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The Estes Valley Library stands at the very center of our community's life. *Dr. Jim Pickering*

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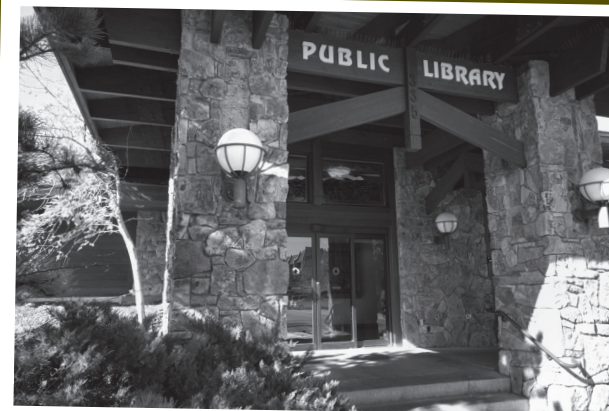
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Gathering for a New Future

As you'll see on the pages in this issue, an exciting and diverse roster of activities is in store this season. Whether it's the line-up of technology classes or the array of programs for local teens, the Library's priorities derive from careful listening and response to community needs.

This year marks an important new chapter in the support structure for our hometown Library services. After extensive analysis, the Library's two support organizations—the Friends of the Library and the Library Foundation—merged into one. We look forward to better serving donors through stronger collaborative planning.

Within this issue, many of us will be sharing our thoughts on what motivates and inspires us to serve the Library. We are grateful to all of you who give—whether it's a monetary contribution, your volunteer time, or books to the annual sale. Together, we are building a great future.

Mark your calendar for workshops, presentations, films and special events this season. All made possible by what we believe is one of the best small-town libraries you'll find anywhere.



See you at the Library.

*The Estes Valley Library
Friends & Foundation*

LITTLE FREE LIBRARIES of the Estes Valley

for
TEENS
and
ADULTS



The Little Free Library project is underway! It's like a giant birdhouse—with books inside—and perfectly suited to become well-loved neighborhood book exchanges throughout our valley. Join in activities to help make these charming structures a reality.

BUILDING PARTY

Saturday, March 28

1:00- 5:00pm Hondius Room

Teams will complete assembly and decoration of the newest Little Free Libraries (Attend Feb. 24 session to participate or contact Teen Guide Katherine Dumont).

UNVEILING PARTY

Sunday, May 17

3:00 pm Hondius Room

As nearly a dozen Little Free Libraries prepare for installation, join us in viewing these unique creations and celebrating the talented volunteers who created them.

BRAINSTORMING SESSION

Tuesday, February 24

7:00-8:00pm Hondius Room

Several Little Free Libraries are being built from scratch, others are being assembled and decorated from kits. Participants will brainstorm ideas for decorating—then join one of four designing teams.

Random Acts of Culture

Whimsy, joy and surprise are likely to greet you on any given day at the Library. Drop in for these “Random Acts” happening right in the Library’s Atrium.

Tai Chi in Motion

Wednesday, February 11
10:00am-12 noon

Paint a Piggy Bank: Celebrating Financial Literacy Month

Saturday, April 11
1:00-3:00 pm

Make a Bookmark: Celebrating National Library Week

Tuesday, April 21
10:00am-12 noon

Poem in Your Pocket Day

Thursday, April 30
All Day

Happy Star Wars Day

Monday, May 4 - All Day
May the “Fourth” be with you!



Express Yourself Through Art

Wednesday, May 6
3:00-4:30 pm

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Our Estes Library is truly exceptional. It's therefore our duty to build its endowment, through the Friends & Foundation, to ensure the Library's long-term excellence.

—Bob Dickeson, Friends & Foundation

TECH LITERACY

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CONNECT TO THE DIGITAL WORLD

The community asked for computer and technology classes, and in 2015 the Library is delivering. Learning is easy when you're able to work hands-on. Classes are led by the Library's Tech Guide, Diana Laughlin.



