



# Bookends

The newsletter of the Johnson County Library System



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October-November 2017

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## Your Libraries

### Johnson County Library

171 N. Adams  
Buffalo, WY 82834  
(307) 684-5546

#### Hours

M-Th: 10a-8p  
F&Sa: 10a-5p

### Kaycee Branch

231 Ritter Ave.  
P.O. Box 226  
Kaycee, WY 82639  
(307) 738-2473

#### Hours

T: 10-11a, 1-8p  
W: 1-5:30p  
F: 10a-noon, 1-4p  
Sa: 2-5p

### Johnson County Library

#### ~ Mission ~

Our mission as a library system and community hub is to Collect, Share, Promote, Learn, Adapt, & Grow. Users are foremost.

# A Night on Broadway

Join us for the 25th annual benefit auction Friday, Nov. 3, at the Johnson County Library. The auction begins at 6 p.m. with the reception and silent auction, followed by the oral auction at 7:30 p.m. Our theme this year is "A Night on Broadway." Tickets go on sale this month at the library for \$20 apiece. Brannian Auctions LLC will preside and the event will be catered by Sagewood Café. Coffee will be provided by The Fix, and the Library Foundation will provide wine.

Proceeds of this auction will benefit the library's endowment fund. Over the past several years, donations have raised about \$259,000, which earned the library a \$653,000 match from the State of Wyoming. The interest from the endowment may be used by the library but the balance must remain

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Our new statue was set in its permanent place at the front of the library Sept. 28.

## Why is it 'Copman's Tomb'?

*This is the first part of two compiled by Local History librarian Nancy Tabb.*

Each evening as the sun prepares to kiss the gorgeous Big Horn range of mountains good night, its golden rays rest upon a great cliff that stands in the very center of the Shell creek area, and the gold of the sun and the yellow of the cliff combine to make what the old-timers of that section have been pleased to refer to as "Copman's Tomb," a beacon of good cheer to all of those who, within a

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## Fall Reading Programs for Kids!

Our children's librarians have cooked up a fun Fall reading program that'll run from Oct. 9 through Nov. 27. It's a chance for kids of all ages to try a variety of books and earn some prizes at the same time.

There are two scavenger hunts— "Find a Book from A to Z" for younger readers of picture books; and "It's Fall: A Great Time to Pick a Book" for older readers of chapter books. Each of the two has a bunch of activities listed, and for each activity completed, kids

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## Lois Gordon Memorial

For continued support of our  
Kaycee Branch Library

## Thank you to

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library programming, and much more...

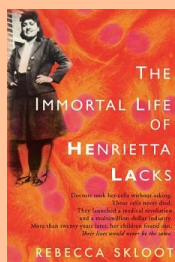
## Kaycee Branch 738-2473

Bonnie Ross, *branch manager* — Monica Brock — Kelley Davis

We will have a children's after school movie on Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 17 at 4:30. Join us for *Smurfs: The Lost Village*.



Our next book discussion is Monday night, Nov. 6 at 7. The book this time is *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot.



### New Books

*Enemy of the State*, by Kyle Mills  
*Exposed*, by Lisa Scottoline  
*The Good Daughter*, by Karin Slaughter  
*Haunted*, by James Patterson  
*Map of the Heart*, by Susan Wiggs  
*Robert B. Parker's The Hangman's Sonnet*, by Reed Farrel Coleman

**Did You Know?** Librarian Connie Norton oversees outreach by taking hundreds of paperback novels to local hotels, campgrounds, and other locations. Over the last year, Connie took 1,900 paperback books to the various locations. Our patrons took home another 1,900 from the library. If you have a place in mind you'd like to add to the list, please contact her at (307) 684-5546.

### Johnson County Library Foundation

The endowment fund began in 2008 with legislation that promised matching funds from the State of Wyoming for money raised by private donations to Wyoming libraries. Johnson County was slated to benefit from a 2:1 match—for every \$1 raised, the state would provide \$2. To date, JCL has raised about \$259,000—thanks in great part to the annual auction which is partially sponsored by the Johnson County Library Foundation—and received \$653,000 in state funds.

### Board of directors

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### COPMAN'S TOMB - Continued from front

circle of many, many miles, may turn their gaze in the direction of the Big Horns.

