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Black History Month brings American Civil War stories to the library

PUEBLO, Colo. – The Pueblo City-county Library District and InfoZone Museum are hosting a series of events related to black history month and the American Civil War. Events include two Chautauqua performances featuring a black Civil War soldier and Abraham Lincoln, historical Civil War stories and black history-themed movie series. All events will be at the Rawlings Public Library, 100 E. Abriendo Ave.

Angus Augustus Burleigh (Civil War soldier) will be portrayed by Hassan Davis on Feb. 6 at 6:30 and Abraham Lincoln, portrayed by Dennis Boggs, will be Feb. 13 at 6:30. The Burleigh Chautauqua focuses on his extraordinary life as an ex-slave serving in the 108th United States Colored Artillery. The Lincoln Chautauqua details the life of an American president during the Civil War and the struggles that took place to insure that “all men are created equal.”

History and Personal Stories of the Civil War will be led by Dawn DiPrince on Feb. 16 at 6:30 p.m. This program focuses on how individual perspectives can change history; participants will be given the opportunity to share their own history through memoir-writing.

Life During the Civil War takes place on Feb. 25 at 4 p.m. and includes a dance performance by the Victorian Society of Colorado Springs and a presentation from historian and scholar, Michael Engle.

For more information about any of the black history month programs, please call 562-5605 or visit the library’s website at www.pueblolibrary.org.

Please see next page for a full list of events.

Angus Augustus Burleigh Chautauqua performance, portrayed by Hasan Davis

Monday, Feb. 6 at 6:30 p.m., Rawlings Library - Ryals Room

It is estimated that more than 186,000 men of color fought for the Union as soldiers in the Civil War. Angus Augustus Burleigh was a 19th century ex-slave who served in the 12th Regiment of the 108th United States Colored Artillery and went on to become an acclaimed black educator and minister.

Abraham Lincoln Chautauqua performance, portrayed by Dennis Boggs

Monday, Feb. 13 at 6:30 p.m., Rawlings Library - Ryals Room

Less than a month after Lincoln was elected President in 1860, the nation plunged into four long years of Civil War. Lincoln knew that to survive as a nation and to protect the right that “all men are created equal,” we needed to make terrible sacrifices. Thus, upon his shoulders not only rested the future of our nation, but as Lincoln saw it, the future of all mankind.

History and personal stories by Dawn DiPrince

Thursday, Feb. 16 at 6:30 p.m., Rawlings Library – InfoZone Theatre

In this program, Dawn DiPrince will examine personal perspectives and how they have the ability to change history. This program will discuss the book *March* by Geraldine Brooks, a historic fiction novel that explores the Civil War. After the program, participants will record their own history with memoir-writing, lead by DiPrince. Reading the books is not required to attend or participate.

Life During the Civil War presented by The Victorian Society and scholar, Michael Engle

Saturday, Feb. 25 at 4 p.m., Rawlings Library – InfoZone Theatre

This program allows participants to experience the elegance of the Victorian period with a dance performance by the Victorian Society of Colorado Springs. A presentation and discussion on a selection of readings from *America’s War: Talking About the Civil War and Emancipation on their 150th Anniversaries* and *Crossroads of Freedom: Antietam – The Battle That Changes the Course of the Civil War* will follow. Reading of the books are not required to participate.

Black history month movies in the InfoZone Theatre, all at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 1 *Remember the Titans* (PG)

Wednesday, Feb. 8 *The Help* (PG-13)

Wednesday, Feb. 15 *Glory* (R)

Wednesday, Feb. 22 *Raisin in the Sun* (NR)

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