let him never see before. What follows is an odyssey that takes Arthur from New York to Paris to India in an epic quest to find out the truth about his wife's secret life before they met—a journey that leads him to find hope, healing, and self-discovery in unexpected places.

Breaking Wild
By Diane Les Becquets (Penguin Random House) $16

Diane Les Becquets tells the story of one woman's mission in the Colorado wilderness and another bent on discovering her whereabouts. Following them in alternating threads, Breaking Wild assumes the pace of a thriller, laying bare Anna's ultimate redemption, as the secrets of her life and Pru's dogged pursuit of the woman who she believes she can find.

A New Way to Bake
From the Kitchens of Martha Stewart (Clarkson Potter Publishers) $26

Here is the go-to, next-generation home-baking bible, with 130 foolproof recipes that take us beyond white flour and sugar to include better-for-you and delicious ingredients—superfoods, coconut oil, farro flour, quinoa, and more. It features 12 DIY sections by making your own nut butters, yogurt, coconut milk, and other basics, and more than 150 photographs.

To describe my mother would be to write about a hurricane in its perfect power. Or the climbing, falling colors of a rainbow. —Maya Angelou

Until next month, happy reading.

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May Library Events

Come to the library for intergenerational fun

By Harriett Halbig

As the school year winds down, consider joining us for an intergenerational activity at the Monument Library.

Activities this month include an intergenerational knitting group on May 3 and 17 from 3 to 4:30 (some supplies provided or bring your own), or, an annual favorite, our Mother’s Day Tea Party on May 13 at Palmer Lake Town Hall (see the Palmer Lake section for details).

Family programs

On Saturday, May 13 from 2:30 to 3:30, Marc Straub from Cool Science will teach us how to make Dippin’ Dot ice cream using liquid nitrogen. Science never tasted so good!

The Lego Build Club will meet from 10 to 11:30 on Saturday, May 20.

Teen programs

Need a last-minute Mother’s Day gift? Teens and tweens are invited to bring between 3:30 and 4:30 on May 9 to create hand-made cards, origami projects and bookmarks for Mom. No registration required.

The Monument Teen Creative Writing Group meets on the first Tuesday of each month from 6 to 7:30 in the study room. Next meeting is June 6.

Teens are invited to the intergenerational knitting group, which meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month from 3 to 4:30.

Saturday, May 6 is Free Comic Book Day. Come to the library from 1 to 3:15 to watch a comic book-themed movie, receive free comics, and enjoy snacks and super hero-themed crafts.

Having trouble with math? Free math tutoring is available at the library on Mondays from 3:30 to 7 during the school year. Drop by for AfterMath and get help from experienced tutors.

The Teen Arts and Crafts Open Studio is on Wednesdays, May 31 from 4 to 6. Come use our meeting room for your creative space. Supplies will be provided as available, or bring whatever material your current project needs.

Art and craft programs

The Second Thursday Craft Club, May 2 from 2 to 4 on May 11, is Recycled Paper Jewelry. We will make handmade beads out of used magazines and wrapping paper and use them to make original jewelry with one to take home. Registration is necessary and opens a week before craft day.

Yoga at the Monument Library will be offered from noon to 1 p.m., on Thursday, May 11 and 18 before beginning the summer recess.

The Monument Readers will meet from 10 to noon on Friday, May 19 to discuss Rebecca by Daphne du Maurier. All patrons are welcome to attend this monthly book group.

Interested in genealogy? Ancestry.com has billions of records for discovering your family’s history. Come join us on Monday, May 22 from 1 to 3 as you learn to create a solid search and new ways to use the information you find. No registration required.

As summer nears, fire awareness mounts. On Saturday, May 27 from 4 to 5 p.m. our local firefighters will teach us how to be safe. Learn to prepare yourself and your family and how to protect your property. No registration required and all ages welcome.

Watercolors by Judy Haynes will be on display during May.

Palmer Lake Library Events

Come to a Tea for all Ages on Saturday, May 13 at the Palmer Lake Town Hall. All ages are welcome. Wear your Sunday best (hats optional) and bring your own unique tea cup. Space is limited, so please register at the Palmer Lake Town Hall Library. There will be treats and activities for all ages.

Regularly occurring events at Palmer Lake include Story Time on Wednesdays, Toddler Time on Fridays, and the Palmer Lake Book Group, which meets at 9 a.m. on the first Friday of each month. Please call 481-2587 for the current selection.

Please note that all Pikes Peak Library facilities will be closed on Monday, May 29 in observance of Memorial Day.

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May 18

Palmer Lake Historical Society, April 20

The story behind the pioneering Alexander Film Co.

By Mike and Sigi Walker

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