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- ♦ JAN 20 -ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING
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The Newsletter of
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**NOVEMBER-JANUARY, 2014** 

# Loveland Lights Illuminates the Holiday Season at the Library

The 8th Annual Loveland Lights, a Celebration of Winter Holiday Traditions, will be held Saturday, **December 7** and Sunday, **December 8** at the library. This event is free and runs during normal library hours.

This year it is all about SNOWFLAKES. Loveland Lights will feature decorated holiday trees throughout the library, holiday displays, holiday book and bake sales, musical entertainment, holiday entertaining and gift giving ideas, the Gingerbread Challenge, and activities for children and adults. Children will have the opportunity to create their own gingerbread house and scour the library looking for snowflakes in the "Find the Snowflake" Contest.

Have you ever wondered how snowflakes are formed and why no two snowflakes are identical? The Earth & Atmospheric Sciences Department of UNC will enlighten us on this phenomenon with a presentation on the science behind snowflakes on Saturday morning. On Sunday afternoon, Connie Neumann will present a hands-on narrative for all ages, "Laura's Christmas Memories", based on the Little House books.

Be sure to check the Friends of the Loveland Library website, www.friendsofthelovelandlibrary.org, for an up-to-date schedule of events for Loveland Lights.

### **Volunteers Key to Book Sale Success**

Unfortunately, the deadline for this newsletter came just before our semi-annual Used Book Sale on **October 25 - 27**. But we can report that we took a record number of over 1,800 boxes of books out to the Ranch. That translates into tens of thousands of books and other items to choose for your reading pleasure—and hopefully, a record number of dollars to contribute to the library's resources and programs.

### **Volunteers Key to Book Sale Success**

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The success of our book sales would not be possible without the tireless contribution of 100-200 volunteers who work year-round sorting and packing books, and also those who help the week of the sale: setting up, organizing, helping during sale hours, and cleaning up after the sale. In addition to our faithful Friends' volunteers, this fall we were fortunate to have students from Loveland High School Key Club, Preston Middle School in Fort Collins and the United

Way Make a Difference Day volunteers.

We also greatly appreciate all who contribute their books, DVD's, CD's and other items. (Check our website for how and where you can contribute, and what we can accept.) The book stores that have contributed much from their inventory include Book Lovers in Fort Collins, Book Haven in Loveland and Anthology in Loveland.

Thanks to all who help make this major fund-raiser for the Friends a huge success! Mark your 2014 calendars for our Spring Sale **April 25** (members-only evening), **26** and **27**.

### Loveland Loves to Read Scores a Homerun with Tom Franklin and Beth Ann Fennelly

Despite the devastating flood the week before our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary author event this year, faithful readers filled the Rialto Theater to hear Tom Franklin speak about his award-winning book *Crooked Letter*, *Crooked Letter*, which was this year's chosen book for Loveland Loves to Read. Everyone was charmed with Tom's accounts of growing up in small town southern Alabama and how it impacted the characters and plot of his books.

The following day, Tom Franklin and wife Beth Ann Fennelly captivated the audience at the Chilson Center with their experience co-authoring their new novel, *The Tilted World*. Prepublication copies of the book were available through Book Haven and were soon sold out. Ironically, the book is set in a small southern town during the historic flood of the Mississippi River in 1927.



Franklin & Fennelly discuss their upcoming book at Chilson Center

Many enjoyed the movie night at the Library, featuring *In the Heat of the Night*, which related somewhat to *Crooked Letter*, *Crooked Letter*. Both took place in Mississippi, involved racial tension and prejudice, unlikely friendships and small town crime solving.

Thanks again to the Loveland Loves to Read committee, to Book Haven, to Shelley Widhalm at the Reporter Herald, to our many sponsors, and, of course, to the Friends of the Loveland Library. Watch our newsletter and website for next year's program.

DVD's of Tom Franklin's presentation, as well as several others of our author events, are available at the library for check-out.

### Gingerbread Workshop

Two professional gingerbread house creators will lead the Gingerbread Workshop, sponsored by the Friends of the Library on Saturday, November 9, 9:15 a.m. in the Gertrude Scott Room of the library. Ann Kessler and Karen Johnson will demonstrate how to create gingerbread houses for the holidays or for entry in the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Gingerbread Challenge. Topics include: designs and patterns, working with raw dough, creating "glass" windows, structure assembly, "adhesive" options, and decorative items. Participants may bring a gingerbread house kit, or use materials available at the workshop. Donations will be accepted to cover materials provided at the event. Please register for the workshop by calling George Franke at 970-203-0904 or fill out a registration form at the Library.

