

MAMMOTH LAKES FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

SPRING NEWSLETTER 2013

MEMORIAL DAY INDOOR BOOK SALE

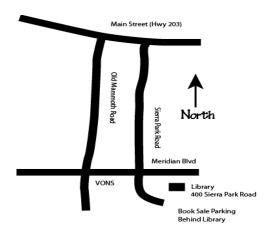
This Memorial Day weekend, the book sale continues indoors – no wind nor rain to impede this event. It will be held at the Mammoth Lakes Library in the Cerro Coso College Room and the Ellie Randol Reading Room with a cashier in the library foyer. The sale occurs on Friday and Saturday as the library is closed on Sundays, so review this schedule carefully.

Annual Memorial Day Weekend Book Sale May 24 and 25, 2013 At the library, 400 Sierra Park Road Friday, May 24, 11AM---5PM Saturday, May 25, 9AM---3:30PM, 3:30PM---4PM Prep for Bag Sale, 4PM---5PM Bag Sale, Saturday, in the Ellie Randol Reading Room

The best selection goes to those who arrive early. There are a variety of fiction and nonfiction books on a host of subjects: animals, biographies, arts and crafts, children's books and books for young adults, classics, cookbooks, fitness and diet, foreign language, language arts, medicine and health, parenting, psychology, religion, sports, travel, etc. In addition, we have special paperback tables with mysteries, sci-fi, westerns, general fiction and non-fiction. Make sure to peruse the vintage books in the Cerro Coso College Room. Also, pick up your discount coupon for books at our used books store, The Book Chalet. Come, browse, and buy---Buy---BUY. All proceeds support our library! We need volunteers to help with the sale both on Friday and Saturday. Call Shannon Clark at

760-934-4798 to sign up to work a shift or two. Thank you for your help and support. Hope to see you May 24th and 25th.

Map to the book sale location at the Library.



From the desk of the President, Shannon Clark

Summer is almost here and it seems it will be a lovely long one in Mammoth – much as 2012!

First on our agenda is a great Memorial Day Weekend book sale at our decorated Ellie Randol Reading room at our library. You will also notice that we are starting construction on the "Path to Literacy" which will connect the library with Cerro Coso College. This path includes a 2000 square foot paved Reading Area that has two benches recognizing the Path to Literacy donors and one in memory of Doc and Ellie Randol.

Our Mother's Day Tea, staged so nicely by our clever volunteer, Jan McPherson, included a terrific recital of young cellists and violinists who are students of proud teachers Brian Schultz, Rebecca Hang and Steven Vanhauwaert of The Felici Trio. We look forward to a similar event for Father's Day on June 15, 2013 at 4PM.

In conjunction with our Memorial Day book sale, we have a marvelous opportunity to support our library by buying raffle tickets for our summer fundraiser. We are giving away, not one, but two fly-fishing guided tours, one flat screen TV, and one internet tablet that you'll want to win. More details are provided in an article later in this newsletter.

Thanks go out to all our wonderful volunteers for all they do to support our library! Don't miss our Memorial Day Weekend book sale. We have such great bargains! And, you can meet some of our dedicated volunteers!

And, finally, we will be planning a third "You Are Fabulous!" fundraiser for the fall with some new twists that will be sure to please.

BYLAWS & STANDING RULES UPDATE

MLFOL will be updating both the bylaws and Standing Rules in July 2013. Over the past two years, a committee has worked on updating the documents to meet changes in state laws, incorporate electronic mail options and to set up a new Committee and Subcommittee structure.

The bylaws will be voted on by all members attending the July 9, 2013 meeting. The Standing Rules will be voted on by the MLFOL Board at the same meeting.

Due to the size of the two documents, they are not included in this newsletter. They are available for review at this link on the Library website: http://www.monocolibraries.org/friends-of-the-library/mammoth-lakes/111-standing-rules-bylaws-updates

Should you need a printed copy, please call the Mammoth Branch Library at (760) 934-4777, as they will have a copy available.

