



## Ocean Shores Friends of the Library

### Summer 2022 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,

You may have noticed that we have not been collecting membership dues the last couple years. We are now trying to get back to normal, and that includes collecting dues and holding our monthly meeting the second Monday of the month at 2 pm in the library. You will get a letter in the mail in the next week or so asking for your continued support of FOL as a member. There is more information regarding membership and renewals on the next page.

-Malinda



### FOL Officers

President – Malinda Griffin  
Vice President – Pam Clark  
Treasurer – Diane Durbin  
Secretary – **Position Open**

Member at Large (2 yr) – Judy Gow  
Member at Large (2 yr) – Sharon Coone  
Member at Large (1 yr) – Kathy Baker

## ***About that Membership.....***

You will be getting a letter in the mail, if you have not already, asking for your continued support of FOL as a member. Dues are as follows:

\$15 for Annual Individual membership  
\$25 for Annual Family membership  
\$100 for Lifetime Individual membership  
\$175 for Lifetime Family membership

Dues can be mailed back to PO Box 852, Ocean Shores, or dropped off at the library.

**Here's a Bonus:** If you pay your dues by August 1<sup>st</sup>, you will receive 2 book bucks redeemable for any of our book sales – journey into your next story with a selection from the shelves in the library meeting room.

All funds collected by FOL support programs at the library, including Saturday morning children's hour, book clubs, summer reading programs, and the wildly popular summer programs for kids. Also, please take note of the volunteer opportunities listed on the renewal letter and mark where you would like to help. (If you paid dues in the last couple years your membership has been extended for another year already.) If you have any questions, please email me at [os.lib.friends@gmail.com](mailto:os.lib.friends@gmail.com). -Malinda

## **Other Ways to Support Friends of the Library:**

### **AMAZON SMILE**

When ordering items from Amazon please be sure to use AmazonSmile and select Ocean Shores Friends of the Library to receive a donation. Every little bit helps. THANK YOU.

### **BOOK STORE HOURS**

Remember the Library Meeting Room Book Store is open the same hours as the library, Tuesday - Saturday 11 am - 5 pm and Sunday Noon - 4 pm. Customers are welcome to shop as long as there is not a meeting scheduled in the room. Suggested prices for most books, games, and puzzles are 2 for \$1. DVD's \$1 each, and occasionally you will find some specially priced items. Your purchases help fund all the Special Programs offered at our amazing library.

### **ROUND UP CONTRIBUTIONS**

Local businesses have been very generous in supporting many Ocean Shores organizations through the Round Up program, Friends of the Library among them. **FOL received just under \$500 from the March Round Up at Ocean Sunset Pharmacy and Ocean Sunset Ship & Print.** Please thank these awesome businesses when you go in, and watch for future opportunities to give painlessly.

## ***More FOL Happenings-***

### **BOOK DONATIONS**

Donation Days are over and the Donation drop box is open again and ready for you. Items accepted include Books (Fiction & Non-Fiction), DVD's, CD's, Audio Books, Puzzles, and Games. All items must be clean and free of odors, mold and mildew. Thank you for your continued support. If your items do not fit into the "mouth" of the drop box, please bring them into the library.

### **BLOW OUT BOOK SALE + 50th ANNIVERSARY**

Mark your calendars for September 2-3 as the FOL Book Sale will be returning. Our first sale will be held in conjunction with the 50th Anniversary celebration for the Library and FOL in September. Friday, September 2nd will only be open for current paid FOL members (2-4 PM). Saturday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, the sale will be open to the general public from 10 am to 4 pm. Watch for further information regarding this sale and how you can help.

### **MUNCHERS WANTED**

Are you interested in helping process the items donated to FOL? Our goal is to have 2 volunteers each day in the library to help with this process, since with 2 volunteers each day there is always a backup person if you cannot come in. The process includes:

- emptying the donation deposit (THE MUNCHER)
- sorting the items by genre
- restocking the meeting room shelves and boxing the excess items.

Time required depends on how many items there are to process (can be as little as 15 minutes and on occasion 1 hour). All volunteers receive FOL Book Bucks for their time and first selection of all donated items. If you are interested in volunteering please contact the Bookstore Chairperson, Mary Jo, via the FOL Gmail Account ([os.lib.friends@gmail.com](mailto:os.lib.friends@gmail.com)). Currently we are in search of a second person for Friday and Saturday & 2 volunteers for Sunday. Volunteers can come in to process items anytime the Library Staff is in attendance. Your volunteer time makes a huge difference and is FUN!



The first official use of the Anneka van Dorninck Outdoor Pavilion at the Ocean Shores Library was a tremendous success! The Children's Summer Reading Program was kicked off with the attendance of 94 elementary age children and their families. Funding by the Friends of the Library provided chairs for use outdoors. This great turnout signaled a need for additional chairs for future events, for which the FOL Executive Board has approved purchase. Just another way that the Friends of the Library continue to support the programs at the Ocean Shores Library!

