

# Friends of the Oregon Library Newsletter

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# Thanks for Supporting our Spring Book Sale!

Funds raised by our book sales help to support library programs throughout the year!

Thanks to Oregon Youth Center again generously sharing their spacious building, Friends of the Oregon Library volunteers hosted another successful one-day book sale on April 23. Friend of the Oregon Library volunteers invested 104 hours sorting donations that we've stored since the October 2021 sale, publicizing and setting up the sale room and cleaning the Youth Center after the sale.

We loved seeing old friends and fellow book loving neighbors as well as several shoppers who were visiting from out of town, are hoping to return for our next sale.

Since the April sale, the Friends' book storage garage on Union Road has been thoroughly cleaned in anticipation of book donations and we are once again able to accept and store donations. Please watch future newsletters and the library's website for announcements about when and where the next book sale will be

# **New Library Updates**

The new library project is moving along quickly. Find the latest updates on the New Library Site Update page at

https://www.oregonpubliclibrary.org/siteupdate.

For questions or to share your thoughts, contact Jennifer Way, Library Director, at 608-835-2322.

# **Curious About What the Library Offers?**

Are you wondering if still offers curbside pick up? Or if a librarian can help you find books? Or is there a copier? Do you have tax forms? You ask library staff in several ways!

Stop in at the Library!
Call us at 608-835-3656
Email orelib@oregonlibrary.org
Check out our Frequently Asked Questions page on the Library's website <a href="https://www.oregonpubliclibrary.org/about/frequently-asked-questions">https://www.oregonpubliclibrary.org/about/frequently-asked-questions</a>

# Summer Library Program for All Ages: Ocean of Possibilities June 6<sup>th</sup>-August 20<sup>th</sup> READ! LOG! WIN PRIZES!

Join our community of readers by signing up for our 2022 Summer Library Program for All Ages- *Ocean of Possibilities*. From birth to adult, readers of all kinds are challenged to read, complete activities, and write reviews to and complete to earn prizes. It's truly a choose your own adventure style program!

**Registration starts on Monday, June 6!** During Kick-Off week (June 6-11), you are entered into a daily drawing for \$10 in Oregon Chamber Bucks when you sign up for a reading program or check out a library. Chamber Bucks are good at many wonderful Oregon businesses! Both online and in-person registrations will be entered in the drawings.

You can register and track your reading and activities in two ways: online through Beanstack (<u>oregonpubliclibrary.beanstack.org/</u>) or visit the library and pick up a paper log.

Once you have enrolled, start reading and exploring our activities to earn prizes! Children and teens earn prizes when they reach different levels. The first prize level includes prizes include passes to Eugster's Petting Farm and Dane County Fair, coupons for free food to Pizza Hut and Cousin's Subs. At the last prize level, they earn a free book for their home library.

Every reader has a chance to win a grand prize! For children 0-11, we have created a variety of themed prize baskets including "Sharks!," "LEGO," and "Butterfly Garden." Teens and adults can win one of several \$50 Your Choice gift cards. If you win a gift card, you tell us from where you want it!

From storytimes and book clubs to magic and music to bee hotels and herb gardens, lots of fun events for all ages - in person and virtually!! Information about events is in this newsletter along with on the Library's web calendar at <a href="https://www.oregonpubliclibrary.org/calendar">https://www.oregonpubliclibrary.org/calendar</a>.

Thank you, Friends, for being such fantastic supporters of the summer library program. Our Friends funds pay for the performers, craft and other program supplies, and prizes. We are able to give each child and teen that completes the program a new paperback book.

# Special Events for Kids and Families

Questions? Please email Kelly Allen at kallen@oregonlibrary.org.

#### Magic Show with Nickey Fynn

Thursday, June 30 2:00 pm - 2:45pm

Location: Big Gym at Prairie View Elementary, 300 Soden Dr

No registration. Geared to ages 5 and up.

Prepare yourself for a comedic vaudevillian style jaw dropping magical experience as Nickey Fynn silently manipulates cards, coins, ropes, silks, balloons and even salt with effortless precision.

MMOCA Art Cart EXTRA!

Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Location: Waterman Triangle Park

No registration. Geared to children ages 3 and up.

