

## President's Message



**Congratulations!** You have weathered another month! Despite having to cancel the Harvest Festival, the Littleton Museum hosted a very successful Pumpkin

Patch, Tuesday through Saturday, during the first two weeks of October. Due to Covid-19, reservations were required and that spaced out the attendance and made it easier for the little shoppers to find their perfect pumpkin. The museum exhibits and the livestock on the farms were very popular as well. Thank you to Barb Miller and her crew of volunteers—the attendees were very grateful!

The Used Book Sale is back at the library, so stop by to do some early holiday shopping. The displays are stocked before the library opens and the staff helps by cashiering as volunteers are not yet able to serve at either the library or museum. I know many of us miss volunteering and are looking forward to returning. It's just one more item on the waiting-for-life-to-be-back-to-normal list! Hang on to all those books you've been accumulating. We're not accepting donations yet, but will be eventually.

The Bylaws Revisions and the Slate of Officers presented with the October *Oracle* were both approved overwhelmingly. The new Board takes office in the New Year and we have an outstanding crew! Let's each do our part to support them and the many wonderful activities and programs available at our library and museum. Be safe, be well and be happy!

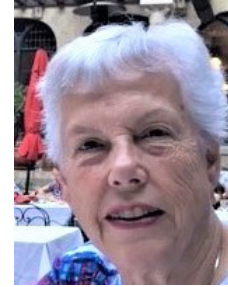
Lisa Ohlgren  
Board President



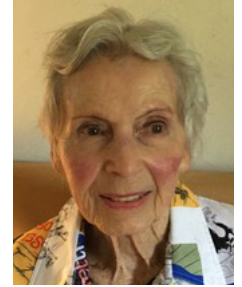
Bernice Reed



Alys Novak



Anne Dugdale



Pat Kenning

## 2020 Distinguished Volunteer Service Award Winners

*We couldn't have done it without you!*

The Friends of the Library and Museum proudly announce the Distinguished Volunteer Service Award winners for 2020: Bernice Reed, Alys Novak, Anne Dugdale and Pat Kenning! The volunteer awards honor members who have demonstrated exceptional long-term commitment to the missions, goals and objectives of the Friends. Their time, skills and talents have generously contributed to promoting the Littleton community as well as the various programs and services sponsored and supported by the Friends. *Winners, please accept our sincere thanks and gratitude for your valuable contributions to the Friends!*

## Zoom into the Annual Meeting!

Friday, Nov. 13, 7–8 p.m.

To protect the health of our members, the 2020 Friends' Annual Meeting will be hosted via Zoom with a phone-in option. It's actually easier than making reservations and getting in your car to attend the meeting. While we preserve the past and care for the present, we can confidently move toward the future with our virtual meeting!

- **Date:** Friday, Nov. 13, 7–8 p.m.
- **Computers, tablets, smart phones:**  
<https://littletongov.zoom.us/j/91964118591>
- **Phone:** 1-346-248-7799 (enter Meeting ID 919 6411 8591 when prompted)

### Annual Meeting Agenda

*Welcome and Call to Order*  
President, Lisa Ohlgren

*2019 Annual Meeting Minutes*  
Secretary, Pat Rodriguez

*Treasurer's Report*  
Treasurer, Dave Womack

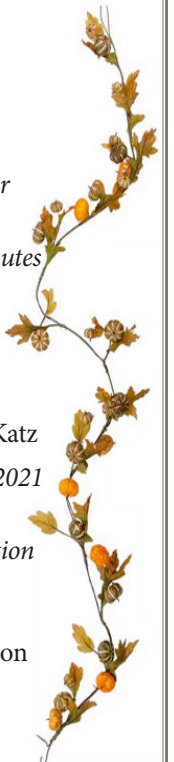
*Membership Report*  
2nd Vice President, Gail Katz

*Introduction of Board for 2021*  
Lisa Ohlgren

*Recognition and Appreciation*  
Lisa Ohlgren

*Volunteer Service Awards*  
Lisa Ohlgren and Al Stutson

*Adjournment*  
Lisa Ohlgren



# BEMIS PUBLIC LIBRARY

## USED BOOK SALE



**Holiday Sale!** Start your holiday shopping with a great selection of books! Friday, Nov. 20–Thursday, Dec. 24. Please note that we are still unable to take donations.

