



# Behind the Cover

The Monthly Newsletter of Bemis Public Library

City of Littleton

## Summer Movie Matinee: *Rango*

See the animated comedy, *Rango*, on the library's big screen, **Saturday, August 6, 2:00-4:00 p.m.** When a common pet chameleon (voiced by Johnny Depp) who's suffering from an identity crisis crashes headfirst into the classic Western town of Dirt, he has the unique opportunity to completely reinvent himself. Dubbing himself Rango, the chameleon boasts of his own heroism and creates a spiral of deception that lands him an appointment as sheriff of a town in crisis. Free popcorn and lemonade will be provided. Rated PG.



## Kissidugu and Project Drum: West African Drum & Dance Troupe

Experience an energetic musical performance featuring the West African drum and dance troupe, Kissidugu and Project Drum, **Thursday, August 11, 6:30-7:30 p.m.**, on the front lawn of the library. The performance will include explosive percussion, high flying dance and ancient African melodies.



## Big Band Tribute to the Silver Screen Era

Enjoy an outdoor concert, **Thursday, August 18, 6:30-7:30 p.m.** on the front lawn of the library! The Joe Peterson 10-piece Dance Orchestra and the Andrews Singers will treat you to magical musical moments from wonderful films of the silver screen era. The music featured will be from such movies as *Fiddler on the Roof*, *The Sting*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Breakfast at Tiffany's*, and more! Based in Littleton, the Joe Peterson Dance Orchestra has performed over 21 years throughout the Denver metro area.



## Summer Reading Programs Wrap Up

Our summer reading programs were full of unique stories and great adventures! Over 2,400 children participated in *One World, Many Stories at Bemis*, our Children's Summer Reading Program. Our Teen Summer Reading Program, *You Are Here*, had 515 teens participating. *Novel Destinations*, our Adult Summer Reading Program, had 384 adults participating.

Bemis wishes to extend its gratitude to the following businesses who generously contributed to the success of our 2011 Summer Reading Programs:

*Thanks* AMF Bowling Centers \* Applebee's Restaurants \* Aspen Grove Shopping Center \* Chick-fil-A at River Point \* Colorado Business Bank \* Denver Museum of Nature & Science \* Fazoli's Restaurant, 111 W. Mineral Ave. \* Freddy's Frozen Custard & Steakburgers, 2660 W. Belleview Ave. \* Lakeside Amusement Park \* McDonald's Restaurants in Littleton \* Noodles & Company at Aspen Grove \* Pirates Cove Family Aquatic Center \* Romano's Italian Restaurant \* Skate City, 5801 S. Lowell Way \* South Suburban Parks and Recreation District \* Texas Roadhouse, 10066 W. San Juan Way

And a special thank you to the **Friends of the Littleton Library and Museum**. We couldn't have done it without you!

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## Sign Up for a Library Card!

Next month is **National Library Card Signup Month**. 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](mailto: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, prizes, and your name will be entered in a drawing for a \$30 gift certificate to Tattered Cover Bookstore. A library card is the best deal in town giving you access to a variety of free materials including the latest movies, downloadable ebooks and audio books, best sellers, as well as magazine and newspaper articles online.

# Antique Appraisal Fair Coming in Sept.

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 beginning August 1.

# Immigrant Resources Center Needs Volunteers

The Littleton Immigrant Resources Center is looking for volunteers. Citizenship applicants have increased and our ESL-based Language Partners program is still gathering students, so demand is high. If you have an interest in working with people from different cultures, helping them study to become U.S. Citizens, or assisting them in learning English, we would love for you to join us! Please contact Alejandra Harguth at the library at 303-795-3968 or [aharguth@littletongov.org](mailto:aharguth@littletongov.org) for more information.



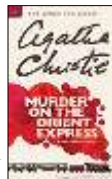
# Book Groups at Bemis

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

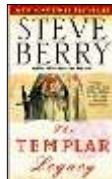
**First Monday of each month at 2 p.m.**

**Aug. 1:** *Murder on the Orient Express*  
by Agatha Christie



A Russian princess, a Hungarian count, a Swedish beauty, and an assortment of Americans, English and French are brought together on the elegant Orient Express. A brutal murder and an unexpected blizzard bring in the vacationing Hercule Poirot.