### ***Did You Know***

*Some libraries went to extraordinary lengths to make sure their titles remained on shelves. At Marsh's Library in Dublin, Ireland, visitors hoping to peruse rare books in the 1800s were locked in cages until they were done reading.*



### **Library Services**

#### **Library Hours**

Tuesday – Saturday      11:00 – 5:00  
Sundays                      12:00 – 4:00

[www.oslibrary.info](http://www.oslibrary.info)

[oslibrary@osgov.com](mailto:oslibrary@osgov.com)    360-289-3919

573 Point Brown Ave NW, Ocean Shores, WA 98569

### **Check Them Out!**

#### **Library Meeting Rooms**

The Library has two meeting rooms available for the public to use. The Large room is fully equipped for Zoom meetings!

#### **Book a Techie**

Schedule your half an hour session over the phone or in person and get answers to your tech questions. Techie cannot help with hardware issues.

Appointments must be scheduled 1-week in advance.

Current Ocean Shores Library Card required

#### **WiFi**

WiFi is available

6:00am–10:00pm at the Ocean Shores Library

No password needed

Users must agree to Terms of Use

# WHAT'S GOING ON AT THE LIBRARY THIS SUMMER?

## July and August Events

### Display Case

**Do you have a collection that you would like to share with the community? Does your organization want to do a display?**

#### **Lobby Displays/July - August 2022**

**July 2022: Kass Mort will be displaying her wonderful collection of Mermaids**

**August 2022: Jaxon Blonk's fabulous Dinosaur collection**

*"A reader lives a thousand lives before he dies . . . The man who never reads lives only one." – George R.R. Martin*

### **Book Group**

The Library Book Group meets on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Friday at 3:00 pm.** The Friends of the Library sponsor this program and purchase 10 copies of each title, which can be checked out for a 2 week period. If you would like to be added to the Book Group email list, contact Michelle Traer [\*\*@mtraer@osgov.com\*\*](mailto:@mtraer@osgov.com).

#### **Book Titles:**

**July 15, 2022 – "The Beekeeper of Aleppo" by Christy Lefteri (Fiction)**

**August 19, 2022 – "Giver of Stars" by Jojo Moyes (Fiction)**

**September 16, 2022 – Hidden Valley Road" by Robert Kolker (Non-Fiction)**

## Art in the Library

### **July – Michael Depue**

**Intarsia** is an ancient art form that originated in Italy using various materials that are found in nature. These wood-like original mosaics have no stain or artificial coloring. The natural colors create the picture. A little carving gives the wonderful 3-D Illusion. His one-of-a-kind pieces will awe you.



### **August – Karen Fox**

Colorful, textured, light-filled canvases capture the striking beauty of Mother Nature and the character of her four-legged and feathered creatures. This exhibit features oil paintings created mostly with the use of a palette knife. Karen moved to Ocean Shores last summer from Vashon Island, Washington. She has been painting since 1997.



## Children's Programs

### Story Time

Saturday mornings 10:30-11:00 am

Books rhymes, songs, interactive stories, and FUN! Ages birth-5. Presented by Niko

### Kid' Craft Adventures

All month long

Elementary children/parents can pick up a craft kit at the library during open hours. Inside will be a fun craft and a themed activity booklet based upon a children's book series. Each month will be a different theme.

**July 2022 Theme: Narwhal and Jelly Book**

**Craft Kit: Beaded Jellyfish**

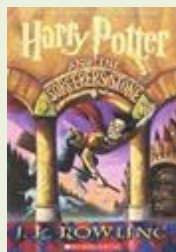


**August 2022 Theme: Avatar the Last Airbender Universe**   **Craft Kit: Pufferfish Magnet**



**September 2022 theme: Harry Potter books**

**Craft kit: Plastic Magic Wands**





## *SUMMER READING PROGRAM*

### **Children's Summer Reading Events**

#### **Professor Finklestein Thursday July 7, 2:00 - 3:00pm**



For over 25 years, Bill Robison has charmed audiences young and old around the world with his unique and masterful style of physical comedy. his rubber-like face, elastic body and limitless energy, he transports audiences to a zany, unpredictable and hilarious world.

#### **Roberto the Magnificent Thursday July 14 2:00 – 3:00pm**

Captivating audiences for more than two decades, Roberto the Magnificent is recognized as one of the nation's most unique variety acts performing throughout the USA. Roberto learned to juggle and unicycle at age 11, within four years he was awarded a silver medal at the World Juggling Championships. Since then Roberto has accumulated more than two decades of experience performing for live audiences.



#### **Water Bugs!**

**Dr. Barbara Hayford, Director Coastal Interpretive Center**

**Thursday July 21 2:00 - 3:00pm**



Explore the world of water bugs and other creepy crawlies in Ocean Shores. Live samples will be on hand for examination and sorting. Learn about the fantastic life underwater in our own back yard!



