother, Charlene, a former student of Arthur's, who breaks two decades of silence to ask Arthur to tutor Kel.

\* We will meet on the fourth Monday in February due to President's Day.



## Technology Classes

Bemis has 24 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 fifth grade and younger. Free Wi-Fi is available throughout the library.

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.

You also may register for classes online at the Library Main Calendar at [www.littletongov.org](http://www.littletongov.org). **Classes are held from 9:30–11 a.m. unless otherwise noted.**

### ◆ Mon., Nov. 5: Storing Photos with Google

Never misplace a photo file again when you learn how to use Google Photos. We will cover how to upload files from a computer, how to organize files in albums and how to download photos. *Registration required.*

**Prerequisites:** Computer basics (familiarity with keyboard and mouse) and a Gmail account (please contact the library if you need assistance creating an account).

### ◆ Mon., Nov. 12: Basic Canva

Canva is a free graphic-design tool website you can use online. We'll learn how to make our own beautiful graphics using their simple drag-and-drop format. Everyone will go home with a card they created themselves.

**Prerequisites:** Internet comfort (knows how to easily navigate a web browser, open new tabs, etc.), computer comfort (can easily use keyboard and mouse - both left and right clicking and the scroll wheel), and an active email account (must know password). Contact the library if you need assistance setting up an email account.

### ◆ Mon., Nov. 19: Beginning MS PowerPoint

Learn how to create and edit a PowerPoint presentation. We will go over adding slides, changing the theme, adding pictures and clipart and changing the color scheme. We also will go over how to print slides in different layouts. *Registration required.*

**Prerequisites:** Computer basics (knows how to use the keyboard, how to right and left click on the mouse) and beginning Microsoft Word (knows how to copy and paste, how to save and basic formatting).

### ◆ Mon., Nov. 26: Facebook Basics

Facebook is a great way to stay in touch with friends and family. Learn the ins and outs of this social media platform as we discuss everything from changing your profile picture to managing your privacy settings. *Registration required.*

**Prerequisites:** Computer basics (familiarity with keyboard and mouse) and an email account. Please contact library if you need assistance creating an account.

### ◆ Wed., Nov. 7 & 28: One-on-One Tech Help 30-minute time slots from 1:30–3 p.m.

Sign up for a 30 minute individualized tech assistance appointment with a librarian. *Registration required.*

### ◆ Open Computer Lab: 9:30–11 a.m. Every Thursday morning. No registration required.

Practice your computer skills and have a little one-on-one time with a computer class instructor. Bring your smartphone or tablet and receive individual help downloading ebooks and audiobooks to your device. No registration required.



For more information, call the library at 303-795-3961 and ask for the Teen Deck or send an email to [libem@littletongov.org](mailto:libem@littletongov.org).

◆ **Family Board Game Friday**  
November 9, 5–7:30 p.m.  
Bring the whole family and hang out with us after hours to play new and classic board games! Light snacks and drinks served. *This is an after-hours event. Participants without a parent or guardian present must arrange for a ride home at 7:30 p.m. No registration required.*

◆ **Teen Advisory Group (TAG)**  
4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month @ 5 p.m.  
Nov. 22: No meeting due to Thanksgiving  
Dec. 27: 5 p.m. Merry Cocoa-mas  
TAG, you're it! Enjoy snacks and games while you help us make the library better by assisting with projects, programs and helping us decide what books and games we should purchase.

## National Novel Writing Month

◆ **NaNoWriMo Kickoff Party**  
Thursday, November 1, 5–7 p.m.

The world needs your novel. Join the national challenge to create a 50,000 word novel in just 30 days at our National Novel Writing Month Kickoff Party. Don't miss this all ages event to celebrate the beginning of NaNoWriMo with snacks, prizes and motivational support. *No registration required.*



◆ **National Novel Writing Month Write-In**  
Monday November 19, 5–9 p.m.  
Join us as we race toward the finish of NaNoWriMo. Come in for an all ages group writing space with snacks, caffeine, and door prizes for writers. *No registration required.*

## Build It Bigger Lego Event

Join Young Engineers Littleton on **Saturday, November 10, 1:30–3:30 p.m.** as we use STEM principles to create awesome machines and build their biggest Lego model yet! *Space is limited. Registration is required. Register online at [www.littletongov.org](http://www.littletongov.org) or call the library at 303-795-3961.*



# Children's Programs



## Winter Reading Program

Our special **Winter Reading Program Season's Readings** runs **November 17–January 7** for independent readers in grades 1–5. Pick up a reading log in the Children's Room beginning November 17, read chapter books on your own in your free time during the holidays and record the number of pages that you read. Children will meet their goals by completing a certain number of pages based on their grade level. Finishers will receive a free book to keep in addition to other surprises. Visit the Children's Room to find out more.