There is also a contact form link on the same web page for questions and comments, or they can be emailed to mlfol@monocoe.org or mailed to MLFOL, PO Box 1468, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546.

Thanks to Jo Bacon, Shannon Clark, Helen Shepherd and Louise Weaver for their work on this committee, to Jan McPherson and the Mammoth Hospital Auxiliary for sharing their recent updated bylaws with us, and to Stacey Simon from the Mono County Counsel's Office for legal review.

From the desk of the Mono County Superintendent of Schools,

- Dr. Stacey Adler, Ph. D.

Spring!!! During this time of year I hear a lot of people talking about spring cleaning, preparing yards and gardens for the warm weather, rededication to exercise programs and planning for summer projects. In our office we are talking about the budget for next year, getting our students ready for STAR testing and planning for educational programs for the next school year. However, this year we are also talking about a new program we are preparing to roll out called "Choose Civility".

Choose Civility is a program that was started two years ago in Stanislaus County. We were fortunate to have Tom Changnon, Stanislaus County Superintendent of Schools, come to Mono County and meet with both the MAC (Multi-Agency Council) and our MCOE Management Team to share with us how the program came to be and how it was delivered. The program is based on the book, *Choosing Civility: 25 Rules of Considerate Conduct*, by Dr. P. M. Forni. The basic idea of this program is to remind people about the importance of just being nice and treating each other in a civil manner.

I have begun to talk to people around the county about this program. I am happy to report that the response has been overwhelmingly positive thus far. It seems that we agree that it does not hurt to be reminded of the need to treat each other respectfully. To be reminded that we (the adults) are role models for our kids, who are listening and watching our behavior, even when we do not think they are. To be reminded of the importance of giving each other our full attention during a conversation instead of checking our text messages while someone is talking to us.

We are fortunate that we get to live in a community where generally, people ARE kind to each other. To illustrate: the other morning I was dropping my daughter off at Mammoth High School, while another student (a young man) had gotten dropped off just before her. He got to the door of the school and held it open for Sarah so she could enter the building ahead of him. This brought a huge smile to my face. I had not seen anything like that from the "younger generation,"

I don't think ever before. A true example of kindness, respect and civility.

If you are interested in joining MCOE in the Choose Civility program, or would be interested in having me talk to your business or organization about this program, please do not hesitate to contact me (760-934-0031 or sadler@monocoe.org).

Happy Spring!

NEWS FROM MAMMOTH LAKES LIBRARY

- Sulin Jones, Sr. Librarian

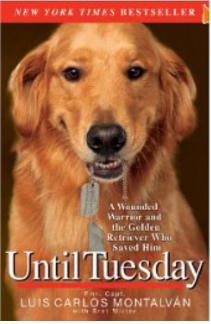
The Mono County Public Library sponsors a Book-to-Action series:

Book-to-Action is a variation on the traditional library book group—it offers participants not only the opportunity to collectively read and discuss a book and meet a book author, but also to put their newfound knowledge into action by engaging in a community service project or activity related to the book's topic. Book-to-Action is a project of the California State Library in partnership with the California Center for the Book. The Mono County Library is one of only 13 libraries statewide chosen to participate.

Read the Book

Mono County Free Library's has chosen the title *Until Tuesday: A Wounded Warrior and the Golden Retriever Who Saved Him*, by Luis Carlos Montalvan.

Returning home after two tours of duty in Iraq, former U.S. Army Captain Luis Carlos Montalvan's physical injuries and post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) turn his life into a nightmarish existence. An email with a subject of "WWP and Puppies Behind Bars" alerted him to possible relief with the assistance of a service dog. This is his story but it is also the story of Tuesday, the intelligent, extensively trained, but heartbroken golden retriever, who is chosen to become his service dog and constant companion.



Discuss the Book

- Books will be available at all branches on *May 1, 2013*
- Book discussions will be scheduled throughout the summer
- Book Sets & discussion guides will be available for local book groups to borrow. With sufficient notice, the County Librarian would be happy to attend your *Until Tuesday* discussion!