The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Gingerbread Challenge is part of Loveland Lights, the annual holiday event scheduled for the weekend of **December 7** and **8**. Gingerbread creations, made at the workshop or at home, can be entered in one of five categories – Adult Amateur, Adult Professional (past winners and chefs), Teen (13-18),

Youth (12 and under), and Team (any group of the above).



be no entry fee this year. Entry forms and instruction packets can be obtained at the Library entryway. Deadline for entry is **December** 5. For more information, contact George Franke at 970-203-0904.

### Murder Mystery Dinner

Everyone loves a good Mystery - even more when you are part of the action and help solve the crime. The Friends of the Library are considering hosting a murder mystery dinner as a new fund-raiser. Anyone interested in joining a committee to put together this fun event, please leave a message at our office at 970 962-2712 or contact us (click "to President") through our website. Watch for more information as the plot thickens!

### Annual Members Meeting

Mark your 2014 calendar for our annual membership meeting on Monday, **January 20** at 6 p.m. This will be a catered dinner at First United Methodist Church, followed by our annual report, voting on new Board members and our

2014 budget. This is a great time to meet fellow library and



book lovers, to hear about the Friends' activities and goals for the coming year, and to make your voices heard. Invitations with more details will be sent in early January. Please join us!

### Changes in the Newsletter Schedule

You may notice that this newsletter covers the next three months instead of two. For various scheduling reasons, beginning next year we will be publishing the newsletter issues as February/March, April/May, June/July, etc. Also, you will see a change of color from issue to issue. This was suggested to help those who like to pick up their copies at the library to know when a new issue is out.

### Facebook Volunteer Needed

The Friends now has a Facebook Page - an organization page. You don't need a Facebook account to see it: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Friends-of-the-Loveland-Public-Library-Foundation-Inc/486673738096473. We are looking for someone who enjoys social media to post information on a regular basis. Email kkeeler1@unc. edu if interested.

### **Bible Disposition**

Bibles that are no longer in useable condition will be deconsecrated at the **November 17** services at First United Methodist Church, Loveland, and then disposed of by fire by Viegut Funeral Home. Persons who have damaged Bibles may leave them at the church or at The Sorting Place, 1010 West 10th St. Donations of new or slightly used Bibles are gratefully accepted and will be sold at the Friends' used book sales or donated to individuals who cannot afford a Bible. Contact George Franke for further information - 970-203-0904.

### Giving to the Friends

You, our members, have a history of financial generosity. Often you donate beyond the basic membership fee. Usually you do so through simple cash donations and we are very grateful for this. Did you know there are other ways to provide lasting financial support to the Friends of the Loveland Public Library Foundation (FOLPLF)?



Many of these ways relate to leaving a gift when you die. Most everyone knows that they may leave a bequest in their will or may ask that a memorial fund be established in their name. But you may also designate the FOLPLF as a beneficiary (all or partial) to a life insurance policy, an individual retirement account (IRA), a 401(k), a 453(b) or a 457 plan. Naming the FOLPLF as a primary or secondary beneficiary for a fixed amount or a percentage of the value is a very easy thing

If you would like more information, please contact the Friends' Treasurer, Jon Kinschy through our email address or website.

### SweetNight 2014

Loveland's premier Valentine's party and 12th annual library fundraiser will be held on Saturday, February 8, from 7-10 p.m. This year's event will be back at the Chilson Center. SweetNight is a fun and elegant evening full of food, select wines, dancing and a silent auction. We are seeking a few volunteers to serve on our planning committee. If you are interested, please contact DougStratton at dougstratton@ymail.com,

or at 970-412-4614.

Please contact Doug if you or your business would like to sponsor this event to help underwrite the expenses. A donation of \$100 or more will be reciprocated with two tickets to the event (a \$40 value) and acknowledged in the program. If you have any items that you would like to donate for the silent auction, please contact Dale Thurman at DLester1223@aol.com or 970-461-8420.

Please help make the 12th Annual SweetNight a grand success!

