



Behind the Cover

The Monthly Newsletter of Bemis Public Library



Crafts at the Library: Mapping it Out

We're clearing out the map drawers to make travel-inspired things like journals with pouches for tickets, map-covered bulletin boards to pin your travel dreams on or unique luggage tags. The library will provide supplies and instruction. *This program is for adults only. Registration is required. To register, call 303-795-3961 or register on-line at www.littletongov.org. Sunday, September 16 – Adults Only: 2–4 p.m.*



Putin's Russia

Under the leadership of Vladimir Putin, Russia has been accused of illegally invading Ukraine and hacking the U.S. to influence the 2016 presidential election. Having stretched his influence far beyond the term of his first official Presidency and now having returned to the role and consolidated his power, Vladimir Putin's leadership of Russia suggests a return to an authoritarianism that, for some, feels similar to the days of Soviet control and the Czars of old. Join Active Minds on **Monday, September 17, 2 p.m.** as we examine the story of Russia under the influence of Vladimir Putin.



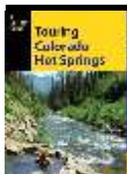
Beginner Genealogy Workshop

Have you always wanted to research your ancestors but didn't know where to start? If so, this basic class on **Tuesday, September 18, 9:30–11:30 a.m.**, will give you some resources and valuable local connections. Topics to be covered include where to find records, how and when to document your sources, building your family tree with software, using on-line resources and an introduction to the Bemis Library genealogical collection. Instructor, Ann Lisa Pearson, has more than 30 years of genealogical research and mentoring experience. *Registration is required on or before September 11. Class fee is \$25* which includes the book *How to Do Everything Genealogy*, 4th ed. Make checks payable to Columbine Genealogical and Historical Society or CGHS. To register visit the library's website at www.littletongov.org or call the library at 303-795-3961.

Medicare Class with DRCOG

This class on **Monday, September 24, 2 p.m.**, is for those wanting to learn more about the different parts of Medicare and their coverage options. The class will discuss coverage choices including Original Medicare, Medicare Advantage (Part C) plans, Medicare supplemental (Medigap) insurance policies and prescription drug plans. In addition, financial assistance programs for people on Medicare and common Medicare terminology will be reviewed. At this class, you may register for October individual Medicare appointments with DRCOG representatives.

Touring Colorado Hot Springs



Travel guidebook author Susan Joy Paul has hiked, climbed, snowshoed, rappelled and summited more than 500 mountains. In her latest book, *Touring Colorado Hot Springs*, Paul took a break to relax and revitalize at 32 of the state's best hot springs. On **Tuesday, September 25, 7 p.m.**, learn about the author's favorite spots. Paul's books will be for sale at the event.

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Ageless Outings

Join *Out & About Colorado* founder Mary Archer on **Wednesday, September 26, 2 p.m.**, as she shares suggestions from her guidebook, *Ageless Outings*, for over 200 day trips for seniors to enjoy in the Denver Metro area. Learn about fascinating and inexpensive ways to enjoy the city. Archer's book will be for sale at the event.

Rocky Mountain Shipwrights Exhibit

Visit the model ships exhibit from the Rocky Mountain Shipwrights **September 28-30** in the Sophie's Place area of the library. View these intricately built model ships—from Egyptian barges to WWII destroyers, ships in bottles to all-paper models and miniature liners.



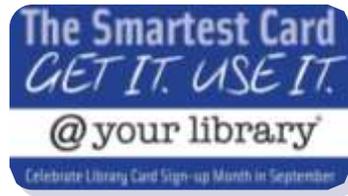
Saturday Movie Matinee— *RBG: a documentary*

See this intimate portrait of an unlikely rock star, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, **Saturday, September 29, 2 p.m.** With unprecedented access, the filmmakers explore how Ginsburg's early legal battles and her lifelong fight against gender discrimination changed the world for women. PG.

