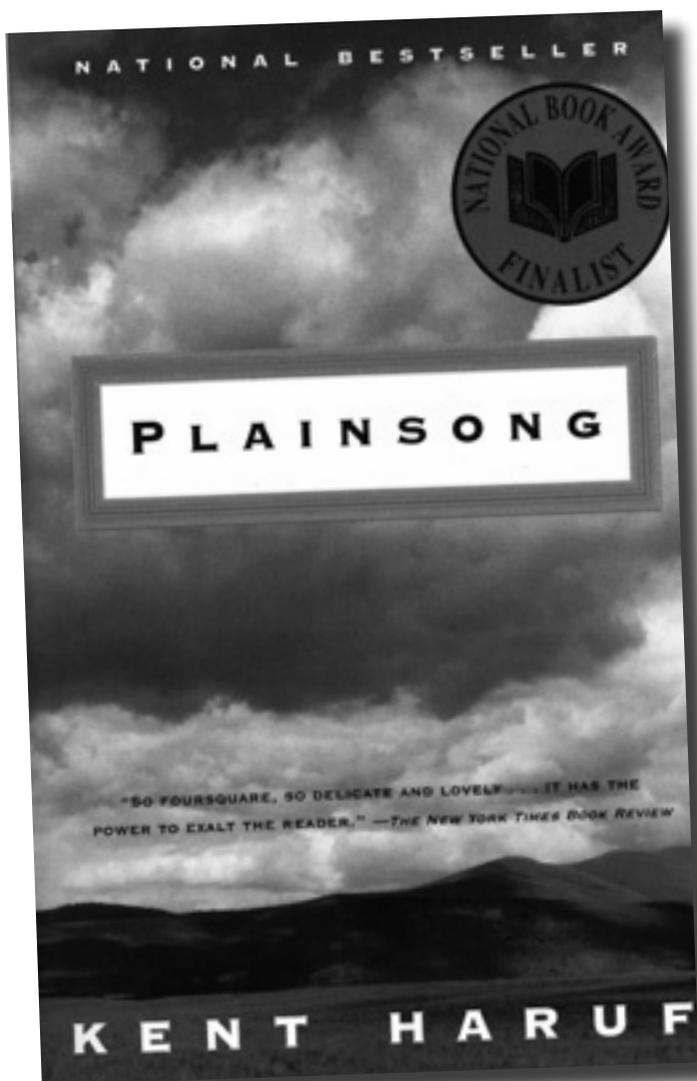


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*Plainsong*  
by Kent Haruf

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## A Harvest of Gatherings

With fall approaching, there are many words that evoke the crisp feel of this beautiful season. One of those words is "harvest". Even for those not actively gardening or living off the land, there is something that resonates with this time of year when our ancestors would gather.

"Gathering" is also the coming together of people. And in this fall season, our library offers a panorama of fine opportunities for people to come together for shared learning, civic discussion, storytelling and community—in ways that public libraries are uniquely designed to facilitate and nurture.

Among our most special of gatherings is the 18th Annual Library Benefit Dinner with special guest, bestselling mystery author Craig Johnson. Come and enjoy a great dinner and the kinship of being among our fine community of library supporters.

The following weekend, we celebrate the beginning of a much-anticipated event now in its third year. One Book One Valley 2013 offers us the opportunity to gather around the reading of a single book—Kent Haruf's *Plainsong*. Look for the blue 8-page pullout section inside this newsletter.

One Book One Valley is made possible entirely through our family of donors, one half of which derives from a bequest from the late Sally Uhlir of Estes Park. Sally's generosity is making our Estes Valley a great place to live and learn.

Speaking of donations, this newsletter is made possible by the Friends of the Estes Valley Library. You'll find full details about the Friends' Potluck Dinner in this newsletter. As an astronomy enthusiast myself, I can't wait for this special evening.

We look forward to serving you this fall through the vibrant array of library resources and programs for the benefit of our Estes community.

Sincerely,

*Claudine*

CLAUDINE PERRAULT  
Library Director

# HIGHLIGHTS: ANNUAL BENEFIT DINNER

FALL  
2013

## Big Stories from Big Sky Country: Library Dinner Welcomes Craig Johnson

The 18th Annual Library Benefit Dinner welcomes Wyoming author and Western Writers of America's Spur Award winner Craig Johnson to the Estes Valley. Johnson is the creator of the popular and critically-acclaimed "Walt Longmire" mysteries, featuring the charismatic and unflappable sheriff of Absaroka County.

Join us in the newly remodeled setting of the Aspen Lodge for this year's event, hosted by the Library Foundation.

“A writer, like a sheriff, is the embodiment of a group of people and without their support both are in a tight spot.”

Craig Johnson, from *Another Man's Moccasins*



## Longmire Movie Matinee

Wednesday, Sept. 4, 3pm

Join us for the final critically-acclaimed series of *Longmire* on the big screen in the Hondius Room.

Craig Johnson's books are available for check-out at the Library or for purchase locally through Macdonald Book Shop.

## Your Contributions Matter!

In addition to funding One Book One Valley, the Library Foundation provides critical support for the Library's major strategic initiatives. Foundation representatives also work to secure grant funds such as the Common Cents Counts financial literacy project.

# WANTED LIBRARY LOVERS

TO ATTEND THE

18<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL  
ESTES VALLEY  
LIBRARY  
FOUNDATION  
DINNER

# REWARD

Guest Speaker • Craig Johnson

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29  
Social Hour-4pm, Dinner-5pm  
ASPEN LOGDE  
\$65 (\$30 tax-deductible)  
RSVP by September 18, 2013

Johnson will be on hand to sign copies of his books and greet attendees after his talk.

## Into a Shining Sky:

Former NASA Astronaut  
is Guest at Library Potluck

Few people have as much perspective on Planet Earth as those who have seen it firsthand from the vantage of space. Former NASA astronaut Loren Shriver is among that elite class of people who have served the nation's cutting-edge space exploration program. Shriver is the featured speaker at this year's Library Potluck Dinner, hosted by the Friends of the Library.

A 1967 graduate of the Air Force Academy, Shriver entered an esteemed military career that led him to be a test pilot for the F-15 in 1976. Two years later, he was selected as a NASA astronaut, destined to fly on three space shuttle missions, one as pilot and two as commander. Shriver served on the famous 1990 mission which launched the Hubble Telescope.



“The universe, as far as we can observe it, is a wonderful and immense engine.”