Act on the Book: Community Service Volunteer opportunities

- Volunteer with your dog @ Devils Postpile; Paw Patrol Volunteer Ranger Info: 760-924-5505
- Raise or puppy-sit a Guide Dog for the Blind; contact Betsy Thomsen: betsythomsen@hotmail.com
- Adopt a pet at library adoption days;
 Mammoth & Bridgeport branches, dates
 TBA
- Help out with Disabled Sports and their Wounded Warrior program! www.disabledsportseasternsierra.org
- Volunteer at the Big Pine Animal Shelter: Foster a dog or cat, donate to the Stitch Fund, or help with adoption days; contact iCare: 760-872-3802 or www.icareforpets.org
- Send a Care Package to a military dog: https://usmilitaryk-9fund.org
- Learn about PTSD and invisible

disabilities: www.invisibledisabilities.org

- Participate in Shelter Pet Food Drives at most branches this summer: dates TBA
- More events to come!

Meet the Luis and Tuesday

Luis Carlos Montalvan & Tuesday will visit Mammoth Lakes on *September 4, 2013* and discuss their book. Don't miss this great opportunity – mark your calendars now!

Art Exhibit: June 30-August 25, 2013

Wherever There's A Fight: A History of Civil Liberties in California

Spanning the period from the Gold Rush to the post-9/11 era, the exhibition tells the hidden stories of unsung heroes and heroines throughout California who stood up for their rights in the face of social hostility, physical violence, economic hardship, and political stonewalling.

The exhibition educates audiences about the evolution of civil liberties and civil rights in California and how they are central to democracy. Stories of personal struggle demonstrate the ongoing fight and provide a framework through which current controversies can be debated.

The central themes of the exhibition are:

- Civil liberties are essential for democracy.
- Civil liberties' struggles repeat over time while targeted groups change.
- Civil liberties are perpetually in flux. Each generation must fight to preserve them.
- Although our constitution enumerates rights, it is the people who must fight for equality and justice to make them meaningful.

This exhibit is will be at the Mammoth Lakes Library from *June 30-August 25, 2013* and is based on the book *Wherever There's a Fight: How Runaway Slaves, Suffragists, Immigrants, Strikers, and Poets Shaped Civil Liberties in California* by Elaine Elinson & Stan Yogi (Heyday Books, 2009).

The Mammoth Lakes Library is on Facebook! Go to www.facebook.com/mammothlakeslibrary and "like" us for up to date library info!

ON THE GALLERY WALL ...

- Suzanne Stokes

Mammoth Lakes Library has a new and very beautiful art display waiting for you in the Ellie Randol Reading Room. This is the large room at the back of the downstairs floor. Sponsored by Friends of the Library, the Pleine Aire Group of the Eastern Sierra has contributed work by fourteen local artists. This wonderful show will be on display through the end of June for your viewing pleasure. These works are for sale a reasonable prices, and their enjoyment is free!

The library is located at the intersection of Meridian and Sierra Park Road. Library hours are 10 A.M. to 7 P.M., Monday, Wednesday-Friday; 10 A.M. to 9 P.M. Tuesday; and, 9:00 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. Saturday; closed Sunday.

KIDAPOLOOZA 2013 – Mark Your Calendars!

Celebrating kids and families in the Eastern Sierra!

KidApolooza is presented by the Mono County Office of Education and coordinated by Green Fox Events. This great event will headline Alphabet Rockers. And it will feature a family photo booth, interactive and fun displays, games, a bicycle rodeo, crafts, animals, a master balloon twister, and many other things fun and good. There are over 30 booths at this year's celebration. And, new this year is a 1-mile family fun run starting at 9:00 AM.

KidApolooza is a one-day event celebrating kids, family togetherness, wellness, literacy, and social and environmental responsibility. It will be held Saturday, June 8th, from 10:30am to 3:00pm at Mammoth Creek Park in Mammoth Lakes, CA. It is FREE and open to the public. For additional info, visit www.kidapolooza.com or email info@greenfoxevents.com.

