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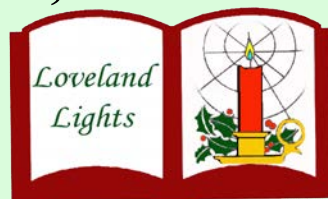
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## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Loveland Lights -  
December 6, 7

Friends Annual  
Members Meeting -  
January 23

## **December, 2014-January, 2015**



### **LOVELAND LIGHTS 2014**

**A Celebration of Winter Holiday Traditions**

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On Saturday, **December 6** and Sunday, **December 7** at the Loveland Public Library, Loveland Lights will be celebrating "NUTCRACKERS". The library will be adorned with decorated holiday trees, nutcracker displays, gingerbread houses and a model railroad as festive holiday music drifts through the stacks of books to put you into the holiday spirit. Throughout the weekend, there will be *free* activities to delight all ages.

The Gingerbread Challenge creations, displayed down the library's Galleria, will showcase the creative talents of members of the community. Children will be able to create their own gingerbread house at the Children's Gingerbread Workshops offered through the weekend and hunt throughout the library looking for hidden nutcrackers during the Find the Nutcracker Contest. Teens can create their own gingerbread houses on Saturday afternoon in the TeenSeen.

The Holiday Book & Bake Sales will tempt those looking for a sweet treat or a good holiday book to cozy up with on cold snowy nights.

Saturday morning, Kevin Cook will entertain adults with his presentation of "Whiskey's for Drinking; Water's for Fighting; and Nuts are for Cracking." He will take a merry yet accurate look at the botany of nuts and the zoology of nutcrackers, real and imagined. "Greetings on Publisher" will take place in the library's computer lab for those wanting to learn how to create computer generated greeting cards. Space is limited, call Bobbi @ (970) 962-2401 or email her @ [bobbi.benesh@cityofloveland.org](mailto:bobbi.benesh@cityofloveland.org).

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## Loveland Lights 2014

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Saturday afternoon, “Festive Folding” offers hands-on instruction in creating holiday-themed origami. Get a head start on your holiday entertaining and gift ideas at “Holiday Food & Gift Ideas.” Samples and recipe instruction will be offered.

Sunday afternoon, Rose Watson, environmental educator for Larimer County, will be creating holiday ornaments from recycled materials with the teens in the teenseen. Also on Sunday afternoon, “The Bridge Between”, the Berthoud High School Show Choir, will be performing. If you haven’t caught the holiday spirit by early December, these young adults are guaranteed to chase the Bah Humbug away.

All events are *free* throughout the weekend. Check [friendsofthelovelandlibrary.org](http://friendsofthelovelandlibrary.org) for further information.

*Betty Hill*, Loveland Lights Chairman



### Fall Used Book Sale – A Success Story

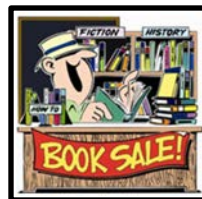
I want to thank our outstanding group of volunteers who helped put together another successful Used Book Sale. It truly was a work of combined efforts from our Book Sale Committee, all of our volunteers, our sorting people, our Make-A-Difference Day volunteers, our book donors, the Library Staff, the Ranch staff and all of our wonderful customers.

The new policies that we initiated proved a welcome change. We had

several positive comments at our members-only Friday night sale. They felt more relaxed while browsing due to not competing with our dealers. We still have some minor adjustments to our other new policies, especially the one concerning the Saturday shopping hours for dealers and the public.

We grossed over \$26,000 and were able to keep our expenses close to last spring’s Book Sale costs. These funds will certainly come in handy in supporting many programs and equipment for our local library.

I want to give a big **Thank You!** to our previous Book Sale Chairperson, Roberta Moyer,



for leaving detailed documentation and information. Many times I felt like I was just filling in the blanks with new names and dates to make this sale a success.

Thank you again for all your support and assistance in making this another success story.