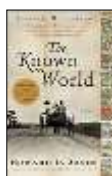
**Sept. 12\*:** *The Templar Legacy*  
by Steve Berry



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.

## ♦ Monday Evening Book Group

**Third Monday of each month at 7 p.m.**

**Aug. 15:** *Number9Dream*  
by David Mitchell



A young Japanese man's quest to find his estranged parents throws him into a bizarre world of mobsters, dream villains and cyber-tricksters.

**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.

# 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., Aug. 16; Tues., Sept 20; Tues., Oct. 18
- ♦ **Intermediate Excel - MS Office 2003**  
Wed., Aug. 17; Wed., Sept. 21; Wed., Oct. 19
- ♦ **Beginning Internet**  
Wed., Aug. 3; Sat., Sept. 17; Sat., Oct. 15
- ♦ **Beginning PowerPoint - MS Office 2003**  
Tues., Aug. 23; 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., Aug. 9; Tues., Sept. 13; Tues., Oct. 11
- ♦ **Intermediate Word - MS Office 2003**  
Wed., Aug. 10
- ♦ **Computer Comfort**  
Tues., Aug. 2; Sat., Sept. 3; Sat., Oct. 1
- ♦ **Library Databases**  
Wed., Aug. 24
- ♦ **Mail Merge in MS Word 2003**  
Wed., Oct. 12
- ♦ **Resumes with MS Word 2003**  
Wed., Sept. 14
- ♦ **Using the Library Catalog**  
Tues., Aug. 30
- ♦ **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.





# Children's Programs



## MovieTime Tuesday: *The Lion King 1½*

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.* As a special bonus, every few months, we'll take a field trip to the local movie theater to check out a flick - free!

We will not meet in August but 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.

**Aug. 6:** No meeting scheduled

**Sept. 3:** *Soul Surfer*

**Oct. 1:** To be determined



### ♦ Wii & Kinect - Third Thursdays @ 3:30 p.m.

Play a different video game each month!

Check out our new Xbox Kinect system.

**Aug. 18:** Racing games on both machines

**Sept. 15:** Rock Band & Kinect Adventures

**Oct. 20:** Super Smash Bros Brawl & Boxing

### ♦ Teen Advisory Group (TAG)

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

**Aug. 26:** No meeting scheduled

**Sept. 23:** Discuss programs for Teen Read Week

**Oct. 28:** Program planning

Enjoy a final summer comedy-adventure on the library's big screen on **Tuesday, August 9, 2:00 p.m.** with friends Timon and Pumba as they reveal where they came from, when they met and how they helped Simba save the Serengeti in this prequel to Walt Disney's *The Lion King*. Snacks will be served. For families with children ages 3 and up. Please call 303-795-3961 for reservations beginning August 1. Rated G. Running Time 77 minutes.



## Bubble-Mania with Captain Vic ~ the Science Wizard

Learn the scientific secrets and methods to making lots of bubbles from tiny dime-size baby bubbles to giant ones the size of basketballs on **Saturday, August 27, 3:00 p.m.** with Captain Vic, the Science Wizard. You also will learn how to blow bubbles inside of other bubbles and make your own unique bubble creations in this very hands-on class. For kids in grades K-5. Please make reservations by calling 303-795-3961 beginning August 13.



## **NEW** Garden Cottage Replaces Castle

Thanks to the Friends of the Littleton Library and Museum, the Children's Room now has a bright, new play structure to enjoy! In addition to spinning and movable parts, there is plenty of space to read and play in our two-story Garden Cottage. Stop by the library for a visit and discover some great items to check out as well.



## Special Teen Events

### 2011 Film School Movie Premiere

**Friday, August 12, 5:30-7:30 p.m.**

The Binning Family Foundation and Bemis proudly present the World Premiere of the 2011 Film School Movies at the Littleton City Center (2255 W. Berry Ave.).



### Duct Tape Creations

**Saturday, August 20, 2:00-3:30 p.m.**

Learn how to create cool stuff out of duct tape! All materials and instructions will be provided. Space is limited; contact teen librarian Mark to register for this event at 303-795-3961 or by email at [mdecker@littletongov.org](mailto:mdecker@littletongov.org).