So, take the free Mammoth Lakes Trolley to Mammoth Creek Park on June 8th for some great family fun and visit the Mammoth Lakes Library's booth while you are there!

To read a book for the first time is to make an acquaintance with a new friend; to read it for a second time is to meet an old one. ... Anonymous, Chinese saying

VINTAGE BOOK COMMITTEE APPEAL FOR VOLUNTEERS

The Vintage Book Committee is an arm of the Friends of the Library that sells donated used books that may be more valuable than usual due to age, first edition status, signatures of authors or other characteristics. This Committee has too few folks for the work that they do. They desperately need help. Volunteers need to be computer literate and, preferably, have a computer. The library computers are available in case you don't have one.

Volunteers maintain a rotation schedule. They work a minimum of three hours during their assigned weeks, researching prices, monitoring their website for offers to purchase MLFOL vintage books that have been listed on amazon.com or alibris.com, and shipping the books that are purchased. The research is done on donated used books that have been pre-identified as possible candidates by the group that sorts incoming donations of used books. Based on research, the Committee member prices those that qualify as Vintage books and sends those that do not qualify back to the sorting group.

At present the Vintage Committee consists of Helen Shepherd (chair), Carol Benefiel, Jo Bacon and Kevin Weinert. The Vintage Committee also sets up and staffs a room for Vintage book sales at the annual Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends book sales at the library. One-on-one training is available.

Should you have any interest, please contact Helen at hmsbc@msn.com or 760-924-3571.

BOOK CHALET NEWS

- O.J. Zeleny

Welcome back to all our "warm weather" volunteers! Hours are Tuesday-Saturday Noon to 5PM. We will have a third shift on Saturday, 10AM-Noon, volunteer availability permitting, Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day Weekend.

We've had a recent influx of science fiction, mystery and nature books. Come check them out and remember to bring your coupon from the Memorial Day Weekend Book Sale!

WIN ONE OF 3 FABULOUS PRIZES!

Win one of these fabulous prizes in our summer raffle:

- 47" LCD Widescreen HDTV donated by the Mono County Office of Education
- Fly Fishing Trip with Guide Chris Leonard for 1 or 2 anglers for the 2013 or 2014 season - donated by Chris Leonard
- 7" Internet Tablet with Android 4.0 OS donated by an anonymous library patron

The contest begins May 24 at the Memorial Day Book sale and ends August 31 at the Labor Day Book Sale. Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10 and will be available at Mammoth Lakes Library and The Book Chalet. Winners' names will be drawn at 4 PM on August 31st and winners need not be present. Prizes can be picked up at the library or shipped at winner's expense.

All proceeds will go to fund current and future library programs. Be sure to buy lots of tickets the next time you're in the library or shopping at The Book Chalet. The more tickets you buy, the better your chances of winning!

A very big thank you to our generous donors who made this new fundraiser possible!



Mother's Day Tea

What a fun afternoon at the library! At 4:00 PM on Saturday, May 10th, there were 69 people sipping tea and punch, daintily nibbling on cookies and cakes, and listening to beautiful music

We were treated to a recital by 14 students of The Felici Trio accompanied by Ari Schuldt and Sophia Schuldt. The performers included cellists Ace Selters on cello, Makenna Kumlue on violin, Sean Walker on cello, Maya Weber on violin, Ruby Walker on cello, Lily Pedersen on violin, James McBride on cello, Will Pedersen on cello, Cary Walker on violin, Mateo Weber on cello, Joseph Gephart on violin, Arianna Pope on violin, Sophia Schuldt on violin and Ari Schuldt on piano. These talented young musicians are students of Steven Vanhauwaert, Rebecca Hang and Brian Schuldt.

It was a lovely way to celebrate Mother's Day and honor the women in our lives.



