



**Ocean Shores  
Friends of the Library  
SPRING 2024 Newsletter**

*The FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY  
[FOL] is an independent group  
dedicated to providing support and  
advocacy for our library.*

**Message from the President**

Planning for summer programming at your library is starting and volunteers are needed. Now is the time for you to get involved. This is a great way to meet fellow FOL Members and to have some fun! Below is a list of the summer events sponsored by FOL. If you have the time, PLEASE volunteer. All it takes is a message to the FOL gmail account, [OS.lib.friends@gmail.com](mailto:OS.lib.friends@gmail.com).

--25 April, George Washington at the Library for Patriot Week, Chairperson NEEDED

--15 May, Victorian Tea Party, Chairperson NEEDED

--20 June, Summer reading kick off (Brain Freeze) with Ice Cream Bars, Chairpersons Lisa and Doug White

--19 July, 2nd Annual National Hot Dog Celebration, Chairperson NEEDED

--23 August, Smokey the Bear birthday (80 years old), Chairperson NEEDED

--28 September, Fall Festival, Chairperson NEEDED

--18/25 October, Author Fair, Chairpersons Lisa and Doug White

**Make a difference in your library and VOLUNTEER TODAY!**

**-Mary Jo "MJ" Conibear-Lohren**

## **2024 FOL Officers**

President – Mary Jo Lohrenz  
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Member at Large– Karen Fantz  
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Member at Large– Kathy Baker

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                                  Membership: Malinda Griffin  
                                  Hospitality: Ellen Bagley  
                                  Book Sale: Kathy Baker  
                                  Book Store / Donations: Mary Jo Lohrenz  
                                  Social Media: Alex Suarez  
                                  Newsletter: Kathy Baker

We would like to extend a warm welcome our new FOL members who have join since December:

Mary Lou Turbush  
Anne Westlund

Doug White  
Peggy Hartman

Jeanette Carroll  
Dina Hebling

## **UPCOMING FOL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS**

### **April 8, 2024**

Friends of the Library member and attorney **Gregory Lucas** will do a presentation on “**Patriot Week 2024**”. Gregory is the Washington State President of the Sons of the American Revolution, and the organizer of Patriot Week 2024. He will talk about the genesis of Patriot Week 2024, the importance of the events, and why Patriot Week 2024 matters to *you*. Plan to spend 20 riveting minutes with a man who will challenge your thinking, and cause you to think differently about history. Bring your friends. You won’t want to miss it.

### **May 13, 2024 – To Be Announced**

### **June 10, 2024**

**Kara McDermott** with the Ocean Shores Fire Department will do a presentation on “**What does your Ocean Shores Fire Department Offer to Residents**”. Kara will talk about the services beyond lifesaving duties that the Fire Department offers and answer your questions.

Come join us for Social Time at 1:30 and the meeting at 2:00 on the Second Monday of each month.



FOL is instrumental in supporting children, adult and teen library programs as well as having provided the new pavilion rugs and the computers, among other requested library items. Attend the meetings and find out what's happening now and what is planned for the future. FOL welcomes you and your ideas, so join us and be a part of keeping our library growing!

## **National Library Week April 7 – 13**

**Thank you to everyone who made donations to helped with or shopped at the March FOL Book Sale! Thanks to all of you we raised \$592.25 to support library programs for all ages. Please join us in May for the next sale – see details below.**

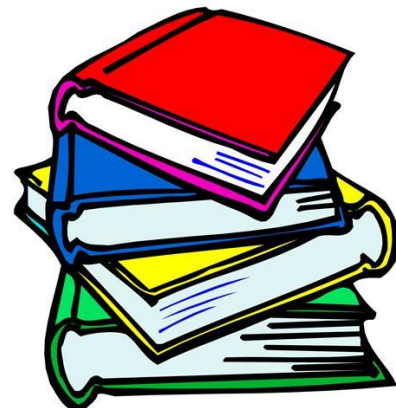
### **Friends of the Library Book Sale**

**Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup> 12:00pm – 3:00pm**

**Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup> 10:00am – 3:00pm**

Come, bring your friends, and get your summer reading material at the **Big, Big Book Sale!** We have books for adults, teens and children, as well as DVDs, Audiobooks and Music CDs.

