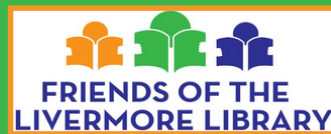


FOOTNOTES

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Winter Reading is coming soon, something to look forward to during the cold months! The winter reading challenge will occur December 1 through January 15. It is for all ages.

Registration Prizes include a book of their choice, a snack pack with a free In-N-Out Hamburger, a library mug with a packet of hot cocoa (Prizes are limited while supplies last).

Track your reading with Beanstack or on paper and earn raffle tickets for every hour read (up to 50 hours). Raffle tickets can be collected at any Livermore Public Library and be used towards prize(s) of your choice. Raffle prizes include: A Nintendo Switch Lite, Ice Skating Passes from TriValley Ice, Mini Golf Tickets from Lost Worlds, LEGO sets, and much more!

Stop on by the Civic Center Library to see the prizes already on display while you check out your Winter Reading books!

Future Friends Funded Fun!

From January to May of 2023, the Friends are happy to announce that Livermore Reads Together and Black History Month events are returning as packed full of excitement as ever.

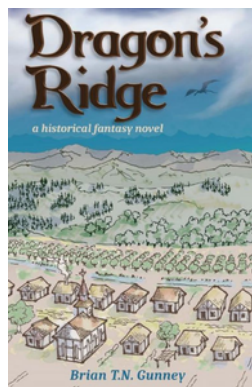
Livermore Reads Together this coming March 2023 will be featuring *Radium Girls: The Dark Story of America's Shining Women* written by Kate Moore. Join the community in reading, discussing, getting questions answered by the author herself. Learn about the science behind the true story with our host of experts featuring Dr. Joe Gray from Oregon Health and Science University, LLNL Scientist Dawn Shaughnessy, our own Livermore Emergency Manager Herbert Cole, and other guests.

From February 1 to the 15 the Friends are sponsoring Black History Month Celebrations. Join in the experiences with a crafts celebrating Black artists and a gallery show honoring Black artists and Art of the African Diaspora alongside with guest speakers and storytellers.

Other exciting opportunities coming to the Livermore Library include Lunar New Year performances and Children's Day. As well as an Art Expo, multiple craft programs, Exam Cram sessions, and multiple seasonal prizes for Teen Readers. At the Rincon Branch Library we will be hosting a World of Wonders Science Museum Presentation and at the Springtown Branch Library a Book Love program.

Prepare your calendar for another memorable year.

Exploring Dragons with Brian T.N. Gunney **Sunday, December 11, 3PM Civic Center Library, Community Rooms A & B**



What would happen if you put the familiar cast of medieval fantasies—a dragon, a damsel, and a knight—into the real world, where science and history prevail? That's the question that Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory scientist Brian T.N. Gunney pondered when he wrote the historical fantasy novel *Dragon's Ridge*. The book was honored as a finalist in the 2022 American Fiction Awards.

While scientific realism is a frequent goal in science fiction, it's not so common for fantasy, which can rely on "magic" to explain things. But *Dragon's Ridge* is not so much about the world of magic. The story is shaped by the scientific principles and historical actuality of our world.

To create realistic dragons, the author, who has a Ph.D. in aerospace engineering, worked out the parameters that would make dragon flight possible. He also delved into medieval history to craft an authentic period setting.

In a friendly presentation intended for everyone--from fantasy fans to science buffs--the author will talk about his book and his aerodynamics calculations for dragons. He'll reveal the fascinating insights that science provides and the amusing consequences of trying to cheat Mother Nature. Dragons appear in the mythologies of countless cultures, but you've never seen them quite like this.



Celebrate the new year with Men of Worth. The Irish Scottish folk music duo returns to Livermore Public Library to perform at 2 p.m. on Saturday, January 14, 2023 in the Storytime Room at the Civic Center Library, 1188 S. Livermore Avenue. This Authors & Arts program is free for everyone.

Share a smile with Amazon.Smile.com this holiday shopping season. To set Friends of the Livermore Library as your charitable organization: Sign in to smile.amazon.com on your desktop or mobile phone browser. Hover on **Your Account** and select the option to **Change your Charity**. In the search box type: Friends of the Livermore Library. Press select and you have marked the FOLL as your Amazon Smile Charity. We thank you for your continued support!

Making end of the year charitable donations for taxes? Please consider the Friends of the Livermore Library. We at the Friends have already issued \$37,600 in grants to the library since July 1st, 2022. Since our inception we have contributed over 1 million dollars of contributions to the library events, projects, and needs. We will continually serve our public library as it serves the communities needs. This tax season, let us keep paying it forward, enriching this beautiful community we live in.

Looking for a stocking stuffer for the bookworm in your life? Do they hop from genre to genre faster than they flip pages? Did you know that the Friends Bookstore sells gift cards? Located conveniently inside the Library, we offer a wonderful selection of books, movies, and more. Deck your halls and bookshelf walls!

Catch your kids up on the last two years of reading! The Friends are sponsoring a Reading Intervention pilot program to support students in grade 1-8 in their reading abilities that have been lost in the difficult last two years. The pilot program will run a trial over the Summer, with the true pilot beginning with the 2023/2024 school year. The Reading Intervention program aims to support students between grade 1-8 improve their reading fluency to at least their grade level.

These volunteers, provided with curriculum materials will be working with the Livermore Joint Unified School District to refer students reading beneath their grade to reduce missed class time. Students entering this pilot program will have already spoken with early literacy specialists to enter this program.

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