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Crisscrossing America

Join Michael Czarnecki as he shares stories and poems from four decades of traveling cross-country. Thanks to a grant from Poets & Writers, Inc., Michael will be at the Library on Wednesday, April 16 at 7:00 p.m.

Michael will share his experiences of traveling on US 20 from Boston to Newport, Oregon in 1971; thirty days along the Mississippi River from Minnesota to Louisiana; Niagara Falls to El Paso on US 62; and many "little journeys" in-between. A poet and a memoirist, Michael has been featured at hundreds of readings and workshops throughout the country.



Used Book Sale

The Used Book Sale at the Library begins Saturday, April 12 and continues during regular operating hours through noon on Saturday April 19.

Book Sale Hours

Saturday, April 12 from 10 a.m.- 4 p.m.

Monday, April 14 through Thursday, April 17 from 9 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Friday, April 18 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday, April 19: **Bag Sale 10 a.m. - noon**

Paperback books - .50 cents
Hardcover books - \$1.00
Children's books - .50 cents
Magazines - .10 cents



Adult Fiction & Non-Fiction Book Reviews

Fiction

Split Estate by Charlotte Bacon

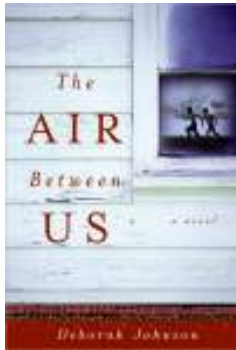
Bacon's latest novel follows a New York family struggling to survive a suicide. Laura King jumps to her death from the window of her Upper East Side Manhattan apartment, leaving her husband, Arthur, and teenage children behind. Arthur takes the children to his mother's home in Wyoming to live. The narrative divides between family members, all of whom feel guilt and anger about Laura's tragic death.

The Soul Thief by Charles Baxter

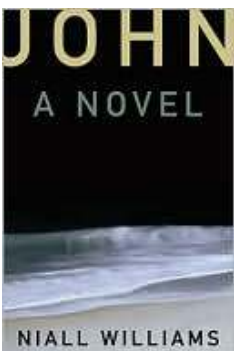
This novel, set in 1970s Buffalo, New York centers on Nathaniel Mason and his friendship with Teresa and her lover Jerome. Jerome, obsessed with Nathaniel, begins taking his possessions, and claiming that incidents from Nathaniel's life happened to him. In the later part of the novel, decades after these events have occurred, Jerome enters Nathaniel's life again for a last confrontation.

The Air Between Us by Deborah Johnson

This debut novel takes place in Mississippi during 1966. The novel begins when a 10-year-old black boy known as Critter drives a white man named Billy Ray to the whites-only emergency room after Billy Ray has an accident. After Billy Ray's death, a racial integration battle begins and Billy Ray's death draws an intense investigation.



John by Niall Williams



Williams describes the last days of the Apostle John, the disciple of Jesus who wrote the book of Revelation, the Gospel, and Epistles of John. The story begins as John, who is blind and about 100 years old, lives banished on the Island of Patmos, the place where he once received his vision.

Non-Fiction

The Good Rat: A True Story by Jimmy Breslin

This book contains a collection of stories and anecdotes about the mob. The author writes humorous to horrifying tales of mistaken identity, crooked cops, snitches, murder, and the Mafia's heyday. The stories reveal the strict, often broken, code of conduct of the mob.

The Writing Diet: Write Yourself Right-Size by Julia Cameron

This diet book wasn't written by a nutritionist or a fitness pro, but by a "creativity expert." Her system is both easy to follow and inexpensive. It promotes exercise, food journaling, "morning pages," which are stream-of-consciousness passages dieters record after getting out of bed. Also included are exercises and inspiring stories describing chronic overeaters paths' to weight loss success.



An Hour to Live, an Hour to Love: The True Story of the Best Gift Ever Given by Richard Carlson and Kristine Carlson

In 2003, Richard Carlson presented his wife, Kristine, with a short manuscript called *An Hour to Live*. In the manuscript, he imagines he has an hour to live and presents questions originally asked by spiritual guide and author Stephen Levine. Carlson passed away in 2006, at age 45, of a pulmonary embolism. Included in the book is Kristine's tribute to Richard, called *An Hour to Love*.

Desserts by the Yard: From Brooklyn to Beverly Hills - Recipes from the Sweetest Life Ever by Sherry Yard

Executive pastry chef, Yard annually creates more than 1,700 desserts for the Governors Ball following the Oscars. In this well-organized book, Yard offers recipes for such favorites as Italian bakery rainbow cookies and fruit desserts.



