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## Friends of the Oregon Library Newsletter

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### New Library Building Update

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Did you know that the Oregon Library is planning to build a new library? You can see the preliminary plans for the new library on display at the library or online at [www.oregonpubliclibrary.org/plans](http://www.oregonpubliclibrary.org/plans). We welcome your feedback! A comment form is available at the display and on the website.

Features we hope to be able to have in the new library include:

- Expanded comfortable seating and collection for all ages
- Quiet Reading Room
- Storytime Room
- Expanded Teen Area
- Meeting Room Space for library programs and community use
- Conference Room
- Study Rooms
- And more...!



### New Library Frequently Asked Questions

#### Where will the new library be built?

The new library will be located at 249 N. Main St. and only a few blocks from the current location. It will be across the street from Netherwood Knoll Elementary School and conveniently located near downtown Oregon.

#### What is the goal and timeline for the capital campaign?

The campaign goal is to raise \$4 million in funds for the project by June of 2020. The generosity of the community will directly impact the new library design and what features can be included in the new building. In turn, this will shape the library's ability to serve our community into the future. Funds raised will be combined with the \$6 million in funding which the Village of Oregon has committed (in addition to purchasing the property).

#### When will the new library be built?

OPN Architects has already completed conceptual design. Design is now on pause for fundraising. This project cannot proceed until the necessary funding is secured. It is anticipated that the project will begin moving forward upon the completion of the campaign in the summer of 2020. Additional architectural work will need to be completed before construction can begin.

#### How can I learn more?

Contact Jennifer Endres Way, Library Director, at (608) 835-2322 or [jway@oregonlibrary.org](mailto:jway@oregonlibrary.org) for more information on the new library or to learn how you can support the capital campaign.

#### Will the library be two-story or all on one floor?

The library is planned to be two-story which will minimize the size of the building's footprint.

#### What will happen to the existing library building?

The existing library property belongs to the Village of Oregon and the land is tentatively planned to be used for future expansion of the Oregon Senior Center.

## ***Thank You to Friends Volunteers!***

A big thank you to all the bakers that have been donating baked goods every month for the Library staff to enjoy. They continue to tell us how much they love this nice gesture. **If anyone would like to be on the roster to donate just 2 dozen of some kind of goody in 2020, please contact Nancy Allen at [naquilter3@gmail.com](mailto:naquilter3@gmail.com) or call Beth Larimer at 835-9027.** As a new, fresh idea, they would also equally enjoy a savory snack such as cheese/crackers, fruit, trail mix, etc. It would be helpful to provide them in individual portions so they stay fresh until each staff can have their treat.

We are also thankful for the wonderful volunteer gardeners who share their time and talents keeping the flower gardens outside of the library looking beautiful. It is a joy to have these beautiful gardens great all who visit the library. Thank you!

Thanks also to all of the volunteers who helped make our October book sale a success! Special thanks to Sue Johnson and Karen Gipp for organizing the sale and to our newest book sale helper Tim Sinz!

***Have books to donate? Bring them to the library!***

***Friends of the Oregon Library accepts donations of gently used books, DVDs, games and puzzles. Bring them to the circulation desk. If you've got more than you can carry, please call 835-3656 to arrange a more convenient way to donate your items.***

### ***Why the Library Is Important to Me***

*"The Library is my connection to any number of useful resources- from people who can teach me about the history of the area to books that demonstrate origami technique. Every time I enter the building I see at least one familiar face who will smile and greet me, I find at least one useful bit of local information and I have access to many, many books/movies/magazines to bring home. The atmosphere never disappoints - it is always charged with friendliness, positivity and endless possibilities."*

*-Beth Larimer, President  
Friends of the Oregon Public Library*

### **Share your library story with us!**

We'd love to know why the Oregon Public Library is a special place in your life! Your contribution should be about 100 words. Send to Jennifer Endres Way, Library Director, at (608) 835-2322 or [jway@oregonlibrary.org](mailto:jway@oregonlibrary.org)

## Winter Reading Program for All Ages February 3<sup>rd</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup>

Escape the cold temps with a good read! Readers of all ages can complete bingo cards for a chance to win cool prizes. No registration.