Father's Day Picnic

We mustn't forget the Dads! Once again on the Saturday before Father's Day, June 15, at 4 PM, we'll have a picnic outside on the grounds of the library. There will be games, a scavenger hunt, sidewalk chalk art, hot dogs, root beer floats, and lots of prizes. Mark you calendar and join us to say Happy Father's Day.



July 4th Book Giveaway

For several years volunteers walked in the 4th of July Parade handing out free books to young children. That turned out to be such a success that we became overwhelmed by children running out into the street to get books and actually holding up the parade. So, a few years ago we decided to move the "Free Books for Young Readers" to the deck at The Book Chalet. After the parade, parents and children can stop by The Book Chalet (located at 645 Old Mammoth Rd, across from The Stove restaurant), browse through the large selection available and choose a free book. There will be books appropriate for infants up through age 10.



One of the missions of the Friends of the Library is to get books into the hands of as many young readers as possible. This annual free book giveaway is one step toward accomplishing this goal.

If you would like to volunteer to help, contact Jan McPherson at scoutdj@qnet.com or 760-934-5813.

@ your library - by "Paige" Turner

The season of the great Eastern Sierra pastime – **FISHING!** – is once more upon us. Personally, I don't understand what all the fuss is about. I can buy trout at the local market, don't even have to clean it, and can spend my day shopping! Oh well. Early to bed, early to rise, fish all day, tell big lies.

Lying & Manners: "The man who knows all about trout does not exist, although you have probably met him." -Samuel G. Camp According to the un-official River Rules website www.uky.edu/~agrdanny/flyfish/rules.htm, River Rule #10 says that lying is still acceptable and even expected if asked how you did or where you were. Lying about the insect hatch is not as decorous, but tolerated. Lying about your residency is illegal when purchasing a fishing license. Lying in the grass and taking a nap is one of life's great joys. It's also a necessity when you've been up since six in the morning fishing! And remember, never interrupt a lying fisherman. Oh ves, swearing, burping and other bodily noises are at the discretion of the angler and quite acceptable. However, doing so may frighten the fish.

Equipment: It is quite possible to fish with minimal equipment by just using your hands, but check the regulations first as catching fish by hand is currently illegal in most of the US, and especially in the state of Oklahoma. In the British Isles, the practice of catching trout by hand is known as "trout tickling." It is an art mentioned several times in the plays of Shakespeare.

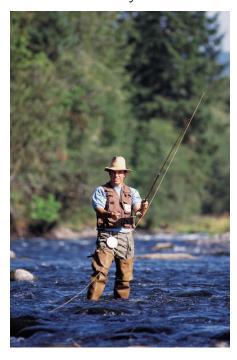
Women: Once upon a time in Montana, it was illegal for married women to go fishing alone on Sundays, and illegal for unmarried women to fish alone at all. Fly-fishing has been considered a male pastime since its inception, but now women are turning to this sport for fun, relaxation, and even competition. In fact, many female

competitors participate at or above the level of their male peers. Over the years, many men have been unsupportive towards women wanting to fish because of the general mentality that it was a "man's sport."

Fishing & Literature: Been wondering what fishing has to do with the library? Well, read on. When Dame Juliana Berners's *Treatise of Fishing* With an Angle was published in England in 1496, literature and fishing became fused as securely as a Doc's Twin Lakes Special embeds in a hungry trout's lip. The English language boasts more than 5,000 books on fishing. Ever hear of *The* Compleat Angler by Izaak Walton or A River Runs Through It by Norman Maclean? Fishing, particularly fly-fishing, is without a doubt our most literary sport. Yet the connection between fishing and literature reaches deeper. The act of fishing, particularly fly fishing, is similar to the act of writing. The masochistic urge to wake in the predawn hours and stumble toward an icy cold stream to catch something you ultimately let go is similar to a writer staring into a blank computer screen at 4 AM. Both fly-fishing and writing abound with foible and reward. Both offer moments of clarity amid the confusion of everyday life. And both can give you hand cramps!

"The gods do not deduct from man's allotted span the hours spent in fishing."

Babylonian Proverb



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