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Fall 2021 Newsletter

MUSIC THROUGHOUT THE FALL PRESENTED AT THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Sunday afternoon entertainment resumes August 22! Library programs are free and open to the public; events will be held at the Congregational Church, 120 E. 5th St., Lusk, WY.



Kicking off the series is cinematic guitarist **Hiroya Tsukamoto** on **Sunday, August 22** at **1 p.m.** Tsukamoto is a one-of-a-kind composer, guitarist and singer-songwriter from Kyoto, Japan. He performs a mix of eclectic acoustic music, Japanese folk songs and storytelling.

On **Sunday, September 12** Broadway and film veteran **Duffy Hudson** brings his talent and fascination for *Edgar Allan Poe* to life in this unique one-man play. Using a combination of biographical information and dramatic interpretation of Poe's literature, Hudson provides a unique in-depth theatrical experience. Plan now to attend this performance at **1:30 p.m.** at the Congregational Church.



Two troubadours are riding into Lusk for a special afternoon of contemporary western music and poetry on **Sunday, September 26** at **1:30 p.m.** **Kerry Grombacher** and **Aspen Black** will perform *Songs & Stories of the American West*, songs that draw vivid portraits and tell fascinating stories set

in the Western landscape. Both are successful solo artists but have worked together as a duo since 2014, performing nationwide.

Sunday, October 17 **The Fireants** will be performing at **1:30 p.m.** The Fireants play a variety of music of the Americas—Cajun Creole, Tejano and Norteño, Quebecois, Basque, Colombian Coastal Cumbia, Trinidadian Calypso, and Brazilian Forro.



Also included will be some swing from the U.S. and original tunes and some tunes that the band has rearranged from traditional sources. The band is comprised of Cindy Baker, bass and vocals; Caitlin Belem, fiddle, guitar, alto sax, and vocals; Margo Brown, percussion, piano, and vocals; Courtney Caplan, guitar and vocals; and David Romtvedt, button accordions, trumpet, and vocals.

Rounding out the fall series will be a return visit by the **Ben Markley Trio** on **Sunday, November 7** at **1:30 p.m.** Jazz pianist Markley is also a composer and arranger and performs regularly in the Denver-metropolitan area and along the Front Range. He will be joined by Alejandro Castano on the drums and Tom Amend on the organ.



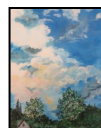
VISUAL ARTISTS ON DISPLAY



Throughout September, photos by photographer Cindy Starkey will be featured at the library. Starkey grew up in Nebraska and enjoys taking pictures of a variety of subjects. She spends her days working at the Lusk Post Office and enjoys her off-time with her camera. Plan to stop by the library to view her show and visit with Cindy at a reception in her honor on Wednesday, September 8 at 5 p.m.



Area rancher Barry Baldwin will be the featured artist during the month of October. Baldwin wanted to document all of the nature he sees on a daily basis as he lives the ranching life. With a nice camera and a perfect studio featuring sunrises, sunsets, rainbows, ice, frost and animals, his photos will be enjoyed. Be sure to stop by during October!



Hope Phelon has always enjoyed art and her paintings will be featured during November. She has dabbled a bit at different times in her life, but never enough to really consider herself an artist. Then she discovered "paint and sip" fun and was inspired by local artists Barbara Orr and Carla Stroh. Phelon has worked in rural Wyoming community mental health for almost thirty years. A reception with Hope will be held on Wednesday, November 10 at 5 p.m.



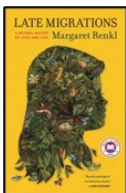
BOOK DISCUSSION AND DINNER & MOVIE SERIES ANNOUNCED



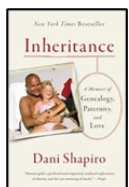
BOOK DISCUSSION TO BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER

Every Family Has a Story is the theme for the fall book discussion series at the Niobrara County Library. The series features books with a variety of family dynamics and Barb Baker returns to facilitate the series. Please call the library at 307-334-3490 or stop by to register and pick up the first book.

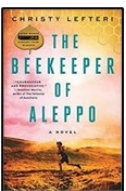
Late Migrations: A Natural History of Love and Loss by Margaret Renkl will be discussed on **Tuesday, September 7 at 6 p.m.** Growing up in Alabama, Renkl was a devoted reader, an explorer of riverbeds and red-dirt roads, and a fiercely loved daughter. Here, in brief essays, she traces a tender and honest portrait of her complicated parents—her exuberant, creative mother; her steady, supportive father—and of the bittersweet moments that accompany a child's transition to caregiver.