George Santayana

## Annual POTLUCK DINNER

*Bring a dish to share and your own tableware*

### A View From The Sky: An Astronaut's Story

Tuesday, October 29

Dinner at 5pm / Business Meeting at 6pm / Program at 6:15pm

YMCA of the Rockies, Walnut Room

### Hosted by the Friends of the Library

The Friends of the Library support an array of special projects, from eServices to audiobooks, from programs and marketing to volunteer support. Learn more about the vital work of the Friends at this special evening.

## Book-A-Librarian

**New This Fall: eServices, One-on-One**

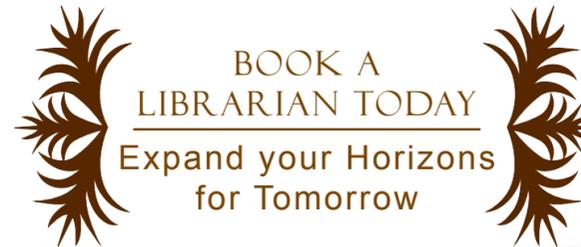
Want to learn how to download an eBook to your reading device? Or talk to an expert about starting a small business? Or maybe get a one-on-one overview of your personal financial picture? Why not "Book-A-Librarian"? There's nothing like a personal appointment with one of our specialists to help you get started, whether it's your iPad or your financial portfolio. Here are some of the possibilities when you Book-A-Librarian.

- Get a Library eBook on your reading device
- Check out an eMagazine
- Download an audiobook to your iPod
- Get one-on-one financial assistance
- Find grants for your nonprofit\*
- Write your résumé
- Develop your small business plan
- Build a mailing list for your business



To Book-A-Librarian for any of these services, stop by the Library to find out more or call (970) 586-8116. Appointments are limited to 30 minutes in length to allow our team to serve the greatest number of residents.

*\* Grants-seeking databases have been made possible by a grant from the Rotary Club of Estes Park*



### Tech Library Workshop: Interlibrary Loan

Saturday, September 14

2:00 pm Wasson Room

Interlibrary Loan offers you easy access to millions of books and articles not found in your local library collection. Join Resource Sharing Specialist Wendy Corcoran for a full overview of this service—and how you can place requests in-library or from the comfort of home. Class will allow time for questions and one-on-one assistance.

**Free. No registration required**

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>-30<sup>TH</sup>

**The Art Upstairs: Paintings by Cynthia Price Reedy**

Second Floor Exhibit Area

"When I travel and paint on location, I experience the place in a more intimate way," says artist Cynthia Price Reedy. "The colors become clearer and I see details I would have missed on a casual viewing." Enjoy watercolor and oil paintings by this well-known Estes Park artist during the month of September.



TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

**The Magic Mountain: a Film of the Himalayas**

7:00pm Hondius Room

As a prelude to the Sept. 9 Our Wonderful World program, the Library hosts a screening of this film documenting the work of Cynthia Hunt in the Ladakh region of northwest India. Hunt is the founder of HEALTH Inc (Health, Environment, and Literacy in the Himalayas). This 50-minute documentary was recipient of the People's Choice Award at the 2005 Banff Mountain Film Festival.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

**Movie Matinee: Longmire, based on the mysteries of Craig Johnson**

3:00pm Hondius Room

Author Craig Johnson is the featured guest at the September 29 Annual Library Benefit Dinner. His character Walt Longmire, the charismatic and unflappable sheriff of Absaroka County, Wyoming, solves crimes in this spellbinding series from the A&E network. Enjoy a 90-minute screening of two Season One episodes, with popcorn and refreshments provided. Admission is free.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

**After-School Program: Ann Lincoln's Dino Girl Magic, Juggling, and Comedy Show**

4:00pm Hondius Room

Children ages 5-11 are invited to join kooky cavewoman Ann Lincoln and her performing furry friends for astounding magic, awesome juggling, and a one-of-a-kind comedy show. Watch her rabbit appear out of nowhere, a pet dog perform silly tricks, and bowling balls thrown overhead. This is a show you'll not want to miss. **Advance registration required.**



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

**Our Wonderful World presents: The Docs in Ladakh: 25 Years in the Western Himalayas**

7:00pm National Park Village, 900 Moraine Ave

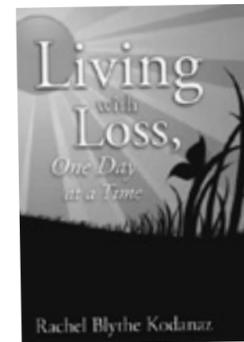
An educator and crusader for literacy, Cynthia Hunt recounts the pitfalls and pinnacles of her 25 years working in grassroots development in the Western Himalayas, exploring the "road less traveled" in a land buffeted by winds of war, modernization, and tourism. Doctors Tom and Kathy Hornbein will introduce this talk with a journey through the stunning landscape of Ladakh as they visited projects and people supported by two organizations close to their hearts.



WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

**Living with Loss, One Day at a Time**

3:00pm Hondius Room



Motivational speaker and grief consultant Rachel Blythe Kodanaz discusses her new book *Living with Loss, One Day at a Time*, which offers daily encouragement to individuals and families who have recently lost a loved one. With an eye toward hope, optimism and self-discovery, Kodanaz will discuss the ways of accepting and integrating loss into our daily lives. Held in partnership with the Estes Park Medical Center's Hospice team.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

**Starry Night: a Story of Survival**

7:00pm National Park Village, 900 Moraine Ave.

Mountain climber Isabel Suppé, author of *Starry Night*, survived a chilling fall in the Bolivian Andes through strength and resolution. Hear her story at this Our Wonderful World series finale.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

**Great Decisions Series: China in Africa**

11:30am Wasson Room

Is China outpacing the U.S. with economic engagement in Africa? The Foreign Policy Association designed this monthly discussion program exploring today's most important international issues. First time participants are invited. Brown bag lunches welcome. Co-sponsored by the Library and the League of Women Voters.

**Healthy Reading Book Club**

7:00pm Wasson Room

Backed by the latest research, Dr. Neal Barnard, author of *Breaking the Food Seduction*, reveals the simple dietary and lifestyle changes that can lead to healthier living, lower cholesterol, and weight loss. Join us for this continuing book discussion series, co-sponsored by Salud Family Health Clinic and the Library.

