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LIBRARY
Where Minds Grow

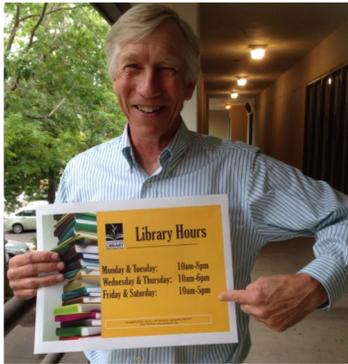
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Four More Hours!



Hooray! The library is now open four additional hours a week! We now open every Friday and Saturday morning at 10am. Four more hours! So what's the big deal? I'll tell you what the big deal is. You can have the finest facility, the most complete collection, the friendliest, most competent staff, and if you aren't OPEN then it is all for naught. Unless a person can use that facility, plumb the depths of that collection, enjoy the help they are receiving from our excellent staff, then it doesn't matter

how good we are. So now we have a greater opportunity to serve you. Four more hours to introduce children to the wonders of reading; four more hours to inspire students to want to "know" more; four more hours to track down the information you need; four more hours to assist you in your job search; four more hours to bring the community together at thought-provoking programs; four more hours to find the perfect audiobook for your weekend road trip; and four more hours to

simply use and enjoy your library. For years you have requested expanded open hours for the library. The Mayor, City Council, and City Budget Committee heard your voices and responded in a most positive way! The next time you see one of them out in the community, please be sure to thank them for their support, just as we thank you for yours.

Rob Everett,
Library Director

Fall Happenings for All Ages @ the Library

Here @ the Library, we've FIZZED and BOOMED and READ. Our summer reading activities have come to an end. Children turned in their reading records, teens signed-up for their laser tag party prize, and the completed adult BINGO sheets accumulated; we are now looking forward to the fall and what we have in store for you!

In the Children's Area, many of our popular and fun programs for kids continue. Make & Take with Taylor and Lego Club will take place once a month on early release or no-school Fridays. Little Family Yoga, with wonderful Teacher Brynne, will continue the 3rd Tuesday morning of the month and Jammie Storytime will return on those Tuesday evenings. Saturday Stories will now take place at 10am (thanks to our new earlier hours!) once a

month, and we will continue Family Matinees one Saturday a month. Check out the upcoming calendars for fun special events like Do Re Play, Kintaro, Rich Glauber, Reptile Man, a homemade instruments workshop, the



Nutcracker, and more.

Mondays@4 for tweens and teens will provide a variety of creative activities for older youth, from crafts to technology, writing, movies and games. Watch for the details of the Anime drawing contest in the Teen area happening in Sept. & Oct. For Teen Read Week, Oct. 12-18, the Library will offer a series of Career Workshops for Teens.

Teens can learn about money management, résumé writing and even how to start their own business. Workshops will be led by community business partners.

For adults, the Springfilm series will continue, screening "Almost an Oscar" films, and the Willamalibrary Book Group meets on the first Tuesday of the month. Banned Books Week occurs Sept. 21-27 and we will celebrate with our annual Banned Books Read-Out on Saturday, Sept. 20. Hear passages from some literary favorites that have been challenged or banned for their content. Both adults and teens are invited to an array of events for NaNoWriMo – National Novel Writing Month, in November.

Check out our [events calendars](#) for more details and special events happening @ your Library!

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Debbie's Historical Fiction Picks

Delight in these tales with characters and settings drawn from the pages of history and given a novel spin.

Stella Bain

by Anita Shreve

When an American woman, is found suffering from severe shell shock in an exclusive garden in London, surgeon August Bridge and his wife selflessly agree to take her in.

Hild

by Nicola Griffith

A brilliant, lush, sweeping historical novel about the rise of Hild, the most powerful woman of the Middle Ages.

King's Mountain

by Sharyn McCrumb

Tenth in the atmospheric Ballad series, this meticulous-ly detailed book retells the battle at King's Mountain, North Carolina, in October 1780.

The Plum Tree

by Ellen Marie Wiseman

This story follows a young German woman through the chaos of World War II and its aftermath.

The Baker's Daughter

by Sarah McCoy

A haunting and beautiful story that spans 60 years, and takes on forms of human cruelty and indifference ranging from the Nazis to modern-day immigration reform.

Adult Summer Reading BINGO Raffle Wrap-up

Thanks to the support of the [Springfield Library Foundation](#) and spectacular Springfield enterprises, adults took home prizes for reading this summer. All those books, all those BINGOs, and the grand prize winner of the Kindle Fire HDX is Dan Collins!