**See you there!**



# Library Events

(As always, there are a lot of great programs coming up at the library, so get comfy, grab your beverage of choice and read on!)

## Children's Programs



### Story Time

**Saturdays at 10:30 – 11:00 AM**

Books, rhymes, interactive stories, songs and FUN for ages birth through five.

Presented by Niko

April 6<sup>th</sup> – Giggles/Nonsense  
April 13<sup>th</sup> – Library Fun  
April 20<sup>th</sup> – Garden/Flowers  
April 27<sup>th</sup> – Bugs/Insects

May 4<sup>th</sup> – Space  
May 11<sup>th</sup> – Mothers  
May 18<sup>th</sup> – Spring  
May 25<sup>th</sup> – Feathers/Wings

June 1<sup>st</sup> – Summer  
June 8<sup>th</sup> – Sea/Ocean  
June 15<sup>th</sup> – Fathers  
June 22<sup>nd</sup> – Squares/Boxes  
June 29<sup>th</sup> – Triangles/Trees



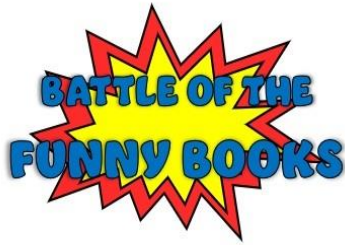
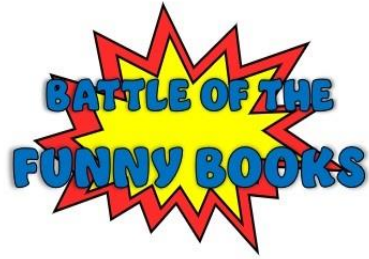
### LEGO Building Tournament

**Saturday April 6<sup>th</sup> 1:00pm - 3:00pm**

**Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> 1:00pm – 3:00pm**

**Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup> 1:00pm – 3:00pm**

Are you a fast or creative LEGO builder? All elementary age children are invited to the LEGO Building Tournament. Show us your building skills in each of the fun challenges and you may be awarded a “Top Builder” trophy!



## Battle of the Funny Books

April 14<sup>th</sup> – August 11<sup>th</sup>

Love to read? Love funny book? 16 fun children's books have been chosen for a Battle of the Funny Books Tournament. Read as many of the as you can and vote on which one you think is funniest in each round!

**Round 1 – “Sweet 16 Books” April 14<sup>th</sup>-June 2<sup>nd</sup>**

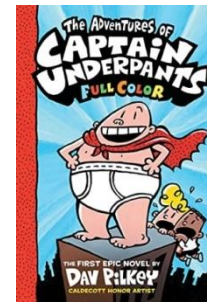
**Round 2 – “Elite 8 Books” June 3<sup>rd</sup>-July 7<sup>th</sup>**

**\*Book titles and voting sheets are available in the children's section at the library.**

### Kid's Extravaganza

**Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> 1:00-2:00 pm**

Elementary age children are invited to “**Captain Underpants Extravaganza**”!  
Join us for a superhero craft, goofy games, trivia and more at this fun library program.



## What Makes A Plant Grow?

Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> 12:00pm – 3:00pm

Children 5-10 years old are invited to a free creative and fun workshop where they will learn all about the different parts of plants while making their own artistic masterpieces!

Pre-registration will begin in May.



# TEEN EVENTS



## Teen Advisory Board Meeting

7-12 grade students are invited to attend this meeting. The TAB meets monthly and helps library staff plan teen events, select new materials for the library, and promote the library among their peers. For more information email Michelle at [mtraer@osgov.com](mailto:mtraer@osgov.com)

Monday, April 8 <sup>th</sup>	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Monday, May 13 <sup>th</sup>	3:00pm – 4:00pm
Monday, June 10 <sup>th</sup>	3:00pm – 4:00pm

## Teen Zone

Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup> 3:00pm – 5:00pm

The library is open for 7-12 grade students to come hang out after school with friends. There will be video games and movies to enjoy. Snacks and drinks are provided. (No Teen Zone in May)



## Teen Summer Reading Kick Off Party



**Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup> 3:00pm-5:00 p.m.**

Young adults in grades 7-12 are encouraged to come and sign up for the Teen Summer Reading Program, “**Adventure Begins at the Library**”, and enjoy a ‘Sundae Bar’ and games. This year, teens will earn prizes by counting the hours they read. At the finale in August, participants will be in the drawing for grand prizes such as gift certificates to local businesses, sweatshirts, t-shirts, and more.