Enjoy art in the park! Kids can do several art projects with help from MMOCA staff. All supplies are provided. Art Cart EXTRA! is a free outdoor art program offered by the Madison Museum of Contemporary Art (MMOCA) and brings expert instruction and a relaxed attitude to art projects at parks, playgrounds, and beaches in Madison and Dane County in the summer.

#### Can You Find the Hidden Item? Decoder Puzzle Adventures

Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am -11:00 am

Location: Oregon Area Senior Center, 219 Park St.

No registration. Geared to all ages.

Come along with Nakira and friends on a journey to explore STEM all around us. Our adventure begins with the Decoder Puzzles - piece together the puzzle and put on your Decoder Glasses to uncover the hidden mystery items in each illustrated scene. After completing your Decoder Puzzle and finding all of the hidden objects, join in the fun of making a custom pair of Decoder Glasses to reveal your own secret messages!

Ocean Odyssey: Sharks! Monday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Location: Big Gym at Prairie View Elementary, 300 Soden Dr

**Registration required and opens July 11.** Geared to ages 7 and up.

Ocean Odyssey from National Mississippi River Museum is visiting Oregon! The Museum's travéling touch tank brings live ocean animals to you! Breakdown some of the common misconceptions about sharks and sting rays. They will highlight adaptations these critters have to survive, their importance to the ecosystem and discover how you can help with conservation efforts. Participants will have the opportunity to get their hands wet and touch one of these amazing animals.



Summer Storytimes

We are hosting in-person options along with virtual via Zoom! Registration is required for most storytimes.

### Weekly Storytimes

We Read We Wiggle

Tuesdays from June 14<sup>th</sup> - August 9<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays from June 15<sup>th</sup> - August 10<sup>th</sup>

10:00 am - 10:45am

Location: outdoor at either Prairie View or Netherwood Elementary playground areas

Registration is required. For ages 0-6.

Sign up for Tuesday session at bit.ly/WiggleTues Sign up for Wednesday session at bit.ly/WiggleWeds

Enjoy 25 minutes of stories, songs, and wiggles provided by Oregon Library staff and 15 minutes of active play organized by OSD Community Ed & Rec Staff.

Baby Storytime via Zoom Thursdays from June 16<sup>th</sup> to August 11<sup>th</sup> 9:30 am - 10:00 am

11:00 am - 11:30 am Location: Zoom

Register at bit.ly/OplBabyVirtual. For ages 0-18 months.

Enjoy rhymes, bounces, and stories with Ms. Wendy along with social time for babies and caregivers. All new attendees will also receive an egg shaker and scarf to keep!

# **Monthly Storytimes**

Outdoor Saturday Storytime Saturdays, June  $11^{\rm th}$  , July  $9^{\rm th}$  , and August  $6^{\rm th}$ 

10:00 am - 10:30 am

Location: Waterman Triangle

No registration.

Geared to ages 2-5. Younger and older children welcome.

Enjoy stories, songs, puppets, and more in the park! If the weather is bad, storytime will be canceled.

Pajama Storytime via Zoom

3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month 6:30 pm to 7:00 pm Location: Zoom

Register at https://bit.ly/PajamaZoomOPL.

Geared to ages 2-5. Younger and older children welcome.

Join us for stories, songs and rhymes, and puppets about bedtime. Each child will receive a craft based on the theme. All new attendees will also receive an egg shaker and scarf to keep!



#### **Events for Tweens and Teens**

Questions? Please email Kelly Allen at kallen@oregonlibrary.org.

#### OYC Summer Fun!

The library is collaborating with Oregon Youth Center this summer! In June, attendees can make DIY Bee Home on June 30 at 1 pm. In July and August, we will host Art Club. Dates to be announced.

#### Teen Summer Book Box

Starting June 6<sup>th</sup>, teens in grades 7<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> can sign up to receive a box with activities and goodies! Boxes will be ready to pick up by June 20<sup>th</sup>.

### Special Event for Adults

Questions? Please email Kara Ripley at kripley@oregonlibrary.org.

#### Music of Ricardo Parra

Tuesday, June 7<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Location: Via Zoom.

