

# McDONALD COUNTY LIBRARY NEWS

## April 2007



### Spring Has Sprung!

It's hot - it's cold - it's everything in between! Most visitors to the library this time of year have the sniffles and a cough due to allergies, and we can never count on the weather. To help add a little fun to your spring, here are several activities coming up.

### 2007 Senior Fair

The 2007 Senior Fair will be held on Saturday, April 28th from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Pineville Library. Everyone is welcome to attend, especially adults ages 50+, as the services presented will be geared especially toward you. Area businesses and agencies will be on hand to explain their services, and there will be freebies and door prizes galore!

### Workshop for Child Care Providers

There will be an Early Literacy program especially for child care providers on Saturday, April 21st from 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. at the Pineville Library. This series of three workshops will focus on skills that parents and caregivers can begin teaching children right from birth, that will help promote reading and prepare the child to learn to read later in life. The workshops are divided by ages, Birth - 1 year olds, 2s and 3s, and 4s and 5s.

All attendees will be eligible to receive a State certified CEU for each workshop they attend, and lunch will be provided by the library.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Carrie as soon as possible.

### Spring Book Sale

It is time once again for the spring book sale at the library. The Friends of the Library Preview day will be on Saturday, April 14th in the afternoon, and the regular book sale will run from Tuesday, April 17th until Friday, April 20th.

There will be lots of children's books, adult books, audio sets, and videos and DVDs for sale, not to mention magazines and music recordings. The library will accept donations of "gently used" materials until the sale begins. Take advantage of this great opportunity to find some treasures at a bargain price!

### Photo Editing Basic Class

The library will present a computer class for adults, on the Basics of Photo Editing, on Thursday, May 3rd at 6 p.m.

By now you may have a collection of photos from your digital camera. Sure, you can print snapshots as-is, but it can be fun to do more with your photos. Free Photo Enhancement software is widely available and easy to use. We'll cover basics such as "red-eye" removal and brightness/contrast adjustments; and also look at fun options like filter effects, adding text & graphics to photos, and more! Also discussed are options for printing your photos, either at the library, your home printer, or using local photo finishing labs. Bring your favorite photo to the class and we'll show you how to enhance it, then you can print out an 8x10 color print for FREE!

### Coming Soon!!

*Summer Reading  
Program 2007*





## NEW BOOKS, VIDEOS & DVD's...

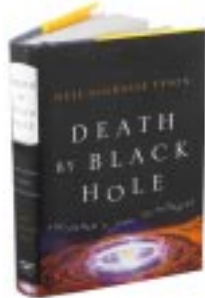
### ----- *New Non-Fiction* -----

The Audacity of Hope : thoughts on reclaiming the American dream (Barack Obama)

Body Clutter : love your body, love yourself (Marla Cilley)

Collector Car Price Guide 2007

Death by Black Hole : and other cosmic quandaries (Neil Tyson)



Encyclopedia of Native American Tribes (Carl Waldman)

Get Out of That Pit (Beth Moore)

Goodbye to Shy : 85 shy busters that work! (Leil Lowndes)

The Kovels' Antiques & Collectibles Price List

More Than Moccasins : a kid's activity guide to traditional North American Indian life (Laurie M. Carlson)

The No-Cry Potty Training Solution : gentle ways to help your child say good-bye to diapers (Elizabeth Pantley)



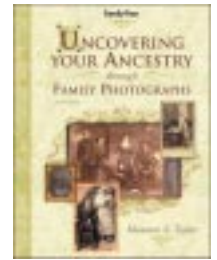
Pistol : the life of Pete Maravich (Mark Kriegel)

Public Education Against America : the hidden agenda (Marlin Maddoux)

Sea of Thunder : four commanders and the last great naval campaign, 1941-1945

Tips & Traps for Remodeling Your Attic, Basement, and Garage (R. Dodge Woodson)

Uncovering Your Ancestry Through Family Photographs (Maureen Alice Taylor)



You & Your Baby Pregnancy : the ultimate week-by-week pregnancy guide (Laura Riley)

Your Money Map : a proven 7-step guide to true financial freedom (Howard Lape Dayton)

### ----- *New Christian Fiction* -----

Blinded (Travis Thrasher)

Charlotte Leaves the Light On (Annette Gail Smith)

The Golden Stairs (Al Lacy)

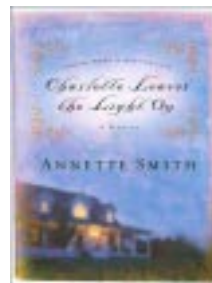
The Hope Chest (Wanda Brunstetter)

In Every Flower (Patti Hill)

Lanterns and Lace (DiAnn Mills)

Summer of the Midnight Sun (Tracie Peterson)

The Watchers (Mark Andrew Olson)



When the Heart Cries (Cindy Woodsmall)

## NEW BOOKS, VIDEOS & DVD'S... (CONTINUED)



### ----- *New Fiction* -----

The Alexandria Link (Steve Berry)

Allah's Scorpion (David Hagberg)

