

## Summer Reading 2013

Summer Reading 2013 was fun and eventful for children, teens, and adults who spent quality reading time in libraries across the Lonesome Pine region.



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For children, this year's theme, "Dig Into Reading" was crafted around the goal of preparing our youngsters for success by building reading skills and developing early language skills throughout the summer.

Some of the events children enjoyed included, *The Magic of Joseph Young*; *Can You Dig It* featuring Puppeteer, Judy "Butterfly" Farlow, *Let's Dig Into Reading* with musician, Copper Tom, and stories and songs from Lonesome Pine's own, Charlie Engle. There were lots of other fun happenings for children, and LPRL extends a hearty "thank you" to everyone who sponsored or assisted our efforts to keep children reading!



And speaking of reading, we are pleased to announce that Ms. Candess and Ms. Barbie at the Coeburn Community Library did exactly as they promised ... they sported blue and pink hair to honor the community's kids who met their goal of reading over 4,000 books ... congratulations Coeburn kids!!



The goal of this year's teen reading program was to motivate teens to read and discuss literature. We believe these young adults had a groundbreaking good time with crafts, games, and plenty of laughs. Programs included, *Caving* presented by Natural Tunnel State Park; *Dig up the Present in the Future* with time capsules, *Fear Factor Foods*, and much more.



## GROUNDBREAKING READS

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While the youngsters were busy having fun at the library, our young-at-heart adults across the region uncovered the joy of reading. From lots of groundbreaking recipe exchanges to *Breaking Ground with Gardening*, and *Digging out from Underneath Your Clutter*, adults enjoyed discussing their favorite groundbreaking reads and some even liked it "hot! ... with hot pepper dishes—that is, (and a few "hot" novels thrown in!!)

As you can tell, summer has been a blast. All of us at Lonesome Pine Regional Library invite all our readers to watch for next years' summer reading theme announcement ... until then, enjoy all your public library offers throughout the year and happy reading to all!

*Start Here—Go Anywhere!*

# September—Library Card Sign-up Month

September is Library Card Sign-up Month, a time when Lonesome Pine Regional Library joins with the American Library Association and public libraries nationwide to make sure that our students have the most important school supply of all – a free library card.

Resources at Lonesome Pine are available to anyone who has a library card. Students can turn to the library for materials, programs and services that support academic achievement. From Homework Help to After School Programs, and Homing Around program for Homeschoolers, your library is here for all students. In addition to onsite programming and resources, students can use their library cards from home, too. Our library offers access to important educational resources, like e-books, e-magazines, downloadable audiobooks, online homework help, online databases.

“Our library provides all types of students with the tools they need to succeed,” says Amy Bond, Director. “We provide students with exciting and engaging programs that make learning fun and resources that they can access from the library or from home – all with a free library card. It is for these reasons that a library card is the most important school supply of all.” Stop by your local library to get your card today!



“The smartest card in my wallet? It’s a library card.”

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## World Book Night in Big Stone Gap

World Book Night is an annual celebration dedicated to spreading the love of reading, person to person. Each year on April 23, tens of thousands of people go out into their communities and give half a million free paperbacks to light and non-readers. The C. Bascom Slemple Memorial Library in Big Stone Gap was pleased to be selected as a second-year participant in World Book Night.

During its first year of participation, the library distributed copies of *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins to middle school students at Powell Valley Middle School. The idea and the audience worked so well that the library repeated an almost identical proposal for this year’s

event. This year’s selection, *Middle School, the Worst Years Of My Life* by James Patterson was given to fifth grade students. The library was pleased to partner with The Tales of the Lonesome Pine Bookstore in this event. Also participating was Mrs. Paxton Allgyer, Library Board Trustee.

World Book Night is about giving books and encouraging reading in those who don’t regularly do so. But it is also about more than that: It’s about people, communities and connections, about reaching out to others and touching lives in the simplest of ways—through the sharing of stories and because of this, the library looks forward to participating again in 2014.

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