Full course details
and registration at
estesvalleylibrary.org

FREE LIBRARY E-BOOKS:

Made Easy

Bring your
device

Wasson Room
Wednesday, **February 4**, 5:30- 7:30pm
Friday, **April 24**, 5:30-7:30pm

COMPUTER VERY BASICS:

Just for Beginners

Computer Commons
Monday, **February 9**, 1:00- 3:00pm
Monday, **March 9**, 5:30-7:30pm
Friday, **April 17**, 10:00am-12:00pm

SAFETY & SECURITY:

On the Internet

Computer Commons
Friday, **February 20**, 10:00- 11:30am
Friday, **March 13**, 10:00-11:30am
Monday, **April 13**, 5:30-7:00pm

LISTEN TO MUSIC:

For Free

Bring your
device

Wasson Room
Monday, **February 23**, 1:00- 2:00pm
Wednesday, **March 18**, 1:30-2:30pm
Friday, **April 10**, 10:00-11:00am

BOOK-A-LIBRARIAN

Book a 30 minute one-on-one appointment
with a **TECH SPECIALIST**.

INTERNET BASICS:

Keeping Informed, Keeping In-Touch

Computer Commons
Friday, **February 27**, 10:00am-12:00pm
Monday, **March 30**, 5:30-7:30pm
Monday, **April 20**, 1:00-3:00pm
Friday, **May 15**, 10:00am-12:00pm

EMAIL BASICS

Prerequisite: Book-a-Librarian to get your email account
before class

Computer Commons
Friday, **March 20**, 10:00-11:30am
Monday, **April 6**, 5:30-7:00pm
Monday, **May 4**, 1:00-2:30pm
Wednesday, **May 20**, 5:30-7:00pm

GADGETS:

What's Right For You?

Wasson Room
Monday, **March 23**, 5:30-7:00pm
Monday, **May 11**, 1:00-2:30pm

TECH MAKES TRAVEL EASIER:

Websites and Apps

Bring your
device

Computer Commons
Wednesday, **April 29**, 5:30-7:00pm
Friday, **May 8**, 10:00-11:30am

Beginning in 2010, back-to-back grants from the FINRA Foundation brought free unbiased workshops and one-on-one financial consultation to the Estes Valley. This year, a generous private donation is keeping the project going for one final year.



BASIC WORKSHOPS

All free workshops at 7:00 pm at the Library

Goal Setting & Financial Planning

Tuesday, February 17

Key Investment Concepts

Tuesday, February 24

Retirement Savings Vehicles

Tuesday, March 3

Common Investment Types

Tuesday, March 10

Managing Your Money During Retirement

Tuesday, March 17

BOOK-A-LIBRARIAN

Don't miss your last chance to take advantage of free unbiased financial consultation.

Thanks to 5 years of Common Cents Counts and Marsha Yelick, the Estes Valley just might be one of the most financially literate communities in the U.S.!

THE JOYS OF GIVING

EVERYONE CAN GIVE:
FIND OUT HOW

Tuesday, February 3

Tuesday, May 26

7:00pm Hondius Room

A brief and informative session on how to optimize your gift dollars. Discussion includes both the easy methods (no professional assistance required) on up to more complex tax-advantage strategies. Make a big difference with just a little advance planning.

FINANCIAL BOOK CLUBS

***The Smartest Retirement Book You'll Ever Read* by Daniel R. Solin**

Wednesday, February 18
7:00 pm Wasson Room

***In Cheap We Trust: the Story of a Misunderstood American Virtue* by Lauren Weber**

Wednesday, March 18
7:00 pm Wasson Room

FOR JOB SEEKERS

Register for **FREE** workshops at estesvalleylibrary.org

Three Secrets to Job Search Success

Wed., February 25, Thurs., April 23
10:00am to 12:00pm Wasson Room

Creating Your Core Resume

Wed., February 25 & Thurs., April 23
12:30pm to 2:30pm Computer Classroom

Tips for a Successful Job Interview

Wed., March 25 10:00am to 12:00pm Wasson Room

Customize Your Resume

Wed., March 25 12:30pm to 2:30pm Wasson Room

Walk-in Consultations

Wed. February 25 3:00pm to 4:30pm
Wed., March 25 3:00pm to 4:30pm
Thurs., April 23 3:00pm to 4:30pm



FOR BUSINESS OWNERS & ENTREPRENEURS

Hosted by the *Estes Park Economic Development Corporation (EDC) and the Library*
All sessions held in Library's Computer Classroom