**Books available for the first ten registrants. Register at [estesvalleylibrary.org](http://estesvalleylibrary.org)**

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

**Financial Book Discussion**

6:45pm Wasson Room

*Common Stocks and Uncommon Profits* by Philip Fisher is September's featured financial book, a classic that is highly regarded among today's financiers and investors. New attendees are welcome and should contact Marsha Yelick, the Library's financial programs coordinator, in advance at [myelick@estesvalleylibrary.org](mailto:myelick@estesvalleylibrary.org)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

**Job Searching and Resumé Workshops**

9:00am and 11:00am Hondius Room

Learn the most effective tools for job searching—then tailor your resumé for success. The morning's first workshop is titled "JumpStart Your Job Search", from 9 am to 10: 45 am. The second workshop on resumé writing follows from 11 am to 12:45 pm. Hosted through the Library's Buck Starts Here initiative—with instruction led by the Larimer County Workforce Center specialists.

**Free. Register online at [estesvalleylibrary.org](http://estesvalleylibrary.org)**

**For Nonprofits: Financial Forum Round Table**

3:00pm to 6:00pm The Stanley Hotel

A panel discussion featuring representatives from several major foundations in the Northern Colorado region will offer grant writers and those serving on nonprofit boards insights into just what foundations are looking for when they award grants. Hosted by the Estes Park Nonprofit Resource Center.

**Visit [epnrc.org](http://epnrc.org) for online registration link.**

**Emergency Readiness Essentials Workshop**

6:30pm to 8:30pm Wasson Room

Organizing one's important personal and financial papers now can mean much less stress during a time of emergency. Attendees will learn what should be contained in a "flight box" for "grab and go" on short notice; what preparation is necessary in case anything happens to oneself or a spouse; what an individual can do to protect their computer information as well as personal possessions; and the recommended preparations for a community emergency. Led by organizing professional Shellie Tressell.

**Space is limited. Register online at [estesvalleylibrary.org](http://estesvalleylibrary.org)**

SEPTEMBER

Sept. 3 through Sept. 30th  
Paintings by Cynthia Price Reedy  
The Art Upstairs

Every Thursday and Friday  
Preschool Storytime: 10am & 10:30am

Every Saturday  
Preschool Storytime: Bilingual 10am,  
Regular 10:30am

LIBRARY FALL HOURS

Monday-Thursday 10am-9pm  
Friday-Saturday 10am-5pm  
Sunday 1pm-5pm

MON 2	TUES 3	WED 4	THURS 5	FRI 6	SAT 7	SUN 8
<b>CLOSED LABOR DAY</b>	<b>Movie: <i>The Magic Mountain: A Film of the Himalayas</i></b> 7pm Hondius Rm	<b>Movie: <i>Longmire, based on the mysteries of Craig Johnson</i></b> 3pm Hondius Rm	<b>Preschool Storytime</b> 10 & 10:30am Hondius Rm <b>After School Program: Magic Show</b> 4pm Hondius Rm	<b>Preschool Storytime</b> 10 & 10:30am Hondius Rm	<b>NO Storytime due to Scottish Fest Parade</b>	
MON 9	TUES 10	WED 11	THURS 12	FRI 13	SAT 14	SUN 15
<b>The Docs in Ladakh; 25 Years in the Western Himalayas</b> 7pm National Park Village		<b>Living with Loss, One Day at a Time</b> 3pm Hondius Rm	<b>Preschool Storytime</b> 10 & 10:30am Hondius Rm	<b>NO Storytime</b>	<b>Preschool Storytime</b> 10:30am Hondius Rm <b>Tech Workshop</b> 2pm Wasson Rm	
MON 16	TUES 17	WED 18	THURS 19	FRI 20	SAT 21	SUN 22
<b>Starry Night: a Story of Survival</b> 7pm National Park Village	<b>Feeding the Dragon-China in Africa</b> 11:30am Wasson Rm <b>Healthy Reading Book Club</b> 7pm Wasson Rm	<b>Financial Book Club</b> 6:45pm Wasson Rm <b>Build E-Fective Biz Websites</b> 6pm Hondius Rm	<b>Preschool Storytime</b> 10 & 10:30am Hondius Rm	<b>Preschool Storytime</b> 10 & 10:30am Hondius Rm	<b>Preschool Storytime</b> 10:30am Hondius Rm	
MON 23	TUES 24	WED 25	THURS 26	FRI 27	SAT 28	SUN 29
	<b>Job Search &amp; Resumé Help</b> 9am/11am Hondius Rm <b>Nonprofits: Financial Forum</b> 3-6pm Stanley Hotel <b>Emergency Readiness</b> 6:30-8:30pm Wasson Rm <b>Early Childhood Book Club</b> 7-8:15pm Hondius Rm	<b>Busy World of Richard Scarry: Afternoon Story &amp; Craft- Ages 2-5</b> 4-5pm Hondius Rm <b>Social Media for Businesses</b> 6pm Hondius Rm	<b>Preschool Storytime</b> 10 & 10:30am Hondius Rm	<b>Preschool Storytime</b> 10 & 10:30am Hondius Rm	<b>Preschool Storytime</b> 10:30am Hondius Rm	<b>Annual Library Benefit Dinner</b> 4pm Cocktails 5pm Dinner Aspen Lodge <b>Featuring Author Craig Johnson</b>