## For Tweens, Teens & Adults

### Dungeons & Dragons Game Night

**Fridays 4:30pm - 7:30pm**

Program open to everyone ages 10 and up. No prior experience is required; players of all experience levels are welcome! All materials provided.

**No D & D May 24<sup>th</sup> or June 21st**

### Virtual Reality (VR)

**Saturday April 20th 1:00pm - 4:00pm**

A whole world of immersive experiences awaits!



Come Experience VR, from experiences like a tour of the International Space Station, walking on the beach, or be in the middle of the action in a 360 degree video. Enjoy immersive games that allow you to fly a plane, or be a chef at a fancy restaurant.

Please call or visit the library to reserve your experience

**AGES 13 AND UP**

**Also Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> 1:00pm – 4:00pm**

**No VR program in June**

# Adult Programs

**Hang on tight, folks! There's a LOT of programs JUST FOR YOU!**

### Book Group

Book Group meets on the **3rd Monday at 3:00 PM** in the Library Meeting Room. Ocean Shores Friends of the Library sponsors this program, and purchase 10 copies of each title to be checked out for 2 weeks. Books are kept in the work room, so ask the staff at the circulation desk for a copy.

If **you** would like to be added to the Book Group email list, contact Michelle Traer at [mtraer@osgov.com](mailto:mtraer@osgov.com).

<u>Date</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Genre</u>
April 15	Are You There, God? It's Me, Margaret	Judy Blume	Fiction
May 20	Shallow Waters	Kay Jennings	Fiction
June 17	Spanish Daughter	Lorena Hughes	Fiction

## NEW!!!

### Tax Preparation Service

Free In-Person

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide for all ages

No Appointments - First come first serve

**Thursdays 10:00am – 2:00pm**  
**February 1– April 11**

**Fridays 10:00am – 2:00pm**  
**February 2 – April 12**

### BYOB – Bring Your Own Book

(I know, not what you thought, huh?)

A new book discussion group is starting up at the Library!  
Meet fellow book lovers, and talk about what you have been reading recently, or find a new title to try!

**Wednesday April 17<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm - 6:00pm**  
**Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm – 6:00pm**  
**Wednesday, June 19<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm – 6:00pm**





### **Computer class: Android Phone basics**

**Wednesday April 17th      9:30am – 10:30am**

If your smartphone isn't an iPhone, chances are you have an Android. Learn about general features that all Android phones share, and explore the Google Play store, where you can find all sorts of apps to expand how you use your phone.

### **Computer class: iPhone Basics**

**Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>      9:30am – 10:30am**

Want to understand your iPhone better? Transitioning from Android to iPhone? Making the leap from your flip phone? This month's computer class is all about the Basic functions of your iPhone, with the aim of exploring all that your device has to offer an enjoyable experience.



### **Computer class: "Appy Hour"**

**Wednesday, June 19<sup>th</sup>      9:30am – 10:30am**

From apps that help ID plants, to language learning apps, there is an App out there to interest everyone. We will also dispel some of the common misconceptions about apps. Bring your questions and your curiosity as we explore the app store.



**Patriot Week - Bring History Alive**  
**Sons of American Revolution**

**Genealogy Cafes**

**April 23rd - 25th 11:00am - 3:00pm**

Schedule an appointment with genealogist Carrie to gather information about your ancestors. Leave with tools to continue researching your heritage.

**Call or text (206) 276-7889**

**Patriot Chest**

**April 24th 12:30pm-1:30pm All Ages**

Revolutionary War uniformed soldier will literally bring history to your hands. Explore a Continental Uniform Jacket, a Mop Cap, a Waist Coat, a Shut the Box game, Spy Coins, Quilt Flags - Betsy Ross, a Sun Dial, a Candle Lantern, Spanish Currency, a Pressed Tea Brick, Fire Making Tools, Writing Quills/Ink, and Bees Wax.