### Library News Winter Reading Program

Chill Out and Read! is a special winter reading incentive program for teens and elementary students sponsored by Friends of the Loveland Library and The Colorado Eagles. Sign up online at www.LovelandPublic Library.org beginning November 13, print out your log and get ready to start reading on **December 1**. Participants who read five books between **December 1** and January 4 will have a chance to win two Colorado Eagles hockey tickets to the January 10 game.

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### Winter Reading Program

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Join us for a Colorado
Eagles storytime on
Wednesday, **November 13**in the Children's Reading
Room starting at 4:00 p.m.
Two players from the Eagles
team will be here to read to
you!

The official Winter Reading Program kickoff takes place on Saturday, **November 30**, from 2-3:30 p.m. There will be a Meet-N-Greet with Slapshot, a Dance-Off with the Colorado Eagles cheerleaders, "Shoot the Puck," and "Minute To Win It" games. Check out all the action in the Gertrude Scott Meeting Room and the teenseen at the Loveland Public Library.



### **Adult Programs**

November is National Novel Writing Month and the library is supporting local writers by offering space for a special "noveling zone." "Caution: Novelists at Work" is open to all teen and adult writers.

Meeting dates and times are **November 4, 11, 18** and **26** at 4 p.m., and **December 1**, at 3 p.m. For more information contact Bobbi at 962-2401.

### Great Battlefields of Europe: Places and Events that Determined World History

with Donald Runnells Tuesday, **November 12**, 6-7:30 p.m.

Don Runnel's presentation is a travelogue of famous battlefields, military cemeteries, and monuments in Europe with a strong American patriotic theme.

Rockhounding in Colorado November 12, 6:30 p.m. Rockhounders Got Rocks! December 10, 6:30 p.m. After a successful first meeting in October, local rockhounds plan to meet monthly on the second Tuesdays. Contact Bobbi at 962-2401 for more information.

The Affordable Care Act Wednesday, November 13, 6:30 -8 p.m.

Financial advisor Nancy Hazelrigg will present a seminar on the Act and how it works. Politically neutral, this will be a basic introduction to the Act.

### Making Loveland a Healthier Community

Thursday, **January 16**, 12 noon

Dr. Brian Flemming from Aspire Chiropractic begins a monthly series of talks on the topic "Mistakes People Make in the Gym."



#### Adult Book Discussion Groups

The Library Adult Book Discussion Group meet the first Tuesday of each month at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., and the following Wednesday morning at 9:00 a.m. in the Library Erion Room.

The selections for November, December, and January are as follows:

November 5 & 6 - The Confessions of Nat Turner.
Narrated by the historic Nat during the days before his execution, the novel recreates a catastrophic real event and dramatizes the miseries and hopes that led to it. Pulitzer Prize-winning author William Styron offers a look at the life of the extraordinary black man who led the ill-fated uprising.

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December 3 & 4 - The Reluctant Fundamentalist. A Pakistani immigrant lives an elevated version of the American Dream in New York, until 9/11 changes everything. In this novel by Mohsin Hamid, the main character's sense of self is overturned, "unearthing allegiances more fundamental than money, power, and maybe even love."



January 7 & 8 - Indian Givers: How Native Americans Transformed the World. In this nonfiction book, anthropologist and author Jack Weatherford explores "the world's huge debt to the wisdom of the Indians of the Americas ...in all its vivid drama."

#### Films @ the Library

To highlight the rescheduled Namaqua Forum on hydraulic fracturing this November, *Movies @ the Library* presents a free screening of a socially conscious film starring Matt Damon on Wednesday, **November 13** at 6 p.m. in the Gertrude Scott Room. Popcorn too!

In anticipation of the premiere of Downton Abbey, Season 4 on PBS on **January 5**, please join us on Wednesday, **December 11**, from 6-9 p.m. for a program based on a popular British series. Tea and treats will be served to celebrate the new season. 962-2402.



### **Kevin Cook's Nature Programs**

This year's nature series focusing on Colorado birds will end with "The Master of Disguise: White-tailed Ptarmigan" in November and "The Master of Mountains: Brown-capped Rosy Finch" in December.

Noontime Nature is the first Tuesday of each month at 12 noon and Nighttime Nature is on the first Wednesdays at 6 p.m. Cook will be focusing on mammals of Colorado in his 2014 series.

#### Pet Seniorhood

Wednesdays, **November 20** & **January 15**, 6:30 p.m. Understand you aging pet with Dr. Kathleen Cooney, DMV.