*Art Grotenhuis*, Book Sale Co-Chairperson

### Annual Membership Meeting

Mark your 2015 calendar for the Friends annual meeting. It is scheduled for Friday, **January 23** at 6 p.m. The evening will include a catered dinner, an entertaining and stimulating program and our business meeting to review the past year’s events and plans for the future. Our members will



elect new Board members and vote on the budget for the coming year.

Invitations will be sent out in early January. This is for FOLPL members only—but there’s still time to join!

### Post Your Shelfie

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Kindschy,

Board

member and

Treasurer



for the Friends, is challenging you to post your “shelfie.” Gather up your very favorite books and take a photo. Post it on the Friends Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/FOLPLF](http://www.facebook.com/FOLPLF)) or send it to Kathy Keeler at [kkeeler@unl.edu](mailto:kkeeler@unl.edu). Check our Facebook link frequently to see what your fellow bibliophiles are reading.

### Volunteer Corner

**Gracias! Merci! Danke!** Kudos to George Franke and Art Grotenhuis, co-chairs for our Fall Book Sale. They did a tremendous job organizing and coordinating all the aspects of sorting and packing books for the past 6 months, then setting up and running the 3-day sale. Thanks to all the donors and volunteers who contributed to the successful event, especially Barbara Franke who headed the volunteer recruitment.

A special thanks goes out to Brenda Glover who will be taking over as Volunteer Coordinator. She added this very vital position to her other commitments as Board member, data entry coordinator, assistant membership chair, and publicity chair for various events. Warning! Her volunteering enthusiasm is contagious.

## Wanted – VIPs Used Book Sale Chairperson Needed

It is not often that you see a “Wanted” poster anywhere near the Library, but we are in dire need of someone to step up and volunteer as Chairperson for our Used Book Sales. The Friends of the Library semi-annual Used Book Sales have become a community event and many people look forward to this event to stock up on their reading materials for both spring and fall. The book donations keep arriving and we need an outlet for some 50, 000+ recycled books. George Franke and I both volunteered to lead the last Book Sale. But due to other commitments, we could only help with this past sale. We would be very willing to help train anyone who volunteers for this position.



If you are interested in filling this important position, please email us at [info@friendsofthelovelandlibrary.org](mailto:info@friendsofthelovelandlibrary.org) or leave a message on the FOL phone at 970-962-2712. Thank you!  
*Art Grotenhuis*, Book Sale Co-Chairperson

## Also Wanted – Friends’ Facebook Manager

If you possess computer skills and a working knowledge of Facebook, please consider managing or assisting in the administration of our Facebook page. We are looking for ways to attract more activity to our site. Please check it out and “like” us; you don’t have to be on Facebook to access it:  
[www.facebook.com/FOLPLF](http://www.facebook.com/FOLPLF).



## Friends Introduce Brand New Series

The Friends of the Library is sponsoring a series of talks designed to enrich life with stories of plants, travel and history. Discover the new series: *“Curious Stories of Familiar Plants”* led by well-traveled plant expert Kathy Keeler, creator of [AWanderingBotanist.com](http://AWanderingBotanist.com). As a retired professor of biology from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, popular science speaker and writer Kathy Keeler searches the world for stories of the plant wonders of the world and brings them to audiences around the globe.

Kathy creates a lively blend of plant biology combined with the role of plants in human history.

All talks are free and open to the public, thanks to the generous support of the Friends of the Library. These talks are part of the Loveland Library’s Adult Programs held in the Gertrude Scott Room at the library.

Here is the series schedule:

**December 29, 1 p.m.**

Curious Stories of Familiar Plants:

*Mustards, junipers and more*

**January 21, 6:30 p.m.**

Curious Stories of Familiar Plants: *Indoor*

*season— Chocolate, vanilla and more*



Check the newsletter and the library calendar for dates and time for February, March and April.