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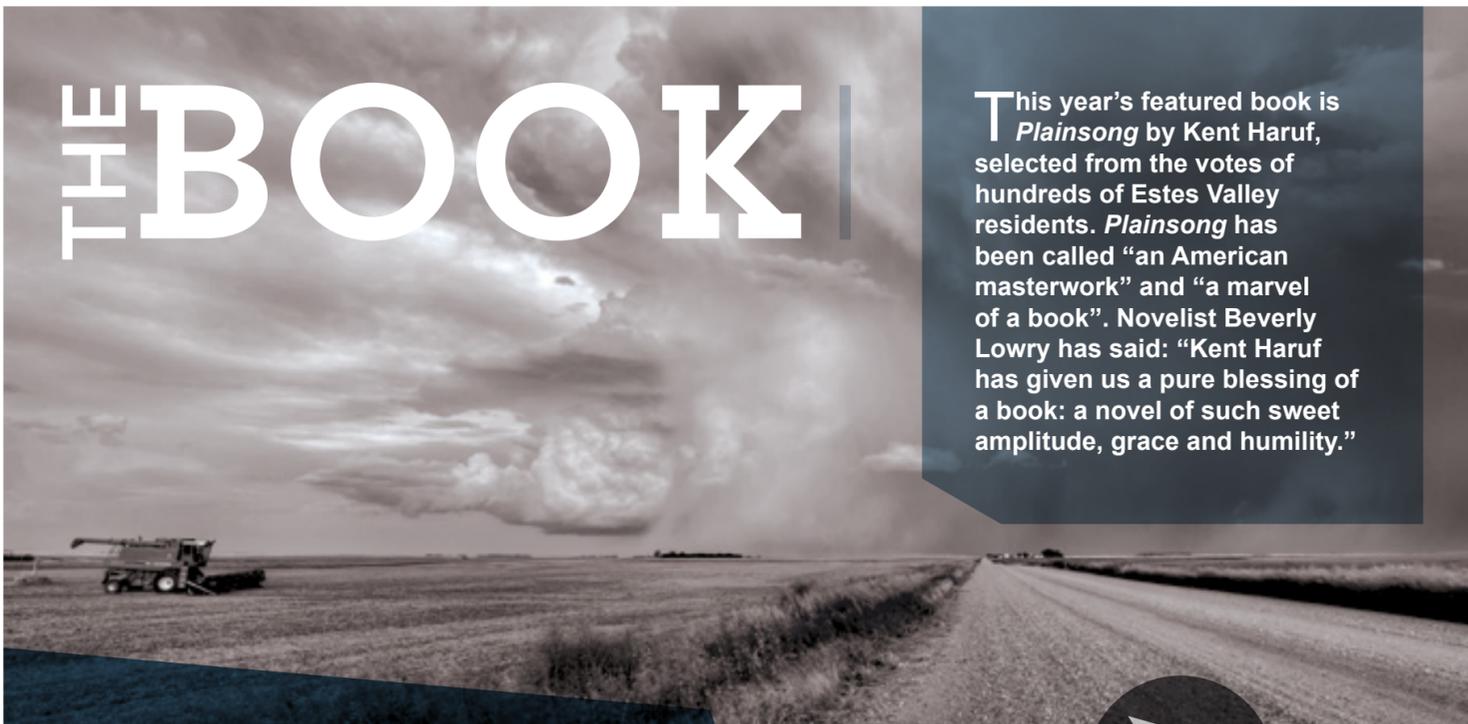
ON THE ROAD  
TO  
PLAINSONG

SPECIAL PULL-OUT  
GUIDE

This season marks the start of the Third Annual One Book One Valley. The Library welcomes the entire community to take part in reading a single book, inviting us to join together for discussions, cultural events, storytellings, films, a family portrait exhibit—and much more this fall.

# THE BOOK

This year's featured book is *Plainsong* by Kent Haruf, selected from the votes of hundreds of Estes Valley residents. *Plainsong* has been called "an American masterwork" and "a marvel of a book". Novelist Beverly Lowry has said: "Kent Haruf has given us a pure blessing of a book: a novel of such sweet amplitude, grace and humility."



*Plainsong* takes us to the setting of Holt, Colorado, a fictional town but one that reflects many such railroad towns of our state's eastern prairie. The novel weaves together the lives and stories of strong characters who struggle and endure as their families come together, and at times, fragment. The primary characters are a schoolteacher, a pair of young boys left adrift by their ill mother, a pregnant high school girl, and two persevering bachelor-brother farmers.

In telling the honest stories of its characters, *Plainsong* does contain some passages of strong language and adult situations. Reader discretion is advised.

As you read this acclaimed book, make notes of your impressions, talk to friends and neighbors, ponder the larger meanings of this story. Then bring your thoughts to our shared conversation.

Pick up a copy of *Plainsong* at the Estes Valley Library (paperbacks have been made available by the Library Foundation). Or purchase your copy locally at Macdonald Book Shop.

*Plainsong* is also available in eBook, audio CD, and downloadable audio formats at the Library.



ONE BOOK | ONE VALLEY

## OPENING RECEPTION

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4  
5:30-7:30 pm

Wine & Cheese Social  
Free-No registration required

The Estes Valley Library welcomes the community for a festive kick-off celebration including wine and cheese, the opening of the Family Portrait Community Collage exhibit, agricultural-themed displays, and at 6:30 pm, a "Reader's Theater" performance of dialogues from the pages of *Plainsong*.

Attire: Come as you are – or join us in a little costume fun. This year's attire theme may be described as "country dress-up". Picture the "Sunday go-to-meetin' style. Let your creativity guide you.

# THE AUTHOR



AN EVENING WITH KENT HARUF

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

7:00 pm

Estes Park High School Auditorium

FREE ADMISSION  
ADVANCE TICKETS REQUIRED.

Tickets available at the Library or at Macdonald Book Shop.

One Book One Valley is honored to host Colorado author Kent Haruf for a one-night-only speaking engagement. Haruf is the recipient of numerous awards for *Plainsong*, including the Mountains and Plains Booksellers Award, the *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize, the *New Yorker* Book Award, and a finalist designation for the National Book Award.

Born on the eastern plains of Colorado, Haruf went on to earn a Masters of Fine Arts from the Iowa Writers' Workshop in 1973—then a career that included such

experiences as teaching English with the Peace Corps in Turkey. Of all his ambitions, one would test him like no other. "Writing is the hardest thing I know," he said in a recent interview, "but it was the only thing I wanted to do. I wrote for 20 years and published nothing before my first book."

**"WRITING IS THE HARDEST THING I KNOW"**

Holt, Colorado is the setting for *Plainsong* as well as his other novels. Of that fictional town, he has said, "I know everybody and all the dogs and all the bicycles. I'm trying to write stories set in that small town that are universal."



## SPECIAL EXHIBIT: Family Portraits: a Community Collage

Family portraits from the past are filled with story. They reflect the conventions of their time—as well as changing technologies in photography. They offer fascinating insights into costumes, fashions, and the legacies of families.

Help us celebrate family and history by sharing a family portrait from your past—black and white or in color. Photographs will be scanned, then arranged thematically into a second-floor exhibit that honors the family portrait tradition. Email your scanned image to [kkelly@estesvalleylibrary.org](mailto:kkelly@estesvalleylibrary.org) or call (970) 586-8116 x 814 to schedule a time for us to scan your photo in person.

Submit your classic family photo by Monday, September 23. Then view the exhibit Oct. 4 through November 30.