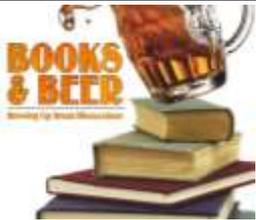


National Library Card Sign-up Month

Sign up for a library card at Bemis in September and receive a free book! Your name also will be entered in a drawing for a gift certificate to a local Littleton business. Already have a library card? Show your card at the main floor information desk and your name will be entered to win a gift certificate to a local Littleton business. A library card gives you access to a wide variety of free materials, including the latest movies, downloadable eBooks, audio books, best sellers, as well as magazines and newspaper articles online. Kids can show their new card at the children's desk this month and receive a small prize.



Books & Beer: Brewing Up Great Discussions



We're partnering with Saint Patrick's Brewing Company, a local business, to provide a new book group—at the brewery! Each month, read a nonfiction book about a social, economic, or historical topic, then meet to discuss it over a beverage. For our next meeting on **Thursday, September 27, 6 p.m.**, read *The Unsettlers* by Mark Sundeen. Arrive earlier to take advantage of happy hour prices. Saint Patrick's Brewing Co. 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.
Sept. 10*: *The Underground Railroad* by Colson Whitehead



Cora is a young slave on a cotton plantation in Georgia. An outcast even among her fellow Africans, she is on the cusp of womanhood—where greater pain awaits. And so when Caesar, a slave who has recently arrived from Virginia, urges her to join him on the Underground Railroad, she seizes the opportunity and escapes with him.

* We will meet on the second Monday in Sept. due to the Labor Day holiday.

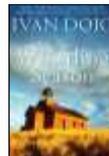
- ◆ **Oct. 1:** *The Handmaid's Tale* by Margaret Atwood



The novel is set in the near future in a location that was once the United States. Now called the Republic of Gilead, the country is a monotheocracy that has reacted to social unrest and a sharply declining birthrate by reverting to, and going beyond, the repressive intolerance of the original Puritans. Narrated by the Handmaid Offred, her tale is at times funny but more often unexpected, horrifying and altogether convincing. It is at once scathing satire, dire warning and a tour de force.

- ◆ **Monday Evening Book Group**
Third Monday of each month at 7 p.m.

Sept. 17: *The Whistling Season* by Ivan Doig



"Can't cook but doesn't bite." So begins the newspaper ad offering the services of a housekeeper that draws the hungry attention of widower Oliver Milliron in the fall of 1909. And so begins the unforgettable season that deposits the non-cooking, nonbiting, ever-whistling Rose Llewellyn and her font-of-knowledge brother, Morris Morgan, in Marias Coulee along with a stampede of homesteaders drawn by the promise of the Big Ditch—a gargantuan irrigation project intended to make the Montana prairie bloom.

Oct. 15: *Breakfast with Buddha* by Roland Merullo



Otto Ringling, a successful New York editor and contented family man, has been in a slump ever since his parents were killed in an automobile accident. To settle the estate, he and his loopy sister, Cecilia, must drive to the family homestead in North Dakota. Then Cecilia tells him she's giving her half of the farm to her guru, the maroon-robed Volya Rinpoche and that she wants Otto to drive him there.

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 through the Library Main Calendar at www.littletongov.org. **Classes are held from 9:30–11 a.m. unless otherwise noted.**

- ◆ **Mon., Sept. 10: Build a Website with Weebly**
Whether you are looking to create a portfolio to get more clients and make more sales or wanting to create a blog to share your thoughts with the world, Weebly can help you create your own website. We'll learn how to use this free drag-and-drop website creator to make your own professional online presence, as we cover everything from signing up to creating pages. **Registration required.**
Prerequisites: Computer proficiency (comfortable using keyboard shortcuts and right-clicking), internet basics (knows how to navigate a web browser) and access to a current email address (contact the library if you need help setting up an email account).
- ◆ **Mon., Sept. 17: iPhone Basics**
Get familiar with your iPhone as we go over accessing apps such as the calendar, using the internet, taking a photo and how to change settings. **Registration required.**
Prerequisites: iPhone with iOS 11 or newer. Call the library if you have questions about what iOS software your phone has.
- ◆ **Mon., Sept. 24: Social Media Crash Course: Pinterest, Reddit & YouTube**
Get a quick overview of three popular social media sites: Pinterest, Reddit and YouTube. We'll create an account on each site, as well as go over what they're best used for, how to create your own posts and how to find the things you're interested in. **Registration required.**
Prerequisites: Computer basics (familiarity with keyboard and mouse) and an active email account (please contact library if you need assistance creating an account).
- ◆ **Wed., Sept. 5, 12, & 26: One-on-One Tech Help**
30-minute time slots from 1:30–3 p.m.
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. **Registration required.**
- ◆ **Open Computer Lab: 9:30–11 a.m. Every Thursday morning. No registration required.** Get answers to your computer-related questions. Practice your computer skills and have a little one-on-one time with a computer class instructor. Bring your smart-phone or tablet and receive individual help downloading ebooks and eaudio-books 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.



