

Fife Lake Public Library

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HOURS

Tues & Thurs: 12-8
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Have you heard about our computer classes?

Basic Word Processing, Tuesday, May 4th 6-8pm—Come learn about common tools and themes used in various word processing applications (such as Microsoft Word, Open Office, etc.). Class led by Todd VanDussen of Storm Force Electronics. Please call to sign up.

Internet Usage, Tuesday, May 18th 6-8pm—Learn the ins and outs of Internet Explorer, Mozilla Firefox, Apple Safari, and more! Participants will learn how to navigate websites, organize favorites, and access email. Class led by Todd VanDussen of Storm Force Electronics. Please call to sign up.

Intro Computer Skills seminar—these classes introduce basic computer skills such as opening/storing documents, using your computer's mouse, keyboard shortcuts and more!



This class is offered in two one-hour segments and led by Joe Jones, FLPL Board President. Call the library for more information or to sign up!



ON DISPLAY!!!

The Grand Traverse Bay Sail and Power Squadron has a long history of promoting safe boating through education. The members of the GTBSPS, especially those who serve as instructors, strive to make boating safer by offering courses on basic water safety, weather, basic seamanship, using GPS, sail trim and rig training, navigation and charting. The annual course (or workshop) offerings are quite extensive.

The GTBSPS was awarded the Prince Henry the Navigator Award (second year in a row) and the Donald C. Beran Educational Award, this year, for continuing to show excellence in promoting, among its members and non members, boating safety through education. This year the organization's Bridge (Board of Directors) thought we would ask local libraries to display our awards along with the course and Squadron information. The two awards are currently displayed at the Fife Lake Public Library with information on courses currently being offered. We encourage you to come in and take a look at these impressive statuettes.



LIBRARY

CLOSED

All Traverse Area District Libraries will be **closed** on Friday, May 14th, (except Peninsula Community Library) for our annual in-service training.



*And they who
for their country
die shall fill an
honored grave,
for glory lights
the soldier's
tomb, and beauty
weeps the
brave. ~Joseph
Drake*

Some new items

Aloha Quilt/Chiaverini
Abraham Lincoln, Vampire
Hunter/Grahame-Smith
Black Cat/Grimes
Changes/Butcher
Dead End Gene Pool/Burden
Deception/Kellerman
Digital Photography for
Dummies/King
Major Pettigrew's Last
Stand/Simonson
Model Home/Puchner
Numbers/Ward
Summer Before/Martin
Pacific/Ambrose
Ultimate Field Guide to
Travel Photography/Stuckey
Van Alen Legacy/De La Cruz
Three Weissmanns of West-
port/Schine

Books On CD

Back Spin/Coben
Echo Burning/Child
Eye of the Needle/Follett
Icebound/Koontz
Lightning/Koontz
One False Move/Coben
Running Blind/Child
Straight From the Heart/
Hoag

May Book Club

Stealing Buddha's Dinner

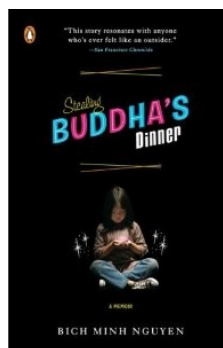
Tuesday, May 18th @7:30 PM

At the Fife Lake Public Library

As a Vietnamese girl coming of age in Grand Rapids, Michigan, Bich Nguyen is filled with a rapacious hunger for American identity. In the pre-PC era Midwest, where the devoutly Christian blonde-haired, blue-eyed Jennifers and Tiffanys reign supreme, the barely conscious desire to belong transmutes into a passion for American food. More exotic seeming than her Buddhist grandmother's traditional specialties—spring rolls, delicate pancakes stuffed with meats, herbs and bean sprouts, fried shrimp cakes—the campy, preservative-filled “delicacies” of mainstream America capture her imagination. And in this remarkable book, the glossy branded allure of such American foods as Pringles, Kit Kats, and Tollhouse cookies become an ingenious metaphor for her struggle to fit in, to become a “real” American, a distinction that brings with it the dream of the perfect school lunch, burgers and Jell-O for dinner, and a visit from the Kool-Aid man.

Beginning with Nguyen's family's harrowing migration out of Saigon in 1975, *Stealing Buddha's Dinner* is also a portrayal of a diverse family—Nguyen's hard-working, hard-partying father, pretty sister, and wise and nurturing grandmother, and Rosa, their Latina stepmother, the loving, no-nonsense foil to Bich's gastronomical and materialistic fixations. Add to this the mystery of Nguyen's birth mother, unveiled movingly over the course of the book. Nostalgic and candid, deeply satisfying and minutely observed, *Stealing Buddha's Dinner* is a unique vision of the immigrant experience and a lyrical ode to how identity is often shaped by the things we long for.

Stealing Buddha's Dinner is a vivid, funny, and viscerally powerful memoir about childhood, assimilation, food and growing up in the 1980s.



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Mother's Day

A mother is she
who can take the
place of all
others but
whose place no
one else can
take.

~Cardinal
Mermillod

Mark your calendars!

Upcoming in June:

Historical Society Program:

Lumbering

June 11th @7PM

Friends Annual Meeting:

June 12th

Summer Reading Program

begins **June 19th**

Sing out loud in
the car even, or
especially, if it
embarrasses your
children.

~Marilyn Penland