Small Business Resources 101

Tuesday, February 24
7:00pm to 8:30pm

Thursday, March 26
8:30am to 10:00am

Monday, April 27
7:00pm to 8:30pm



FOR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Register for workshops at estesvalleylibrary.org.
All sessions held in Library's Computer Classroom

Grant Seeking Basics

Monday, March 16
10:00am to 11:30am

Introduction to Finding Funders

Monday, April 20
10:00am to 11:30am

Proposal Writing Basics

Monday, May 18
10:00am to 11:30am



BOOK-A-LIBRARIAN

Sign-up for a **FREE** one-on-one 30-minute appointment for an overview of the Library resources that can help grow a business and build a marketing list.

DISCUSSION GROUPS



All discussions held in the
WASSON ROOM

TODAY'S INTERNATIONAL ISSUES: **Great Decisions Discussion Group**

Russia & the Near Abroad
Tuesday, February 3 11:30am

Privacy in the Digital Age
Tuesday, March 3, 11:30am

Sectarianism in the Middle East
Tuesday, April 7, 11:30am

India Changes Course
Tuesday, May 5, 11:30am

Brown bag lunches welcome.

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“It is so very rewarding to give volunteer time to support the Library, because of its impact on our Community. I have been enriched by the associations and knowledge of the good that comes from even the smallest efforts.

—John Krueger

Springtime Emergency Readiness

Spring is an excellent time to work through your home checklist to ensure you're as ready as possible in the event of an emergency. Join professional organizer Shellie Tressell and the Mountain Outreach team for this season's series of free workshops and place “readiness” on your spring to-do list.

EMERGENCY READINESS WORKSHOP

Presented by Shellie Tressell, Simplicity Organizing Services

Tuesday, April 21

6:30-8:30pm Wasson Room

Advance registration required at estesvalleylibrary.org

HEALTH INSURANCE: QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Monday, February 9

10:00am-6:00pm

1:30-2:30 Presentation in Hondius Room

Expert guides from Larimer Health Connect are on hand to answer questions about the health insurance marketplace. Call (970) 472-0444 to schedule a free one-on-one appointment (bilingual).



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLANNING KITS

Presented by the Mountain Outreach Team In conjunction with Emergency Preparedness Month

Tuesday, May 5 and Wednesday, May 13

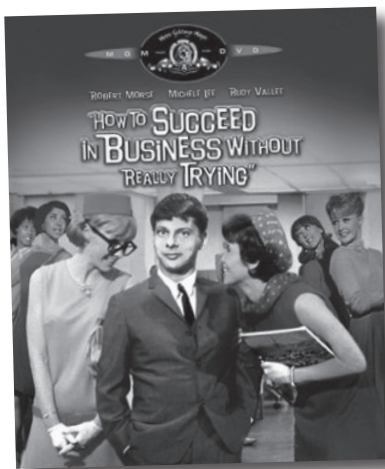
12:00-1:00pm Hondius Room

ENJOY MOVIES ON THE BIG SCREEN @ THE LIBRARY HONDIUS ROOM

Complimentary snacks and refreshments

March: MONEY AT THE MOVIES

Films with a money theme during the final year of Common Cents Counts.



How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying

Saturday, March 7, 3:00pm

One of the liveliest musical-comedies from the 1960s.

Flash of Genius

Thursday, March 12, 7:00pm

True story of an inventor who fought for the credit his idea deserved. [PG-13]

If I Had a Million

Tuesday, March 24, 3:00pm

A 1932 comic masterpiece with Charles Laughton & W.C. Fields.

May: BOOKS AT 100

Three great works of literature turn 100 in 2015. Read the books—and savor these big-screen adaptations.

Victory

Friday, May 8, 3:00pm

Joseph Conrad's novel and exotic locales inspire this romantic drama. [R]



The 39 Steps

Saturday, May 16, 3:00pm

John Buchan's novel inspires intrigue and suspense with a Scottish twist.

