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Missoula Reads—Montana 1948

During the months of February and March, *Missoula Reads* will be hosting opportunities to get together to read and discuss the books: *Montana-1948*, *Smokey the Cowhorse*, and *B is for Big Sky*. Here is the schedule of readings, exhibits, and lectures.

Readings and Discussions for Missoula Reads.

During January on Montana Public Radio, *Montana 1948* will be read on Listener's Bookstall (M - F, 12:30 p.m.), and *When the Circus Came to Town* will be read on Pea Green Boat (M - F, 4:00 p.m.).

Throughout February, readings and discussions of *Montana 1948* will be facilitated by various people. Everyone is invited to join one of these informal discussions:

February 5, 7:00 p.m. at Bernice's Bakery

February 10, 7:30 p.m. at Liquid Planet

February 11, 9:00 a.m. at The Break on Higgins

February 18, 9:00 a.m. at The Break on Higgins

February 19, 2:00 p.m. at Bernice's Bakery

February 24, 7:30 p.m. at Liquid Planet

Author Visit

Larry Watson will be in Missoula **February 12-15**. Events will include readings and discussions with the author, a public lecture, and other activities.

Exhibits

Historic photographs of Montana in the 1930s and 1940s, from *Hope in Hard Times* by Mary Murphy, at the Catalyst

A collection of old wanted posters and law enforcement memorabilia at the Missoula Public Library

Public Lectures

A series of four free public lectures will focus on themes and issues raised by *Montana 1948*.

All lectures will begin at 7.30 PM, at the locations shown.

February 4th: What About Frank? The Physician in Montana 1948

Dr. Herbert Swick, Executive Director of the Institute of Medicine and Humanities, will talk about some of the medical and ethical issues presented in Montana 1948. Conference Center, St. Patrick Hospital and Health Sciences Center.

February 13: *Montana 1948*

Larry Watson, the author of *Montana 1948*, will talk about his award-winning novel. University Center, third floor, The University of Montana. (continued on pg 2)

February 23: Hope in Hard Times

Mary Murphy, professor of history at Montana State University, will give a lecture based upon *Hope in Hard Times*, her book that records, through historic photographs, life in Montana in the late 1930s and early 1940s. Art Museum of Missoula

March 1st: Secrets

Mike McMeekin, Missoula County Sheriff, will give a presentation about some of the challenges of being a small town sheriff, including the question of secrets. Missoula Public Library.

Special Events

The **Uptown Diner** will be featuring 1948 specials every Friday during February.

...And for the children

March 6 at 2:00 p.m. at Missoula Public Library - Sneed B. Collard III will discuss his book "B is for Big Sky." Children will be writing their own poetry just as Collard did in this popular picture book.

March 20 at 2:00 p.m., at Missoula Public Library. Peggy Goodsell, member of the National Saddle Horse Association (www.omoksee.com) and director of the Charlie Russell Riders, will give a demonstration of both O-Mok-See and mounted drill team activities. O-Mok-See, the family-oriented sport of pattern horse racing, provides all ages of horses and riders opportunities to show off skills and have fun with such events as traditional barrel racing, western jumping, and the extreme team sport of "devil's cowhide." The Charlie Russell Riders are one of the premiere mounted drill teams in Montana, performing at such venues at the Western Montana Fair. Peggy will discuss the activities of both organizations, and will show video clips of various events. Also attending will be Alyssa Doering of Missoula, national Senior O-Mok- See Princess.

March 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the Large Meeting Room. Missoula Public Library will be hosting a discussion of Will James' *Smokey the Cowhorse*. All ages of readers are welcome to attend. Irish Pizza and Shamrock Soda will be served. Please call 721-BOOK to sign up.

Create a Special Valentine

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

Come join us Wednesday evening, February 11th, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. for this fun art project. Tables will be set up in the lobby downstairs, where Tove and Rita will show you how to make different pop-up cards, or you can design your own.

We will provide all necessary material 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 Rita in the Children's Department, at 721-2665.

If anyone attending these programs needs special assistance, please provide advance notice by calling (406)721-2665.

Exploring Mars: The Journey Continues

These are exciting times for those interested in the exploration of space and we have invited an astronomer to tell us more about Mars and what these rovers are doing there.

Diane Friend from the University of Montana Department of Physics and Astronomy will present "Exploring Mars: The Journey Continues" at the Missoula Public Library on Tuesday, February 17th at 7:00 PM in the evening.

She will be interpreting the latest developments from the Mars rovers and how these discoveries fit into the history of our exploration of Mars. You need to be careful though. Diane is so enthusiastic that you might all decide to sign up to be space scientists and astronauts.

So blast off for the library on the third Tuesday in February and find out the latest from Mars. We'll see you there.

Tiny Tales Adds Another Day!

In September we began offering Tiny Tales, a program for 0-3 year-olds. The program has become so popular that we are now going to offer it twice a week!

Beginning, Tuesday, February 10th, Tiny Tales will take place every Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 10:30 a.m..

At the 20-25 minute program, little ones will sing songs, learn finger-plays and nursery rhymes and hear stories.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Storytime 7 pm	3	4 Basic Internet Class 9 a.m. *	5 Friends of MPL Board Mtg— 9:30 am	6 Storytime 10:30 a.m.	7
8	9 Storytime 7 pm	10 Tiny Tales 10:30 a.m. *	11 Outlook Express Class 9 a.m. * Create a Valentine 7 pm	12 Tiny Tales 10:30 a.m.	13 Storytime 10:30 a.m.	14
15	16 Library Closed Presidents' Day	17 Tiny Tales 10:30 a.m. * Exploring Mars The Journey * Continues 7pm	18 Foundation Board Mtg— Noon	19 Tiny Tales 10:30 a.m. Book Discussion Group 7 pm Library Board Mtg—6:30	20 Storytime 10:30 a.m.	21
22	23 Storytime 7 pm	24 Tiny Tales 10:30 a.m. *	25	26	27	28

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Auto Repair Database @ Your Library

Need a wiring diagram at 11 p.m., or need to know the gap for the spark plugs at 8 a.m.?

Montana libraries are now offering access to EBSCO's Auto Repair Reference Center (ARRC) in a statewide database through the Montana State Library.

Beginning February 1st, you can access this database through the Missoula Public Library's online catalog:

www.missoula.lib.mt.us

Here are some of the great features found in the database:

- ◆ Domestic and foreign makes of car and trucks back as far as 1954
- ◆ Labor time estimates for various vehicles

- ◆ More than 150 illustrated auto repair manuals on all repair procedures
- ◆ Over 23,000 different year, make and model combinations
- ◆ More than 60,000 Technical Service Bulletins from 1987 to the present
- ◆ Wiring diagrams in PDF for easy viewing and printing
- ◆ Maintenance schedules and specifications charts
- ◆ Text and many images in PDF and GIF format
- ◆ Over 100,000 factory drawings and step by step photographs

Purchase of the ARRC was made possible through the support of Gov. Judy Martz, the Montana Legislature, and Montana participating libraries.

Internet Classes

Missoula Public Library will be offering two Internet classes in February.

- ◆ Wednesday February 4 at 9 am Basic Internet
- ◆ Wednesday February 11 at 9 am Outlook Express

Both of these classes are open to all but you do need to pre-register. Please go to the Information Desk or call the Library at 721-2665 to do so.

Since the classes are held before the Library is open, you will need to be at the Front Street entrance (by the parking lot) by 9 am on the day of the class.

This is a wonderful opportunity for you to learn about the Internet in a small group and best of all the classes are free!