Many other winners enjoyed gift certificates to [Willamalane](#), [Cycle Logical](#), [Noodle N Thai](#), [Plank](#)



[Town](#), and the [Washburne Café](#), or their pick of a free

book.

The BINGO squares each had unique requests that had to be met in order to be marked off. One square asked participants to "Make a Book Recommendation." We'll be turning all those recommendations into a book display in the library in September.

And the center square that is usually a free space? Instead, players had to:

"Do something inspired by books." Readers made recipes, started meditating, veganized, went geocaching, started writing a novel, made up a bedtime story, gardened, created a Tiffany lamp, and went fly fishing, to name a few.

Thank you for playing and we hope that books continue to inspire you all year long!

Seeking Volunteers for the Teen Advisory Board

Looking for a résumé booster? Need some volunteer hours for school? Want a good community service activity for your college applications? Or simply bored and want a fun way to help out and meet new people? We have what you are looking for. Volunteer to be a part of the library's Teen Advisory Board!

TAB members meet once a month to plan

teen programs, suggest materials for the library to purchase, and help out with special projects.

There are also lots of opportunities to lend a hand at library programs, assist the library staff with tasks or create your own cool project. This is your opportunity to turn your great ideas into reality. We also have special TAB-only events and swag. It is a fun way to meet new

people, do interesting things and make a difference in your community.

All you have to do is be at least 13 years old and in 8th grade or higher. If you are under 18, you will need a parent's permission (But hey, that's not a problem—parents love this kind of stuff.) Visit our [TAB website](#) to fill out the application and bring it into the library. You can also just stop by,

ask for LuCinda and get the ball rolling. We are looking for teens who are creative, enthusiastic, team workers, and library lovers.

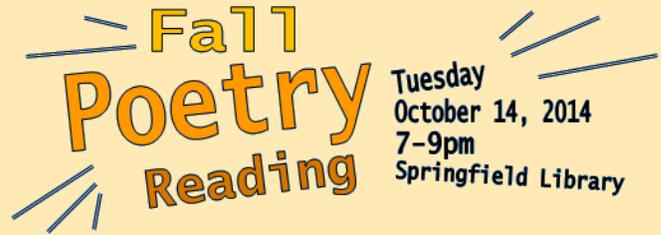
Hey, that sounds like you!



Poetry, Poets & Dedication: Working with the Oregon Poetry Association

A poetry partnership exists between the library and the [Oregon Poetry Association](#) with readings at the Springfield Library in April and October each year. Each reading highlights three Oregon poets with varied bodies of work and expertise. For the past four years, Nancy Carol Moody and Sharon Munson from the Oregon Poetry Association (who are both poets themselves), invited poets who

complemented each other's styles, yet offered diverse points of view. After this fall's event, they will be passing this role to another local poet, Jenny Root, who will continue the tradition of this partnership in exploring poetry. "To work with Nancy and Sharon has been a delight," says librarian Carrie Schindele-Cupples. "They spend time and bring serious thoughtfulness to their



invitations. And through knowing them, I've become acquainted with their own fantastic verse. I thank them for their friendship and all that they have brought to the series."

Please join us for the fall reading to be held inside the library on Oct. 14 from 7-9pm with former Oregon Poet Laureate, Paulann Petersen, Chris Anderson and Harriot West.

Stories: Reading for Meaning in Our Lives



Sharing a story forms a secret. When we sit and read with someone—a spouse, a child, a friend—

we create a unique experience all our own. Each reading is unique. As we grow and learn so does our understanding of the story. We form bonds with the characters and places on the pages. We fight valiantly, we weep, we cheer, and we laugh. We talk a lot about how "good" reading is for children, and it is. It is essential. But too often we forget that a love of stories inspires so much more. I

would encourage you today to sit down with a child and share a story. Share one of their favorites, or share one from your own childhood. Use a book, use the clouds, use only your voice – but share a story. Create a memory that will inspire for a lifetime. Every child, every story, is important. I have been to Paris with Madeline and my grandmother; my first visit to a Laundromat was with Cor-

duroy and my mother. Richard Scarry taught me more words than I knew what to do with! My mother always said that she'd never seen the ocean. In fact, she had taken me there years ago when Miss Rumphius gathered her lupines. The singular treasure of sharing a story with a child is vivid memory and belief in fathomless possibility.

