

Ocean Shores Friends of the Library

Summer 2021 Newsletter

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

Message from the President

Ocean Shores Friends of the Library members,

We hope to resume our "normal" activities this fall - you'll see more specifics later in this newsletter. I want to remind you of some of the volunteer opportunities available to all members. Our most popular event, and biggest fundraiser, is our monthly book sale. To make that happen, we need volunteers to collect donated items daily once we have the donation box outside again. We can't have a book sale without all of those donations! We also need a LOT of volunteers on the actual book sale weekends. These volunteers help set up the tables in the meeting room and sort and place all the donated items. We will need several people each day during the book sale to help our shoppers and to collect money. We always welcome first-time volunteers, and pair you with the "old hands" so you will have a lot of support. Once the sale is over, volunteers are needed to pack up the remaining books and put the meeting room back in order.

We also welcome your help on our committees: Event Planning, Membership, Hospitality, Newsletter, and Promotions. We also would like to start a "Be a Friend" Ambassador to share information with the public and encourage more participation. We will again be holding elections for our FOL executive committee positions and would like your help with those. Don't worry, these are committees, but we don't have a lot of meetings. Mostly we need your ideas and enthusiasm.

As a reminder, FOL supports the Ocean Shores Public Library in some especially important and useful ways. We support the Summer Reading Programs for children, the adult book group, Children's story time and special events. In the past, we've provided computers for the public to use and purchased some of the furnishings used in the library.

Watch your email for specific opportunities, and please consider helping!

Thank you all!

Malinda

FOL Officers

President – Malinda Griffin Vice President – Pam Clark Treasurer – Mary Jo Lohrenz Secretary – PJ Ford Slack Member at Large (2 yr) – Judy Gow Member at Large (2 yr) – Sharon Coone Member at Large (1 yr) – Diane Durbin Current Membership - 102

What's Happening This Summer with the Friends?

(Read to Find Out!)

FOL DONATION DAYS

Are you holding onto items that you would like to donate to the FOL Sale? The July and August Donation Days have been set. **On July 11 and August 8 (both Sundays) donations will be accepted Noon - 2 pm.** Items accepted include Books, DVD's, CD's, Puzzles, Table Games, Education Games and Materials. All items must be clean and free of mold, mildew and unwanted smells. Children's Books, Adult Fiction and DVD's are in high demand and would be welcome items. Hope to see you at the FOL Donation Days at the Ocean Shores Library! Tell your friends and neighbors too.

BOOK SALE WEEK ENDS

One of the most asked questions we receive is "When will book sales start again?" **FOL is hoping** that book sales will begin again in the fall of 2021. Until the library is reopened and all restrictions are removed the sales cannot be offered. Once the sale date is set we will be in need of many volunteers, as everyone has been waiting eagerly for these sales. If you have never volunteered before, please consider giving a couple hours to help with the sale. Our volunteer coordinator will be sending out a message as soon as the dates are firm.

Until the sales begin, remember you can shop the shelves in the meeting room of the library during open hours of operation (if there is not a meeting in the room). There is also a shelf of books in the entryway. Payment boxes are available in the Meeting Room and on the side of the shelf in the entry. Suggested donation is \$.50 cents per book, DVD's \$1.00. Other items will be marked when available.

THANK YOU for your continued support of the FOL Book Sales.

AMAZON SMILE

Do you make purchases from Amazon? Did you know that you can select Ocean Shores Friends of the Library to receive a donation for each of your purchases through the *AmazonSmile* Program? Just select FOL and each time you make a purchase FOL receives a donation. A check is received every quarter and in the first 5 months of 2021 we have received \$79.98. Every donation helps. Thank you to all that have made these great donations happen and I hope that more people will select Ocean Shores Friends of the Library through *AmazonSmile*.

Did You Know?

(And if you did already know, well...hmm)

Among the more <u>popular</u> genres in prison libraries: paranormal romance, young adult titles, and the *Left Behind* series.

FOL Treasurer Report – Provided by Mary Jo Lohrenz, Treasurer 1 January - 31 May 2021

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<u>INCOME</u>	
Book Bags	44.00
Copy Machine	143.00
Donation	346.00
Honesty Box Sales	1337.60
Membership	100.00
Amazon Smile Donation	79.98
TOTAL INCOME	2050.58
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<u>EXPENSES</u>	22.40
EXPENSES Bookstore supplies	23.49
-	23.49 108.80
Bookstore supplies	
Bookstore supplies Coastal Mowing	108.80
Bookstore supplies Coastal Mowing Copy Machine	108.80 32.38
Bookstore supplies Coastal Mowing Copy Machine Insurance	108.80 32.38 566.00
Bookstore supplies Coastal Mowing Copy Machine Insurance Library Programs	108.80 32.38 566.00 1500.00

Account balances as of 31 May 2021

2541.85

-- Checking Account 2009.08

TOTAL EXPENSE

- --Savings Account 11,619.97
- --CD 25,689.43 (renewed 5 May 2021)

FOL Membership

Current FOL membership categories are as follows:

\$15 year / Individual

\$25 year / Family

\$25 year / Business

\$100 one time / Lifetime Individual

\$175 one time / Lifetime Family (family members living in your household)

Current memberships have been extended to 2022 due to Covid, which means if someone joins now, they will not need to renew their membership for 2 years!

If you have multiple family members in your household, it just might be a better value to opt for a Lifetime Family membership when joining or when renewing in 2022 rather than multiple Individual memberships. Think about it.