Copman's Tomb is located just to the left of the highway as one climbs the mountains over the Shell-Sheridan highway. It stands out at an altitude of over seven thousand feet. The face of the cliff is estimated to drop around five hundred feet from its topmost point to the base, and it is sheer. It is said that a car may be driven to a point within a mile or less of the top, and that a trail can be taken from there for the rest of the trip.

It is a majestic pile, stately in its grandeur, and one which is bound to command the enthusiastic admiration of the truly beautiful in our glorious mountain ranges.

In our quest for the answer to the question of "Why Is It Called Copman's Tomb," we had asked a number of old timers, but could not get a satisfactory answer. A couple of months ago, while visiting Charlie Trone, we got some information which enabled us to follow certain trails that finally led us to what we believe will make an interesting story.

The part of the story as told by Charlie that intrigued us most was that he had been told that one time in his life in the Big Horns "Jack" Copman had made a model of an airplane, and when asked what he was going to do with it, he had said that when he had completed his plane he was going to take it to the top of that great cliff and make a trial flight. If he managed to fly, it would be a great day for him, but if he failed that cliff would be his tomb.

In our efforts to get the facts, we failed to get any information that would confirm this story, but we did get a lot of interesting facts.

According to "Progressive Men of the state of Wyoming," 1903, Jack Copman was born in Pennsylvania, April 15, 1850, where he lived until the age of sixteen, attending school and assisting his parents on their farm. In 1866 he moved to Kansas, where he spent a year, then moved on to Washington, Oregon and Idaho, spending his time in mining and riding the range. In 1880 he brought a drove of cattle to Wyoming from the Grand Ronde Valley of Oregon for H. C. Lovell.

Just how long Copman remained in the employ of Lovell is not known, but it is known that he spent considerable time prospecting and trapping foxes in the mountains of the Upper Shell creek area. During some of this time he was engaged as a guide for an Australian named Clark who had come into this country from Tasmania, hunting big game. He and Copman built a cabin in what is now known as Clark's timber, near the head of White creek, and while Clark made his home in this cabin Copman made his headquarters in a dugout, perhaps a half mile away, on what old timers call Copman's gulch.

**Read the complete saga on our website, [www.jclwyo.org](http://www.jclwyo.org).**

**Part 2 will be printed in the next newsletter, Dec. 2017-Jan. 2018.**

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earn a Book Buck. Book Bucks can be saved up and traded in for different prizes.

For the "Find a Book from A to Z" sheet, there's fun activities like "B: Read a book that has a **Blue** cover," and "D: Read a book to a **Dog**." The "It's Fall" sheet encourages chapter book readers to sample either 20 pages or 30 minutes of books.

Pick up your reading sheets at the children's room desks.

# JOHNSON COUNTY LIBRARY

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From our Local History archives — local men serving in the U.S. Cavalry. Photo taken near Ft. Lewis, Washington. "Squire" Pierce Potts is on the front horse leading the pack horse. Others in photo are Rudy Skurok, T.P. Hill, Al Smith and Bill Sands, Sr.

## AUCTION - Continued from front

untouched.

Some of the items up for grabs include artwork, tools, gift certificates, dinners, and more. The Friends of the Library will raffle off their "Broadway Bouquets" basket of fun items, including a more than \$200 gift certificate to the Posey Patch. Raffle tickets are one for \$5 and benefit the Friends organization.

The event is sponsored by the Johnson County Library Foundation and Friends of the Library.



Last year's auction drew more than 300 people.

# New Titles

## ADULT FICTION

Blame, by Jeff Abbott  
Caroline: Little House, Revisited, by Sarah Miller  
The Cuban Affair, by Nelson DeMille  
The Daughter of Ireland, Santa Montefiore  
Don't Let Go, by Harlan Coben  
The Driver, by Hart Hanson  
Enemy of the State, by Kyle Mills  
Enigma, by Catherine Coulter  
The Forgotten Girl, by Rio Youers  
Keep Her Safe, by Sophie Hannah  
To Be Where You Are, by Jan Karon  
Trace, by Archer Mayor  
The Scarred Woman, by Jussi Adler-Olsen