## Library News

### Winter Reading Program

This third year of the Winter Reading Program in conjunction with the Colorado Eagles Hockey Team will be bigger and better than ever. Now even adults can participate and have chances to win hockey tickets. The program runs from **December 1 to January 4**. The Kick-off event on **December 6** from 1-3 p.m. will involve a shoot booth with the Eagle Chicks, Slap Shot and the E-gals. There will also be a storytime and meet & greet with Eagles’ players on **December 15** from 6:30-7:30 p.m. for the whole family.

The goal for participants in the Children’s Division will be to read for 60 minutes per week. Teens will read for 4 hours per week, and adults will submit book titles. Kids and teens meeting weekly goals earn pencils, bookmarks, stickers, tattoos and chances to win hockey game tickets.

Youth ticket winners will each receive 2 tickets for the **January 14** game against Alaska. Families may purchase additional tickets. Winners will be notified by the Eagles organization. Adults will have weekly drawings for tickets. Adults can also win a chance to sit in the penalty box during a period and tour the locker rooms. There will be online registration at <http://lpl-repository.com/litlog> and reading logs will be available at the Children’s and Teen desks.



## **Lifelong Learning @ the Library for Adults**

**December 2**, Noontime & TwoTime Nature with Kevin Cook, 12 noon and 2 p.m.

**December 3**, Nighttime Nature with Kevin Cook, 6 p.m.

**December 8**, Smart Choice for Health Insurance, 5:30 p.m. Larimer County Extension program to help you analyze your health care needs and understand health care plans. Preregister at 970-498-6000 by noon on **December 5**.

**December 9**, Meet and Greet Author Jean Messinger. 6:30 pm. Her newest book, *Voices From the Other Side: Inspiring German WWII Memoirs*, tells stories of 25 Germans, most of whom presently live in the Front Range.

**December 10**, Our Sun, Our Night Sky with Joe Bowden from the Little Thompson Observatory, 6:30 p.m.

**December 16**, Grief and Loss – Preparing for End-Of-Life Decisions, 5 p.m. No cost or signup necessary for this program; presented by Elder Care Network of Northern Colorado.

**December 16**, Make Change NoCo: “Cash or Nook?”, 6 p.m. Look beyond the promotions to choose a financial institution.

**December 18**, Get a Grip on Stress, 12 noon. An appropriate time to get some tips from Dr. Brian Flemming.

**December 20**, Robotics Demo, 10 a.m.- noon. An interactive demonstration by the Loveland High School Robotics Team for all ages.

**December 20**, 3D Printing Workshop, 1-4 p.m. Learn to design your own 3D object. For ages 18+. Space is limited and registration required. Call 962-2599.

**December 22**, Classic Movie Night, 5:30 p.m. The final Hitchcock film in the yearlong classic film series. Save the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month in 2015 for a new series, Great Classic Westerns.

**January 14**, Powerful Tools for Caregivers, 5 p.m. Presented by Lynette Gowen and the Elder Care Network of Northern Colorado.

**January 14**, The Manhattan Project, the first in a series of programs by Joe Bowden dealing with 20<sup>th</sup> Century wars, 6:30 p.m.

**January 20**, Money Matters: 2015 Tax Time News, 6:30 p.m. Gain valuable knowledge about preparing your own taxes, what questions to ask when choosing a certified tax preparer and how to find the local IRS-certified FREE tax prep program.

**January 21**, “Purpose of God’s Conscious Universe”, a six week course that is *not* a course in religion, but one that can give you knowledge on how to live more successfully in our Conscious Universe. Sessions taught by Drs. James and Julie Burnett will be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays at 5:30 pm, starting **January 21** and continuing through March .

Loveland crafters meet regularly at the library. If you are interested in learning tatting, crochet, origami, loom or needle knitting, check out the enclosed calendar or pick up handouts at the library’s greeter desk.

### **Adult Book Discussion Groups**

**December 2 & 3; January 6 & 7**

The Library’s Adult Book Discussion Groups meet in the Erion Room on the first Tuesday of each month at 9 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., and the following Wednesday at 9 a.m..

