

VOLUNTEER PROFILE



Valerie Jensen

Valerie has lived in Montana since the spring of 2012 and the second day she arrived here she began volunteering for the children's programs at North Valley Public Library.

As a retired elementary teacher she missed being around kids in a learning environment so she volunteered here at the library. Valerie likes that our small town library focuses on services for the whole family, that there is something for everyone, and that everyone is included. She loves interacting with kids and families and sharing her absolute favorite thing, learning through books and stories. In her five years in Montana, she has formed a few favorite places including North Valley Public Library, the balcony of Many Glacier Lodge in Glacier National Park, Brownies Hostel in East Glacier Village, Two Medicine Lake in Glacier National Park, Kootenai Creek Trail, and Lee Metcalf Wildlife Refuge.

Valerie travels part of the year to Southern California for business. She enjoyed traveling for family vacations throughout the western United States as a child, and enjoyed family RV camping with her husband and kids at the California beaches, the Sea of Cortez in Baja, California, and fondly remembers a 6-week trip with her son to Peru where they saw Machu Picchu. Of all of her accomplishments, Valerie is most proud of writing and directing plays for elementary schools and being a mom.

Valerie's hobbies include being a library "addict," reading, crocheting, hiking, yoga, and gazing at the Bitterroot mountains. Her favorite authors are Jan Karon, Jacqueline Winspear, J.A. Vance, Dianna Gabaldon, Gary Paulsen, Robinson McKinley, and Cynthia Voigt. Valerie recommends the books *Anne of Green Gables*, the *Harpist in the Wind* trilogy, and *Under the Tuscan Sun*. As far as films go, she loves the *Lord of the Rings* Trilogy, *You've Got Mail*, *Ella Enchanted*, *They Company*, the early *Star Wars* trilogy, and *Man from Snowy River*.

We love having Valerie volunteer with the children at our library and are so lucky to have her as part of our community.

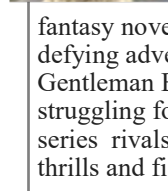
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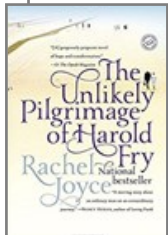
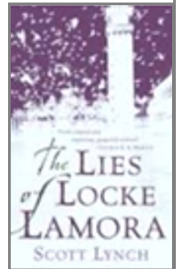
Library Staff Recommend...



The Road to Little Dribbling by Bill Bryson
A travelogue with a difference; 61 year old Bill Bryson has turned into a grumpy old man, and his reflections are laugh out loud funny as he wanders the length of Britain. NVPL has the book and audiobook.



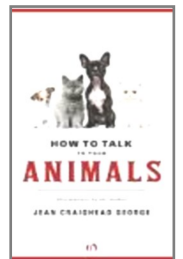
The Lies of Locke Lamora is a fantasy novel by Scott Lynch. Thrilling, death defying adventures in the first book of the Gentleman Bastard series. Thieves and priests struggling for survival in a faraway land, the series rivals the *Game of Thrones* in action, thrills and fight scenes.



Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry by Rachel Joyce
Recently retired Harold is on his way to the postbox to mail a letter to a critically ill colleague, but finds himself on an impromptu walk across England to deliver it in person. His walk allows him time to think, examine his life and meet interesting people. This is a great summer read about an unassuming man with a kind soul. A hike across the UK just makes good sense to getting your priorities back on track.

How to Talk to Your Animals by Jean Craighead George

A wonderful book of insights into how domestic animals speak to each other, to us, and how we can speak to them in a way they understand.



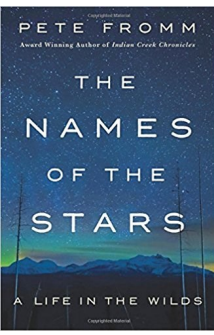
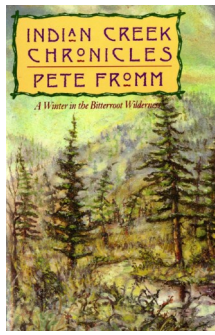
The Scoop on Poop by Dan Chiras.
The issue of adequate fresh water is highly correlated to the modern flush toilet. One of the easiest methods to save thousands of gallons of water each year is by using simple composting methods that anyone can use.

Series: What if you had Animal...? by Sandra Markle.
This fun series explores what would happen if you looked in the mirror and saw an animal's ears, teeth, feet, etc. instead of your own. A nonfiction series that teaches the function of different animals parts in a fun and interesting way.



Montana Author of the Month: Pete Fromm

At twenty years old, Pete Fromm heard of a job babysitting salmon eggs, seven winter months alone in a tent in the **Selway-**



Bitterroot Wilderness. Leaping at this chance to be a mountain man, with no experience in the wilds, he left the world. Thirteen years later, he published his beloved memoir of that winter, *Indian Creek Chronicles --Into the Wild* with a twist.

Twenty five years later, he was asked to return to the wilderness to babysit more fish eggs. But no longer a footloose twenty year old, at forty-five, he was the father of two young sons. He left again, alone, straight into the heart of Montana's Bob Marshall wilderness, walking a daily ten mile loop to his fish eggs through deer and elk and the highest density of grizzly bears in the lower 48 states.

The *Names of the Stars* is not only a story of wilderness and bears but also a trek through a life lived at its edges, showing how an impulsive kid transformed into a father without losing his love for the wilds.

Find Fromm's books in the Montana room, new book shelf and audiobook sections.