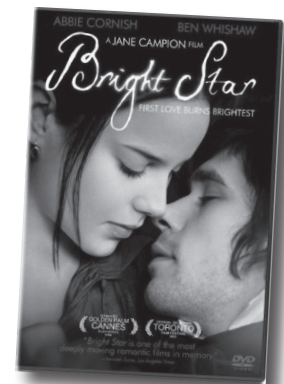
April: POETRY ON FILM

Movies that celebrate poets—and the poetry in our souls.

Bright Star

Friday, April 3, 3:00pm

True love story of Fanny Brawne and poet John Keats. [PG]



Dead Poets Society

Tuesday, April 7, 7:00pm

An unorthodox English teacher inspires his students. [PG]



A Fine Madness

Saturday, April 18, 3:00pm

Sean Connery plays the poet in this witty 1966 comedy.

Of Human Bondage

Tuesday, May 19, 7:00pm

Kim Novak as the free spirit in this 1964 W. Somerset Maugham classic.



FEBRUARY


☼ Early Childhood Storytime
Thursdays & Fridays:
10am & 10:30am

Saturdays
10:30am













SUN 1

MON 2	TUES 3	WED 4	THURS 5	FRI 6	SAT 7	SUN 8
	<p>Great Discussions: <i>Russia & the Near Abroad</i> 11:30am Wasson Rm</p> <p>Joys of Giving: Find out How 7pm Hondius Rm</p>	<p>Free Library * eBooks Made Easy 5:30pm Wasson Rm</p>	<p>Science: It's Shockingly Fun 4pm Hondius Rm</p> <p>Health Insurance: Questions Answered ☼</p>	☼	<p>Sonnet Writing for Teens 2:30pm Hondius Rm</p> <p>☼</p>	
MON 9	TUES 10	WED 11	THURS 12	FRI 13	SAT 14	SUN 15
<p>Computer Basics 1pm Computer Rm</p>		<p>Tai Chi in Motion 10am Atrium</p>	☼	☼	☼	
MON 16	TUES 17	WED 18	THURS 19	FRI 20	SAT 21	SUN 22
<p>CLOSED for Presidents' Day</p>	<p>Financial Goal Setting & Planning 7pm Hondius Rm</p>	<p>Financial Book Discussion: Solin 7pm Wasson Rm</p>	☼	<p>Safety & Security on the Internet 5:30pm Computer Rm</p> <p>☼</p>	<p>CPR for Teens 8:30am HS Students 1pm MS Students Hondius Rm</p> <p>☼</p>	
MON 23	TUES 24	WED 25	THURS 26	FRI 27	SAT 28	
<p>Listen to Music * 1pm Wasson Rm</p> <p>Stretch-A-Straws Creations 4pm Hondius Rm</p> <p>Pioneers of Peaks: Evolution of Mtn Footwear 7pm EP Museum</p>	<p>Key Investment Concepts 7pm Wasson Rm</p> <p>Small Business Resources 101 7pm Computer Rm</p> <p>Little Libraries: Brainstorming Session 7pm Hondius Rm</p>	<p>Core Resume/ Online Job Search 10am & 12:30pm Wasson Rm</p> <p>Yoga Storytime: Age 3-5 2:30pm Hondius Rm</p> <p>Trace Family Roots: EP Genealogical Society 3pm Computer Rm</p>	<p>Author Margaret Peterson Haddix EPHS Auditorium 9am: 6th & 8th Grade 10:15am: 5th & 7th Grade 1:15pm: 3rd & 4th Grade</p> <p>☼</p>	☼	☼	<p>Bring your device</p> <p>*</p>