Registration required at bit.ly/RParra

Please join us for a live virtual performance by celebrated singer, songwriter, and guitarist, Ricardo Parra! His music ranges through various styles including Folk, Trova, Bossa nova, jazz and Blues. He has performed for the National Institute of Fine Arts, which is Mexico's most important cultural institution, as well as in universities, libraries, and important venues in the United States, Mexico, and Chile.

#### DIY Bee Hotel

Thursday, June 30<sup>th</sup>

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Location: Waterman Triangle, 121 Janesville St

Registration required at bit.ly/DIYBee

Provide a habitat for bees and bugs in your yard by creating a bee hotel. All supplies to create this cute and helpful craft are included.

#### #PlantWildflowers

The Oregon Public Library has been awarded a \$1,000 grant from the Tangled Bank Studios/PBS Naturé #PlantWildflowers initiative. The honorarium will support events in Spring and Summer 2022 that celebrate and support native and wild pollinator populations. The library will plan these events with the Oregon Area Senior Center, Anderson Park Friends, and the Oregon Nature Alliance.

#### House Plant Swap

Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Location: Waterman Triangle, 121 Janesville St

**Registration required** and opens in July.

Bring a healthy, pest-free house plant (or rooted cutting in water) in a container, meet up with other house plant enthusiasts, and swap plants.

Herb Gardening Series

These workshops are hybrid events. Participants can participate online or in-person at Oregon Area Senior Center at 219 Park St. For those participating online, you will be emailed login information before the event.

Tending Your Herb Garden Thursday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Location: This is a hybrid event.

Registration required at bit.ly/tendingyourherbgarden

What does it take to tend to herbs? Linda Conroy of Moonwise Herbs will discuss harvesting, watering, trimming, and more! Learn which herbs grow best planted and harvested in succession, how to encourage growth and flowers, and caring for annuals vs perennials. Also discover some late planting suggestions.

Putting Up Herbs

Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Location: This is a hybrid event.

**Registration required** and opens in June.

The rewarding part of herb gardening is putting herbs up for food and medicine. Linda Conroy of Moonwise Herbs will discuss drying, preparing herbs for tinctures, making infused vinegar and oils, salves, pestos, sauces and much more. You will be delighted by all of the medicines and culinary delights you can put up in the pantry and apothecary from your garden.

#### Book Clubs for Adults

Questions? Please email Kara Ripley at kripley@oregonlibrary.org.

**Great Beginnings Book Club** 

When: Choose one of the meeting times that work best for your schedule.

1<sup>st</sup> Monday, 6:00 pm, meets via Zoom, email kripley@oregonlibrary.org to get the login information.

1st Wednesday, 10:30 am, meets at the Oregon Area Senior Center June 1st and 6th - John Woman by Walter Mosley July 6th and 11th - The Library Book by Susan Orlean August 1st and 3rd - Small Great Things by Jodi Picoult

**Brown Bag Book Club** 

When: 3rd Wednesday, 11:30 am

Where: via Zoom, email kripley@oregonlibrary.org to get the login information.

June 15<sup>th</sup> Stranger in the Woods by Michael Finkle July 20<sup>th</sup> - Afterlife by Julia Alvarez August 17<sup>th</sup> - The Feather Thief by Kirk W. Johnson

#### Tech Class for Adults

For adults held via Zoom. Registration required. The class will be canceled if no one has registered by noon the day before the class.

Your Small Business Development Tool

Thursday, July 28<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Registration required and opens in June.

Learn how to use the resource Reference Solutions to create consumer marketing lists, gather competitive business intelligence, identify major industry groups and more! Data Axle Reference Solutions was created in 1998, under the name ReferenceUSA, to provide libraries with the most up-to-date business and consumer data available.

# HELP THE FUND RAISING EFFORTS OF FRIENDS OF THE OREGON LIBRARY!

**Collect all your Bill's Grocery Store receipts.** Bring them to the library when you pick up your books! Bill's Grocery Store donates 1% back to FOL which helps fund special programs at the library.

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**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!

This year the Friends of the Oregon Library will provide over \$7100 to support library programs thanks to your help with our fundraising and book sale!



#### **NEW! No Overdue Fines!**

Charges for lost or damaged materials will still apply. Lost charges are automatically applied to your account when the item is more than 4 weeks overdue - the charge is waived after the item is returned. Learn more at oregonpubliclibrary.org/about-library/library-policies

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