

# what's going on @ ORFOB, April 14

10:00-12:00. [Madcap Puppets](#), Comedy Club, Huntington



They will be bringing their madcap puppetry skills (what else!) to the area for the entertainment and education of the local area schools. On April 14 the location will be in the Comedy Club, at Pullman Square Plaza, Huntington. Please check with the Main Library for arrangement. There are a few schools planning to attend this event. The April 15 event at ACTC Theater is already booked for students and is closed to the public.

1:00-2:30 pm. [Craig Johnson](#), [Main Library Huntington](#)



[Mr. Johnson](#) has written some jolly good mystery tales, and has won several awards from various mystery and western writers' associations. Craig Johnson has received both critical and popular praise for his novels ***The Cold Dish***, ***Death Without Company***, ***Kindness Goes Unpunished***, ***Another Man's Moccasins*** and ***The Dark Horse***. All five novels have been made selections by the Independent Booksellers Association, and ***The Cold Dish*** was a DILYS Award Finalist, was translated into French in 2009 as ***Little Bird*** and was just named one of the top ten mysteries of the

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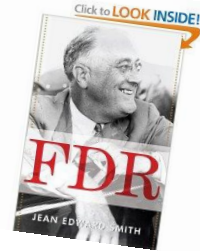
year by Lire magazine. ***Death Without Company*** was selected by Booklist as one of the top-ten mysteries of 2006 and won the Wyoming Historical Society's fiction book of the year. The short story, ***Old Indian Trick***, won the Tony Hillerman Mystery Short Story Award and appeared in *Cowboys & Indians Magazine*. ***Kindness Goes Unpunished***, the third in the Walt Longmire series, was number 38 on the American Bookseller's Association's hardcover best seller list. ***Another Man's Moccasins***, was the recipient of Western Writer's of America's Spur Award as Novel of the Year and the Mountains and Plains Book of the Year. ***The Dark Horse***, the fifth in the series has garnered starred reviews by all four prepublication review services. He is also Director at Large for Mystery Writers of America. Johnson lives with his wife Judy on their ranch in Ucross, Wyoming, population 25. Plan to come and spend your lunchtime with this award winning author.

2:00-5:00 pm. Miki Crawford, [Ohio University, Southern Campus in Ironton \(OU-SC\)](#)



Miki Ward Crawford is an associate professor of Communication and a Faculty Coordinator at Ohio University - Southern Campus in Ironton, Ohio. She is also the co-author of [Japanese War Brides In America: An Oral History](#), published in 2009 by Praeger. This oral history focuses mainly on women's lives in Japan during World War II and the occupation of Japan. It illuminates the cultural expectations, the situations brought about by the war and the effects of the occupation, and it includes quotes from various war brides regarding this time. Chapter interviews are set up in chronological fashion and laid out in the following format: introduction of the war bride, how she met her husband, her initial travels to America and life thereafter. Crawford's mother, Fumiko Tomita Ward, 82, of South Point, married Louis Ward in 1947 after a special bill was passed by Congress allowing her to move to the United States. Prior to this, the 1924 Immigration Act prevented Japanese brides of American soldiers from immigrating to this country; some states also made it illegal to have interracial marriages. Those laws later were repealed or found to be unconstitutional.

6:00-8:00 pm. [Jean Edward Smith](#), [Marshall University](#), [Drinko Library](#)



[Jean Edward Smith](#) is the first John Marshall Professor of Political Science at Marshall University and a John Deaver Drinko Academy Distinguished Fellow. He is the author of twelve books, including most recently, **FDR**, a full-length biography of Franklin Delano Roosevelt which won the 2008 Francis Parkinson Prize of the Society of American Historians for the “best book on an American theme published the previous year”, and was on the *New York Times* best-seller list. In addition to **FDR**, Smith has written *Grant*, a biography of Ulysses S. Grant that was a 2002 Pulitzer Prize finalist, a *New York Times* Notable Book, an American Library Association Notable Book and a *Publisher’s Weekly* Book of the Year; a work on John Marshall, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, entitled **John Marshall: Definer of a Nation**; and a biography of General Lucius D. Clay. He is presently at work on a biography of Dwight David Eisenhower which will be published by Random House in 2011.