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Boulder Public Library Newsletter
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All events are free and open to the public. Registration required where noted.

Upcoming BPL Holiday Closures
December 24 and 25 - Christmas Eve and Christmas Day holidays
December 31 - all BPL locations close at 6 p.m. for New Year's Eve
January 1 - all BPL locations closed for New Year's Day holiday

Main Library renovation project update
The Capital Improvement Bond-funded Main Library renovation project is gearing up to begin construction in January 2014!
A bid opening for the construction contract will be held at 4 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13, in the Municipal Building Lobby, at 1777 Broadway. The construction contractor will be selected in early January, with construction planned to begin in late January.

Additional bid openings for the shelving, furniture, technology, and moving contracts will occur next week. The Request for Proposals (RFP) for a cafe vendor at the Main Library is expected to be issued in January.

Stay tuned for information about the “groundbreaking” and construction schedule impacts to Main Library operations in future e-newsletters.

BoulderReads! volunteer tutors needed
Have you ever considered volunteering as a literacy tutor? BoulderReads! trains
Many of our events are generously co-sponsored by the Boulder Library Foundation.

**Overheard at BPL...**

"Dear (newsletter) Editor:

The latest newsletter was like an early Christmas present. There are so many wonderful programs coming to the library, and I especially liked the recommended reads.

I love the new program, "You’re Entitled." I have read books that I never would have heard about, and now I have a list of new authors, too. This is a wonderful program.

Bev Seeds"

Our next full tutor training will take place on Thursday afternoons: Jan. 23, Jan. 30, Feb. 6, Feb. 13, and Feb. 27, 2014 from 12-3pm in the Main Library.

Volunteers to work one on one with adults seeking to improve their literacy skills.

We encourage you to pursue the powerful experience of helping someone in our community discover the joy of reading. To sign up, please go to the BoulderReads! website and complete a tutor application, and you’ll receive more information about the Training.

To learn more about the BoulderReads! program, please visit our website.

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**World Book Night 2014 is April 23 -- join us as a "book giver"**

World Book Night (WBN) is an annual celebration dedicated to spreading the love of reading, person to person. Each year on April 23, which is Shakespeare’s birthday, tens of thousands of book-givers go out into their communities and give a total of half a million free World Book Night paperbacks to light readers and non-readers.

In 2014, BPL will participate again in World Book Night and will host a special event for book givers. Please consider joining us by being a WBN US 2014 book giver, and specifying Boulder Public Library (BPL) as your book pick-up location.

To learn more about becoming a WBN US book giver and apply, go to: [www.us.worldbooknight.org/resources/resources-for/givers](http://www.us.worldbooknight.org/resources/resources-for/givers). Hurry, the deadline to apply is January 5, 2014! To learn more about BPL’s participation in WBN, contact Shelley Sullivan, BoulderReads! manager at sullivans@boulderlibrary.org.

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**Holiday Music Concerts: Celtic, *insert other genres here***
Handbells, Comedy, and More!

Join us for a Celtic holiday concert with Krimmel and Beth Gadbaw; a family-friendly handbell concert; and a holiday romp with vocal ensemble Essence of Larynx.

Celtic Holiday, Sunday, Dec. 15, at 2 p.m., Main Library Canyon Theater

Timberline Handbell Ensemble, Sunday, Dec. 15, at 3 p.m., at the Meadows Branch

The Third Tuesday Lunchtime Concert Series Presents: Christmas with Essence of Larynx, Tuesday, Dec. 17, at noon, Canyon Theater

Information: Juliette Leon Bartsch, bartschj@boulderlibrary.org or 303-441-4492.

Holiday Film:

Screening of "A Christmas Story"

Saturday, Dec. 14, at 12 noon, Main Library Canyon Theater

Based on Jean Shepherd's short story collection "In God We Trust," "A Christmas Story" has become a holiday classic.

Before our screening, Cinema Program coordinator Joel Haertling will reveal special secrets to look out for during the film, and audience participation is encouraged. Come in your bunny pajamas and bring your Lifebuoy soap, but please leave your Red Ryder BB guns at home (you’ll shoot your eye out). Prizes for best pjs will be awarded.

Information: Joel Haertling, haertlingj@boulderlibrary.org or (303) 441-3197

National Geographic--digital editions now available from BPL

Travel the world and re-live history through the pages of an extraordinary magazine collection!

This collection brings together a complete
Recommended Read

From the mixed-up files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler
by E.L. Konigsburg

"I found this book completely charming! It's a little dated, but brother-sister relationships will always be the same. Who hasn't fantasized about running away from home when they were a kid? Where would you run away to? How would you wash your clothes? How would you avoid being caught? Claudia has thought of everything. And she chooses her brother Jamie to be in charge of their finances. The brother and sister duo run away to the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art and become obsessed with the mystery surrounding the origin of a newly-acquired statue. I love Konigsburg's treatment of the children--she knows how they think, and she also knows what they could realistically get away with. They're no heroes; they're just kids who want to go home "different" than they left."

- Keely, Reference

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