# BOOK DISCUSSIONS |

## *Plainsong*: an Estes Valley Discussion

Join in the conversation at one (or both) of the book discussions. Listen in, ask questions, be part of the dialogue.

**Monday, October 21  
7:00 pm Hondius Room**

A community book discussion welcoming conversation from readers of *Plainsong*. Discussion to begin with insights from Dr. Jim Pickering, literature professor and historian laureate of Estes Park.

**Saturday, November 9  
3:00 pm Hondius Room**

A community book discussion welcoming conversation from readers of *Plainsong*. Discussion to begin with insights from literature instructor Tom Frasier.

Register for discussions at [estesvalleylibrary.org](http://estesvalleylibrary.org)

## EVENTS & PROGRAMS

### **APRONS: THE STORIES IN FABRIC**

**Saturday, October 5 3:00 pm Hondius Room**

An emblem of the Great Plains, aprons have served practical purposes and have reflected their times, from Depression-era embroidery to brightly-colored fabrics after World War II. Join fiber artist Roxanne Storlie for a presentation on the history of aprons and their meaning.

### **PLAINSONG IN THEMES AND SETTING: AN EXPLORATION**

**Wednesday, October 9 7:00 pm Hondius Room**

Literature instructor Tom Frasier leads a one-hour talk and photo presentation exploring the themes of *Plainsong*, their relationships to literary traditions and other writings, and their embodiment in the settings of eastern Colorado.

### **SOUNDS OF DISTANT BEAUTY: PLAINSONG AS MUSICAL FORM**

**Saturday, October 12 7:00 pm Community Church  
of the Rockies, 1700 Brodie Ave.**

The inscription at the beginning of *Plainsong* notes the medieval origin of the word: a form of musical chant. What really was “Plainsong” and what did it sound like? Dr. Gerald Holbrook, Chorus Master for Opera Fort Collins, leads a discussion of this hauntingly beautiful musical form, accompanied by performances from his team of singers. Free admission.

### **PROSPECTING THE PRAIRIE: FROM GOLD TO FOOD**

**Thursday, October 17 2:00 pm Hondius Room**

From miners to pack mules to settlers, everyone on the Plains needed food. Learn about the early settlement of the Front Range, its gold-seekers, builders, merchants, and the farming families on their heels, where industrious settlers lost no time in planting crops and digging irrigation ditches. Presented by Boulder County author and historian Anne Dyni.

### **APRONS: A MAKE AND TAKE CRAFT EVENT**

**Saturday, October 19 3:00 pm Hondius Room**

Estes Valley Library staff, assisted by volunteer community crafters, offer a creative opportunity to make an apron of your own and celebrate the attire of the Plains. Register online at [estesvalleylibrary.org](http://estesvalleylibrary.org)

### **HERITAGE OF THE PLAINS BUS TOUR**

**Saturday, October 26 8:45 am to 4:00 pm**

Visit three sites that evoke the atmosphere of *Plainsong*'s settings. Take a guided tour of Erie's Wise Homestead, Niwot's “Old Town” historic district, and the Agricultural Heritage Center near Longmont. Bring a brown bag lunch or dine on your own while in Niwot. The ride includes a book discussion on the settings in *Plainsong*.

Register at [estesvalleylibrary.org](http://estesvalleylibrary.org). **Advance registration required. Limited to 25 participants.**

### **GHOST SIGNS: RESCUED FROM TIME**

**Saturday, November 16 3:00 pm Hondius Room**

Downtown buildings of rural towns like Holt are often dominated with painted wall advertisements from a bygone era. Understanding and preserving these endangered “wall dogs”, victims of the elements and time, will be discussed by State Historical Fund Preservation Specialist Anne McCleave.

### **“A DEAL IN WHEAT”: THE FARMER & THE DOLLAR**

**Thursday, November 21 7:00 pm Hondius Room**

The *Plainsong* season would not be complete without a visit from Farmer McPherson to see none other than the Library's financial programs specialist Marsha Yelick. In this whimsical and educational dialogue, Marsha will help a “man of the soil” understand his future: farm credit, farm bills, the future of farming—in a futuristic tomorrow where meat can be grown in labs and people may eat such new “crops” as insects. Register at [estesvalleylibrary.org](http://estesvalleylibrary.org)

# PLAINSONG FILM FESTIVAL

## FRIDAY EVENINGS @ THE LIBRARY

### **Plainsong: the Hallmark Hall of Fame Production**

**Friday, October 18 7 pm Hondius Room**  
Aidan Quinn delivers a powerful performance as schoolteacher Tom Guthrie in this adaptation of Haruf's novel. High production values, along with hints of romance and humor, make this Hallmark production both touching and memorable.

### **Juno**

**Friday, October 25 7 pm Hondius Room**  
Comedy screenwriter Diablo Cody won the Oscar for her script of this movie told entirely from the point of view of a teenage girl who suddenly finds herself pregnant at age 16. Her sensibility carries her through an otherwise overwhelming situation in this fresh and bold film. PG-13 (Common Sense Media recommends this only for ages 14 and up).

## MONDAY MATINEES @ THE LIBRARY

### **Harvest**

**Monday, November 4, 3:00 pm  
Hondius Room**

Every year, from May to September, a group of hard-working contractors battle weather, machines and each other as they move south to north harvesting crops. This reality-drama program, produced by the History Channel, tells their story.



### **State Fair**

**Monday, November 25, 3:00 pm Hondius Room**

As a farm family gets ready to visit the annual state fair, the father (Will Rogers) prepares his hog, Blue Boy, and a mother gathers her jams, pickles, and mincemeat. While the parents have hog and baking contests on their minds, the son and daughter have the opposite sex on theirs in this slice of Americana from 1933.



### **The Fighting Sullivans**

**Monday, November 11, 3:00 pm Hondius Room**  
This 1942 classic pays homage to small town America while also paying honor to the sacrifice of combat veterans. Based on the true story of Waterloo, Iowa brothers who fought together in World War II. A Veterans' Day tribute.

### **City Girl**

**Monday, November 18,  
3:00 pm Hondius Room**

A Minnesota wheat farmer marries a waitress during a visit to Chicago and brings her back to his farm in this 1930 classic that is part silent, part talkie, and tantalizing in its ambitious scope.