Taylor Worley,
Youth Services Librarian

Volunteer Spotlight: Ruth & Flynn

Ruth Haberman and her granddaughter, Flynn, just spent another summer together in the book stacks at our library. Ruth, a retired academic and public reference librarian, weeds through the collection, pulling books that are out-of-date or no longer getting checked out, and Flynn assists.

What makes this relationship extra special is that Flynn works as Ruth's "eyes" as they take books off the shelves. Ruth has macular degeneration, a condition that has left her

with low vision for the past few years.

A lifelong reader, Ruth has adapted in many ways to overcome the obstacle of losing her sight. She uses the audiobooks from the [Talking Book and Braille Library](#) to listen to books, including favorite authors like Bill Bryson. She also uses a page magnifier to look at documents and articles and notices that she is more aware of colors and auditory cues.

Flynn, who will be in the 8th grade this year, says about her volunteer work, "I enjoy being able to sur-

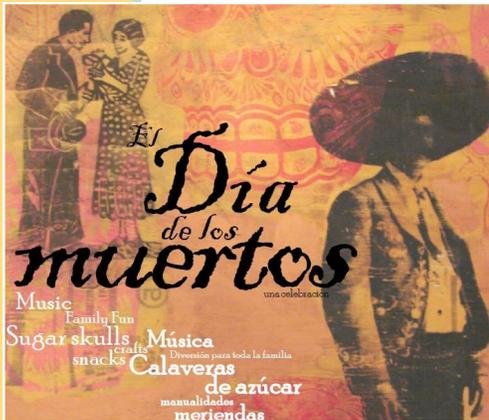
round myself with books and know my way around the library." And she adds, "I just love being here with Grandma."

When Flynn is in school, friend and fellow volunteer, Cindy Howland, assists Ruth during their weekly volunteer shift.

Ruth's dedication and professional experience helps the library make room for new titles and keep the collection current. We thank her for her dedication and help, as well as Flynn and Cindy for working with Ruth to continue these good deeds!



The Library's Annual Celebration of Day of the Dead/Día de los Muertos



Each year the Library celebrates the Day of the Dead/Día de los Muertos at the end of October. This holiday is traditional in many parts of the world and celebrates the cycle of life. This year's celebration will take place on Saturday, October 25, from 2-4pm. We will have traditional Latin American Music and dancers. There will be sugar skulls to decorate and other traditional crafts for kids. Light snacks, including pan de muerto, will be served. We will also have a traditional Muertos altar on display in the library. This event is free and fun for the whole family.

Cada año la biblioteca celebra el Día de los Muertos al final de octubre. Esta fiesta es tradicional en muchas partes del mundo y celebra el ciclo de vida. La celebración de este año llevará a cabo el sábado, 25 de octubre, de 2-4pm. Tendremos música latinoamericana y bailarines tradicionales. Habrá calaveras de azúcar para decorar y otras artes tradicionales para niños. También tendremos un altar de Muertos tradicional en exhibición en la biblioteca. Habrán bocadillos ligeros, incluyendo pan de muerto. Este evento es gratis y divertido para toda la familia.



Apply Now for Heritage Arts Grants

The Springfield Arts Commission's annual [Heritage Arts Grant program](#) is now open for grant applications for 2014-15 programming.

The Heritage Arts Grant program provides monetary grants to Springfield groups that are involved in Spring-

field's cultural life. The goal of the program is to encourage community-based, arts-related public programs. Grants range in amount from \$100 to \$500.

Applications may be submitted at any time but are reviewed only 3 times per

year. The submission deadlines for the 2014-15 Fiscal Year are: September 23, 2014; January 20, 2015; and, April 21, 2015

In the 2013-14 fiscal year, grants were awarded to: the Emerald Art Center; Past Prime -Time Players; SAfER; SMART; Springfield School

District; West Winds Flute Choir; and, UKetoberfest.

Download the applications here:

[Application PDF](#)
[Application MS WORD](#)

A New Arrival, but Not Books!

Congratulations to our Latino Liaison Librarian Kristen and her husband Andrew on their new arrival, Ross.

The new dad says, "Ross's favorite thing to do is eat. He's always up for a good meal." And Kristen says, "We're looking forward to our first lapsit storytime, once he's awake for more of the day (unless you have a wee hours storytime...3am?)."

We hope Kristen and Andrew have fun with the little one, and we look forward to seeing them at our library programs during REGULAR hours!



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