#### NoCo Make Change Programs: Money Mistakes You Can't Afford to Make

Tuesday, November 19, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Sara Gilbert-Green will present the 12 common money mistakes people often make in life that can cost hundreds of thousands of dollars.

## Scrooge, Grinch, or Magi? Tuesday, December 17, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Everyone has an approach to holiday spending. Are you a Scrooge who shares a checkbook with a Magi? Whether you are buying gifts, family dinners, or plane tickets, spending adds up fast. Learn tips and tools you can use this holiday season to avoid financial and emotional hangovers in 2014.







#### **Ongoing Creative Sessions**

Vicky's Knitting Loom Group is growing in size and production. Two large bags of knit hats were donated to the Disaster Center and members are working on the hats to decorate a Christmas tree during Loveland Lights. These groups meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays from 1-3 p.m.



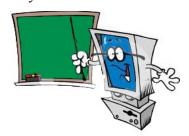
Loveland Loves Origami meets the first Thursday of each month from 1-3 p.m. and the first Saturday of each month 11 a.m.-1 p.m. The December session will be cancelled because of the Loveland Lights celebration.

The library's Tatting class meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month at 10 a.m.

These groups are open to beginners and experienced crafters. Supplies lists and additional information is available on the calendar at www.lovelandpubliclibrary. org or by calling Bobbi at 962-2401.

#### **Computer Classes**

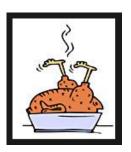
Approximately 19 computer classes are offered each month in the iLearn classroom in the library' technology division on the second floor. The November classes are listed on the enclosed calendar. December and January class schedules will be available soon. Register early as many of these hands-on classes fill up quickly. 962-2599.



### **TEENSEEN Happenings**

Events for teens are some of the most fun and creative.

Youth in grades 6 – 12 should check out the Teen Iron Chef Competition, Tacky Turkey Day and the DIY craft sessions in addition to Anime Junkies, Minecraft, movie days and a holiday party on **December 13**. More information is on the teen web page or by calling 962-2548.



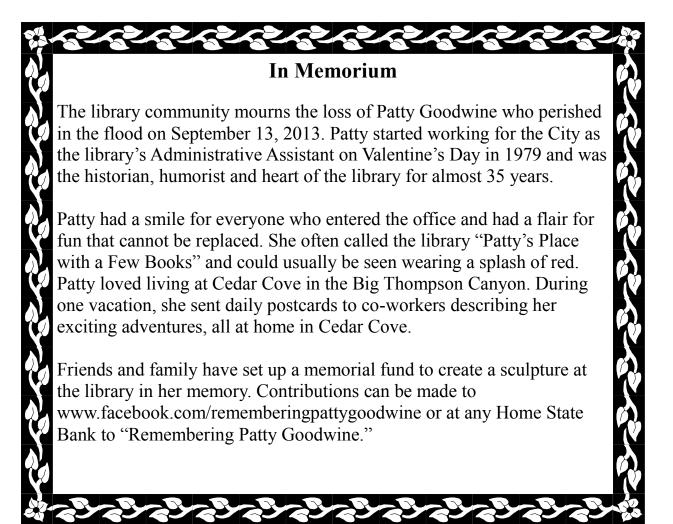
### Storytimes and Much More in the Children's Division

Loveland Lights, the first weekend of December, and *Chill Out and Read!* are just two of the special holiday events for children.

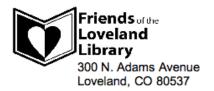
Other special activities planned during the school vacation days include School Out Science **November 25** at 3 p.m., Autumn Leaf Art **November 26** at 10 a.m. and Christmas Gift Making at 2 p.m. on **November 29**.

On **December 23** at 3:30 p.m., a Christmas movie will be shown. At 3 p.m. on December 26, kids can create crafts and art using recycled materials. Come try some Wii sports and Wii fit activities **December 27** from 1:30-3:30 p.m. During the December 30 program, from 3-4 p.m., S.O.S. children will tinker with and fix broken equipment and electronics. January 2 from 3-5 p.m., participants can learn to make fancy snowflakes.

The popular monthly activities like the Knitting Club, Brickmasters Lego Club continue as do the more frequent Chess Club, Waggin' Tales and storytimes. *Break For Books*, the popular reading time started this summer, continues at 11 a.m. on Saturdays, **November 30** and **December 28**.



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