**An Afternoon with George Washington**

**April 25<sup>th</sup> 3:30pm – 4:30pm**

Actor Vern Frykholm portrays George Washington with an authentic, lively, and engaging characterization about the man, his character, his challenges and events that shaped his life. The presentation captivates early history by engaging senses and emotions.



## **FREE Plant Exchange - Celebrate Earth Week**

**Friday April 26th 12:00pm (Noon) - 3:00pm**

Bring a plant. Take a plant. Equal exchanges. All indoor/ outdoor plants, seeds and bulbs are welcome. Attendees may also bring extra plants to give away. Label your plants. The WSU Extension Master Gardeners of Grays Harbor/Pacific Counties will be available to answer questions on gardening and plant care.

WSU Extension programs and employment are available without discrimination. Evidence of noncompliance may be reported through your local WSU Extension office. Reasonable accommodations will be made for persons with disabilities and special needs. Please make all requests to WSU Extension 360-482-2934 at least two weeks prior to the event.

## **Aromatherapy**

**Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> 2:00pm – 2:30pm**

Please join Certified Aromatherapist Christa Rogers for an informative and fun class.

Participants are invited to design their own aromatherapy spray to take home with them. Options are to create a face spray, body spray, room freshener or linen spray. Aromatherapy spritzers make great Mother's Day gifts!

This class may not be appropriate for those with sensitivity to essential oils.

## **Afternoon Tea Time**

**Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> 2:00pm – 3:00pm**

Sample various teas along with refreshments. Learn about the history and etiquette of tea .Bring your favorite/special tea cup. Dress for afternoon tea if you like.

Teas will be available for purchase, cash and cards only.

**Participation is limited, call the library to register.**

Claire Hollenbaugh  
The Fancy Accent Tea Company  
360-310-3770  
FancyAccentTeas.com



A thirst for adventure and a 2008 marriage proposal brought Claire from the shires of middle England to the cornfields of middle -America where she quickly learned that ordering a cup of tea meant paying for a mug of microwaved water and a packet of dust to dip in it. A chance meeting with another Brit a couple of years later resulted in collaboration to open a tearoom and a mission to teach America how to make a real cup of tea. Good tea + British Accents was a perfect recipe for success!

Relocation to the West Coast in 2015 provided the opportunity to start The Fancy Accent Tea Company and to share her increasing tea expertise with the state that taught the world to love a good cup of coffee.



## UNDER THE ASH A Pilot's Story



At 12:30 pm on May 18, 1980, National Guard helicopter pilot Mike Cairns flew beneath the ash cloud and into the crater of the Mt. St. Helens volcanic eruption. In the days ahead, as Mike and his crew flew search & rescue missions, they documented the devastation with hundreds of photographs. Their missions would lead to three pilots and five crew members receiving the Valley Forge Cross. Mike was one of those three pilots to receive the National Guard's highest award for heroism. Join him as he presents his photographs in newly digitized format and shares his remarkable experience in the wake of one of the greatest volcanic explosions ever recorded in North America.

**THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2024**

**12:00 - 1:30 PM**

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**Let's Talk...Personal Finances:**  
**Solving Your Financial Puzzle – One Piece at a Time**  
**Wednesday, May 29<sup>th</sup> 1:00pm – 4:00pm**

Join our panel as they cover topics of financial interest for everyone.

**Patricia Walker**  
**Manager**

Key Bank, Aberdeen

Topic:  
**Financial Wellness**

**Miles Longenbaugh**  
**Financial Advisor**

Edward Jones, Ocean Shores

Topics:  
**Market Volatility during**  
**Election Cycles**  
**&**  
**Inflation Impact on Markets**

**Gregory Lucas**  
**Attorney**

Lucas & Lucas, Bellevue

Topic:  
**Estate Planning**

After speaking on their particular topics in a panel discussion, the breakout session which follows will allow each presenter to speak with audience members to answer individual questions.

Take this opportunity to meet with experienced professionals for insights into managing your finances now and into the future.