March and April Library Events

Mondays at D & R Depot

Dine out at D & R Depot on Mondays in April and support the Woodward Memorial Library. Each of four local non-for-profits will receive a check from D & R Depot at the end of the month. The non-profit with the highest number of visitors receives first place and the largest amount of money.

Upcoming Adult Events:

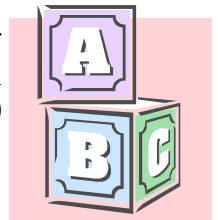
Monthly Book Discussion: Thursday, April 3 at 6:00 p.m. - *The Glass Castle* by Jeanette Walls

“Crisscrossing America” travelogue with Michael Czarnecki: Wednesday, April 16 at 7:00 p.m. Join Michael as he shares stories and poems from traveling cross-country. (see front page article).

Upcoming Children’s Programs:

Junior Friends of the Library: For children in grades 4-6
Wednesday, March 19 and Wednesday, April 9 from 3:15-4:15 p.m. Assist with Library programs and events, decorate bulletin boards, design book displays, and work on craft preparations for storytimes! Junior Friends is a great way to get involved with your Library! Registration is required for new participants.

Toddler Time: For 2 year olds and a parent or caregiver
8 week program: March 31 - May 19. Mondays from 10:00-10:30 a.m. Join Miss Roberta for thirty minutes of stories, rhymes, songs, and coloring! A parent or caregiver must remain in the room with the child during the sessions. Children must be 2 by March 31. Limited to 10 children. Registration is required and begins on Monday, March 17.



Preschool Storytime: For 3-5 year olds
Two separate 8 week programs: April 1 - May 20 and April 3 - May 22. Tuesdays from 6:30-7:15 p.m. OR Thursdays from 10:00-10:45 a.m. Join Miss Roberta for forty-five minutes of stories, rhymes, songs, and crafts! Children must be 3 by April 4. Limited to 15 children in each program. Registration is required and begins on Monday, March 17.



Thomas the Tank Engine & Friends: For children in grades K-2
Wednesday, April 2 from 3:15-4:15 p.m. All aboard! Thomas is chugging along his tracks! Join Miss Roberta for Thomas stories, games, and a craft. Limited to 30 children. Registration is required and begins on Monday, March 17.

Judy Moody & Stink: For children in grades 2-4
Wednesday, April 23 from 3:15-4:15 p.m.
Discuss the Judy Moody book series and its companion series starring Judy’s little brother Stink! Play a game and make a craft! Limited to 30 children. Registration is required and begins on Monday, April 7.



Superheroes 101: For children in grades 4-6
Saturday, April 26 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Before they can save the day, somebody’s got to draw them! This class will teach basic drawing and cartooning skills while keeping the focus on superheroes. Limited to 30 children. Registration is required and begins on Saturday, April 12.
“This program is made possible with funds from the Decentralization Program, a regrant program of the New York State Council on the Arts, administered by the Genesee-Orleans Regional Arts Council.”



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Memorials/Honorariums in January & February 2008

In Memory of Royston Taylor

Thirteen books were purchased on World War I and II, military careers, and the Iraq War for children, young adults, and adults.

Given by Everett West; Paula and Ray Scroger; Jeff and Janice Cifelli; Kevin, Amy Josh and Adam Cifelli; David and Donna West and Family; Dan West; Ann Marie and Bria Brade; Pam and Dan Whitmore and Family; Greg and Grace West and Family

In Memory of Betty Chamberlain Cook

Battles of the Civil War by Curt Johnson and Mark McLaughlin

Given by the Genesee Valley Civil War Roundtable

In Honor of the LeRoy Central School Music Department

Jake the Philharmonic Dog by Karen LeFrakin

Given by Sheila Furr

In Memory of Thomas Simmons

Given by Alan and Sharon Brade; Jim and Leslie DeLooze; Bruce and Nancy Baker; Mr. & Mrs. Peter Greene

New Adult & Children's DVD'S: Popular Titles!

- * 2 Days in Paris
- * Arctic Tale
- * Becoming Jane
- * Beowulf
- * The Darjeeling Limited
- * Death at a Funeral
- * Feast of Love
- * Into the Wild
- * It's the Easter Beagle, Charlie Brown
- * King of California
- * Margot at the Wedding
- * Martian Child
- * Michael Clayton
- * No Reservations
- * Rocket Science
- * Saving Sarah Cain
- * Sydney White
- * We Are Marshall
- * We Own the Night
- * Wish Gone Amiss