## Reptile Man

**Thursday July 28, 2:00 - 3:00pm**

The Reptile Man, Scott Petersen, performs over 200 shows annually throughout the Northwest and has one of the most comprehensive collections of reptiles on the West coast. His program will create an interest in the natural sciences and teach students about the importance of all animals in the balance of nature. Scott has been performing for over twenty-five years, is fully insured, and has teaching credentials including a teachers State Patrol Certification.



## Teen Events

These programs are possible thanks to generous financial support from the Friends of the Library.

### **Teen Summer Reading**

**July 15th 6 pm**

**‘Murder Mystery Night’ Program.** Work in a team or by yourself to solve a murder. There will be snacks and drinks provided.



## **August 5th 3 pm**

**‘Finale Auction’** - Teens will earn \$1.00 of ‘library cash’ for every 100 pages read. They spend their money at this auction to bid/ purchase fabulous prizes that Ocean Shores businesses generously contributed.

## **Teen Advisory Board:**

The Teen Advisory Board (TAB) is for 6-12 grade students who volunteer to assist library staff with selecting new material, planning for teen programs, and promoting the library among their peers. The TAB meets on the 3rd Saturday of the month at 3 pm.

TAB Meetings:

Saturday, July 16th 3 pm

Saturday, August 20th 3 pm

Friday, September 9th 3 pm\*

\*Special meeting date/time



## Board of Trustees News

From the Board of Trustees

### 2022 Patron Survey

The Board of Trustees (BOT) extends an appreciative thank you to each FOL member and to all the patrons that participated in our 2022 survey. We had over 500 respondents who gave their time to answer what library services they used and what programs and services they would like to see.

We conducted our first patron survey in 2019. The BOT used that input in creating the Ocean Shores Library 2020-2025 Strategic Plan. Since we are halfway through the plan, the board felt it was time to again check-in with the public. The BOT is now comparing the 2019 responses to those in 2022 to examine what needs stayed the same and what changed in our growing community.

If you're not familiar with the current plan, you may view it, along with the OSL's mission and vision at: [Library Board - Ocean Shores Public Library \(oslibrary.info\)](https://oslibrary.info)

Over the next few months, the trustees will re-examine and revise the strategic plan to make sure it aligns with our patrons needs. Stay tuned.

Denise Siers, BOT President

***“Reading one book is like eating one potato chip.”***

– Diane Duane

# ***Book Notes***

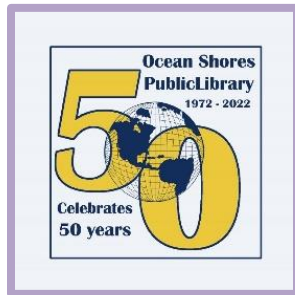
*Book Reviews contributed by Louise Loughlin*

“Little Souls” by Sandra Dallas, is an historical romance and mystery novel set against the background of the 1918 pandemic and World War I. Dallas tells a page-turning, yet tear-jerking tale of sisterhood, love and how tough times make tough decisions. It’s a short, sweet book that is even pertinent for us today.

An amazing debut novel, “The Sweetness of Water” is by 29 year old author, Nathan Harris. It takes place at the end of the Civil War when all the slaves were released and the American South was in quite a bit of chaos. Two recently freed brothers find a place to live with a Southern couple who lost their son in the conflict, while a pair of Confederate soldiers carry on a secret affair. A beautifully written but very readable book with many deep thoughts.

Anthony Horowitz has constructed a clever mystery within a murder mystery in the novel “Magpie Murders”. Protagonist, Susan Ryeland, has received top-selling mystery author Alan Conway’s latest manuscript. Susan finds that it contains a fascinating but irritating element which leaves her as the only person who can solve its mystery. A whodunit set in England with a British style and sense of humor.

## Coming in September to the Ocean Shores Library

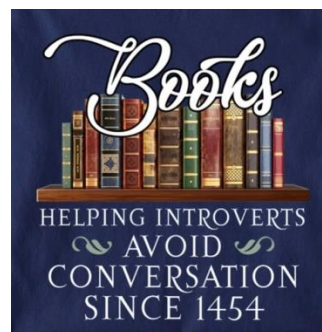


### **The Library Story:**

### **50 Years of Growth**

Events for the Entire Community

**Watch for a special 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary edition of the FOL newsletter with information about special events at the library and lots of fun information that will take you back to 1972.**



(Courtesy of Marian Turgeon)

#### **Note from the Editor**

Happy summer, everyone! Relax, take time to enjoy the warmer weather, the sunshine, the fun activities, the people (okay, maybe not the tourists), and revel in all of the wonderful things that make Ocean Shores such a great community. Read books (good or bad, your choice) and let them expand your perspectives on the world. Never stop learning.

-Kathv Baker