◆ **Board Game Friday**
Friday, September 21,
4–7:30 p.m.

Play board games in the library after-hours! Snacks and improv fun will be provided. *This is an after-hours event. Participants must arrange for a ride home at 7:30 p.m. No registration required.*

◆ **Teen Advisory Group (TAG)**
4th Thursday of every month @ 5 p.m.
New day & time—September 27, 5 p.m.
TAG, you're it! Enjoy snacks and games (including Just Dance and Rock Band) while you help us make the library better by assisting with projects, programs and helping us decide what books and games we should purchase.

Meditation for Teens

Discover meditation styles to help you find your zen on **Thursday, September 6, 5–7 p.m.** We'll learn basic stretches and three different types of meditation from a professional yoga instructor. *Space is limited. Registration is required.* Register on-line at www.littletongov.org or call the library at 303-795-3961.



Upcoming Teen Events

◆ **Dungeons & Dragons 101**
Thursday, October 4, 5–7 p.m.
Always wanted to play Dungeons & Dragons but never knew where to start? Join us for a fun introduction adventure and take home your own character miniature to paint. *Space is limited. Registration will be required.*

◆ **Teen Craft: Nail Art**
Saturday, October 20, 2–4 p.m.



Get festive and create inspired art on your nails. We'll provide the polish and other supplies for you to bring a little spooky to your nails this season. *Space is limited. Registration will be required.*

Children's Programs



Dads and Donuts

Calling all Dads, grandpas and uncles! Bring your little ones, ages 2–6, to the library on **Saturday, September 8, 10–10:30 a.m.**, for a fun story time with donuts, juice & coffee treats.



Busy Bodies at Bemis

Join us on **Saturday, September 15, 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.



Old Town Puppet Company Presents Little Red Riding Hood

Puppets, songs, fairy tales and lots of humor combine for a fun-filled performance by Mike Walsh and the Old Town Puppet Company on **Sunday, September 30, 3–3:45 p.m.** For families with children of all ages.



Ongoing Programs

NEW Weekly Story Time Schedule Beginning September 4

◆ **All Together Now Story Time: *New day added.* 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: *New day added.* 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. *Space is limited; free tickets available at the Children's Desk or by calling 303-795-3961 the morning of the session.*

◆ **Preschool Story Time: *New time.* Thursday at 11 a.m. Ages 3 and older.**
Thirty minutes of stories, songs and activities with a *puppet show on September 6.*

◆ **Artful Story Time: *New Time.* Friday 11 a.m. Ages 3 and older.**
Stories, music and art combine for 30 minutes of fun with a *puppet show September 7.*



◆ **Ready, Set, BUILD! Lego Club: Grades K–5**
Saturday, September 1 at 2 p.m.

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

◆ **Paws to Read: Grades K–5**

Saturday, September 8, 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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HOURS: M–Th 9–9; F–Sa 9–5; Su 1–5

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Earn an Accredited High School Diploma at Bemis

Thirty million adults do not have their high school diploma or GED. If you are one of these adults and want to increase your earning prospects and accomplish your goal of earning a high school diploma, look no further. Bemis is offering adult community members the opportunity to earn an accredited high school diploma and credentialed career certificate through Career Online High School (COHS). COHS is completely online so you can work at your own pace at home at any time of day. You will earn a diploma and a career certificate in one of nine career fields. Scholarships are available which makes this program completely free of cost to you. If you are 19 years or older, a resident of the city of Littleton, have at least an 8th grade education and want to get your high school diploma, fill out the self-assessment on-line at littletongov.org/bemiscohs. Bemis will contact you to get you on the road to success.



