

From The Bookshelf

Clear Creek County Library District Summer, 2016

Meet the new librarian at the Georgetown branch

Libby Caplan is the new branch librarian at the Georgetown Library! She moved from Iowa Falls, IA, where she served as the library director of the Dr. Grace O. Doane Alden Public Library for five years, winning Library Journal's Star Library Award in 2011, 2013, and 2014. Prior to that, she was the children's librarian for two years.

She also served as the Executive Director of the Scenic City Empress Boat Club of Iowa Falls, where she organized and implemented non-profit services including river education, annual volunteer river clean-up activities, preservation of Iowa River history, and cultural and recreational river activities.

Libby also has extensive grantwriting experience, winning multiple grants for her organizations.

"As you can imagine, I am counting down the days with excitement before my big transition into the Georgetown community," she says. "Apparently many people from Iowa have been on vacation in or near Georgetown, so dare I say a few are very jeal-



Libby Caplan, new branch librarian at the John Tomay Memorial Library in Georgetown.

ous."

Libby started working at the end of May, and plans are in the works for a gettogether to introduce her to the community. She has two kids, ages 4 and 9, and a partner, Justin. The family plans to live near Fall River until they can find housing

Summer Reading is back and getting physical

We are getting ready to kick off this summer's reading program and we are excited—although probably not as excited as you!

We will launch this year's Summer Reading theme *Exercise your Mind*. *Read!* the second week in June. We are focusing on outdoor fun, Colorado's National Parks, and activities we love to do during the short summers in our mountain communities! We will read about bug-catching, fishing, gardening, and many of the other summertime activities we enjoy up here.

To add to the fun, our crafts will also exercise our minds and bodies! And, just when you thought it couldn't get any better, we are hosting our own Summer Olympics for the kids to participate in so they will be ready to cheer on our country's athletes in this summer's thrilling world Olympic competition!

In Georgetown (Tuesdays) and Idaho Springs (Wednesdays), Pre-K –2nd grades will be meeting 10:30-11:30 a.m., 3rd-6th grades will meet 12:30-1:30 p.m. and teens will meet 2:30-4 p.m. At King Murphy (Thursdays), Pre-K-2nd will meet 10-11:15 a.m. and 3rd-6th grades will meet 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m.

Kids will keep track of the points they earn for reading and being read to on tally sheets they turn in weekly. They can redeem their points by using them to "purchase" fun toys and

Gardening, music, on libraryus ysummerafunalistch

DO YOU WANT TO learn more about gardening in the mountains? Join Clear Creek County Master Gardeners at the Idaho Springs Library for a presentation on a variety of highaltitude flower gardening topics. There will be giveaways throughout the session on Saturday, July 9. The free program, offered by Colorado cool gadgets in our Summer Reading "store."

If your child is enrolled in the Kidz Korner Summer Camp provided by Clear Creek Recreation Center, don't worry—they will visit the library on Wednesday mornings so they can still be a part of the program!

We will finish up the Summer Reading Program with a Pool Party on Aug. 10 at the CCMRD. We are really looking forward to reading, crafting and hanging out with you. We know

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Music in Georgetown MOUNTAIN JAMS on the Georgetown Stage are returning, courtesy of the Friends of the John Tomay Memorial Library!

The Friends, working with local promoter Tim Hamid and other com-

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Library District Board of Trustees

Marilyn Lunbery, Lee Ann Cox, Kate Foy, Vickie Colle, Elaine McWain, and Judy Caldwell The Clear Creek Library District Board of Trustees meets every 2nd Tuesday at 6 p.m. On the even numbered months the meeting is at ISPL and on the odd-numbered months at JTML.

ISPL Building Activity Committee

Denise Deese, Tric Shaw, Kate Foy, Bo Thompson, Marilyn Lunbery, Jeremy Morgan, and Linda Campbell Meets on the first Tuesday of each month, at the Idaho Springs Public Library, 6 p.m.

JTML Building Activity Committee & Georgetown Library Association

Lee Ann Cox, Sophie Egan, Michelle McNeil , Bernie Hausherr, Jon Jennings Paul Boat, and Elaine McWain Meets on the third Monday of the month at the Georgetown Library, 5:30 p.m.

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From the Library Director

Sue Lathrop

Which library services are the most important to you? To your neighbor? To moms and dads? To students? To the jobless? To the homeless? To local entrepreneurs? To commuters? To teachers? The answer is, of course, going to be different to those groups and the thousands of others that make up the world of library users. It is also a question that has been very important for Clear Creek County Library District staff as we look at pending budget cuts.

In some respects, the question is a blessing. In examining our budget, we have to look at priorities. At its core, library service is about connecting people with a world of information and, therefore, possibilities. Picking and choosing which library services are most likely to continue to do that on a limited budget is not easy, but it is rewarding as you realize how truly worthwhile each is. Which is more important in the library — the book or the person who selects it, purchases it, processes it, and finds it for you when you want it. Without the book and the staff, there is no library, only a dusty book shelf that gets less and less relevant over time.

Taking care of the buildings — obviously critical.

A decent computer system — essential. (Do you have any idea how much time taking care of the old card catalog system took? And, how can people compete in today's world without computer skills and a place to learn them and practice them? Where else can people go to access Internet resources and apply for the many jobs that require an online application?)

Programs seem like an easy cut, until you realize that those programs help children become literate. They expose us to new ideas and cultures. They help us connect with our neighbors and develop new interests and ideas. They bring people in to the library and energize them to participate and, sometimes, to volunteer. Programs are a doorway. Nope. We need programs, too. And, fortunately, we have many donors who think so, too.

