

Stay Busy with the Friends!

This summer the Friends of the Littleton Library and Museum hosted concerts, participated in the Western Welcome Week fair, helped with the upcoming One Book events and spent hours planning our signature fall events—The Littleton Craft Fair and the Harvest Festival! Mark your calendar so you don't miss any of our charming annual traditions.



Sept. 29. One Book One Littleton

One Book One Littleton is an annual event for all members of the Littleton community to read and discuss the same book and then engage with the author. This year's selection is *They Can't Take Your Name* by Denver native Robert Justice. This debut novel is a story of wrongful conviction, racial injustice, and a daughter's fight to clear her father's name. Set against a Denver that many of us think we know, *They Can't Take Your Name* is a powerful elegy to

the dream deferred that imprisons us all. Borrow a copy from the library, invite your friends and neighbors, and attend a special reception and lecture with the author on Friday, Sept. 29. For more information, visit BemisLibrary.org.

Oct. 7. Littleton Craft Fair

Join us on Saturday, Oct. 7, at Ketring Park from 9 a.m.–4 p.m. to shop handmade goods, chat with crafters and snack on delicious goodies. Handcrafted jewelry, pottery, candles, lotions, decor, artworks and much more! Be sure to stop by the Friends table and say "Hi."

Oct. 14. Harvest Festival

Get your pumpkins at the Harvest Festival on Saturday, Oct. 14, at the Littleton Museum from 10 a.m.–3 p.m. The event is free to stroll the grounds, snap pictures at the autumn-themed photo stations, and enjoy the musicians. Games,

refreshments, and wagon rides require tickets, which can be purchased at the event or online in advance. Bring your wagon as pumpkins can be heavy. Thank you to Credit Union of Colorado for their generous sponsorship of this event!



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Who doesn't like ice cream? The Friends ice cream sales at the summer concerts raised \$1,000 for library and museum programming while giving the board a chance to meet many Friends members and people in the community! Thanks to all our ice-cream eaters!

Thank You for Supporting the Friends!

Our community members enjoyed Romano's on Aug. 1 & 2 to raise nearly \$500 for the Friends—thank you to everyone who showed up with friends and family to enjoy homemade Italian food! To continue supporting the Friends, be sure to shop the Used Book Sale during Bemis Public Library regular hours and designate the Friends for King Soopers Community Rewards.



Western Welcome Week Meet & Greet

Despite the very hot day, we had fun and enjoyed meeting everyone who stopped by the Friends booth at the Western Welcome Week fair on Saturday, Aug. 19. We raffled off a dinner bell handcrafted by a Littleton Museum blacksmith. The luck winner, Jenny Bachelder, was helping with a Scout booth and said the bell will be used in an Eagle Scout project.



BEMIS PUBLIC LIBRARY

REGISTRATION & INFO

To register for a program:

- Call the library at 303-795-3961, or
- Visit the Events Calendar at bemismarmot.org

To sign up for the library's monthly eNewsletter for a full list of programs, click [here](#) or visit library.littletonco.gov > Get Involved > Join Our eNewsletter.

GENERAL PROGRAMS

Active Minds Programs, 4th Monday of the Month, 2–3 p.m. Join us for educational programs for adults of all ages. Visit the Events Calendar at bemismarmot.org for specific program titles as they become available.

Arapahoe County Housing Navigation Services, Every Monday, drop in from 1–4:30 p.m. Arapahoe County Housing Resource Navigators will help the public with applying for housing, rental, or mortgage and utility assistance. Services are free and on a first-come-first-served basis.

Bemis Book Clubs. Attend a book group to discuss thought-provoking books, either in-person at the library or via Zoom using links on the Events Calendar at bemismarmot.org.

- Senior Book Group meets the 1st Wednesday of the month, 1–2 p.m.
- Evening Book Club meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

Board Games @ Bemis, 1st Wednesday of the Month, 5–7 p.m. All ages, drop in after-hours for board games.

International Conversation Circle, Every Thursday, Noon–1 p.m. Join us on the lower level of the library to meet people from the U.S. and other countries, practice English and make friends. Registration required at librزل@littletongov.org or 303-795-3968.

Dungeons & Dragons, 4th Wednesday of the Month, 5–7:30 p.m. Ages 10+, roll the dice, join a group, and let your imagination soar! Players of all experience levels are welcome, pre-gener-

ated characters and dice are available to borrow. Registration required.

Senior Social Club, Every Thursday, 9:30–10:30 a.m. Ages 50 and up, join our weekly chat for seniors in Sophie's Place at the front of the library.

Virtual Author Talks, Various Dates. The Library Speakers Consortium live-streams discussions with bestselling authors at libraryc.org/bemis.