## Busy Bodies at Bemis

Join us on **Saturday, November 10, 11–11:30 a.m.** for music, movement, games and fun as we move, groove and grow at the library. For ages 2–6 and their caregivers.

## Adventures in Stamps

Volunteers from the Rocky Mountain Philatelic Library and the Denver RMPL Young Collectors will be on hand **Sunday, November 18, 2–4 p.m.** to direct a number of self-paced activities for children including Design a Stamp, Stamp Scavenger Hunt, Greetings from America (geography and trivia), Wildlife Safari and more. Children, parents and grandparents are welcome to drop by between 2–4 p.m.



## Scenes from *The Nutcracker*

The Littleton Youth Ballet will get you in the mood for the holidays with a free dance showcase featuring excerpts from *The Nutcracker* on **Monday, November 19, 3–4 p.m.** For families with children of all ages.

## Drop-in Crafts

Stop by the Children's Room on **Tuesday, November 20, anytime between 10–11 a.m.** for some make and take crafty fun. For children of all ages. No reservations needed.

## Cool Science Light & Color (including Lasers!)

Did you know that color is really just a figment of your imagination? On **Tuesday, Nov, 20, 3–3:45 p.m.**, learn how your brain creates all the colors you "see" from the light which enters your eyes, even colors that don't exist. For families with children ages 3 and older.

## Movie Matinee - *Incredibles 2*

Mr. Incredible is left to care for the kids while Elastigirl is out saving the world in *Incredibles 2* on **Wednesday, November 21, 2–4 p.m.** Snacks will be provided. For ages 3 and up. Children under the age of 8 must attend with an adult. PG. Length: 116 minutes. *Reservations required. Call 303-795-3961 and ask for the Children's Room beginning Nov. 7 to sign up.*



## Ongoing Programs

**No Story times the week of November 19.**

◆ **All Together Now Story Time: All Ages.**

**Monday at 9:30 or 10:30 a.m. and Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. & 4 p.m.**

Thirty minutes of stories, songs and activities. For children of all ages, but children under age 3 *must* attend with an adult.

◆ **Story Box: Ages infant-36 months.**

**Tuesday at 9:30 & 10:30 a.m. and Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 9:30 a.m.**

Thirty minutes of stories and songs for children and a caring adult to introduce the joys of rhythm, rhyme and reading.

◆ **Preschool Story Time: Thursday at 11 a.m. Ages 3 and older.**

Thirty minutes of stories, songs and activities with a *puppet show* on November 1.

◆ **Artful Story Time: Friday 11 a.m. Ages 3 and older.**

Stories, music and art combine for 30 minutes of fun with a *puppet show* November 2.

◆ **Ready, Set, BUILD! Lego Club: Grades K–5, Saturday, November 3, 3 p.m.**

You bring the creativity and we'll provide the Lego bricks. *Registration required.*

◆ **Paws to Read: Grades K–5, Saturday, November 10, 10 a.m.–noon**

Kids are able to practice reading to a furry friend. Call 303-795-3961 to register for a 20-minute spot. *Presented by Denver Pet Partners and The Delta Society.*

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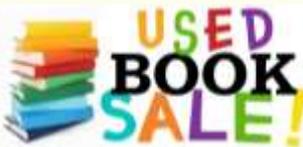
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## Year-Round Book Sale Benefits Bemis

The Friends of the Library and Museum conduct a year-round book sale at Bemis located in Sophie's Place. You will find "like new" hardcover and paperback used books at reasonable prices. Choose from bestsellers, classics, cookbooks, crafts, children's books, fiction, history, current events, gardening, biographies and more. Book sale proceeds benefit Bemis Library and the Littleton Museum.



## AWRC Grab, Gab & Go Events

Stop by the Aging Well Resource Center's Grab, Gab & Go Event on **Monday, November 12 and 26, 1:30–2 p.m.** AWRC provides information for seniors, caregivers, spouses or friends.

## Upcoming Events

Enjoy these events coming to the library next month:

- ♦ **Writing the Memoir: Learning the Basics**  
Monday, December 3, 2–4 p.m.
- ♦ **SOL: A Solar System Journey**  
Monday, December 10, 2-3 p.m.
- ♦ **Musical Performance: Smithtonians Holiday Concert**  
Saturday, December 15, 1 and 3 p.m.
- ♦ **Crafts at the Library: All that Glitters**  
Sunday, December 16:, 2–4 p.m.
- ♦ **Movie Matinee: It's a Wonderful Life**  
Saturday, December 22, 2–4 p.m. PG

