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Behind the Cover

The Monthly Newsletter of Bemis Public Library



A Colorado Winter with John Fielder



Renowned photographer John Fielder presents his new book, *A Colorado Winter*, on **Monday, February 5, 7 p.m.** View over 200 of Fielder's most superb winter photographs. In addition, Fielder will share stories of life on the winter trail, often en route to remote cabins in Colorado's diverse hut network. Fielder's books and calendars will be available for sale at the presentation.

Extreme Couponing Workshop



Learn couponing secrets the pros use from authorized couponing instructor Erin Lamberte on **Saturday, February 10, 2 p.m.** Slash your monthly grocery bill by hundreds, learn two essential couponing principles and start shopping smarter not harder. *Registration is required. To register, call 303-795-3961 or register on-line at the library's events calendar at www.littletongov.org.*

The FBI Wife Author Talk

Hear Sandra Windsor describe the struggles she faced establishing a life separate from the secrets and rigidity of her FBI husband on **Monday, February 12, 2-3 p.m.** Windsor recently won a Colorado Independent Publishers' Award for her memoir, *The FBI Wife*. Windsor's book will be for sale at the presentation.

Musical Performance: Latin Love Songs with Manuel Molina & Suzanne Morales



Performances feature a variety of musical talent from Littleton and the Denver metro area. Get in a romantic state of mind with guitarist Manuel Molina and vocalist Suzanne Morales as they perform Latin Love Songs **Saturday, February 17, 2 p.m.**

Saturday Movie Matinée: *Battle of the Sexes*



Watch the true story of the 1973 tennis match between world number one ranked Billie Jean King and Bobby Riggs on **Saturday, February 24, 2-4 p.m.** The movie stars Emma Stone and Steve Carell. Enjoy free popcorn and lemonade. PG-13.

Crafts for Grownups: It's In the Cards

Join us for a different featured craft each month. The library will provide supplies and instruction. Programs are for adults only. *Registration is required. To register, call 303-795-3961 or register on-line at the library's events calendar at www.littletongov.org.* **Sunday, February 25, 2-3:30 p.m.:** Explore fun, clever, and unusual ideas for making your own cards. Go home with a card as special as the person you give it to... if you can stand to give it away.

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Chautauqua Performer John Voehl as Abraham Lincoln

Although Lincoln lacked the impressive resume credentials of his rivals, he became one of the greatest presidents of all time. Watch historian and Chautauqua performer John Voehl embody Lincoln on **Monday, February 26, 2 p.m.**

Black History Live Tour

Colorado Humanities is pleased to offer a portrayal of Malcolm X by eminent national humanities and Chautauqua scholar Charles Everett Pace as part of their Black History Live Tour 2018 on **Tuesday, February 27, 7 p.m.** Pace's portrayal will show how marginal outsiders become influential insiders. Participants will have a unique opportunity to talk with Malcolm X and Mr. Pace.



AWRC Grab, Gab & Go Events

Stop by the Aging Well Resource Center's **Grab, Gab & Go Events** on **Wednesday, February 14** and **Monday, February 26, 1:30–2 p.m.** AWRC provides information for seniors, caregivers, spouses, or friends. If you need information on resources, the library's AWRC is a good place to start.

Feel Confident About Getting Older

Now is the time to feel confident about getting older with the four components of exercise: strength, cardio, flexibility, and balance. On **Wednesday, February 14, 2 p.m.**, Patty Bisbee of Arapahoe Community College's Fitness Center/Silver Sneakers Program will present ways to stay active and improve your quality of life as you age.



Volunteer Snow Shovelers Needed



The Aging Well Resource Center, AWRC, needs snow shovelers this winter. Help your fellow citizens clear snow off their sidewalks. Call 303-795-3980 or complete the **Snow Squad Information Packet** at <https://www.littletongov.org/city-services/senior-services>

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.