YOUTH EVENTS

Books & Blankets, Wednesdays & Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Bring your kids and blankets for 30 minutes of stories and songs on the library lawn (inside in poor weather).

Dial-A-Story: Hear a new story from one of our librarians every week by dialing 303-795-3960.

LEGO Club, 1st Saturday of the Month, 3–4 p.m. All ages, design, construct and create your own LEGO creations. Build from a theme or use your imagination. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

Paws to Read, 2nd Saturday of the Month, 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Kids in grades 1–5 can practice reading to a furry friend. Call to register for a 20-minute spot.

TEEN EVENTS

Teen Takeover, 1st Wednesday of the Month, 5–6:30 p.m. Grades 6–12, join us to hang out and make something fun at your own pace. Snacks served.

Teen Advisory Group: 2nd Wednesday of the Month, 5–6:30 p.m. Grades 6–12, help improve the library and earn community service credit.

Tweensday, 3rd Wednesday of the Month, 5–6:30 p.m. Grades 5–12, snacks served, registration required.

TECHNOLOGY TRAINING

In Person One-on-One Tech Help, Various Dates & Times. All ages, sign up for an individualized appointment for help with accessing eBooks and digital resources, assistance with internet connectivity, video chatting and more.

SPECIAL EVENTS

The Legendary Ladies Present Curious Characters of the West, Sept. 2, 2–3 p.m. All ages, enjoy the return of the Legendary Ladies to Bemis to portray six women who questioned assumptions, pushed boundaries, and lived extraordinary lives.



Genealogical Research: Expanding Your Search, Sept. 13, 1–2:30 p.m. Adults of all ages, join Columbine Genealogical and Historical Society to learn about resources and practices to take your research to the next level. Archives, historical newspapers, land records, military records and immigration sources offer more details and greater depth when basic family tree searches have hit a brick wall. The fee for this workshop includes a one-year membership in the Columbine Genealogical & Historical Society as well as workshop materials. The fee for the class is \$35/individual or \$45/family. Current 2023 CGHS members may attend for free. Registration required.

Super Smash Bros Tournament, Wednesday, Sept. 20, 5–6:30 p.m. Grades 6–12, come prepared to battle in this awesome video game tournament. Snacks will be served. Registration required.

Introduction to Taekwondo, Saturday, Sept. 23, 3–4 p.m. Grades K–5, you are invited to a fun taekwondo presentation and learn basic self-defense techniques in a class led by Family Tae Kwon Do Center. You'll work on skills such as coordination, balance, focus, and self-confidence. No prior martial arts experience needed. Wear comfortable clothing. Registration required beginning Sept. 1.

LITTLETON MUSEUM

MUSEUM INFO

The Littleton Museum is accredited by the American Association of Museums and is a Smithsonian Institution Affiliate.

- For details on events, visit museum.littletonco.gov and click Events & Programs.
- To sign up for the bimonthly newsletter, visit museum.littletonco.gov, scroll to the bottom of the page, and click Sign Up to the Newsletter.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 9. Vintage Baseball Game, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

Sept. 21. *Thoughtful Intuition* Opening Reception, 5:30–7 p.m., exhibit on display through Jan. 7

Oct. 7. Littleton Craft Fair, Ketring Park, 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Oct. 14. Harvest Festival pumpkin patch, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

Oct. 18. Thomas Andrews speaks about Colorado coalfields conflicts, 5:30–7:30 p.m. RSVP required

Through Oct. 27, 2024. *Below the Surface* mining exhibit

July 14, 2023 – October 27, 2024

BELOW THE SURFACE
How mining altered Colorado's social and cultural landscape

Vintage Base Ball Game
Saturday September 9 11 a.m.
Littleton Rough & Readies vs. Star Base-Ball Club of Colorado Territory
Littleton Museum 6028 S. Gallup St. Littleton, CO 80120

Thoughtful Intuition Exhibit
Opening Reception Sept. 21 • On Display Through Jan. 7

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Tuesday–Saturday 9 a.m.–5 p.m., Sunday 11 a.m.–5 p.m.,
last entry 4:30 p.m., closed Mondays and holidays

Bemis Public Library
6014 S. Datura St., Littleton, CO 80120, 303-795-3961
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9 a.m.–5 p.m., Sunday 1–5 p.m.

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Ketrington-Gallap Park Master Plan



Guided Park Tour

Explore your community park and tell us what improvements you would like to see here!

Follow this map through Ketrington Park, Gallap Gardens & Gallap Park to find all **11 bright blue-painted tree stumps!**

Scan the QR codes on the stumps (or on this page) to contribute your vision of the parks' future.

This interactive installation will be available from mid-August to early September.



An online version of the installation and survey is also available by following the QR code or short link here.



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