### Grand Prizes

**Kids (ages 5-9)** - Win a Ride on a Fire Truck!

**Tweens & Teens (ages 10-18)** - Win a \$25 gift card of your choice

**Adults** - Win a \$25 gift card of your choice

### What's Happening for Adults at the OPL!

Questions about adult events need special accommodations at events contact Kara at (608) 835-6268 or [kripley@oregonlibrary.org](mailto:kripley@oregonlibrary.org).

### Author Visits

#### Grieving Heart Poetry

**Saturday, January 11<sup>st</sup>, 1 pm - 3 pm**

Wisconsin author Deb Rosman celebrates the good in grieving in her poetry. This author visit will spread the warmth of love and hope.

#### Schedule of events:

1-2 pm Author Reading and Q&A

2-3 pm Book Signing - Bring your copy or purchase at the event. Paperback - \$5 or the Journal Edition - \$10. Cash or check accepted.

#### Please Send Hats

**Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 1 pm - 3 pm**

The book *Please Send Hats: One Baby Boomer's Rude Awakening to Ovarian Cancer* tells Laura Clark-Hansen's moving and often hilarious story. Laura was diagnosed in 2005 and passed away in 2016. In this presentation, Laura's husband, Paul Hansen, and sister, Karyn Chacon, share her story.

#### Schedule of events:

1-2 pm Author Reading and Q&A

2-2:30 pm Book Signing - Bring your copy or purchase at the event. Paperback - \$12. Cash, check or charge accepted.

### So You Want to Write: Writing Workshops for Adults

Workshops taught by author, counselor, and educator Julie Tallard Johnson ([www.julietallardjohnson.com](http://www.julietallardjohnson.com)). **Registration required for each workshop.**

#### Memoir Writing

**Thursday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6 pm - 7 pm**

Ready to start your memoir? In this class, learn the basics about autobiographical writing for fiction and non-fiction. Make what's meaningful to you meaningful to readers.

**Registration required and opens December 20<sup>th</sup>.**

#### The World into Word

**Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm - 7 pm**

Need help bringing your stories to life? In this class, learn about how to use details skillfully and ignite your readers' imaginations. Get tips on how to write like a poet!

**Registration required and opens January 20<sup>th</sup>.**

#### The Art of Being a Writer

**Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm - 7 pm**

Do you find that you start a project but never finish? Or do you have trouble starting too? There's magic here - come and find out what will keep you writing until the end. **Registration required and opens February 5<sup>th</sup>.**

## Crafty Adults

Library provides the supplies. **Registration required for each workshop.**

### Paint Nights

**Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm - 7 pm**

**Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm - 7 pm**

Create a painting with step-by-step instruction. An 8 x 10 canvas, paints, and brushes provided. **Registration required and opens on January 10<sup>th</sup>.** Sign up for the time that works best! We are painting the same picture both evenings.

### T-Shirt Dog Toy

**Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm - 7 pm**

Turn a pile of old t-shirts into a dog toy your pup will love! The library will provide supplies but you are also welcome to bring in your own T-shirts to use. **Registration required and opens on February 10<sup>th</sup>.**

## Tech Classes for Adults

**Registration required** for tech classes. The class will be canceled if no one has registered by noon the day before the class.

### Meet Libby

**Thursday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm - 7 pm**

You can get free e-books and audio books from the library! To start reading, you'll need the free Libby app. In this class, learn how easy it is to get started with Libby. **Registration required and opens on January 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

### Drop-in Technology Help

**Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm - 7 pm**

Need help with that one thing? Register and drop in between 6 and 7 pm to get help with technology. **Registration required and opens on January 30<sup>th</sup>.**

### Learn a Language

**Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm - 7 pm**

Have you always wanted to learn another language? Now is your chance. The library provides the Transparent Language database free to card holders! Learn how to navigate this resource. **Registration required and opens February 27<sup>th</sup>.**

## Book Clubs for Adults

Copies of the next title are available at the library. Questions? Contact us at [bookclub@oregonlibrary.org](mailto:bookclub@oregonlibrary.org).