MARCH












 Early Childhood Storytime
Thursdays & Fridays:
10am & 10:30am

Saturdays
10:30am

MON 2		TUES 3		WED 4		THURS 5		FRI 6		SAT 7		SUN 8	
		Great Discussions: <i>Privacy in the Digital Age</i> 11:30am Wasson Rm <hr/> Retirement Savings Vehicles 7pm Hondius Rm				Animated Shorts 4pm Hondius Rm <hr/> The Book Thief Book Club/Movie 6:30pm Hondius Rm <hr/> 				Movie: How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying 3pm Hondius Rm <hr/> 			
MON 9		TUES 10		WED 11		THURS 12		FRI 13		SAT 14		SUN 15	
Computer Very Basics 5:30pm Computer Rm		Common Investment Types 7pm Hondius Rm		Yoga Storytime: Age 5-11 4pm Hondius Rm		Movie: Flash of Genius 7pm Hondius Rm <hr/> 		Safety & Security on Internet 10am Computer Rm <hr/> 		Teen Green Screen Play Time 1pm Hondius Rm <hr/> 			
MON 16		TUES 17		WED 18		THURS 19		FRI 20		SAT 21		SUN 22	
Grant Seeking Basics 10am Computer Rm		Managing Money During Retirement 7pm Hondius Rm		Listen to Music* 1:30pm Wasson Rm <hr/> Financial Book Discussion: Weber 7pm Wasson Rm				Email Basics 10:30pm Computer Rm <hr/> 					
MON 23		TUES 24		WED 25		THURS 26		FRI 27		SAT 28		SUN 29	
What Gadget is Right for You? 5:30pm Wasson Rm <hr/> Training in RMNP 7pm EP Museum		Movie: If I Had a Million 3pm Hondius Rm		3 Secrets to Job Search Success 10am & 12:30pm Wasson Rm		Small Business Resources 101 8:30am Computer Rm <hr/> 				Little Libraries: Building Party 1pm Hondius Rm <hr/> 			
MON 30		TUES 31											
Internet Basics 10am Computer Rm <hr/> No Kidding! Prank Your Parents 4pm Hondius Rm		Digital Art Showcase 7pm Hondius Rm											

April is Financial Literacy Month

APRIL

WED 1		THURS 2		FRI 3		SAT 4		SUN 5					
		Denver Zoo: Colorado Alive 4pm Hondius Rm 		Movie: Bright Star 3pm Hondius Rm 									
MON 6		TUES 7		WED 8		THURS 9		FRI 10		SAT 11		SUN 12	
Email Basics: 5:30pm Computer Rm		Great Discussions: <i>Sectarianism in Middle East</i> 11:30am Wasson Rm Movie: Dead Poets Society 7pm Hondius Rm						Listen to Music * 10:00am Wasson Rm 		Paint a Piggy Bank: Financial Literacy Month 1pm Atrium 			
MON 13		TUES 14		WED 15		THURS 16		FRI 17		SAT 18		SUN 19	
Internet Safety & Security 5:30pm Computer Rm				Yoga Storytime: Age 3-5 2:30pm Hondius Rm Prolific Poets of Estes History 7pm EP Museum		Core Resume/ Online Job Search 10am & 12:30pm Wasson Rm Dance Performance 3:30pm EPES Gym		Computer Basics 10:00am Computer Rm 		Movie: A Fine Madness 3pm Hondius Rm 			
MON 20		TUES 21		WED 22		THURS 23		FRI 24		SAT 25		SUN 26	
Intro to Finding Funders 10am Computer Rm		Make a Bookmark: Ntl. Library Week 10am Atrium Emergency Readiness Wkshp 6:30pm Wasson Rm 4-Year Old Extravaganza! 10:30am Hondius Rm				Peter & the Wolf 1:40pm EPHS Auditorium Poetry Café: Grades 3-5 5:30pm EP Elementary Cafeteria 		Library eBooks * 5:30pm Wasson Rm Poetry Slam: Middle Schoolers 7pm Coffee on the Rocks 		Facebook for Genealogy 10am Computer Rm Sound Ideas 1pm EP Events Center-Fairgrounds Poetry Slam: High Schoolers 7pm Coffee on the Rocks			
MON 27		TUES 28		WED 29		THURS 30							
Mazes & Hexbugs 4pm Hondius Rm Small Business Resources 101 7pm Computer Rm A Ranger's Rocky Mtn Rescues 7pm EP Museum				Tech Makes Travel Easier * 5:30pm Wasson Rm		Poem in Your Pocket Day All Day Atrium 				<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> Bring your device * </div>			

