### **Oregon City Public Library**

#### JANUARY NEWSLETTER

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# Update from Library Director Mo Cole

When I was young (long ago), I could not imagine the year 2000, never mind the

advanced age I would be if I lived that long. Well, I did live that long and now the year 2000 is a distant memory with the year 2020 peeking above the horizon. 'Sun and moon, sun and moon, time goes' as John Updike said in Rabbit Run. And as each day passes, we get closer to the completion of the new library. That is the big story of 2015 and the big story of 2016. We are so looking forward to having more space for programs and services for our patrons! Our other big news is that we are adding a Children's Services Librarian at the end of January! Barratt Miller will join our OCPL team, bringing her tremendous skill set to Oregon City for the benefit of the younger set. We can't wait.

Thank you for all of your support in 2015! All of us at OCPL wish you a very happy holiday and look forward to serving you in the new library in 2016!



#### **Teen Art Contest**

The Clackamas County Libraries are sponsoring a Teen Summer Reading Artwork Contest this year. Teens, ages 12-18 may submit up to two entries each. Entries must be submitted at their local library between Saturday, January 2 and

Saturday, February 13. The winner will be announced on Friday, March 11, and will receive a \$100 gift card prize. Honorable mentions may also be recognized.

## January DATES TO REMEMBER

1/1 LIBRARY CLOSURE

1/2 Tablets 101

1/2-2/13 Teen Art Contest

1/6 Bilingual Storytime

1/7 Elevated Readers Book Club

1/7 Teen Video Game Night

1/8 2nd Friday Film

1/14 Every Kid in a Park

1/18 LIBRARY CLOSED -MLK Day

1/19 Family Storytime

1/19 Pints from the Past Oregon History Night

1/21 Duct Tape Art for Teens

1/25 Mindfulness Eating Practice

1/28 The Art of Quilling

Details on Library Calendar

#### **WEEKLY STORYTIMES**

All at 10:15 am

Mondays & Wednesdays Preschoolers ages 3-5 Artwork must be original. The submission must not contain any words, be in color on 8 1/2 by 11 paper, and represent the Teen Summer Reading theme – Wellness, Fitness and Sports and slogan – Get in the Game: Read.

All entries must be submitted in hard copy to one of the LINCC member libraries by close of business on Saturday, February 13, 2016. Electronically transmitted or mail-in entries will not be accepted.

Complete instructions and entry forms will be available at all LINCC libraries on 1/2/16.



#### Tablets 101

Saturday, January 2, 10:00 AM - Pioneer Community Center *map* 

Are you starting at square one with your tablet? Oregon City Public Library will be holding a free session at the Pioneer Center discussing tablet

basics. Don't forget to bring your fully charged tablet with you.



#### 2nd Friday Film - "Cyber Seniors"

Friday, January 8, 6:30 PM - End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center *map* 

A humorous and heartwarming feature documentary, CYBER-SENIORS adds to the important international conversation about the growing generation gap. For more information please visit

cyberseniorsdocumentary.com.



#### **Every Kid in a Park**

Thursday, January 14, 6:30 PM - Library

Calling all Nature Enthusiasts, Families, 4th Graders, and Kids at Heart. Join us for an evening with Deborah Hill, Interpretive Park Ranger, Tryon Creek State Natural Area Learn about the federal program Every Kid in a Park, for families of 4th

graders, as well as how to plan your next camping adventure at county, state, or federal parks. There will also be a raffle for a copy of Ken Burns' The National Parks: America's best idea DVD set.



#### **Pints from the Past History Night**

Industrial Archeology at Willamette Falls: were instrumental to Exploratory Investigations at the North Woolen success of the PAC.

Mill, Oregon City

Tuesdays & Thursdays Toddlers up to age 3



## Friends of the Oregon City Public Library

#### From Lynda Orzen

I would like to begin the New Year by thanking all of our Friends volunteers who have generously given their time to support our Library. Our volunteers work the bookstore, set up at Farmer's Market and assist with library-related projects. In 2015 we had 35 amazing volunteers who contributed over 3,700 hours of service!

2015 Highlights:

January: Three Rivers Artist Guild gives notice they will be moving out of the bookstore space.

March: Bookstore undergoes a major remodel and expansion.

April: The Political Action
Committee Oregon City Backs
the Carnegie (PAC) receives
the Library Supporter of the
Year Award by the Oregon
Library Association. Many
members of the Friends group
were instrumental to the
success of the PAC.

August:

Tuesday, January 19, 6:30 PM - Midway Historic

Public House map

Rick Minor, Senior archeologist with Heritage Research Associates, will share knowledge gained during last summer's archeological investigations at the Oregon City Woolen Mill foundation. Doors open at 5:30 PM. <u>More information here.</u>

#### **Duct Tape Art for Teens**

Thursday, January 21, 6:30 PM, Library

Think duct tape only comes in grey?! Think again!

Come join us to make a unique wallet or lunch sack using duct tape. Bring your ideas, and we will provide materials and instructions. For more young adult activities at the library visit <a href="https://www.orcity.org/library/young-adults">www.orcity.org/library/young-adults</a>



Mindful Eating Practice with Surja Tjahaja

Monday, January 25, 7:00 PM, Pioneer Community Center <u>map</u>

Surja Tjahaja presents Mindfulness Eating
Practice, a hands-on food experience that invites people to turn off their
auto pilot and pay attention to a most fundamental experience—what and
how we eat. More information here.



#### The Art of Quilling

Thursday, January 28, 6:30 PM, Library

Learn the elegant art of Quilling. Join us for a beginner's quilling class where you'll learn the basic coils and scrolls used most in quilling, and then put your new skills to work on a creation of your own! Space is limited, so register today! You can register

by phone or in-person at the Oregon City Public Library 503-657-8269.

Official groundbreaking for the library expansion. The Friends helped kick off the major fundraising for the Foundation by presenting a check for \$75,000 of a \$100,000 commitment.

A Management Team is selected to run the daily operations of the bookstore. The team adopts a management plan and leadership policies.

September: The bookstore sets up a book sale shelf in the Library.

#### October:

Oregon City author Hannah Gildea read from her awardwinning short story, "Cottonmouth" at the Friends Bookstore.

Increase of revenues at the Farmers Market - The market brought in multiple weekends that grossed over \$200 in sales.

In review, 2015 was a very good year and we look forward to an even better 2016!

Visit us on <u>Facebook</u> and oclibraryfriends.weebly.com.



#### The Foundation Gains Momentum

#### From Karen Martini

As the library walls go up and the construction project continues its great progress, the Oregon City Library Foundation is also inching closer to its \$500,000 fundraising goal. Presently, we are celebrating support from three area foundations.

- \$30,000 from the Jerome S. and Barbara Bischoff Library Subfund and the Ashley K Drew Fund of the Oregon Community Foundation
- \$25,000 from a local foundation that wishes to remain anonymous.
- \$9,000 from the Kinsman Foundation for window restoration repairs.

These are in addition to the generous commitment of \$100,000 from the Friends of the Library and an ever-growing pool of contributions and pledges from private citizens. In total, \$350,000 has been committed to the campaign, designed to support the construction budget for the Library renovation, as well as to build a fund that will support our Library in the future.

There is still much progress to be made. To explore ways that you may participate, visit our website at <a href="www.oclibraryfoundation.org">www.oclibraryfoundation.org</a> or email <a href="contact@oclibraryfoundation.org">contact@oclibraryfoundation.org</a>.









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