The Western Star, by Craig Johnson  
The World of Tomorrow, by Brendan Mathews  
Y, by Sue Grafton

## ADULT NONFICTION

Army Wives, by Midge Gillies  
Art on the Rocks, by F. Sehnaz Bac  
How to Raise an Amazing Child the Montessori Way, by Tim Seldin  
Install Your Own Solar Panels, by Joseph Burdick  
The Joy of Lettering, by Gabri Kirkendall  
The Roasted Vegetable, by Andrea Chesman  
Wonderlandscape, by John Clayton

## CHILDREN'S

Baseball Genius, by Tim Green & Derek Jeter  
Erth Dragons. 01, by Chris D'Lacey

Imagination: Bigger Together, by Casey Rislov  
Kate Warne: Pinkerton Detective, by Marissa Moss  
The Last Spell, by J.A. White  
Renato and the Lion, by Barbara DiLorenzo  
Willoughby & the Terrible Itch, by Pam Halter

## YA BOOKS

Eliza and Her Monsters, by Francesca Zappa  
Mars One, by Jonathan Mayberry  
Million Junes, by Emily Henry  
A Toaster on Mars, by Darrell Pitt Thornhill, by Pam Smy

## WESTERNS

Backed to the Wall, by C.M. Wendelboe  
Golden Spike, by Robert Lee Murphy  
One if by Land, by Ethan J. Wolfe

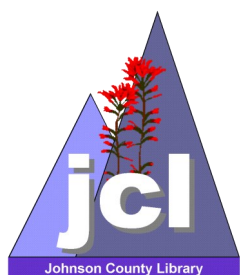
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| D • <u>Admission</u>     | • <u>City Slickers</u> | • <u>Papillon</u>          | • <u>Rat Pack</u>         |
| V • <u>Air America</u>   | • <u>Goldeneye</u>     | • <u>Planet Earth</u>      | • <u>Secondhand Lions</u> |
| D • <u>Airplane!</u>     | • <u>Luther</u>        | • <u>Quantum Leap. S#1</u> | • <u>Wings</u>            |
| S • <u>Amazing Grace</u> | • <u>The Misfits</u>   | • <u>Quantum Leap. S#2</u> | • <u>Wonder Woman</u>     |

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## **FRIENDS** of the Johnson County Library Est. April 1972

### **Who are the Friends?**

Men and women who  
promote and support the library.

#### **Ongoing projects ...**

- Provide funding for physical improvements
- Provide assistance & funding for the Summer Reading programs
- Sponsor the annual library auction with the JC library foundation
- Provide assistance & funds to further National Library Week, Mother's Day Tea, and other local humanities programs
- Provide baby books to parents of newborns

We meet at 4 p.m. second Tuesday of every month at the library.

## Calendar of Events

*All events are at the main library in Buffalo unless otherwise noted.*

### **OCTOBER-NOVEMBER**

#### **WEDNESDAYS**

**Tech assistance**—Please contact us with a time; subject to staff availability.

#### **THURSDAYS**

**Story Hour**—Begins in early September, 10 a.m. in the large meeting room. Puppet show, songs, stories, crafts, and a snack! For toddler and pre-school ages.

#### **MONDAY, OCT. 9**

**Library Closed**—For Columbus Day holiday

#### **TUESDAY, OCT. 24**

**Library Closed**—Cleaning and work day.

#### **FRIDAY, NOV. 3**

**Benefit Auction**—6:30 p.m. silent auction and hors d'oeuvres, 7:30 p.m. live auction. Wine, coffee also provided. Tickets on sale at the library in October, \$20 apiece.

#### **SATURDAY, NOV. 4**

**Library opens later**—After auction cleanup. Library will open around 1 p.m.; check for time closer to event.

#### **FRIDAY, NOV. 10 & SATURDAY, NOV. 11**

**Library Closed**—For Veterans Day holiday

#### **THURSDAY, NOV. 23 & FRIDAY, NOV. 24**

**Libraries closed**—Thanksgiving holiday.



### ***Giving a hoot...***

The library had a feathered visitor at the end of September, on the corner of the Adams Avenue entrance. The owl hung around in broad daylight for a good half an hour before departing.