## BEMIS EXPANDED HOURS

Planning a visit to the library? Bemis has expanded its hours. The library has measures in place to help protect the safety of our staff and library patrons.

- Monday–Friday: 11 a.m.–6 p.m.
- Saturday: 10 a.m.–3 p.m.
- Sunday and holidays: Closed

Visitors are admitted on a first-come-first-served basis. Once building capacity of 75 is reached, a policy of one-out-one-in is implemented. Visitors are encouraged to limit visits to two hours. Computer sessions are limited to one hour per person per day. Visitors must wear a mask or face covering over the nose and mouth while visiting the library. Food is not permitted.

## ONLINE CHAT SERVICE

Have a question for a librarian? Chat with a librarian online to get help accessing eBooks, using digital resources, finding online homework help and much more. Chat service is open Monday–Friday, 9 a.m.–noon.

## LIBRARY EVENTS

**Register.** \*To register or participate in any of these programs call the library at 303-795-3961 or go to the Virtual Events Calendar from the Bemis home page at [bemis.marmot.org](http://bemis.marmot.org).

**Senior Social Club: Thursdays in November.** Stay connected by joining the call by computer or phone. 9:30–11:30 a.m.

**Nov. 5: Virtual Art Workshop with the Boulder Museum of Contemporary Art\*.** Join us for a video presentation and interactive online workshop discussing the Fall 2020 exhibition John Torreano: The Big Picture—Painting From The Universe. Torreano has created works that pull audiences into the wonders of the cosmos aided by images from the Hubble Space Telescope. 2 p.m.

**Nov. 6: Virtual Fiction Book Club\*.** We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves by Karen Joy Fowler, 1 p.m.

**Nov. 10: Good4U Food on a Budget.** Discover how to support optimal health without breaking the bank. Learn tips and tools for staying on track, using a meal planner, shopping and pantry list and more. Presented by Natural Grocers by Vitamin Cottage. 2 p.m.

**Nov. 12: Board Games @ Your Home.** Play virtual board games together online at this family-friendly event. All ages welcome. No registration required. 5:30–8 p.m.

**Nov. 16: The History of Rock 'n' Roll with Active Minds\*.** Trace the cultural impact of rock 'n' roll through the years. 2 p.m.

**Nov. 17: Estate Planning: Wills, Trusts and Power of Attorney\*.** Planning for disability and death can bring peace of mind, reduce burdens for loved ones and help leave a legacy instead of a mess. Learn about available tools including powers of attorney, advance medical directives, wills and trusts. 2 p.m.

**Nov. 18: Virtual Nonfiction Book Club\*.** *Broke, USA: From Pawnshops to Poverty, Inc. How the Working Poor Became Big Business* by Gary Rivlin. 1 p.m.

## CHILDREN'S EVENTS

**Nov. 21: Take & Make Thanksgiving Craft Kit.** Stop by the Children's Room to pick up a baggie containing directions and supplies to make a fun Thanksgiving craft project. While supplies last.

**Story Time, Online Anytime.** Bemis Children's Librarians have created dozens of videos featuring short story times, crafts, early literacy tips and puppet shows for you to enjoy anytime. On YouTube, search for Bemis Public Library kids' corner videos to find the Kids' Corner playlist.

**Dial-A-Story.** Call 303-795-3960 ANYTIME to hear a picture book read by a Bemis Children's librarian. Stories change weekly.

## TEEN EVENTS

**First-Time Voters.** Are you or someone you know going to be 18 years old by Nov. 3? If so, congratulations, you get to vote! Need help? Search YouTube for the video "How to Vote in Colorado 2020" or click Voter Information on the Bemis home page at [bemis.marmot.org](http://bemis.marmot.org) for information.