<b>Nov. Art Exhibit</b>	Sherry Allen Art Show, November 1–30	<b>Thursday, Nov. 15</b>	Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m. Story Box, 9:30 a.m. Preschool Story Time, 11 a.m.
<b>Thursday, Nov. 1</b>	Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m.	<b>Friday, Nov. 16</b>	Story Box, 9:30 a.m.
	Story Box, 9:30 a.m. Preschool Story Time, 11 a.m. National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) Kickoff Party, 5–7 p.m.	<b>Sunday, Nov. 18</b>	Artful Story Time, 11 a.m. Adventures in Stamps, For families with children of all ages, 2–4 p.m. *Crafts for Adults: No Worries November, 2–4 p.m.
<b>Friday, Nov. 2</b>	Story Box, 9:30 a.m.	<b>Monday, Nov. 19</b>	*Beginning Microsoft PowerPoint, 9:30–11 a.m. Scenes from <i>The Nutcracker</i> , For families with kids of all ages, 3–4 p.m. National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) Write-In, 5–9 p.m. Monday Evening Book Group, 7 p.m.
<b>Saturday, Nov. 3</b>	Artful Story Time, 11 a.m. Musical Performance: Celtic Chaos, 2–3 p.m. *Ready, Set, BUILD Lego Club, For grades K–5, 3 p.m.	<b>Tuesday, Nov. 20</b>	Drop-in Crafts, For children of all ages, 10–11 a.m. Cool Science Light & Color, For families with kids ages 3 and older, 3–3:45 p.m.
<b>Monday, Nov. 5</b>	All Together Now Story Time, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. *Storing Photos with Google, 9:30–11 a.m. Senior Book Club, 2 p.m.	<b>Wednesday, Nov. 21</b>	International Conversation Circle, Noon–1:30 p.m. on the lower level *Movie Matinee: <i>Incredibles 2</i> , PG, For children ages 3 and up, 2–4 p.m.,
<b>Tuesday, Nov. 6</b>	Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.	<b>Thursday, Nov. 22</b>	Thanksgiving Day <b>LIBRARY CLOSED</b>
<b>Wednesday, Nov. 7</b>	Story Box, 9:30 a.m. All Together Now Story Time, 10:30 a.m. & 4 p.m. International Conversation Circle, Noon–1:30 p.m. on the lower level *One-on-One Tech Help, By appointment between 1:30–3 p.m. *Self-Publishing at Your Library, 6–7 p.m.	<b>Friday, Nov. 23</b>	Thanksgiving Holiday <b>LIBRARY CLOSED</b>
<b>Thursday, Nov. 8</b>	Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m.	<b>Saturday, Nov. 24</b>	Movie Matinee: <i>Ocean's 8</i> , PG-13, 2–4 p.m.
	Story Box, 9:30 a.m. Preschool Story Time, 11 a.m.	<b>Monday, Nov. 26</b>	All Together Now Story Time, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. *Facebook Basics, 9:30–11 a.m. AWRC Grab, Gab & Go, 1:30–2 p.m. Helpful Hints for Caregivers, 2 p.m.
<b>Friday, Nov. 9</b>	Story Box, 9:30 a.m.	<b>Tuesday, Nov. 27</b>	Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
	Artful Story Time, 11 a.m. Family Board Game Friday, 5–7:30 p.m.	<b>Wednesday, Nov. 28</b>	Story Box, 9:30 a.m. All Together Now Story Time, 10:30 a.m. & 4 p.m. International Conversation Circle, Noon–1:30 p.m. on the lower level *One-on-One Tech Help, By appointment between 1:30–3 p.m. *Self-Publishing for Writers: Intro to SELF-E, 6–7 p.m.
<b>Saturday, Nov. 10</b>	Busy Bodies at Bemis, 11–11:30 a.m. *Build It Bigger Teen Lego Event, 1:30–3:30 p.m. *Ready, Set, BUILD Lego Club, For grades K–5, 3 p.m.	<b>Thursday, Nov. 29</b>	Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m. Story Box, 9:30 a.m. Preschool Story Time, 11 a.m.
<b>Monday, Nov. 12</b>	All Together Now Story Time, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. *Basic Canva, 9:30–11 a.m. AWRC Grab, Gab & Go, 1:30–2 p.m. World War I: The Great War, 2–3 p.m.	<b>Friday, Nov. 30</b>	Story Box, 9:30 a.m. Artful Story Time, 11 a.m.
<b>Tuesday, Nov. 13</b>	Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.	<b>Saturday, Dec. 1</b>	*Ready, Set, BUILD Lego Club, For grades K–5, 3 p.m.
<b>Wednesday, Nov. 14</b>	Story Box, 9:30 a.m. All Together Now Story Time, 10:30 a.m. & 4 p.m. International Conversation Circle, Noon–1:30 p.m. on the lower level *Creating an Ebook: Intro to Press-books, 6–7 p.m.	<b>Monday, Dec. 3</b>	All Together Now Story Time, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Senior Book Club, 2 p.m. Writing the Memoir: Learning the Basics, 2–4 p.m.

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