Feb 5: *The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie* by Alan Bradley



At the once-grand mansion of Buckshaw, young Flavia de Luce, an aspiring chemist with a passion for poison, is intrigued by a series of inexplicable events: a dead bird is found on the doorstep, a postage stamp bizarrely pinned to its beak. Then hours later, Flavia finds a man lying in the cucumber patch and watches him as he takes his dying breath. For Flavia who is both appalled and delighted, life begins in earnest when murder comes to Buckshaw.

Mar. 5: *Hidden Figures* by Margot Lee Shetterly



Before John Glenn orbited the earth or Neil Armstrong walked on the moon, a group of dedicated female mathematicians known as "human computers" used pencils, slide rules, and adding machines to calculate the numbers that would launch rockets, and astronauts, into space. This book brings to life the stories of Dorothy Vaughan, Mary Jackson, Katherine Johnson, and Christine Darden, four African-American women who lived through the Civil Rights era, the Space Race, the Cold War, and the movement for gender equality, and whose work forever changed the face of NASA and the country.

◆ **Monday Evening Book Group**

Third Monday of each month at 7 p.m.

Feb. 26*: *The Speed of Dark* by Elizabeth Moon



A gripping exploration into the world of Lou Arrendale, an autistic man who is offered a chance to try a brand-new experimental "cure" for his condition. Now Lou must decide if he should submit to a surgery that might completely change the way he views the world . . . and the very essence of who he is.

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

Mar. 19: *Illuminations* by Mary Sharratt



Illuminations chronicles the life of Hildegard von Bingen (1098–1179), who was tithed to the church at the age of eight and expected to live out her days in silent submission as the handmaiden of a renowned but disturbed young nun. Longing for escape, Hildegard receives comfort from vivid mystical visions of the Divine that combine imagery from the natural world with strong feminine figures. Her controversial decision to create a written record of these visions brings her into heated conflict with church leaders, but also enables her to finally change her circumstances for good.

◆ **Genre Addicts Book Club**

Second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m.

Each month we feature a different genre. **Feb. 14:** *Quirky Love Stories*

Computers @ Bemis

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 through the Library Main Calendar at www.littletongov.org.

Classes are held from 9:30–11 a.m.

◆ **Mon., Feb. 5–Beginning MS Word:**

Learn how to create and edit a document with Word. Learn basic formatting tools such as changing the font, making text bold or underlined, and changing text alignment. Also, learn how to save and print documents. *Registration required.*

Prerequisites: Computer basics (familiarity with keyboard and mouse).

◆ **Fri., Feb. 16–Computer Basics:**

Gain a basic understanding of the different parts of a computer and how it works. Practice opening and closing programs, using the mouse, and typing skills. *Registration required.*

Prerequisites: None

◆ **Mon., Feb. 26–Buying Online:**

Learn how to safely navigate the websites eBay and Craigslist. Learn tips on how to avoid scams. *Registration required.*

Prerequisites: Computer basics (familiarity with keyboard and mouse) and Internet basics (know how to navigate a web browser).

◆ **One-on-One Technology Help:**

Wednesdays, 1:30–3 p.m.

Registration required for one-on-one appointments. Sign up for a 30-minute individualized tech appointment with a librarian to get assistance with anything from Smartphones and Tablets to signing up for an email address.

◆ **Open Computer Lab: 9:30–11 a.m.**

Every Thursday morning. No registration required. Practice computer skills and have 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.



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

♦ **Teen Movies**

First Saturday of the month @ 2 p.m.

Feb 3: *The Lego Ninjago Movie*, PG

Mar 3: *My Little Pony: The Movie*, PG



♦ **Teen Advisory Group (TAG)**

Fourth Friday of the month @ 3:30 p.m.
Feb. 23, Mar. 23 and Apr. 27

Afternoon Activities on the Teen Deck

♦ **Anime & Manga Club**

Saturday, February 3 & 17, 2-3:30 p.m.