Upcoming Events

Enjoy these events coming to the library next month:

- ♦ **Colorado Ballot Issues**
Tuesday, October 9, 7 p.m.
- ♦ **Musical Performance: 2-Neck Guitarist Mark Kroos**
Saturday, October 13, 2 p.m.
- ♦ **Plundered Skulls and Stolen Spirits**
Wednesday, October 17, 7 p.m.
- ♦ **Arlington National Cemetery and the Tomb of the Unknowns**
Monday, October 22, 2 p.m.
- ♦ **Movie Matinee: Solo: A Star Wars Story**
Saturday, October 27, 2–4 p.m., PG-13
- ♦ **Unassisted Living author talk with Bob Puglisi**
Monday, October 29th, 7 p.m.

Sept. Art Exhibit 5 Artist Friends Art Show, Sept. 1-30

Saturday, Sept. 1 *Ready, Set, BUILD Lego Club, For grades K–5, 2 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 3 Labor Day
LIBRARY CLOSED

Tuesday, Sept. 4 *Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 5 *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.

Thursday, Sept. 6 Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m.

*Story Box, 9:30 a.m.

Preschool Story Time, 11 a.m.

*Meditation for Teens, 5–7 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 7 *Story Box, 9:30 a.m.

Artful Story Time, 11 a.m.

Saturday, Sept. 8 Dads and Donuts, For ages 2–6, 10–10:30 a.m.

*Paws to Read, For grades K–5, 10 a.m.–noon

Monday, Sept. 10 All Together Now Story Time, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

*Build a Website with Weebly, 9:30–11 a.m.

Senior Book Club, 2 p.m.

*Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 11 *Story Box, 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 12 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.

Thursday, Sept. 13 Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m.

*Story Box, 9:30 a.m.

Preschool Story Time, 11 a.m.

*Story Box, 9:30 a.m.

Friday, Sept. 14 Artful Story Time, 11 a.m.

Saturday, Sept. 15 Busy Bodies at Bemis, 11–11:30 a.m.

Sunday, Sept. 16 *Crafts for Adults: Mapping it Out, 2–4 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 17 All Together Now Story Time, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

*iPhone Basics, 9:30–11 a.m.

AWRC Grab, Gab & Go, 1:30–2 p.m.

Putin’s Russia, 2 p.m.

Monday Evening Book Group, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 18 *Beginner Genealogy Workshop, 9:30–11:30 a.m.

*Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 19 *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

Thursday, Sept. 20 Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m.

*Story Box, 9:30 a.m.

Preschool Story Time, 11 a.m.

*Story Box, 9:30 a.m.

Friday, Sept. 21 Artful Story Time, 11 a.m.

Teen Board Game Friday, 4–7:30 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 24 All Together Now Story Time, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

*Social Media Crash Course: Pinterest, Reddit & YouTube, 9:30–11 a.m.

AWRC Grab, Gab & Go, 1:30–2 p.m.

Medicare Class with DRCOG, 2 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 25 *Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Touring Colorado Hot Springs, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 26 *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.

AWRC Grab, Gab & Go, 1:30–2 p.m.

Ageless Outings, 2 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 27 Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m.

*Story Box, 9:30 a.m.

Preschool Story Time, 11 a.m.

Teen Advisory Group (TAG), 5 p.m.

Books & Beer Book Group, 6 p.m., at Saint Patrick’s Brewing Company, 2842 W. Bowles Ave., Littleton 80120

Friday, Sept. 28 Rocky Mountain Shipwrights Exhibit, All Day

*Story Box, 9:30 a.m.

Artful Story Time, 11 a.m.

Saturday, Sept. 29 Rocky Mountain Shipwrights Exhibit, All Day

Movie Matinee: *RBG: a documentary*, PG, 2 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 30 Rocky Mountain Shipwrights Exhibit, All Day

Old Town Puppet Company Presents Little Red Riding Hood, For families with children of all ages, 3–3:45 p.m.

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