## SPECIAL MOVIE EVENT

### **The Straight Story**

**At Reel Mountain Theater  
Tuesday, November 12 at 7:00 pm  
ADMISSION FREE WITH YOUR ESTES VALLEY  
LIBRARY CARD.**

This heartwarming and beautifully filmed creation is very much in the spirit of *Plainsong*. Based on the true story of Alvin Straight, who sets out on a John Deere riding tractor from Iowa to Wisconsin to find his estranged brother.

# THE SPOKEN WORD

**Afternoon Astounding  
Stories are 45 minutes—  
perfect for bringing a  
brown bag lunch, or your  
needlework. Relax while you  
hear a dramatic reading of a  
suspenseful story.**

### **Astounding Stories Presents: "The Lesson" by Jessamyn West**

**Friday, October 11 12:15 pm Hondius Room**  
The story opens subtly: an anxious boy awaits his pet steer's competition at the County Fair. Then a crescendo: as a widower's family confronts life, loss, pride and perseverance in West's masterful tale. (Performed by Kurtis Kelly)

### **Astounding Stories Presents: "The Pacing Goose" by Jessamyn West**

**Friday, October 25 12:15 pm Hondius Room**  
Vividly inspired by the author's Indiana Quaker ancestors, this story will bring a smile to your face as a farming family goes to court to reclaim an eccentric pet goose—one that sings and drinks tea. (Performed by Kurtis Kelly)

### **Astounding Stories Presents: "A Mild Attack of Locusts" by Doris Lessing**

**Friday, November 1 12:15 pm Hondius Room**  
The setting is not the Plains but the African countryside, yet the themes are universal. When locusts descend on a farm, the results are devastating, yet beautiful, told with riveting drama by Doris Lessing. (Performed by Sarah Holdt)

### **Heroes, Villains, Dames and Disasters: 150 Years of Front-Page Stories from the Rocky Mountain News**

**Saturday, November 2 3:00 pm Estes Park Museum**  
Newspapers are frequently referenced in *Plainsong*—including a newspaper route run by the Guthrie boys. Until its last edition in 2009, the "Rocky" was Colorado's longest-running newspaper. Performer and author Michael Madigan will conjure the famous characters of our state's history in this Colorado Humanities presentation. Co-hosted by the Library and the Estes Park Museum.

### **Plainsong: a Festival in Poetry**

**Friday, November 8 7:00 pm Hondius Room**  
In poetry café style, young and adult readers alike will read verse inspired by Plains settings, the land, or a cowboy poem. Contact the Library by October 23 to be included in the roster of readers. Hear the beauty and whimsy of poetry in its spoken form. Attendees will also enjoy an "ice cream social" as part of the evening.

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**THANK YOU, SALLY**

After her accomplished career in education, Sally Uhlir (1937-2011) of Estes Park remained an avid reader and library supporter. Sally's estate is once again providing the major financial support for One Book One Valley. Sally's generosity is improving our quality of life in Estes Park through literacy and civic dialogue.

OCTOBER

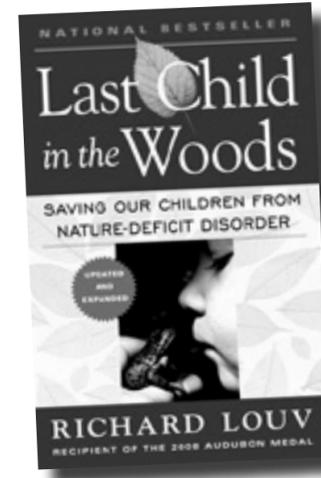
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MON 7	<b>Key Investment Concepts: Financial Education Pgrm</b> 7-8:30pm Wasson Rm	<b>Plainsong in Themes and Setting: an Exploration</b> 7pm Hondius Rm	<b>Eating Well on \$6/day</b> 7pm Hondius Rm	<b>"The Lesson" by Jessamyn West</b> 12:15pm Hondius Rm	<b>Sounds of Distant Beauty: Plainsong as Musical Form</b> 7pm Community Church of the Rockies	SUN 13
MON 14	<b>CLOSED</b>	<b>Sacred Cow-Defending America on a Budget</b> 11:30am Wasson Rm <b>Retirement Savings</b> 7-8:30pm Wasson Rm	<b>Job Search &amp; Resumé Help</b> 9am/11am Hondius Rm	<b>Prospecting the Prairie: From Gold to Food</b> 2pm Hondius Rm	<b>Minimize Your Tax Burden</b> 9am-12:30pm Wasson Rm <b>Plainsong: Hallmark Production</b> 7pm Hondius Rm	<b>Aprons: A Make &amp; Take Craft Event</b> 3pm Hondius Rm
MON 21	<b>Plainsong: an Estes Valley Discussion</b> 7pm Hondius Rm	<b>Lego Builders Club</b> 6-7pm Hondius Rm <b>Common Investment Types</b> 7-8:30pm Wasson Rm	<b>An Evening with Author Kent Haruf</b> 7pm EPHS Auditorium FREE! Advance tickets required		<b>"The Pacing Goose" by Jessamyn West</b> 12:15pm Hondius Rm <b>Juno</b> 7pm Hondius Rm	<b>Heritage of the Plains Bus Tour</b> 8:45am-4pm Erie, Niwot & Longmont
MON 28		<b>Potluck Dinner</b> 5pm Walnut Rm, YMCA of the Rockies <b>Featuring Astronaut Loren Shriver</b> <b>Managing \$ during Retirement</b> 7-8:30pm Wasson Rm		<b>Halloween at the Library</b> 5-7pm Hondius Rm		