MAY

 **Early Childhood Storytime**
 Thursdays & Fridays:
 10am & 10:30am
 Saturdays
 10:30am

Bring your device

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FRI 1

**CLOSED
for Staff
Development
Day**

SAT 2



SUN 3

MON 4

Happy Star Wars Day
All Day

Email Basics
1:00pm Computer Rm

TUES 5

Great Discussions: India Changes Course
11:30am Wasson Rm

Emergency Preparedness Kits
12pm Hondius Rm

WED 6

THURS 7

Magical Delights
4pm Hondius Rm
Summer Flash Monologues
7pm Hondius Rm



FRI 8

Tech Makes Travel Easier *
10am Computer Rm

Movie: Victory
3pm Hondius Rm



SAT 9



SUN 10

MON 11

Gadgets: What's Right For You?
1pm Wasson Rm

TUES 12

WED 13

iPad Basics *
1pm Wasson Rm

Emergency Preparedness Kits
12pm Hondius Rm

THURS 14



FRI 15

Internet Basics
10am Computer Rm



SAT 16

Movie: The 39 Steps
3pm Hondius Rm



SUN 17

Little Libraries: Unveiling Party
3pm Hondius Rm

MON 18

Proposal Writing Basics
10am Computer Rm

The "Art" of Mountaineering
7pm EP Museum

TUES 19

Movie: Of Human Bondage
7pm Hondius Rm

WED 20

Email Basics
5:30pm Computer Rm

THURS 21



FRI 22



SAT 23



SUN 24

MON 25

TUES 26

Joys of Giving: Find out How
7pm Hondius Rm

WED 27

THURS 28



FRI 29



SAT 30



SUN 31

The future is now. Check out all the new formats at the library.

eBook use is up 20%. 12,000 checkouts since service launched.

eBooks

- Free & easy to download to your device
- More than 1800 popular titles--selection always changing
- Worry-free borrowing: eBooks "return" themselves on their due dates

eAudio

- Full length novels and nonfiction
- Over 4300 popular titles
- 100 titles for kids and teens
- Listen on your iPod, your phone, or PC

eMagazines

- Read on your tablet, smart phone, or PC
- Over 30 free monthly magazines
- Current news, recipes, fashion, and more

Tech savvy? Simply follow the instructions at estesvalleylibrary.org and you'll be on your way.

Searching for what gadget is right for you? Make an informed choice after attending this class.

GADGETS:

Wasson Room

Monday, **March 23**, 5:30-7:00pm

Monday, **May 11**, 1:00-2:30pm



BOOK-A-LIBRARIAN

Need a helping hand? Bring your gadget in for a one-on-one 30-minute appointment and friendly staff will show you how it all works.



POETRY CAFÉ FOR GRADES 3 – 5

Thursday, April 23

5:30-7:30pm Estes Park Elementary School Cafeteria

Families with kids in grades 3 to 5 are invited to attend this 11th annual event. Kids should prepare a reading of 1 or 2 poems. Beatnik attire encouraged.

Homeschoolers sign up at
youthservices@estesvalleylibrary.org

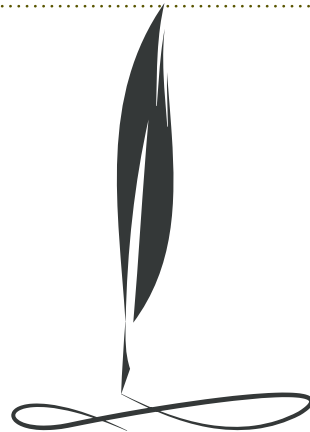


PROLIFIC POETS OF ESTES VALLEY HISTORY

Wednesday, April 15

7:00pm Estes Park Museum

Kurtis Kelly portrays Charles Edwin Hewes in Hewes' own words, as we learn about this prolific poet as well as Clem Yore and others. Partner program with Estes Park Museum.



DIGITAL ARTWORK SHOWCASE

Tuesday, March 31

7:00pm Hondius Room

Watch, learn, and be amazed at the film, photography, and music projects created by teens using technology. This showcase celebrates the digital artwork of our local youth—including creations using the Library's new Green Screen Technology. Teens will be on hand to share their innovations.

POETRY SLAM FOR MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOLERS

Friday, April 24 for Middle Schoolers

7:00-9:00pm Coffee on the Rocks

Saturday, April 25 for High Schoolers

7:00-9:00pm Coffee on the Rocks

Not just poetry—it's poetry performance. Present a poem alone or with a group—prepared or improvised. Enjoy live performance, complimentary snacks and beverages in a cozy coffee shop setting.