**Video Game Consoles Return to the Teen Deck: PlayStation 4, Xbox One and Nintendo Switch.** To comply with safe social distancing, only two game stations will run at a time, only one person per game station and one 30-minute turn per person per day. Sign up for your turn with the librarian at the desk.

**Teen Talk Tuesdays\*.** Hang out at our weekly Zoom meeting to talk with other teens and teen librarian Miss Emily. Play games, ask for help and get updates on what's happening at the library this week. 4–5:30 p.m.

## COMPUTER & DEVICE TRAINING @ BEMIS

**Mondays in November: Virtual One-on-One Tech Help\*.** Sign up for a 45-minute individualized tech appointment with a librarian. Get help with anything from accessing eBooks and digital resources, assistance with internet connectivity, video chatting and more.

**Tuesdays & Wednesdays in November: In-Person One-on-One Tech Help\*.** Sign up for a 45-minute individualized tech appointment with a librarian. Get help with smartphones and tablets. Meet in person on The Teen Deck with your own smartphone or tablet. Currently, we are not offering help with laptops.

**Nov. 3: Google Drive Basics\*.** Learn how to use powerful tools in your Gmail account, including creating a document using Google Docs, saving and sharing documents in Google Drive, and reviewing other Google Drive apps. 9:30–10:30 a.m.

**Nov. 17: Best Mobile Apps\*.** Discover our favorite free mobile apps for everything from meditation to photography to workflow. Apps will be for both Apple and Android devices. 9:30–10:30 a.m.

# LITTLETON MUSEUM

- Accredited by the American Association of Museums • Smithsonian Institution Affiliate
- Littleton Museum, 6028 S. Gallup St., Littleton, CO 80120 • 303-795-3950
- Open Tuesday–Saturday, 10 a.m.–3 p.m. • Call for reservations. • Masks required.



## Own an Original: Liberating Humor

Nov. 20, 2020–Jan. 2, 2021

The City of Littleton Fine Arts Board proudly presents the 55th Annual Own an Original art competition at the Littleton Museum. Open to Colorado artists, the competition is for any art medium except photography. This year's show is juried by Sarah Magnatta, Assistant Professor of Global Contemporary Art in the School of Art and Art History at the University of Denver.

For this year's Own An Original fine art competition, we are looking at the

human condition with a lighthearted mood using the theme of "Liberating Humor." To liberate is to provide freedom from the limitations of thought or behavior. Humor can be comical or funny, but it can describe a state of mind as well. Together, "Liberating Humor" can provide a freeing experience the way a good belly laugh can lighten one's mood.

Call 303-795-3950 to reserve your time to see the exhibit. Masks required for entry.

## New Video Programming for Vibrant Bounty!

Enjoy new video programming for the "Vibrant Bounty: Chinese Folk Art from the Shaanxi Region" exhibit. The videos include a recording of the virtual art history lecture with local curator Julie Segraves, a family craft tutorial on how to make your own Chinese Zodiac animal portrait and two videos from the Bemis Public Library about children's books at the library that pertain to Chinese culture. Visit [Littletongov.org](http://Littletongov.org) > City Services > City Departments > Museum Exhibits > Vibrant Bounty Exhibit for links.

## Last Chance: The Way We Played!

Inspired by nostalgia, this is a toy exhibit for all ages. Featuring artifacts from the museum collection and objects on loan, the exhibit prompts visitors to consider the ways they engaged with different types of toys as a child. The show ends Jan. 3, 2021, so don't miss it!

## Friends Board of Directors

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## Contact Information

### Littleton Museum

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[littletongov.org/museum](http://littletongov.org/museum)

Tuesday–Saturday: 10 a.m.–3 p.m. by reservation

Sunday–Monday and holidays: closed

### Bemis Public Library

6014 S. Datura St., Littleton, CO 80120, 303-795-3961  
[bemismarmot.org](http://bemismarmot.org) (Register for a Library Card at left)

[bemisteen.blogspot.com](http://bemisteen.blogspot.com)

[www.littletongov.org/bemis](http://www.littletongov.org/bemis)

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visitors!*



*1,900  
pumpkins  
& gourds  
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