### Great Beginnings Book Club

**1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday at 10:30 am (\*except in January)**

**Oregon Area Senior Center**

\*January 8<sup>th</sup> - *Death Stalks Door County* by Patricia Skalka

February 5<sup>th</sup> - *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* by Maya Angelou

March 4<sup>th</sup> - *The Lowland* by Jhumpa Lahiri

### Great Beginnings Book Club in the EVENING

**1<sup>st</sup> Monday at 6 pm**

**Oregon Public Library**

January 6<sup>th</sup> - *Death Stalks Door County* by Patricia Skalka

February 3<sup>rd</sup> - *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* by Maya Angelou

March 2<sup>nd</sup> - *The Lowland* by Jhumpa Lahiri

### Brown Bag Book Club

**3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 11:30 am**

**Oregon Public Library**

January 15<sup>th</sup> - *Mornings on Horseback* by David McCullough

February 19<sup>th</sup> - *The House on Mango Street* by Sandra Cisneros

March 18<sup>th</sup> - *The Lemon Tree* by Sandy Tolén

## What's Happening for Kids & Families at the OPL!

No registration unless otherwise noted. Questions about events for kids and families or need special accommodations at events, contact Kelly at (608) 835-6265 or [kallen@oregonlibrary.org](mailto:kallen@oregonlibrary.org).

### Special Family Events

#### Friday Family Fun: Stuffed Animal Sleepover

**Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, 6 pm - 7 pm**

After the library closes, kids and their stuffed animal friends take over! We will have activities, crafts & more! The stuffed animals will get to spend the night while their humans go back home. Kids and families are welcome to attend Saturday's Dads & Donuts Storytime at 10 am and watch a slideshow of the adventures of the stuffed animals at 10:30 am.

#### 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Celebration

**Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 10 am - Noon**

Celebrate the kids participating in the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten early literacy program! We'll have music, crafts, activities, and CAKE!

The 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program is an early literacy program that helps parents ready their child for school and ready to learn. By reading *just three* stories a day parent and child can read over 1000 books in one year. Register at the Information Desk to receive a 1000 Books tote bag filled with reading logs and book suggestions. Oregon-Brooklyn Lions Club sponsors this program.

#### Spring Break Week

**March 23<sup>rd</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>**

Winter is such a drag but it's not stopping Ms. Kelly and Ms. Wendy from planning fun activities during spring school break. Details will be available end of January!

### Storytimes & Special Events for Little Ones

#### Decorate Your "Car" for Drive-in Movies

**January 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, 10 am - 11 am**

Kids will transform a boring cardboard box into their very own "car"! Everyone is welcome to join us for Drive-in Movies the following week. Library will provide boxes and crafty supplies. Families are welcome to bring their own box. Kids will get to keep their "car" or "truck".

#### Drive-in Movies

**January 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, 10 am - 10:30 am**

Bring your cardboard "car" or truck" to watch short movies based on favorite storybook characters! We will have extra cars and trucks for those who could not attend the previous week's activity.

#### Winter Storytime Session runs January 21<sup>st</sup> to March 19<sup>th</sup>.

Storytime is a great place for young children to develop early literacy and social skills. No registration unless otherwise noted.

### Weekly Storytimes

**Bouncing Babies** for ages 0-18 months

**Tuesdays, 11 am - 11:30 am**

15 minutes of stories, rhymes, and song, and 15 minutes of play time for children and caregivers.

**Teetering Toddlers** for ages 18 - 36 months

**Tuesdays, 10 am - 10:30 am**

Ms. Wendy offers a very active program of short stories, songs, movement activities, and crafts.

**Family Storytime** for ages 0-6

**Wednesdays & Fridays, 10 am - 10:30 am**

Ms. Kelly & Ms. Wendy offer a mix of short stories, puppets, songs, movement activities, and crafts.

## Monthly Storytimes

**Sensory Storytime & Open Play** for ages 0-6

**2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, 10 am - 11 am**

Enjoy stories, songs, movement activities, yoga, and more. This small group storytime includes visual supports, sensory activities, fidgets and orientations. This is a partnership between the Oregon Public Library and the Oregon School District.

**Dads & Donuts** for ages 0-6

**1<sup>st</sup> Saturday, 10 - 10:30 am**

Join us for stories and songs followed by donuts and juice for kids and coffee for adults. Everyone is welcome!

**Pajama Antics** for ages 0-6

**Last Tuesday, 6:30 pm - 7 pm**

Enjoy stories and activities based on the month's theme. This is a partnership between the Oregon Public Library and the Thespian Club at OHS.

## Open Plays

**Stay & Play** for ages 0-6

**Wednesdays & Fridays from 10:30 to 11 am**

We have a tunnel, blocks, balls, instruments and other activities available for kids to explore.

