HAPPY NEW YEAR!

2020

HISTORY FOUNDATION HAPPENINGS

MONTANA'S CARNEGIE LIBRARIES

Why Libraries?

Carnegie libraries, named for the industrialist Andrew Carnegie, were a transformative force in American towns and cities, offering valuable services and resources to the public. They were a symbol of progress and a means to foster knowledge and education.

Building a Legacy

These libraries were not just structures; they were beacons of learning and culture. They provided access to books, resources, and community events, enriching the lives of those who frequented them. The Montanta Carnegie Libraries Foundation continues to preserve and promote these treasures.

Women's Legacy in Libraries

Throughout history, women have played significant roles in the development and management of libraries. The Montanta Carnegie Libraries Foundation recognizes and celebrates these contributions, ensuring that the legacy of women's involvement in libraries is preserved and celebrated.

Women's Heritage in Libraries

Celebrating the diverse heritage of women in libraries, the Montanta Carnegie Libraries Foundation highlights the achievements and stories of women from various backgrounds and cultures, enriching the understanding and appreciation of library history.
The Carnegie libraries traveling exhibit continues to make its way across Montana. To date, it has visited Big Timber, Fort Benton, Lewistown and Kalispell. In January, you’ll find it at the Bozeman Public Library. And in February, it will make its way to the Great Falls Public Library. Thank you to our sponsors for making the exhibit a reality for our Carnegie library communities.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Don't Forget!

Grant applications are due online by 3:00 p.m. Friday, January 10, 2020

www.mthistory.org

Friday, January 10th, at 3:00 p.m., is the deadline for 2020 grant applications. Contact Grants Manager Carissa Beckwith for any final questions or assistance. Funding details and the application link can be found here.
January - *The Best Gift: Montana's Carnegie Libraries* traveling exhibit is on display at the Bozeman Public Library, 626 E. Main Street.

January 10 - 2020 grant applications due online to www.mthistory.org by 3:00 p.m.

January 15 - *The Best Gift: Montana's Carnegie Libraries* author Kate Hampton lecture, 10:45 a.m., Montana Historical Society, 225 N. Roberts St., Helena; book signing to follow with Kate Hampton and Tom Ferris.

January 22 - Montana History Foundation President/CEO Charlene Porsild speaks on *The Best Gift: Montana's Carnegie Libraries*, 7:00 p.m., Great Falls Public Library, Cordingly Room.

January 23 - *The Best Gift: Montana's Carnegie Libraries* author Kate Hampton lecture, 6:00 p.m., Bozeman Public Library, 626 E. Main Street, (subject to change).

February - *The Best Gift: Montana's Carnegie Libraries* traveling exhibit is on display at the Great Falls Public Library, 301 2nd Ave. North.

February 12 - *The Best Gift: Montana's Carnegie Libraries* author Kate Hampton lecture, 6:00 p.m., Montana Book Co., 331 N. Last Chance Gulch, Helena; book signing to follow with Kate Hampton and Tom Ferris.
Investigating Medicine Rock Art, Medicine Rocks State Park

The Carter County Museum developed curriculum to educate students and the public on the archaeological resources of Carter County, with help from a $2,100 grant from the Montana History Foundation in 2019.

The unique sandstone pillars of Medicine Rocks State Park have historic pictographs and petroglyphs. According to the Carter County Museum, the inscriptions serve as a chronological record of more than 2,000 years of continued human presence in the area.

Photo right: a historic inscription carved into the rock in the summers of 1904, 1905 & 1906 by Irish immigrant shepherder Herbert Dalton.

The grant allows for 30 bound copies of Investigating Medicine Rock Art to be distributed to teachers who attend a workshop in 2020. It will also be available on Project Archaeology’s website in early 2020.

Read more about this month’s featured project, Investigating Medicine Rock Art Curriculum, on our website!

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