In December, we will discuss Cormac McCarthy’s *All the Pretty Horses*, winner of the National Book Award. Sixteen-year-old Grady Cole’s coming of age is a journey, a horseback trip into Mexico with two pals. They enjoy – and endure – many adventures, ending at an idyllic hacienda where John Grady finds romance.

Our January title is *The Water Is Wide: A Memoir* by Pat Conroy. The author spent a year as a teacher on a remote island off the coast of South Carolina, a place where the way of life of the inhabitants is threatened – perhaps ended. Can one man salvage the situation?

### **Great Ideas**

Every other Friday at 2 p.m. Brian Hansen leads the Great Ideas discussion of philosophical questions as presented by Mortimer Adler. Reading materials are provided and newcomers are always welcome. Upcoming dates are **December 5 & 19 and January 9 & 23**.

### **Computer Classes**

Nine different basic computer topics are taught each month in the library’s iLearn classroom. Each two-hour session is free of charge but students should register in advance. Call 962-2599, visit the iExplore desk or sign up online at [lovelandpubliclibrary.eventbrite.com](http://lovelandpubliclibrary.eventbrite.com). There will be a special class **December 16** at noon on Color Tablets and how to download library resources onto them.



## Children's Programming

While adults are often too busy during the holidays, the line-up of programs for children should bring families in despite the weather and the hectic schedule. Preschool storytimes continue year round and there are a variety of special events during the school holiday break.

**December 13** from 10 a.m.- noon, kids can make LEGO ornaments. That afternoon at 1 p.m., Nature's Educators will present a program called "Getting Wild" that features snakes and insects. School Out Science **December 22** at 3 p.m. will feature crystal snowflakes. **December 23** at 2:30 p.m., there will be a "drive in movie" featuring a favorite Christmas film. Participants should bring a cardboard box that they will decorate as their car or sleigh before the movie starts. **December 27** there will be Brickmasters LEGO building sessions at 10 a.m.-noon and at 1-3 p.m. **December 29** starts *Let's Pretend it's Summer Week*. Sandcastle building will take place at 1 p.m. on the **29<sup>th</sup>**. Come decorate a pair of flip-flops on **December 30** at 10 a.m.



Children can start to bring in books for the Kids Book Swap on **December 22**.

Each child can bring up to 12 books in good condition that they no longer want to keep. The Swap will be held on **January 5** from 1-3 p.m. and participants can select the same number of new titles to take home.

On **January 19**, School Out Science will feature a color theme, 3 p.m.

The regular LEGO Brickmasters, Knitting Club, Chess Club and Waggin' Tales continue, so check out the enclosed calendar or the library's web calendar. Don't forget that school- aged children are encouraged to play the Kids Read game with a trained Buddy Reader every Thursday at 4 p.m.

## Amazing Teenseen Activities

The programs presented by the teen librarians are nothing like what most of us experienced years ago! Check out this list that shows the variety and creativity in the teenseen: Anime Junkies, Book Buzz, recycled ornaments, chess club, light bulb snowmen, Glow in the Dark Bowling, movies, robotics, Minute-to-Win-It,

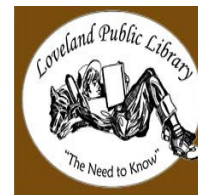
stop motion animation, bath salts, spaghetti marshmallow tower, yarn bottles and gingerbread houses.

Be sure your youth in middle and high school check out the teenseen webpage, new Instagram site or the teenseen section of the library to learn more. Don't forget there are great teen books, music and more to check out. And during the Winter Reading Program, readers may also win prizes!



## Library Board Vacancies

We need two new board members whose terms will start in January. The board meets the third Thursday of each month at 5 p.m. The board advises the City Council and library director on policies and direction for the library. More information and an application is available on the Boards and Commissions page under City government at [www.cityofloveland.org](http://www.cityofloveland.org). Please consider joining the board to provide valuable input and direction.



## Is it time to update your membership?

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- ☐ **Senior individual (\$10)** - 60 yrs. & over  
☐ **Senior couple (\$15)** - both at least 60  
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