If you like anime and manga, this is the place for you! Discover a new manga series, watch interesting anime, discuss the genre, and meet new friends. No registration required. You can drop in or leave any time.

♦ **Board Game Friday**

Friday, February 9, 4-7:30 p.m.*

Play some board games in the library after-hours. Each month we'll feature a new game, although all of our board games will be available to play. Snacks will be provided.

**This is an after-hours event. Participants must arrange for a ride home at 7:30 p.m. No registration required.*

Anti-Valentine's Day Party

Hang out at the library (even if you have a Valentine)



on **Friday, February 16, 5-7 p.m.*** Eat heart shaped pizza, enjoy crafts and activities, play "The Relationship Game" with your favorite romantic characters from books and movies, and talk about important issues like dating violence and the importance of friendships.

**This is an after-hours event. Participants must arrange for a ride home at 7 p.m.*

Registration is required. To register, please call the library at 303-795-3961, or email Emily at libem@littletongov.org.

New Teen Deck Stuff!

Check out the new activities and gadgets on the Teen Deck: remote-controlled devices, an art station, music station, robot kits, VR, and more! We have craft activity packs with all the supplies you need to make cool stuff, including duct tape, beading, and calligraphy.

Children's Programs



Busy Bodies at Bemis



Join us on **Saturday, February 3, 11-11:30 a.m.** for music, movement, games and fun. For children ages 2-6 and their caregivers.



Valentine Fun

Get ready for Valentine's Day with an hour of crafts, games and sweet treats for kids in grades K-5 on **Sunday, February 11, 3-4 p.m.** You will LOVE it. *Reservations required. Come in or call 303-795-3961 beginning February 1 to reserve a spot.*

Dads and Donuts

Calling all Dads, grandpas and uncles! Bring your little ones in for a fun story time with donuts, juice & coffee treats on **Saturday, February 24, 10-10:30 a.m.** For kids ages 1-5 with caregivers.



Ongoing Programs

♦ **All Together Now Story Time:**

Monday at 9:30 & 10:30 a.m. and Wednesday at 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. *Optional extended playtime immediately following Monday sessions.*

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

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

Thirty minutes of stories and songs for children and a caring adult to introduce the joy of rhythm, rhyme and reading. *Optional extended playtime on the 2nd and 4th weeks of the month. Space is limited; free tickets available at the Children's Desk or by calling 303-795-3961 the morning of the session.*

♦ **Bounce Along with Baby: Ages 0-18 months & their caregivers**

Wednesday at 11 a.m.

Join us for rhymes, songs, baby sign language, stories and fun. Siblings are welcome.

♦ **Preschool Story Time: Ages 3 and older**

Thursday & Friday at 10:30 a.m.

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



♦ **Ready, Set, BUILD! Lego Club: For kids in grades K-5**

Saturday, February 3 at 2 p.m.

You bring creativity and we'll provide the Lego bricks. *Registration begins one week in advance.*

♦ **Paws to Read: For kids in grades K-5**

Saturday, February 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.*



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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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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bemisoutreach@littletongov.org.

Upcoming Events

Enjoy these events coming to the library next month:

- ◆ **Diversity and Inclusion: Women in Her Story**
Tuesday, March 6, 7 p.m.
- ◆ **Saturday Movie Matinée: *Goodbye Christopher Robin* (PG)**
Saturday, March 10, 2 p.m.
- ◆ **Remarkable Women of Colorado**
Monday, March 12, 2 p.m.
- ◆ **Colorado's Natural Resources: A Partnership with Red Rocks Community College**
Tuesday, March 13 and 20, 7 p.m.
- ◆ **How the Brain Changes as You Age**
Monday, March 19, 2–3:30 p.m.
- ◆ **Musical Performance: Skean Dubh Celtic Band**
Saturday, March 24, 2 p.m.
- ◆ **Regis University Santo Collection Road Show**
Monday, March 26, 2 p.m.