NOVEMBER

		FRI 1	SAT 2	SUN 3		
Every Thursday and Friday Preschool Storytime: 10am & 10:30am  Every Saturday Preschool Storytime: Bilingual 10am, Regular 10:30am		<b>"A Mild Attach of Locusts" by Doris Lessing</b> 12:15pm Hondius Rm	<b>Heroes, Villains, Dames &amp; Disasters</b> 3pm EP Museum			
MON 4	TUES 5	WED 6	THURS 7	FRI 8	SAT 9	SUN 10
<b>Movie Matinee: Harvest</b> 3pm Hondius Rm	<b>Job Search &amp; Resumé Help</b> 9am/11am Hondius Rm		<b>After-School Program: Marine Biology</b> 4-5pm Hondius Rm	<b>Plainsong: a Festival in Poetry</b> 7pm Hondius Rm	<b>Plainsong: an Estes Valley Discussion</b> 3pm Hondius Rm	
MON 11	TUES 12	WED 13	THURS 14	FRI 15	SAT 16	SUN 17
<b>Movie Matinee: The Fighting Sullivans</b> 3pm Hondius Rm	<b>Movie Event: The Straight Story</b> 7pm Reel Mountain Theater		<b>12 Healthy Foods Under \$2</b> 7pm Hondius Rm  <b>Cash Flow for Biz Profits</b> 6pm Wasson Rm		<b>Ghost Signs: Rescued from Time</b> 3pm Hondius Rm	
MON 18	TUES 19	WED 20	THURS 21	FRI 22	SAT 23	SUN 24
<b>Movie Matinee: City Girl</b> 3pm Hondius Rm	<b>Healthy Reading Book Club</b> 7pm Hondius Rm  <b>Early Childhood Book Club</b> 7-8:15pm Wasson Rm	<b>Financial Book Discussion</b> 6:45pm Wasson Rm	<b>"A Deal in Wheat": The Farmer and the Dollar</b> 7pm Hondius Rm			
MON 25	TUES 26	WED 27	THURS 28	FRI 29	SAT 30	
<b>Movie Matinee: State Fair</b> 3pm Hondius Rm			CLOSED	CLOSED	NO Storytime	

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

**Early Childhood Book Club**  
 7:00pm to 8:15pm Hondius Room



Parents, grandparents, educators and caregivers are invited to meet quarterly to discuss ideas and issues raised in a specific book on child development, targeting ages 0-5. Read the book and join the conversation. Register on the Library's calendar page. Several copies of this session's book, *Last Child in the Woods* by Richard Louv, are available for check-out at the library.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

**Busy World of Richard Scarry: Afternoon Story and Craft for Ages 2 to 5**  
 4:00pm to 5:00pm Hondius Room

Families with children ages 2-5 are invited to enjoy stories about Huckle Cat, Lowly Worm, Bananas Gorilla and other classic Richard Scarry characters. Program finishes with a parent/child craft, making a Lowly or Lola worm plush character. **Space limited; advance registration required.**

SUNDAY, SEPT. 29

**Annual Library Benefit Dinner**  
 Hosted by the Library Foundation  
 4:00pm cocktails / 5:00pm dinner and program Aspen Lodge, \$65

Special guest Wyoming mystery novelist Craig Johnson discusses his award-winning series which includes *The Cold Dish*, *Death Without Company*, and *Kindness Gone Unpunished*. Johnson's novels inspired the hit A&E series *Longmire*, whose title character doggedly solves the big crimes of Big Sky country in Wyoming. Ticket includes dinner. **All proceeds directly benefit the Library. Advance tickets on sale at the Library.**

**RSVP before Wednesday, September 18**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1

**Goal Setting and Financial Planning**  
 7:00pm to 8:30pm Wasson Room

A great place to start: ideal for everyone who wants to begin, restart or re-evaluate their relationship with money. Learn the basics of budgeting, tracking your spending, and differentiating between needs and wants. Instructor Marsha Yelick leads this Common Cents Counts outreach program. **Register online at [estesvalleylibrary.org](http://estesvalleylibrary.org).**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

**After-School Program: Captain Vic, the Science Wizard, presents: Rootin' Tootin' Newton**  
 4:00pm to 5:00pm Hondius Room



Children ages 5-11 are invited to learn the basics of motion physics, why things move, and how we can change movements using simple science. Build a miniature Roller-Coaster simulator that works by using physics such as motion, gravity, inertia, movement and kinetic energy. **Space limited; advance registration required.**

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**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8**

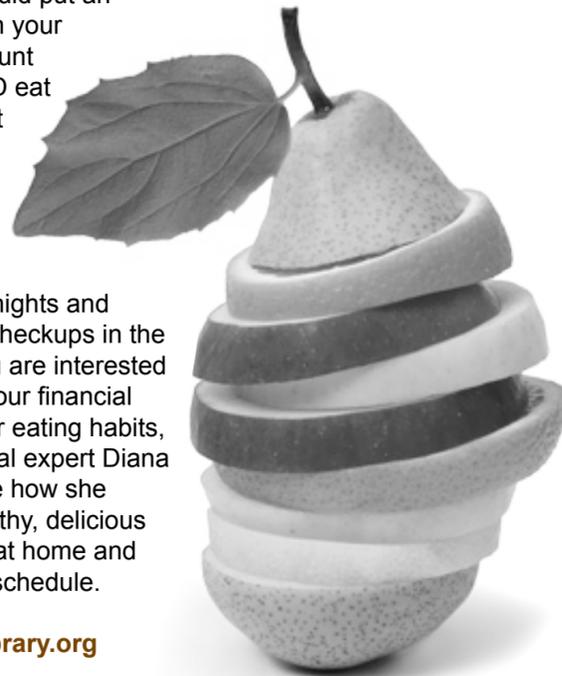
**Key Investment Concepts:  
Financial Education Program**  
7:00pm to 8:30pm Wasson Room

Understand investment basics: explore the ten simple but fundamental financial principles that guide money management and investment planning. Instructor Marsha Yelick leads this free Common Cents Counts program. **Register at [estesvalleylibrary.org](http://estesvalleylibrary.org)**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10**

**Eating Well on \$6 a Day**  
7:00pm Hondius Room

What if you could put an extra \$1,000 in your checking account each year AND eat a healthier diet at the same time? That extra money and better food could yield sleepful nights and better doctor checkups in the process. If you are interested in improving your financial life and/or your eating habits, come hear local expert Diana Laughlin share how she prepares, healthy, delicious low-cost food at home and within a busy schedule. **Register at [estesvalleylibrary.org](http://estesvalleylibrary.org)**



**MONDAY, OCTOBER 14**

**Library Closed (Columbus Day)**  
Staff Development Day and Volunteer Appreciation Event

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15**

**Great Decisions Discussion Series: Sacred Cow—Defending America on a Budget**  
11:30am Wasson Room

Where should defense dollars go in an era of economic restraint? The Foreign Policy Association designed this monthly discussion program exploring today's most important international issues. First time participants are invited. Brown bag lunches welcome. Co-sponsored by the Library and the League of Women Voters.

