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Web Alley Opens

This month the Library will open its shiny new computer lab on the lower level.

The new space – Web Alley – is a direct response to the feedback of patrons, and to the quickly growing world of information technology. It is part of a year and a half long remodeling project on the lower level.

Web Alley essentially doubles the Library's computer capacity.

Twenty-one stations will now be open to the public. Sixteen can be used at hour long intervals, four will be 15 minute “express” stations for those users who need to quickly use the Internet and one will be for vision impaired users.

Additionally, both the privacy of computer users and the flow of library traffic are enhanced by devoting this space just to computer services.

Web Alley will be open whenever the Library is open. Staff will be available to assist users with their library accounts and passwords.

While Web Alley will be open to all, age-appropriate computers will continue to be available for use in the Children's and Young Adult areas.

Stay tuned – in the future the Library will host a variety of computer trainings in Web Alley.



Abe Lincoln @ MPL in March

On March 8, 2007, Missoula Public Library will be the proud host of “Forever Free: Abraham Lincoln's Journey to Emancipation”.

Organized by the Huntington Library, and the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History, in cooperation with the American Library Association (ALA), this traveling exhibition is made possible through major grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) and the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission, created by Congress and charged with planning the national celebration of Lincoln's 200th birthday.

To see what Missoula Public Library has in store for the exhibition's stay please point your web browser to: <http://www.missoulapubliclibrary.org/events/MPL-TravelingExhibits.htm>.

2nd Tuesday Book Discussion

On February 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the large meeting room, join in a discussion of *Team of Rivals* by Doris Kearns Goodwin. In this book, Pulitzer Prize-winning historian Goodwin investigates Abraham Lincoln and the leading members of his cabinet, providing fresh insights into the famed president's personality and politics.

In March, join us on Tuesday the 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the board room to discuss Elizabeth Kostova's novel *The Historian*. In this twist on the traditional Dracula story, a young girl discovers a mysterious book from her father's past. The book holds clues connecting the disappearance of a professor with Dracula, but before the girl's father can explain, he too vanishes.

Books are available at the Check Out Desk.

Forget Your Fines!

Love and forgiveness – a winning combination in life and, as it turns out, at your library during Food for Fines week in February.

Let Valentine's Week whisk away all of your overdue fines by bringing non-perishable foods or paper goods to the Checkout desk.

From **February 11-18**, the Library staff will gladly waive your late fees and in return, your donation will help restock the shelves of our local shelters.

Reader's Choice

If you have checked out something that you particularly enjoyed or found illuminating and want to share this with other library patrons, please fill in a Reader's Choice card.

We will put a sticker on it and shelve it with our Staff Picks. The PURPLE Reader's Choice cards are kept at the Information Desk, or you can ask a member of the staff for one.

Know Montana Lecture Series

Missoula Public Library is pleased to announce the beginning of a new lecture series, Know Montana.

Come explore the rich history of Montana and its many splendors.

The series begins February 7 at 7 p.m. with *Missoula Takes Flight*. Jan Taylor has researched the history of flight in Missoula. The program tracks the early years of aviation and its pioneers working together to secure airfields for Missoula.

On February 21 at 7 p.m., Norman Smyers will present *Glacial Lake Missoula and the Ice Age Floods*. 12,800 to 15,000 years ago a series of cataclysmic floods roared across northern Idaho, central Washington and down the Columbia River to the Pacific Ocean. These floods were due to the repeated failure of an ice dam that created Glacial Lake Missoula.

All programs will be held in the Large Meeting Room.

Success Principles

How are your goals and dreams coming along for 2007?

Resolutions starting to fall flat?

Need a motivational boost?

Then join Erin Brown from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the large meeting room on Saturday, February 17 for *Success Principles*.

This free workshop is designed to "teach you how to increase your confidence, tackle daily challenges, live with passion and purpose, and realize all your ambitions."

Come prepared to have some fun!

Bring craft supplies and cutouts of any of your goals and dreams. The cutouts can be pictures, words, or images that you have chosen to help you define and visualize personal success.

For more information please contact Caroline @ 721-2665.

3rd Thursday Book Discussion

Nikolai Gogol's story, *The Overcoat*, is about Akaky Akayevitch a poor government clerk, who had owned the overcoat but a day when it was stolen from him with tragic consequences. Join the lively book group on Thursday, February 15 at 7 p.m. in the Small Meeting Room. For more information, call Clara Erickson at 251-5921.

Cheap Date Night

Cheap Date Night for February 16, features a movie based on a Phillip K. Dick story, *A Scanner Darkly*. This movie takes place after the war on drugs has been lost. A reluctant undercover cop is ordered to spy on those closest to him and the mission proves to take a huge toll on his sanity.