Schedule of Library Events

- Feb. Art Exhibit** Opus Original Art Show
February 1–28
- Thursday, Feb. 1** Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
- Friday, Feb. 2** *Story Box, 9:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
- Saturday, Feb. 3** Busy Bodies at Bemis, 11–11:30 a.m.
*Ready, Set, BUILD Lego Club, Grades K–5, 2 p.m.
Teen Movie: *The Lego Ninjago Movie*, PG, 2 p.m.
Teen Anime & Manga Club, 2–3:30 p.m.
- Monday, Feb. 5** All Together Now Story Time, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
*Beginning MS Word, 9:30–11 a.m.
Senior Book Club, 2 p.m.
A Colorado Winter with John Fielder, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, Feb. 6** *Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, Feb. 7** *Story Box, 10 a.m.
Bounce Along with Baby, 11 a.m.
International Conversation Circle, Noon–1:30 p.m. on the lower level
All Together Now Story Time, 4 p.m.
Genre Addicts Book Club: *Cozy Mysteries*, 7–8 p.m.
- Thursday, Feb. 8** Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
- Friday, Feb. 9** *Story Box, 9:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
Teen Board Game Friday, 4–7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, Feb. 10** *Paws to Read, For grades K–5, 10 a.m.–noon
*Extreme Couponing Workshop, 2 p.m.
- Sunday, Feb. 11** *Valentine Fun, For kids in grades K–5, 3–4 p.m.
- Monday, Feb. 12** All Together Now Story Time, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
The FBI Wife Author Talk, 2–3 p.m.
- Tuesday, Feb. 13** *Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, Feb. 14** *Story Box, 10 a.m.
Bounce Along with Baby, 11 a.m.
International Conversation Circle, Noon–1:30 p.m. on the lower level
All Together Now Story Time, 4 p.m.
AWRC Grab, Gab & Go, 1:30–2 p.m.
Feel Confident About Getting Older, 2–4 p.m.
Genre Addicts Book Club: *Quirky Love Stories*, 7 p.m.
- Thursday, Feb. 15** Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
- Friday, Feb. 16** *Computer Basics, 9:30–11 a.m.
*Story Box, 9:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
*Teen Anti-Valentine's Day Party, 5–7 p.m.
- Saturday, Feb. 17** Musical Performance: Latin Love Songs with Manuel Molina & Suzanne Morales, 2–3 p.m.
Teen Anime & Manga Club, 2–3:30 p.m.
- Monday, Feb. 19** President's Day
LIBRARY CLOSED
- Tuesday, Feb. 20** *Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, Feb. 21** *Story Box, 10 a.m.
Bounce Along with Baby, 11 a.m.
International Conversation Circle, Noon–1:30 p.m. on the lower level
All Together Now Story Time, 4 p.m.
- Thursday, Feb. 22** Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
- Friday, Feb. 23** *Story Box, 9:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
- Saturday, Feb. 24** Dads & Donuts, for kids ages 1–5, 10–10:30 a.m.
Saturday Movie Matinée: *Battle of the Sexes*, PG-13, 2–4 p.m.
- Sunday, Feb. 25** *Crafts for Grownups, It's in the Cards, 2–3:30 p.m.
- Monday, Feb. 26** All Together Now Story Time, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
*Buying Online, 9:30–11 a.m.
AWRC Grab, Gab & Go, 1:30–2 p.m.
Chautauqua Performer John Voehl as Abraham Lincoln, 2 p.m.
Monday Evening Book Group, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, Feb. 27** *Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
Black History Live Tour, 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, Feb. 28** *Story Box, 10 a.m.
Bounce Along with Baby, 11 a.m.
International Conversation Circle, Noon–1:30 p.m. on the lower level
All Together Now Story Time, 4 p.m.
- Thursday, Mar. 1** Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
- Friday, Mar. 2** *Intermediate MS Word, 9:30–11 a.m.
*Story Box, 9:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
- * These programs require a reservation or ticket. Please call 303-795-3961.*