According to the Aspen Institute's report Rising to the Challenge: Re-Envisioning Public Libraries, "The time has come for a new vision of public libraries in the United States. Communities need public libraries—

more people are visiting them and using their services, materials and programs than ever before—but communities' needs continue to change."

On a practical note, we have to look at the dollars and make sure every penny is spent wisely. But perhaps this challenge gives us the opportunity to make sure we are also looking at library services in terms of the people we serve, the place we provide for a wide range of services, and the platform our





community uses it for to gain access to tools, resources and community knowledge. These are the true core services that connect our patrons to



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Aug. 19th - 6pm Idaho Springs Library www.clearcreeklibrary.org



Check Out a FREE Colorado State Park Pass & Backpack with your Library Card! www.clearcreeklibrary.org

JTML Friends annual meeting not just for broads

Join a bunch of Burned Out Old Broads (BOOBs) at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 22, for the Friends of the Library annual meeting at the Georgetown Community Center.

Joy Johnson, the author of the eight books in "The BOOB Girl" series (which she has donated to the Georgetown Library), will entertain us with her comedic talents featuring four ladies who meet at Table 12 in the Meadow Lakes Retirement Community. They may be old and they may be burned out here and there physically, but four retired wacky widows are coming to our community.

The first book will be featured on stage in Omaha NE later this year as *The Boob Girls: The Musical*.

"I have a soapbox in the books," Johnson told us. "I think older women, the seasoned Nancy Drews in our lives, are beautiful and not just spiritually or emotionally but

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Gardening, music, and more on library's summer fun list

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munity organizations and sponsors such as the Georgetown Promotions Committee, will present as many as four concerts this summer, beginning with providing music during the His-





Call 303/567-2020 or Marianne @ 303/567-4294 Meet to carpool at the Idaho Springs Ride Stop parking lot on Chicago Creek & I-70 at 10:00am. toric Georgetown House Tour on July 30.

Other dates include Aug. 13 and Aug. 27 (during the Tomay Reading Carnival, which the Friends of the Library sponsor for the community's children). A fourth date is tentatively scheduled for Sept. 10.

Your Free Ticket to **Colorado's State Parks!**

On June 20, Clear Creek Libraries will begin offering the statewide program that will allow you to check out a parks pass to get into any Colorado State Park for FREE!!!!

The pass can be used by more than one person so long as they are all in the same carload.

As a result of the statewide program that pairs local libraries with Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW), each of our libraries are receiving two backpacks that will contain: a park pass, pair of binoculars, laminated guides to Colorado flowers, trees and wildlife, and a few other items to help you enjoy the outdoors.

These backpacks will be available for patrons to check out for up to one week to enjoy more of this beautiful state we are so lucky to live in! Please be advised—these passes are only for daily admission and are only for Colorado State Parks. Any camping or other fees accrued are to be paid by the patron, and National Parks and Monuments are not included.

Do you "hashtag?" CPW has created #CheckOutColorado for you all to post your pictures on Instagram and Twitter! An evaluation form is included and is a required homework assignment for this program. With the

Friends of the Library Membership

The Branch Librarians will be glad to welcome you as a Friend! Please fill out this form and return to either library.

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Help with book sales Help with events/programs Library volunteer Help with Summer Reading

Please join us and help make a difference in our community!

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Free program features Burned Out Old Broad, Joy Johnson

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physically. Just look at us. Our faces are chiseled by tears and laughter. Our hair is blown thin and white by winds of experience and there is so much knowledge and

wisdom in our heads they can't hold it all so it trickles down through the rest of our bodies and that's why we get thicker as we age."

One BOOB Girl fan was comedian Phyllis Diller. Seven years ago Johnson received a card. "It had a bright red stiletto on the front and inside it simply said, 'Thank you for writing this delightful book. Phyllis Diller.' Believe me, I checked the address and it was Hollywood. The next morning I wrote to her and

asked her to endorse the books. She wrote back right

away and said, 'Use these words. The BOOB Girls are the GOOD Girls. It's on the cover of every book." Prior to writing the series, Johnson co-founded Centering Corporation, North America's oldest and largest

> bereavement resource center and, along with her late husband, Dr. Marvin Johnson, was also founder of Ted E. Bear Hollow, the Omaha area's center for grieving children. She was an internationally recognized speaker on grief before writing the novels. She is a native Iowan, being born and raised in Creston, Iowa, where she learned to write by working in high school and college on

the local newspaper, The Creston News Advertiser.

Teen Summer Reading a blockbuster event!

Teens! You can continue your movie making adventures for this year's Summer Reading Program!

Step 1: 6th to 12th graders in each library will choose (and agree on!) the book their movie will be based upon.

Step 2: You will begin to write the screenplay as a group.

Step 3: You will all collaborate to determine the roles you will have within the movie-making process, i.e. the director, editors, and actors.



Step 4: You will all learn about the movie making process while using some amazing software to help with editing and other processes involved in making a movie.

Step 5: MOVIE PREMIERE

We will set a date for a fabulous Hollywoodish-style movie premiere night.

The Teen Summer Reading Program will be weekly from 2:30-4 p.m. starting Tuesday, June 7. We will be in Georgetown on Tuesdays and Idaho Springs on Wednesdays.

You can also read books, give synopses of each book read and turn in

tally sheets that will be used as entries for our prize drawing at the Summer Reading Pool Party!

A Fun Place to Volunteer!

Another way to earn entries to the prize drawing is to volunteer during the Early Learning and Kids Summer Reading programs. These volunteer hours can be used toward the required community service hours at CCHS. We ask that volunteers are students entering 7th to 12th grade and are able to commit to a minimum of 4 days, throughout the summer, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., in either library.

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