*This is the first of an ongoing series of educational programs on topics of interest to the community, sponsored by the **Ocean Shores Library Foundation.***



**All About Pickleball**  
**Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup> 2:00pm - 3:00pm**

An introduction to the fastest growing sport in the US, Pickleball. There will be several of the regulars who play at Damon Park courts. We will cover the basic rules, equipment and weather permitting provide a quick demonstration. If pickleball is something you've wanted to learn about and try, please come by. And if you like what you hear and see at the library, we hope you join us at Damon Park to try it out. You will quickly discover the health benefits and enjoyment of the game and your fellow pickleball players.

## **Museum of the North Beach**

**Wednesday, June 19<sup>th</sup>  
2:00pm – 3:00pm**

We are the first and only museum to celebrate the incredible history of the entire North Beach, from Ocean Shores to the Quinault Reservation and east to Copalis Crossing and Newton.



Our history is unique and diverse:

The Quinault Indian Nation, the homesteaders with their stories of greed and success, the sea otter hunters, the countless shipwrecks making us part of the Graveyard of the Pacific, the logging of massive trees creating thousands of jobs in so many shingle and lumber mills, the salmon and razor clam canneries, the end of the line of the Northern Pacific Railway, and the thousands of tourists who came to our beaches 100 years ago. All this makes the North Beach a fascinating story.



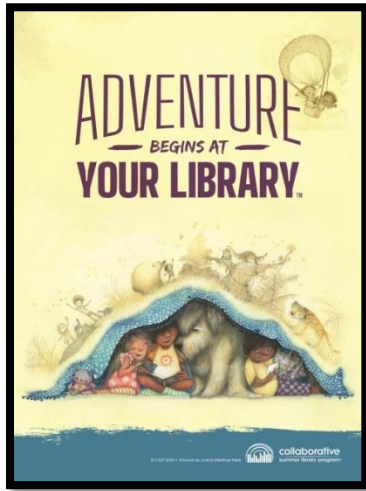
### **Museum of the North Beach**

4658 State Rt 109, Moclips, WA 98562-5001

[360 276 4441](tel:3602764441)

Open Friday – Sunday 11:00am – 4:00pm

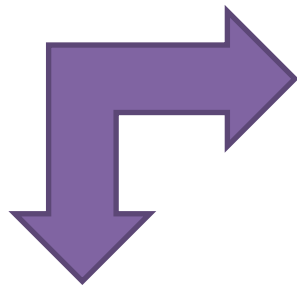
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# 2024 Summer Reading Program!

**Lots of fun for the whole family!**

**Sign up for the exciting Children's, Teen and Adult Programs**



## **Summer Reading Kick Off** **Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup> 1:00pm – 3:00pm**

Celebrate the summer reading program for 2024 with an ice cream social 1:00pm and a magic show with Jeff Evans 2:00pm.

**All ages invited**



### **Amazing Magic Show** **June 20<sup>th</sup> 2:00pm**

Jeff Evans' career as a professional magician began from a book at the library, proof that anything you want to learn can be learned by reading. His peers in magic named him "Seattle's Funniest Magician." ParentMap Magazine awarded him a "Golden Teddy" for Best Live Entertainment... two consecutive years. Prepare to be amazed!





## **Leapin' Louie!**

Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup> 2:00pm – 3:00p

David Lichtenstein specializes in western comedy shows featuring his comedy character, Leapin' Louie. He is a master of physical comedy, trick roping, fancy whip cracking, juggling, unicycling, a virtuoso of new vaudeville and alternative circus. He creates custom shows for companies, festivals, schools, and theaters and has performed these shows in 26 different countries.

## **Display Case**

### **April**

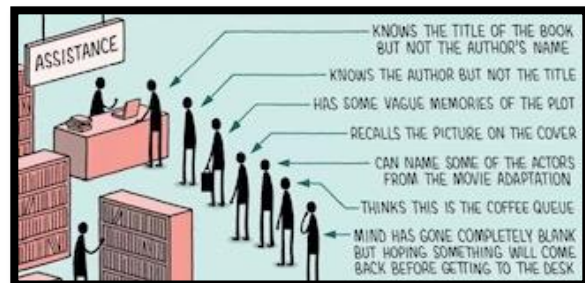
Dennis Rudolph - Railroad Memorabilia

### **May**

Roseanne Jacobs - Collectible Dolls

### **June**

WSU Extension Master Gardeners of Grays Harbor/Pacific Counties





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# Art in the Library

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## April

### Susan La Madrid

Susan LaMadrid is sharing various watercolor and photography scenes from our coast and her travels.