The Blade Itself (Marcus Sakey)

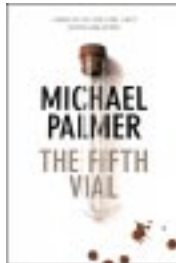
The Castle in the Forest (Norman Mailer)

Checkmate (Karna Small Bodman)

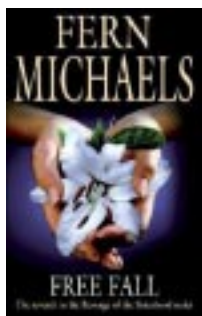
The Edge of Winter (Luanne Rice)

Family Tree (Barbara Delinsky)

The Fifth Vial (Michael Palmer)



Free Fall (Fern Michaels)



Man in the Middle (Brian Haig)

Natural Born Charmer (Susan Elizabeth Phillips)

People of the Nightland (W. Michael Gear)

The Ravenscar Dynasty (B. Taylor Bradford)

Scattered Leaves (V. C. Andrews)

True Evil (Greg Iles)

White Lies (Jayne Ann Krentz)

### ----- *New Mysteries* -----

The Alibi Man (Tami Hoag)

At Some Disputed Barricade (Anne Perry)

The Cat Who Had 60 Whiskers (Lilian Jackson Braun)

Damage Control (Robert Dugoni)

Death of a Maid : a Hamish Macbeth Mystery (M. C. Beaton)

A Deeper Sleep (Dana Stabenow)

Hide (Lisa Gardner)

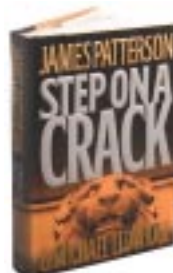
High Profile (Robert B. Parker)

Innocent in Death (J. D. Robb)

Irish Linen : A Nuala Anne McGrail Novel (Andrew Greeley)

Killing Johnny Fry : a sexistential novel (Walter Mosley)

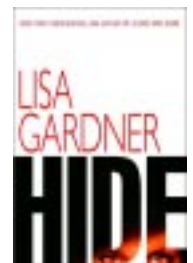
Obsession : an Alex Delaware Novel (Jonathan Kellerman)



Puss 'n Cahoots : a Mrs. Murphy Mystery (Rita Mae Brown)

Step on a Crack (James Patterson)

Storm Runners (T. Jefferson Parker)



## Genealogy Corner

Spring is here and genealogists are dusting off their files, emailing, and traveling the states to add, update, and organize their ancestry charts. It is a never-ending project keeping up with a family line. Many librarians and county clerks are very helpful assisting in searches but for those who cannot find an ally in their journey, they must make the trek themselves. As long as babies are still being born, more dates and information must be added to the family charts.

To help aid beginners in the field of genealogy, the Friends of the Library sponsored a genealogy workshop free of charge for beginners, held on March 17th. A full roster of registrants attended and enjoyed the information that was afforded them by a seasoned genealogist, Frankie Meyer. Frankie's maiden name was Carlin and she was raised in the eastern part of our county. She is a retired science teacher and is now a guest columnist with the Joplin Globe newspaper. It was a wonderful introduction to the world of genealogy. Delicious refreshments were served by the President of the Friends group, Janis Melton.

Recently, a couple of patrons have donated their family history books to be placed with others in our family collection. It is always a welcome addition, as the information that may have taken years of research has been done by another person, and they are sharing it with the many patrons that may be searching for the same links. Others have indicated they are working on family books and will be donating them when they are finished. We thank them for their generosity.

Other items of interest that we love to receive are annuals of area schools in the county, especially the older ones. Old photos of people that can be identified, schools, churches, etc. are eagerly received. History is so important to record and once a book, photo, letter, etc. is discarded, that unique piece of history is lost. Please contact us if you have anything that you feel may be of interest to our county's history. What we cannot use in our department will be passed on to the county historical society.

Come by and visit our genealogy corner. You may be surprised by what you find!

### New Genealogy Title!

"Tales of the Ozarks : Schools, Indians, Hard Times and More Stories" by Silas Claborn Turnbo.

Turnbo was raised in Taney County, Missouri in 1844 and spent his childhood in Marion County, Arkansas. Around the turn of the century, he wrote hundreds of tales about his childhood experiences, war related incidents and interviews with old settlers. He visited graveyards and historical sites and corresponded with folks who related their memories of old times to him. It mentions hundreds of peoples' names and events regarding them, so it is a valuable genealogy tool as well as an entertaining read. It will be cataloged for the Genealogy department so it will not be able to be checked out, but it would be an interesting afternoon of reading if you can schedule some time to spend at the library. We hope to add more of Turnbo's books to our collection soon.

### New Science Fiction / Fantasy

- Blindsight (Peter Watts)
- The Blood Debt (Sean Williams)
- By Slanderous Tongues (Roberta Gellis)
- Fortune's Fool (Mercedes Lackey)
- Maelstrom (Anne McCaffrey)
- Sons of the Oak (David Farland)
- Wildwood Dancing (Juliet Marillier)