**Preschool Open Gym** for ages 0 - 5

**2<sup>nd</sup> Friday through March, 6 pm - 7 pm**

**Netherwood Elementary Big Gym**

Enter through Door 10 (Main St parking lot) or District Office Main Entrance (corner of Spring and Grove). Little ones enjoy gym games and activities. This is a partnership between the Oregon Public Library and the OSD Community Ed & Rec.

## Events for School-Age Kids

**Eureka Jr Club** for ages 5 - 11

**Tuesdays when school is in session, 3:15 - 4:30 pm**

Kids explore STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) concepts through play using plugged and unplugged tools. Each week will be a different activity but some will repeat, like Lego free build. Caregivers must stay in the library if child is 8 and under and is attending the club. Please check schedule of activities at [www.oregonpubliclibrary.org/children/events/eureka-jr](http://www.oregonpubliclibrary.org/children/events/eureka-jr).

**Tween Advisory Board** for ages 8-11

**3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, 4 pm - 5 pm**

Are you interested in helping out at the Library but you are not 12 years-old, yet? You will help the Librarians with special projects and offer suggestions on what to buy for the Library, what events we should host and more. **Registration required.**

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**Study Break at the Library**

**Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 5 pm - 8 pm**

**Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 5 pm - 8 pm**

We will have our meeting room open with FREE hot drinks, coloring pages, and more to relieve your stress! The meeting room is also a great place if you are studying in a group. Stop in anytime during the three hour session.

**Teen Volunteer Days** for ages 12-18

**Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 1 pm - 3 pm**

**Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 1 pm - 3 pm**

No school days are a great time to earn community service hours. Teens can sign up and volunteer at the Library out for a couple hours. You need to be between ages 12 -18 to volunteer. **Registration required and opens two week before event.**

**Pizza & Paint** for ages 10 - 18  
**Saturday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, 5 pm - 6 pm**

Love to paint but not on an empty stomach? We have got you covered at "Pizza & Paint". The Library will cook up pizza to get your creative juices flowing. We'll also provide all the painting supplies (canvas, paint, brushes) along with Bob Ross inspirational videos. You bring your creativity and an appetite. **Registration required and opens January 6<sup>th</sup>.**

**Teen Advisory Board** for ages 12 - 18  
**1<sup>st</sup> Friday (except January's meeting is the 10<sup>th</sup>), 4 pm - 5 pm**

The Teen Advisory Board (TAB) is a volunteer group of teens that offers suggestions and provides input about teen reading interests, programming, and space planning. Attend a meeting or contact Kelly to learn more about the board.

**Anime Club** for ages 12 & up  
**1<sup>st</sup> Friday (except January's meeting is the 10<sup>th</sup>), 5 pm - 6 pm**

Attendees will snack, watch and chat with fellow fans about anime and manga. As a group we choose what we want to watch. Anime will be rated teen 13 or lower.

## ***HELP THE FUND RAISING EFFORTS OF FOL!***

Here are three easy ways!

1) **Collect all your Bill's Grocery Store receipts.** Bring them to the library and place them in the small decorated box on the "New Books" shelves. Bill's Grocery Store donates 1% back to FOL which helps fund special programs at the library. In 2018 Bill's Grocery Store added \$4,300.00 to library program funding!

2) **Donate your gently used books, games, and puzzles for the book sales.** You can bring them any time the library is open: just give them to the staff at the Circulation Desk. If you have more than you can carry inside, call the Library at 835-3656 to arrange a more convenient way to donate your books.

3) **Use Amazon Smiles for all your Amazon orders.** Simply go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and [Friends of the Oregon Library](https://www.friendsoftheoregonlibrary.org) as your charity of choice. You can link to your existing Amazon account so you don't have to start new passwords, etc. When you shop, remember to enter the Amazon website via [SMILE.AMAZON.COM](https://smile.amazon.com) to be sure your purchase counts towards the giving program. Amazon donates 0.5% of each qualifying purchase to us. They automatically send us a check every 6 months. In 2018 Amazon Smiles added \$118.00 to library program funding.

**THANK YOU** to all who have donated in large and small ways. We are thrilled to see the items, programs and services that our fund raising has provided for Oregon Library users. The whole community benefits when our library is strong and vibrant!

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**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Friends of the Oregon Library 2020 Events and Meetings**

**Spring Book Sale: April 17-18**

**Fall Book Sale: October 16-17**

**Friends Meetings: January 27, February 24, March 23, April 27,  
June 22, July 27, August 24  
September 28, October 26, November 23**

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