## Weekly Story Times & Ongoing Activities

*No Weekly Story Time sessions in August. Weekly programs resume September 6.*

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

**Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.**

**Fridays at 9:30 a.m.**

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

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

**Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. or 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 with a furry friend. Please call 303-795-3961 to register for a 20-minute spot. Presented by the American Humane Association.



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

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## English as a Second Language Classes

Learn English at the library! The fall session of **English as a Second Language (ESL)** will begin on **Monday, August 22**. **Beginning English classes are held in the library's classroom from 9:00-10:30 a.m., Monday-Thursday, and 5:30-6:50 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 sixteen and over and adults who want to learn English or improve their English. There is a registration fee of \$30.00 each semester for adults 21 and older and no charge for individuals under the age of 21. You may register for the classes at the library's main floor Information Desk 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:

- ♦ **Musical Moments at Sophie's Place with Six Foot Joe & the Red Hot Rhinos**  
Saturday, September 10, 2:00-3:00 p.m.
- ♦ **Antique Appraisal Fair**  
Friday, September 16, Noon-7:00 p.m.
- ♦ **Mysteries of the Shroud of Turin**  
Tuesday, September 20, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- ♦ **Saturday Movie Matinee: *Rio***  
Saturday, September 24, 2:00-4:00 p.m.
- ♦ **Denver's Sixteenth Street**  
Monday, September 26, 2:00-3:00 p.m.

# Schedule of Library Events

- August Art Exhibit** Celebrate Colorado Artists Show, Roxborough Arts Council
- Monday, August 1** Senior Book Club, 2:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, August 2** \*Computer Comfort, Space Available, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, August 3** \*Beginning Internet, Space Available, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- Library Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Thursday, August 4** Open Computer Lab, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- International Conversation Circle, 12:30-2:00 p.m.
- Friday, August 5** Bemis Knitting Group, 2:00 p.m.
- Saturday, August 6** Summer Movie Matinee: *Rango*, Rated PG, 2:00-4:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, August 9** \*Beginning Word, MS Office '03, Space Available, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- \*MovieTime Tuesday: *The Lion King 1-1/2*, Rated G, 2:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, August 10** \*Intermediate Word, MS Office '03, Space Available, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- Thursday, August 11** Open Computer Lab, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- Kissidugu & Project Drum: West African Drum & Dance Troupe, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- Friday, August 12** Bemis Knitting Group, 2:00 p.m.
- Monday, August 15** Monday Evening Book Club, 7:00 p.m.
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- Wednesday, August 17** \*Intermediate Excel, MS Office '03, Space Available, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- Thursday, August 18** Open Computer Lab, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- Teen Wii and Kinect Games, 3:30 p.m.
- Senior Wii Bowling, 2:00-3:00 p.m.
- Big Band Tribute to the Silver Screen Era, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- Friday, August 19** Bemis Knitting Group, 2:00 p.m.
- Saturday, August 20** Teen Program: Duct Tape Creations, 2:00-3:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, August 23** \*Beginning PowerPoint, Office '03, Space Available, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, August 24** \*Library Databases, Space Available, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- Thursday, August 25** Open Computer Lab, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- International Conversation Circle, 12:30-2:00 p.m.
- Teen Advisory Group, 3:30 p.m.
- Friday, August 26** Bemis Knitting Group, 2:00 p.m.
- Saturday, August 27** \*Bubble-Mania with Captain Vic - The Science Wizard, Ages K-5, 3:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, August 30** \*Using the Library Catalog, Space Available, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- Sept. 1-30 National Library Card Signup Month**
- Thursday, Sept. 1** Open Computer Lab, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- Friday, Sept. 2** Bemis Knitting Group, 2:00 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 3** \*Computer Comfort, Space Available, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- Monday, Sept 5 LIBRARY CLOSED**
- Tuesday, Sept. 6** \*Beginning Windows XP, Space Available, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- \*Story Box, 9:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, Sept. 7** \*Windows Keyboard Commands, Space Available, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
- \*Story Box, 9:30 a.m. or 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. or 1:30 p.m.
- International Conversation Circle, 12:30-2:00 p.m.
- \*These programs require a reservation or ticket. Please call 303-795-3961.**
- Specific program details elsewhere in this newsletter.*