Also, please remember that, due to liability reasons, non- members may not volunteer at FOL events. Thank you for your support.

Library News



At the time of publication it is not known if the library operating hour and services will change. Please check the webpage for current information – www.oslibrary.info

Having said that, please note that current hours of operation are Tuesday-Saturday, from 12-3 PM. Curbside service has been concluded. No appointment is needed to come in and use library services.

Interested in Ocean Shores History?

Ocean Shores Heritage Project volunteers are seeking old photographs, historical text and maps of Ocean Shores for the Washington Rural Heritage Project. The online collection,

<u>www.washingtonruralheritage.org</u>, is visual and oral histories of our community. Call the Ocean Shores Library, 360-289-3919, to share your items. All materials will be returned to owners.

AND DON'T FORGET.....

The library is constantly ordering new items for all genres and ages. Check the catalog to see the list of new items at www.oslibrary.info.

Don't forget about free e-books and audio books via the Washington Anytime Library icon on the web page.

Daily complete issues of the Seattle Times Newspaper (as well as searching other titles) are available on the web page. Go to Services/Washington Newspapers/Seattle Times.

Adult Book Group

Book Group will be meeting in person at the library on the third Friday of each month at 3:15PM. Current selections are as follows:

July 16 The Giver by Lois Lowry

August 20 Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet by Jamie Ford

September 17 Educated by Tara Westover

The Friends of the Library support this program and purchase copies of the books to check out for 2 weeks.

Meeting Room Booking Available-

The Ocean Shores Library meeting room is available for groups to reserve. Any previous bookings are null and void and your group will need to fill out a new meeting room agreement form. Here is a link to the online form on the library website, https://www.oslibrary.info/services/meeting-room-agreement-form.html. The schedule is first come, first served.

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.
- ◆ Techie cannot help with hardware problems.

Call the Library at:

360-289-3919

Open Hours: 12-3pm Tuesday – Saturday

Phones Answered: 11-3pm Tuesday - Saturday

Covid Guidelines are being observed in the library

Kid's Craft Adventures!

Each month elementary children/parents can pick up a themed craft kit at the library. Inside the kit will be a fun craft, a list of library books related to the theme. Create all kinds of stories of your own using these crafts and your imagination. **1 craft kit per child**



July 2021
Theme-Water Creatures
Handprint Fish Craft

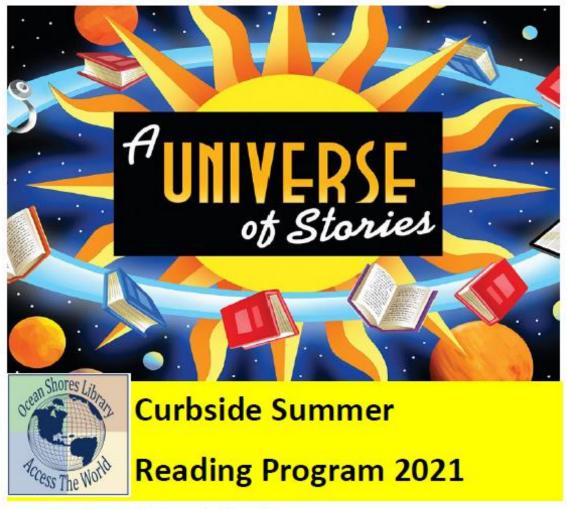


August 2021
Theme-Outdoors
Camp Scene Box Craft



September 2021
Theme-Safari
Safari Animal Cup Craft

Each month's kit can be picked up during open hours.



EAD this summer and receive prizes!



Starting June 18th....children and teens can sign-up at the outside Summer Reading Station



Receive a prize each Friday for reading the required amount

573 Pt Brown Ave NW www.oslibrary.info 360-289-3919

READ THE SEATTLE TIMES

with the touch of your finger

Daily printing of a full image of every page: all articles, the comics, the crossword puzzle and more.





Accessible free on any device with internet and your current
Ocean Shores

library card number and the phone number

GO: Library webpage - oslibrary.info /Services/Washington
Newspapers/Seattle Times Collection

Also available—search specific topics in articles from newspapers in Washington and the World



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email: oslibrary@osgov.com



Jeff Evans

Magic Show!

Special Event for Kids Friday, August 6th 2 p.m. Ocean Shores Public Library

This event is part of the Summer Reading Program
Sponsored by the Friends of the Library

Ocean Shores Library Board of Trustees

OSL's governing board of trustees will begin meeting in person on Wednesday, July 14 at 10 a.m. in the meeting room. This replaces our virtual Zoom meetings during the pandemic. Subsequent meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m.

If you don't know the board members, please meet us at <u>Library Board - Ocean Shores Public Library (oslibrary.info)</u>: Denise Siers, President; Jeff Brittain, Vice-President; Alex Suarez, Secretary and members Jeni Cate and Susan Robinson. The library board web page also highlights the board developed mission and vision for our library, along with its strategic plan.

Always feel free to attend a board meeting or contact any one of us through the library. We welcome your input.

"I shall be miserable if I have not an excellent library." – Jane Austen *Pride and Prejudice*

Fortunately for all of us, we have one!

Note from the Editor.....

Happy summer, everyone! We are certainly kicking off the season with unprecedented weather, and hopefully you will all have some great beach reads, or DVDs from the library to recommend to others in the next newsletter. Stay safe and enjoy the excellent services of our library and its staff.

-Kathy Baker

"Books are a uniquely portable magic." - Stephen King