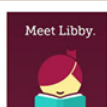
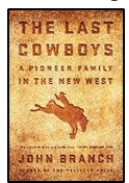
Monday, October 4 *Inheritance: A Memoir of Genealogy, Paternity, and Love* by Dani Shapiro will be featured. In the spring of 2016, through a genealogy website to which she had whimsically submitted her DNA for analysis, Dani Shapiro received the stunning news that her father was not her biological father. She woke up one morning and her entire history—the life she had lived—crumbled beneath her. *Inheritance* is a book about secrets—secrets within families, kept out of shame or self-protectiveness; secrets we keep from one another in the name of love. The discussion begins at **6 p.m.**



The Beekeeper of Aleppo by Christy Lefteri will be discussed on **Monday, November 1 at 6 p.m.** This is an unforgettable love story of a mother blinded by loss and her husband who insists on their survival as they undertake the Syrian refugee trail to Europe. Nuri is a beekeeper; his wife, Afra, an artist. They live a simple life, rich in family and friends, in the beautiful Syrian city of Aleppo—until the unthinkable happens. As Nuri and Afra travel through a broken world, they must confront not only the pain of their own unspeakable loss, but dangers that would overwhelm the bravest of souls. Above all, they must journey to find each other again.



Rounding out the series will be *The Last Cowboys: a Pioneer Family in the New West* by John Branch slated for discussion on **Monday, December 6 at 6 p.m.** For generations, the Wrights of southern Utah have raised cattle and world-champion saddle-bronc riders—many call them the most successful rodeo family in history. Now they find themselves fighting to save their land and livelihood as the West is transformed by urbanization, battered by drought, and rearranged by public-land disputes. Could rodeo, of all things, be the answer?



Library patrons can use their library cards and PINs to access

digital materials through Overdrive/Libby and Hoopla! Overdrive features ebooks, audiobooks, streaming video and over 3000 different periodicals. Hoopla also features ebooks and audiobooks and has downloadable video and television shows. Graphic novels are also available in both services! Check it out today; stop by the library if you need help!

DINNER & MOVIE SERIES BEGINS AUGUST 30



The **Every Family Has a Story** dinner and movie series is held at **6 p.m.** and includes a light meal. Deane Tucker, Chadron State College professor will facilitate discussion. The first film, Frank Capra's 1938 Oscar winner, *You Can't Take it With You* will be shown on **Monday, August 30**. A man from a family of rich snobs becomes engaged to a woman from a good-natured but decidedly eccentric family. When the two meet there is an inevitable clash of classes and lifestyles which cause great turmoil among the engaged. *You Can't Take it With You* is not rated and is 126 minutes.

Monday, September 27 will feature *A River Runs Through It*. The film is a memoir of two very different brothers—one reserved, the other a hell-raiser, both angling for the attention of their preacher father, who uses fly-fishing as a metaphor to teach them about life. *A River Runs Through It* is rated PG, 127 minutes and begins at 6 p.m.



What's Eating Gilbert Grape is the story of a loner who cares for his dysfunctional family, including a challenged brother and their obese mother, who has not left the house in seven years. The film will be shown on **Monday, October 25 at 6 p.m.** and is rated PG-13 and is 118 minutes.

Tim Burton directs the fantasy drama *Big Fish* which will be shown on **Monday, November 29 at 6 p.m.** William Bloom is a young man who never really knew his now dying father, Edward—outside of the tall tales his dad told him about growing up. During Edward's last days, William and his wife, Josephine, hold a bedside vigil next to the old man as he recollects elaborate memories of his youth. *Big Fish* is rated PG and 125 minutes.



Library programs and events are free and open to the public.

HOLIDAY CRAFTING RETURNS

Holiday crafting returns this fall with craft projects for children kindergarten and older. Children will be able to make crafts for gifts or for fun. Many of the crafts will require more than one session.



The fun will be held from afterschool until 4:45 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays November 2, 4, 9, 16, 18, 23 & 30 and December 2, 7, 9, 14 & 16. To register your child or for more information contact the library at 307-334-3490.

ADULT HOLIDAY CRAFTING RETURNS

Adult holiday crafting returns this fall with four craft projects. On Wednesday, November 10 a Thanksgiving book art turkey is planned. Wednesday, November 17 will feature a frame for your favorite pictures. December dates are December 1 with a Christmas book art and December 15, a holiday "Paint @ the Library" is planned. Crafting is scheduled to be held from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Registration is required, please call the library at 307-334-3490



INTERNET HOTSPOTS AVAILABLE TO CHECK-OUT



The library has Wi-Fi mobile hotspots available for circulation. The devices checkout for seven (7) days and require a Niobrara County Library card in good standing. For more information call 307-334-3490 or stop by the library.