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“Readers are lucky- they will never be bored or lonely....How on earth can we live without libraries?”

—Ann Coleman, *Friends & Foundation*



Prolific young adult and children’s author Margaret Peterson Haddix will visit and speak to Estes Park’s student population.

Thursday, February 26

9:00-10:00am
6th and 8th grade

10:15-11:15am
5th and 7th grade

1:15-2:15pm
3rd and 4th grade

At Estes Park High School Auditorium

Homeschoolers and Public Welcome and Encouraged to Attend (sign in at school office)



The best literacy event by far is a visit from an author of books that kids love to read. Margaret Peterson Haddix is the author of numerous books for children and teens including *Running Out of Time*, *Just Ella*, the *Shadow Children Series*, the *Missing Series* and many more.

Students who have read 3 or more Haddix books are eligible for a prize—including a chance to get your picture taken with the author and a gift card to Kind Coffee. Pick up the “Haddix Bingo” entry forms at the Estes Valley Library or at your Estes Park School Library.

In partnership with Park R-3 School District and the Estes Park Woman’s Club.



“*As a kid, I also longed for a career that I didn’t actually believe real people got to do. The far-out, only-in-your dreams career I wanted was to be an author. I know I have to write a story when the story keeps me awake at night, teases at the back of my brain all day, just won’t let me go.*

And that’s why I became a writer.”

– Margaret Peterson Haddix



THE DINOSAUR SHOW PAUL MESNER’S PUPPET THEATER

Tuesday, February 24

10:10am and 12:45pm Elementary School Gym

This performance digs into the past to bring the dinosaur to life in a prehistoric tale, explaining the scientific facts of how dinosaurs became extinct—with some whimsical and improbable theories alike. Cosponsored by Families for Estes. Homeschoolers and the public welcome.

SONNET WRITING: A VALENTINE'S WORKSHOP

Saturday, February 7

2:30-4:30pm Hondius Room

Delve into this traditional literary form—and learn to write sonnets of your own. Supplies on hand for creating Valentines and handmade envelopes. Snacks provided.

For 6th grade and up. Sign up online.



CPR FOR TEENS

Saturday, February 21

8:30am-12:00pm (for High School ages)

1:00-4:30pm (for Middle School ages)

Valuable training for many situations—hiking, sports, babysitting, and more. An American Heart Association course.

\$20 fee Advance sign-up required

THE BOOK THIEF BOOK CLUB AND MOVIE

Thursday, March 5

6:30-9:30pm Hondius Room

This novel set in Nazi Germany tells the story of a young girl, taken from her mother and given to strangers, who desperately wants to learn to read and understand the world around her. Take part in the discussion, then watch the movie.

Ages 13 and up. Register and get your copy of the book.

HAPPY STAR WARS DAY

Monday, May 4 All Day

Stop in the Library for Random Acts of *Star Wars* culture.

May the 4th be with you!



TEEN GREEN SCREEN PLAY TIME

Saturday, March 14

1:00-4:00pm Hondius Room

Learn how to film a short scene—then edit the video footage using green screen software. The perfect blending of creativity and technology. Plan to share your events at the Tech Showcase event on March 31 at 7:00 pm.

For 6th grade and up.



SUMMER FLASH MONOLOGUES: PLANNING EVENT

Thursday, May 7

7:00-8:30pm Wasson Room (6th grade and up)

Interested in doing some acting this summer to enhance your theatrical experience and repertoire? This is a planning event for those who are interested in preparing Young Chautauqua acts, Shakespearean monologues, or other individual acts to be performed downtown this summer. We will brainstorm ideas and schedule rehearsals according to interest.