## May

### Joanna Matyska

I paint to celebrate the beauty in the world. I paint to give joy. I paint to heal.  
I paint love.

My glass captures a moment of my soul shining through and it holds it forever. It becomes a part of the Universe.

I am called to serve and give back to the society. I donate all the proceeds to Food Bank and PAWS, so both the humans and the animals get to eat. Giving is an integral part of my artistic experience.



## June

### Michael Depue

I have had a long and very satisfying career as a professional cabinet maker in Oklahoma and Texas. I worked with a lot of very beautiful woods. As many people who have made things out of wood have learned, there are always pieces leftover after a project is finished. It was hard for me to throw away the more useful looking of the scrap pieces and eventually ended up with a VERY large pile of unuseful but beautiful scrap wood. These pictures are the result of my tinkering with, and attempts to keep the scraps from being thrown away. All the pictures are made using different colors and types of wood. I've enjoyed making these more than I enjoyed making cabinets.



# Library Services

## Kanopy

The library has Kanopy, a movie streaming service available that is **FREE** with your library card.



## **Book a Techie**

Need help understanding Microsoft Office products?

Want help learning how to use the library's downloadable media on your tablet, phone, e-reader, or laptop?

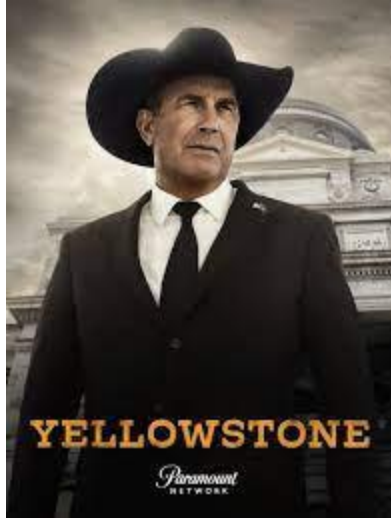
Need help learning how to use a computer in general?

- 30 minute face to face session.**
- Sign up by giving us a short description of what you wish to learn, and setting an appointment time either in person or over the phone.**
- Appointments are subject to Techie's availability and knowledge.**

## Gallery of Ocean Shores

The gallery shares a wide variety of art in the library above the new nonfiction and holds shelves.





### **Collection Highlights: Television Series**

The collection of television series is continuing to expand, with shows like Yellowjackets, The Sopranos, and Yellowstone. Catch up on the must watch series that you may have missed, or find an entirely new series to love!

### **Zoom Capable Meeting Rooms**

The library has all the equipment you might need for a zoom call available to check out for your next meeting in either of our meeting rooms. Ask at the desk for more information about the equipment.



Read the Seattle Times and other newspapers in full-text with images online with your library card.



# Library Armchair Traveler



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OPEN Tue – Sat 11:00-5:00  
OPEN Sundays 12:00-4:00

### **Library Director**

Keitha Owen



The [British Library](#) in London, England is the largest library in Europe and the second largest library in the world with a slightly smaller collection than the Library of Congress. Currently, the British Library has more than 150 million items in its catalogue and 3 million new items are added every year.

Not only is the British Library's collection large, the actual building is also quite impressive. The British Library is the largest public building constructed in the United Kingdom in the 20<sup>th</sup> century and has a total floor area of 12,000 square meters (129,166.93 square feet).

### **Did You Know?**

The [basement of the British Library is over 24.5 meters \(80.4 feet\) deep](#), which is equivalent to an eight-story building.

### **Editor's Note**

*Spring is springing all around us suddenly, and it is beautiful to watch the world renew itself with the warming weather. Take the time to enjoy a sunset (or sunrise) on the beach, listen to the birdsong in the morning, and let the peace of nature fill your soul. Then pick up a new book and read.*

*-Kathy*