Dates to Remember

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Book Discussion: *Every Family Has a Story*, 6 p.m.

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Monday, November 1 - *Beekeeper of Aleppo*

Monday, December 6 - *Last Cowboys: a Pioneer Family in the New West*

Every Family Has a Story Dinner and Movie Series, 6 p.m.

Monday, August 30 - *You Can't Take It With You*

Monday, September 27 - *A River Runs Through It*

Monday, October 25 - *What's Eating Gilbert Grape*

Monday, November 29 - *Big Fish*

Fall Afterschool Programs, 3:40 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

K-2, Tuesdays, August 24—October 26 - "Dinos, Dinos, Everywhere!"

3-6, Thursdays, August 26—October 21 - "Creepy, Crawly and Slithering!"

Holiday Crafting, 3:40 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Tuesdays, November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 & December 7 & 14

Thursdays, November 4, 18 & December 2, 9 & 16

Adult Holiday Crafting, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Wednesdays, November 10, 17 and December 1 and 15

Art Shows & Receptions:

September: Cindy Starkey, Reception on Wed., September 1 at 5 p.m.

October: Barry Baldwin Photography

November: Hope Phelon, Reception, Wed., November 10 at 5 p.m.

Special Events:

August 22, 1:30 p.m. — Hiroya Tsukamoto, Cinematic Guitar

September 12, 1:30 p.m.— Duffy Hudson presents Edgar Allan Poe

September 26, 1:30 p.m.—Kerry Grombacher & Aspen Black

September 23, 7:30 a.m. — Krispy Kreme Doughnuts

October 17, 1:30 p.m.—The Fireants

November 7, 1:30 p.m.—Ben Markley Trio

December 8, 3 p.m.—Friends of the Library Cookie & Candy Sale

Sign up for Library Events and News Notification

Visit <http://niobraracountylibrary.org> and scroll down!

Friday Afternoon Movies, 1:00 p.m.

Storyhour:

Every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Holiday Closures:

Labor Day: Monday, September 6

Veterans Day: Thursday, November 11

Thanksgiving: Thursday and Friday, November 25 and 26

Christmas: Thursday & Friday, December 23 & December 24

New Year's Day: Friday, December 31

Library Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Wednesday: 12 - 7 p.m.





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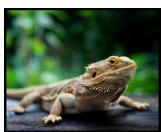


REGISTER FOR AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS



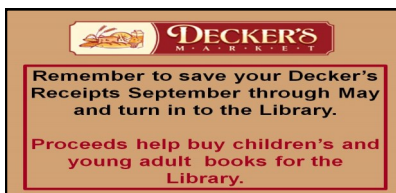
The library will host two afterschool sessions this fall, beginning the week of August 23. The programs begin after school at 3:40 p.m. and continue until 4:45 p.m. Call the library at 334-3490 to register as space is limited.

“Dinos, Dinos, Everywhere!” is planned for children in grades K-2. Come learn some fun facts with roartastic experiments too! The program begins on Tuesday, August 24 and continues on Tuesdays through October 26.



Children in grades 3-6 will explore all things “Creepy, Crawly and Slithering!” Explore the world of reptiles and amphibians including turtles, crocodiles, snakes and even dragons! The program begins on Thursday, August 26 and continues through October 21.

Call 307-334-3490 or stop by the library to register your children!



KRISPY KREME DOUGHNUTS FUNDRAISER

The Niobrara County Library Foundation will have Krispy Kreme Doughnuts available on Thursday, September 23. Pick up will be at 7:30 a.m. A plain glazed dozen is \$9 and a mixed frosted dozen is \$10. Call the library at 334-3490 to order today!



HOMEMADE HOLIDAY GOODIES

The Friends of the Library will host their annual Homemade Cookie, Candy, Soup and Bread sale on Wednesday, December 8 at 3 p.m. at the library. Select your choice of cookies and candies by the pound or pick up one of the pre-made plates.



CRICUT @ THE LIBRARY



A CRICUT is now available at the library for your use. Make all of your holiday cards and a multitude of other projects for a nominal fee.

DOLLY PARTON'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY

The Friends of the Library sponsor *Dolly Parton's Imagination Library*. Stop by the library or go to <http://imaginationlibrary.com> to sign up your children (up to age 5).