Fiction: <i>As Cool As I Am</i>	<i>Monkey Tag</i>
<i>Blood Knot</i>	<i>Night Swimming</i>
<i>Dry Rain</i>	<i>Tall Uncut</i>
<i>How All This Started</i>	Nonfiction:
<i>If Not for This</i>	<i>Indian Creek Chronicles</i>
<i>King of the Mountain</i>	<i>Names of the Stars</i>

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Our Mission:

To strengthen and support our community by fostering a welcoming and comfortable setting for all people to gather, explore and discover.

To promote literacy and lifelong learning.

To provide exemplary service and quality, timely materials.

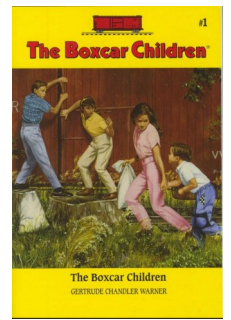
Kid's Guest Reviewer: Ava

Ava has been coming to the NVPL since she was two, and is an avid reader.

Ava really likes the *Boxcar Children* series of books, originally by elementary school teacher Gertrude Chandler Warner.

In Ava's words "It's a great series if you like mysteries that are not scary. They are adventurous and fun and there are a ton of them, over 150 books, so you don't run out."

The whole series is based on the same main characters; a resourceful and independent group of children who go and live in an abandoned



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Montana Library2Go



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e-books available via the Montana Library2Go on-line library.

Simply go to **Overdrive.com** and download the overdrive app (free) that is applicable for your device.

Select the library the matches your library card and enter your card number to sign in. You'll have to do this a few times the first time you log in. Make sure you check the "remember me" box!

You'll then be taken to the MontanaLibrary2Go site automatically and you can search, borrow and place a hold on any of the displayed items.

We have used books and DVD's on sale at the Library for small change!



50c or \$1 will get you an item in good condition.

Come in and browse the titles that can be found under the "holds"

How to Publish Your Book

Thursday, July 6 at 6-7 pm

Have you written a book that you would like to publish?

Three local authors, Brandon Griffin, Pam Morris, and Eric Scott Fischl, share their diverse experiences on everything from self-publishing to effective marketing.

For adults and teens



Origami with Paul

Friday, July 7 at 2-3 pm



Join Paul, one of our talented teen patrons, to practice or learn origami. Origami is the art of folding paper into wonderful shapes. Origami paper provided.

Suited to adults and children over age 8

Meditation for Health

Tuesdays, July 11, 18, 25 at 10-11:30 am

Dr. Gabriel Charbonneau, MD of Lifespan Family Medicine in Stevensville is leading this introduction course.

Most suited to seniors but all are welcome



Adult Open Paint @ the Library

Thursdays, starting July 13 (July 13, 20, 27) at 5-6:30 pm

Are you a painter without a studio? Paint at the library with like-minded people for 1.5 hours in this no-instruction activity. We supply an easel. Artists must supply their own materials.

Group size is limited.

Registration required. Email Denise at DeniseA@northvalleylibrary.com

Suitable for adults



Fire Preparedness

Thursday, July 20 at 6-7 pm



Be prepared for fire season. Come hear Alex Hartless from the USDA Forest Service give expert advice on how to best prepare yourself and your property for the possibility of a wildfire.

Suitable for adults

Trout Hybridization in Montana's Streams & Rivers

Thursday, July 27 at 6-7 pm

UM emeritus Professor Fred Allendorf presents his research on how climatic changes are affecting trout's breeding with other species of fish.



Summer Reading at North Valley Public Library

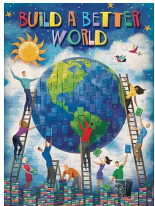
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Reading Programs

Reading Challenge



Ages 5-18

Sign up at the library's front desk.
Earn points all summer long and win
fun prizes!

Rubber Duck Reading Club



Ages 0-4

Sign up at the library's front desk!
Complete an activity page with your
child this summer and earn a fabulous
prize!

Events

Story Time



Ages 7 & under

We will meet every Wednesday from 10:30-11:30am. Join us this summer for amazing stories, fun crafts, and more! Our special guests this year include Stevensville Firefighters, Clifford the Big Red Dog, and the Highway Patrol, just to name a few!

Theatre Workshop



Ages 8-14, siblings
welcome

Join us Fridays, July 21-August 11 at 2pm to learn about acting and basics of theatre and perform drama exercises in an interactive, fun-filled environment!

Music Makers



Toddlers &
Preschoolers

Music Makers will be returning Fridays in July @ 10:30. It will take a break for August and return for the year in September.

Captain Hooked on Books



Ages 3-5

Join the Captain and her parrot Tuesdays from 9:30-10am for fun stories and songs about pirates, sharing and more!

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SpectrUM Summer Science

Club



Ages 5-18, younger
siblings welcome

Come discover and explore the world of Nano technology, synthetic biology, and other way cool science topics in a hands on way! We will meet every Thursday starting June 15-August 17 from 10:30-11:30am.

***Please register at the library's front desk!**

Art Club



Ages 5-18

Join us Tuesdays in July & August from 1:00-2:00. For kids who want to learn new art techniques and create amazing art projects!

Kids' Poetry & Writing

Workshops



Ages 9-13

Join various authors and poets this summer to learn valuable writing skills and have a blast creating your own works! We will meet on designated Wednesdays and some Fridays in June & July.

Rebecca Ondov – Group Story Writing, 3:00-4:00pm, July 21 & 28

Special Events



All ages + families

Stay tuned-in to learn more about our special summer presentations, including Bitterroot Gem & Mineral Society, Animal Wonders, Fish, Wildlife, & Parks, and more!

Email Annika to be added to our event email list: annikar@northvallelibrary.org

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