**Retirement Savings Vehicles:  
Financial Education Program**  
7:00pm to 8:30pm Wasson Room

Examine ways to plan and save for your retirement—before you retire. Participants will learn to estimate the dollars needed to reach their goals and explore ways to get there. Instructor Marsha Yelick leads this free Common Cents Counts program. **Register at [estesvalleylibrary.org](http://estesvalleylibrary.org)**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16**

**Job Searching and Resumé Workshops**  
9:00am and 11:00am Hondius Room

Learn the most effective tools for job searching—then tailor your resumé for success. The morning's first workshop is titled "JumpStart Your Job Search", from 9 am to 10: 45 am. The second workshop on resumé writing follows from 11 am to 12:45 pm. Hosted through the Library's Buck Starts Here initiative—with instruction led by the Larimer County Workforce Center specialists. **Free. Register online at [estesvalleylibrary.org](http://estesvalleylibrary.org)**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18**

**For Business Owners: Minimize Your Tax Burden**  
9:00am to 12:30pm Wasson Room

Business owners have the opportunity to get their taxes and record-keeping organized in this session led by Paula Mueller, CPA. Topics covered include self-employment taxes, estimated tax payments, tax deductions, sales use tax, and more. Cost is \$40. Register at [estesvalleylibrary.org](http://estesvalleylibrary.org). Held in partnership with the Larimer Small Business Development Center.

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22**

**Lego Builders Club**  
6:00pm to 7:00pm Hondius Room



Children ages 5-11 are invited to unleash their imaginations and build with Legos. This session's theme : "It Came From Outerspace". Build a space ship, alien robot, or space dog. All materials will be provided but should remain in the library. Youth Services staff will end the club by having students share

what they've made. Look for upcoming Lego Builders' Club sessions with varying themes. **Space limited; advance registration required.**

**Common Investment Types:  
Financial Education Program**  
7:00pm to 8:30pm Wasson Room

Gain a fuller understanding of investment choices in today's complex financial world. Learn about stocks, bonds, and cash equivalents. Instructor Marsha Yelick leads this free Common Cents Counts program. **Register at [estesvalleylibrary.org](http://estesvalleylibrary.org)**



**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29**

**Managing Money during Retirement**  
7:00pm to 8:30pm Wasson Room

Recommended for anyone seeking to manage the retirement conundrum of managing assets so they last through a comfortable retirement. Instructor Marsha Yelick leads this free Common Cents Counts program. **Register at [estesvalleylibrary.org](http://estesvalleylibrary.org)**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31**

**Halloween at the Library**  
5:00pm to 7:00pm Hondius Room

Make the Library one of your "haunts" while trick-or-treating in downtown Estes Park. Estes Valley Library Youth Services staff will be on hand to greet visitors and share in the evening's hometown Halloween welcome for children and families.



**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29**

**Library Potluck Dinner**  
Hosted by the Friends of the Library  
5:00pm Walnut Room, YMCA of the Rockies

Former NASA astronaut Loren Shriver is the featured speaker at this year's Library Potluck Dinner. Shriver will share insights from his years of service—offering attendees a unique appreciation for vastness of space that has yielded new scientific understandings but still holds great mystery. Attendees should plan to bring a dish to share and plan to enjoy a delicious buffet. Attendees should also bring their own plates and silverware.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5**

**Job Searching and Resumé Workshops**

9:00am and 11:00am Hondius Room



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**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7**

**After-School Program:  
Marine Biology for Kids**

4:00pm to 5:00pm Hondius Room

Children ages 5-11 are invited to discover the watery world of jellyfish, sea horses, sharks and other ocean creatures. Presented for kids by the University of Colorado's Science Discovery team.

**Space is limited; advance registration required.**



**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14**

**Twelve Healthy Foods for Under \$2:  
Low-Priced and Healthy Eating Options**

7:00pm Hondius Room

Guest instructor Diana Laughlin explores options for identifying low-cost, healthy foods. Attendees will learn strategies for living on a budget and reducing food costs, while at the same time enjoying delicious and nutritious meals.

**Register at [estesvalleylibrary.org](http://estesvalleylibrary.org)**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19**

**Healthy Reading Book Club**

7:00pm Hondius Room

This month's book discussion is *The Omnivore's Dilemma: the Search for a Perfect Meal in a Fast-Food World*. Join us for this ongoing discussion of health-related titles, co-sponsored by the Library and Salud Family Health Clinic. Copies of the book available for the first ten registrants.

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**Early Childhood Book Club**

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**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20**

**Financial Book Discussion**

6:45pm Wasson Room

Investing icon, mutual fund pioneer and author John Bogle will be discussed. New attendees are welcome and should contact Marsha Yelick, the Library's financial programs coordinator, in advance at [myelick@estesvalleylibrary.org](mailto:myelick@estesvalleylibrary.org).

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5**

**After School Program**

4:00pm to 5:00pm Hondius Room

For children ages 5 to 11. Program details to be announced. Advance registration required.

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7**

**Breakfast with Santa**

Aquatic Center Gym

Estes Valley Park and Recreation District staff and the Lions Club join the Estes Valley Library in welcoming kids to have their photo taken with Santa. The Lions Club will be serving pancakes and breakfast items as a fundraiser. EVPRD staff will have a holiday craft. Children of all ages are invited to play book character bingo with the Library Youth Services team.



**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17**

**Lego Builders Club**

6:00pm to 7:00pm Hondius Room

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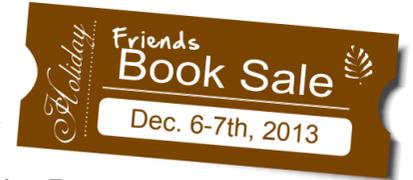
**Space limited; advance registration required.**

DECEMBER EVENTS



**Holiday Used Book Sale**

Hosted by the Friends of the Library Friday, December 6 and Saturday, December 7 10:00am to 4:00pm at the Library



**ADMISSION IS FREE.** The holiday used book sale offers book lovers and bargain hunters the opportunity to shop for gently-used books, DVDs and CDs priced affordably. The holiday sale especially features popular hardbacks, bestsellers, children's and coffee table books which are suitable for gift-giving. The Friends of the Library welcome donations of books, DVDs and CDs (within donation guidelines) throughout the year, which in turn raises essential funds to support library programs and resources.

**Support the Library  
Colorado Gives Day 2013  
December 10, 2013**

The season of giving is made easy thanks to an innovative online initiative. During the 24-hour period of December 10, gift-giving to support the Estes Valley Library Foundation can be maximized and done with pleasant convenience. Look for the links on the Library's website in early December and make a positive impact for the Library and our community's future. Made possible by sponsorship from the Community First Foundation and FirstBank of Colorado.



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