Movie starts at 7 p.m. Doors will open at 6:45 p.m. and close at 7:15 p.m. As always, the popcorn is free.

Wide World Cinema

The award-winning Canadian film *A Simple Curve* will be shown on Friday, February 9 at 7:00 p.m. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. and remain open until 7:15 p.m.

The movie is set in the remote Kootenay Mountains of British Columbia where Caleb, son of the aging hippie Jim, has reached the point where he can continue with his partner/father's woodworking business or step out on his own and do something different

Afternoon Matinee

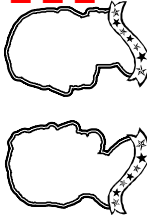
MPL introduces **Afternoon Matinee**, a new film series of movies popular before 1960. These classics will be showing from 2-4 p.m. on the 2 and 4 Wednesday of the month.

Our senior citizen friends are particularly invited to share this trip down memory lane.

February will feature *Casablanca* on the 14 and *Cimarron* (1931) the 28. Call Marje or Christine at 721-2665 for more information.

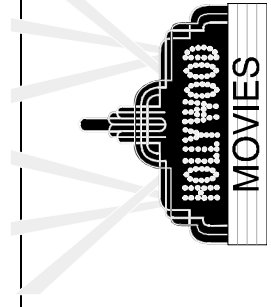
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	5 7 p.m. Family Storytime	6 10:30 a.m. Tiny Tales	7 7 p.m. Know Montana Lecture: Missoula Takes Flight **	8 9:30 a.m. Friends Bd Mtg 10:30 a.m. Tiny Tales	9 10:30 a.m. Tiny Tales & Preschool Storytime 7 p.m. Wide World Cinema **	10 11 a.m. Family Storytime
11 2 p.m. Sunday Music @ Your Library **	12 7 p.m. Family Storytime	13 10:30 a.m. Tiny Tales 7 p.m. Second Tuesday Book Discussion **	14 2 p.m. Afternoon Matinee ** 6 p.m. Y.A.C.C.	15 10:30 a.m. Tiny Tales 7 p.m. 3rd Thursday Book Discussion **	16 10:30 a.m. Tiny Tales & Preschool Storytime 7 p.m. Cheap Date @ Your Library **	17 11 a.m. Family Storytime 10:30 a.m. Success Principles **
18 2 p.m. Pop-up Valentines **	19 Food for Fines Feb 11-18 **	20 10:30 a.m. Tiny Tales	21 7 p.m. Know Montana Lecture: Glacial Lake Missoula **	22 10:30 a.m. Tiny Tales 6 p.m. Library Board Meeting	23 10:30 a.m. Tiny Tales & Preschool Storytime 6 p.m. Teens Only After Hours Movie	24 11 a.m. Family Storytime
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Kid's Corner Plus

Create a Special Valentine

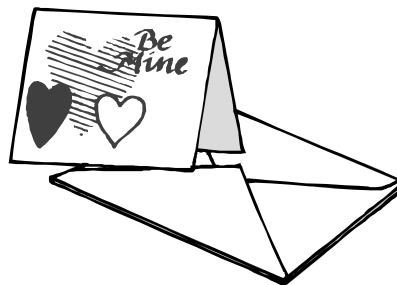
Would you like to learn how to make a pop-up Valentine?

Come join us Sunday afternoon, February 11th from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. for this fun art project. Tables will be set up in the Large Meeting Room, where we will show you how to make different pop-up cards or you can design your own.

We will provide all material necessary to make these cards. However, if you would like to bring some special lace, glitter or stickers, please feel free to do so.

This is a drop-in program, and we encourage you to stop by with your children to make a special card, and enjoy some refreshments.

If you have any questions regarding this program, please contact the Children's Department at (406)721-2665.



Teen After Hours on February 23rd

On the last Friday of every month, Missoula Public Library's Young Adult Advisory Council (YAAC) hosts an after hours teen movie.

This free program is open to teenagers (13-18) only. Movie usually starts at 7:00; however, if you arrive just prior to the library closing at 6:00, you can join us for pizza and pop.

Contact Linette, Rita or Marje at 721-2665 for more information or just to let us know you are coming.

Babysitting Clinic coming in March

The Children's Department will be holding a clinic to teach young people how to be good babysitters. Watch for more information in the March newsletter.

Newsletters galore!

If you are reading this, either you received the newsletter via snail mail, or picked one up at the library.

We know that we can reach many more of you and in February we will start sending *News, Views, & To-dos* via email to as many of you as we can.

Want to sign up? Call 721-2665 or send an email to Ben at bmiller@missoula.lib.mt.us

Sunday Music in March

The Friends of the Library are presenting Larry Hirshberg on acoustical guitar, Sunday, February 11 at 2 p.m. upstairs in the library. Please join us then.