THURSDAY AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS

All Programs in the Hondius Room.
Advance registration required. K-5th grades

Science: It's Shockingly Fun

February 5, 4:00pm

Mini Film Festival: Animated Shorts

March 5, 4:00pm



Denver Zoo Presents:

Colorado Alive

April 2, 4:00pm

**Doc Murdock's
Magical Delights**

May 7, 4:00pm

YOGA STORYTIMES

Register at estesvalleylibrary.org

FOR AGES 3-5

Wednesday, February 25

Wednesday, April 15

2:30-3:00pm Hondius Room

FOR AGES 5-11

Wednesday, March 11

4:00-5:00pm Hondius Room



4-YEAR OLD EXTRAVAGANZA!
ONE BOOK 4 COLORADO

Tuesday, April 21

10:30-11:00am Hondius Room

One Book 4 Colorado provides a free paperback book for all children age 4. Come for stories, games, and lots of fun. Register online at estesvalleylibrary.org

Make-It
MONDAY

Programs in the Hondius Room

K-5th grades



Stretch-A-Straws Creations

February 23, 4:00pm

No Kidding!

Prank Your Parents (and Friends)

March 30, 4:00pm

Mazes and Hexbugs

April 27, 4:00pm

**Advance
registration
required**

FRIENDS DANCE ON STAGE!

Thursday, April 16

3:30- 4:15pm Estes Park Elementary School Gym

Starflower Dance Company performs under the direction of Joanne Helmuth. Try out some dance moves along with the Starflower dancers and then watch them perform for you.

EL DÍA DE LOS NIÑOS CELEBRATION
PETER AND THE WOLF

Thursday, April 23

1:40pm Estes Park High School Auditorium

For grades 1 through 5 (homeschoolers welcome). El Día de Los Niños/El Día de Los Libros celebrates children, books and cultures around the world. A full-length presentation of the classic Russian children's story *Peter and the Wolf*. Co-sponsored by the Fine Arts Guild of the Rockies.

SOUND IDEAS

Saturday, April 25

1:00pm Estes Park Event Center—Fairgrounds

A delightful romp around the world through the wondrous ethnic musical instruments with Michael Stanwood. Kids will play Thai k'haens, Australian didgeridoos, and many more. In celebration of GeoFest 2015.

“PIONEERS OF THE PEAKS”

A monthly series spotlighting legendary mountaineers and local climbing history during the centennial year of Rocky Mountain National Park.



The Evolution of Mountain Footwear

with Steve Komito
Monday, February 23

Training in Rocky Mountain National Park

with Harry Kent
Monday, March 23

A Ranger's Rocky Mountain Rescues

with Keith Lober
Monday, April 27

The “Art” of Mountaineering

with artist James Disney
Monday, May 18

A Tribute to Search and Rescue

with Nathan Dick
Monday, June 29

All programs are at 7:00pm at the Estes Park Museum

Co-sponsored by the Estes Valley Library and the Estes Park Museum.

The Library and the Museum have partnered to preserve the stories of our legendary local mountaineers. The Estes Park Mountaineers Oral History Project is made possible by a generous donation from Jo Persons, honoring the late Rev. Al Persons of Estes Park.

Check out the Mountaineers Oral History Project DVD, featuring interviews with 18 legendary mountaineers—now available for check-out at the Library. **Visit the “Climb On” exhibition, now on display at the Estes Park Museum through October 4, 2015.**



Wilderness, Wildlife, Wonder

“Why I Give” *by James Fernandez*

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If as Ken Burns tells us, the National Parks are America’s ‘best idea’ surely libraries are humanity’s best idea.

My mother, Marian M. Fernandez, certainly thought so! She retired here in Estes in the late 1960s from a life in the world of business management and quickly put her skills to work for the Estes Park library then in Bond Park. I do not remember ever visiting her in the 1970s when she was not busily volunteering her time to a library project, especially fund-raising.

She gave a lot of herself to the Library and I give, we give, to continue that giving, though in hardly so valuable and personal a form. Marian first came to Estes in the late thirties. She certainly saw a good library as distinguishing a civilized society from an uncivilized one.

What a jewel of a library we now have, thanks to the professional work of our librarians and to dedicated volunteers like my mother. Recalling my own childhood in Oak Park Illinois, I always pause a moment, before the children’s section to look in on the small ones as they excitedly explore their tiny town—a wide world really—of learning and experiment and storytelling. Could



James (pictured) and Renate Fernandez: helping grow a great library.

there be a better place to be in the formative years of preschool and the early grades? In this busy world, I am reminded of an insightful bit of doggerel about libraries from the inimitable Richard Amour.

‘Here is where people,
One frequently finds,
Lower their voices
And raise their minds.’”

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