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SUMMER READING PROGRAM COMING THIS JUNE

“**Make a Splash—READ!**” is the theme of the 2010 Summer Reading Program. Oregon Public Library will become an aquatic reading wonderland to encourage children and teens to make the library part of their summer. Studies have shown that children and teens who read during summer are better prepared for school in the fall. The Reading Program is open to young people, toddler through teen, with programs, prize drawings, story hours, and more. Special events include the First Annual Worm Race, the Bubble Wonders show, Doug the Jug Juggling Extravaganza, and the Ice Cream Reading Challenge. Families are invited to join the Read-to-Me portion of the program in which non-readers and emergent readers are rewarded. All programs are free of charge. Registration for the Summer Reading Program begins June 7, 2010. Details will be available starting in April on the website

<http://www.oregonpubliclibrary.org/children/summerreadingprogram.html>.

We count on volunteers to help make our summer programs successful and we need enthusiastic people to help achieve this goal. If you are interested in helping register children or award prizes, we need you! If you would like to help at fun special events happening on Thursday afternoons, we need you! If you would like to help prepare crafts at home, we need you! We are looking for people ages 12 and up to help in a variety of ways. Please call Wendy at 835-3656 to sign up to make a difference in the lives of our youth this summer, or stop at the Information Desk and take a look at the available volunteer times. Information is also available on our website www.oregonpubliclibrary.org/volunteer.html.

“**Water Your Mind—READ**” is this summer’s Summer Reading program theme for adults at the Oregon Public Library. The 2010 Summer Reading Program is open to adults ages 18 and older, with

weekly and grand prize drawings for those who register for the program. The adult program will run concurrently with the children’s program, titled “Make a Splash—READ!” Get your whole family involved! Registration begins on June 7. For more information, call the library at 835-3656, or check out our Web site at www.oregonpubliclibrary.org

There are many programs available for adults this spring.

DIY Tax Lab April 7 and 8 from 5:30-7:30pm, Sue Ames Room.

Use our new laptop computers to e-file your taxes in a two-hour session. No tax advisors will be present. Remember all your tax documents. Our Lab is connected to a printer. Registration suggested. Call the library for more information.

Book Banter Book Club 2 pm, Sue Ames Room:

Like to read? Like to talk about books? Join us each month. All books selected are available through the library system and copies of the next book to be discussed are usually available for checkout at the meeting. New members are always welcome.

- Wed April 21 /The Man from Clear Lake: Earth Day Founder Senator Gaylord Nelson/ by Bill Christofferson
- Wed May 12 /Invention of Hugo Cabret /by Brian Selznick

“Friend-ly” Bakers

Many thanks to the volunteer bakers who have prepared treats for the library staff. If interested in helping make future treats – just once a month – contact Nancy Allen, Friends’ treat coordinator, at naquilter3@gmail.com or 835-0586.

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Oregon Public Library is where you can:

- Research the past,
- Experience the present
- Explore the future.

2009 was a dynamic year for the Oregon Public Library! Here are the latest statistics for your community library:

- The total circulation of materials was 323,386, an increase of 7.11 %
- 5,849 Village of Oregon residents now have registered library cards
- 11,031 questions were answered by library staff, an increase of 30%
- Approximately 68,423 computer sessions were logged in
- A total of 223 programs were offered for children, teens and adults. They were attended by 9,221 people, an increase of 1,3786

Looking ahead, 2010 is the library's Centennial Year! Everyone is encouraged to participate in the community read of *Living a Country Year: Wit and Wisdom from the Good Old Days* by Wisconsin author Jerry Apps. Each month a chapter will be read aloud at the Oregon Area Senior Center. Everyone is welcome to listen, share personal memories and sample some of the recipes from the book. It is a program designed to get as many people as possible in the Oregon area to read the same book at the same time. The goal is to foster community by providing a forum for public discussion and interaction-and most of all-demonstrates that reading can be fun!

Special Events in April

22nd – Poetry Jam / Open Mic. Share a favorite poem during National Poetry Month at the Firefly Coffeehouse, 114 Main St. 7 p.m. Listen to your neighbors Jam it up! Bring your own original work or favorite poet's work to read during the open mic session.

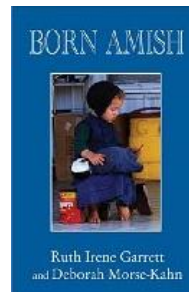
25th – Centennial Read Chapter: *Henry and His Model T* with a taste of Rhubarb Crisp, at the Senior Center. 1 p.m.

Recycling of the circulation desk

To commemorate the marvelous Centennial achievement and honor the community's loyalty and support of the library, the circulation desk will be updated to enhance efficiencies and streamline the increasing demands of library circulation.

This story began last year when the library staff began consulting with the South Central Library System and Paul Morrison, owner of the *Wood Cycle*, to see what could be done to update the circulation desk. We wanted to be able to recycle as much of the current desk as possible in consideration of the budget. Paul suggested that since we are community library celebrating our Centennial why not create a "community desk" in honor of the library's history. His suggestion was that we ask for donations of hard wood lumber or planks from members of our community to construct the new desk. He would be able to mix the new pieces in with the old. Everyone was thrilled with this creative solution. Each piece of wood lumber will be identified as to its species, the story behind it and the person or family who donated it to the project. Monetary donations will also be greatly appreciated. These generous gifts will all be recorded in a memorial booklet to honor the Centennial achievement and the community who built it.

The hardwood lumber or planks need to be dropped off at the *Wood Cycle*, located at 1239 S. Fish Hatchery Road, Oregon, WI by May, 2010. We are looking for a wide variety of species, ranging from a foot long on up to a full board or two, and in thicknesses up to 2 1/2". If anyone has an unusual species still in log form, please contact Paul Morrison as soon as possible, as the drying time will be longer. Paul can be reached at **608/835-8462**. The installation date is projected for fall 2010. There will be a dedication and ribbon cutting ceremony during the Library Birthday Party on October 9. The new circulation desk will be inscribed as the "2010 Centennial Community Desk."



April 27 – Author Visit.

Ruth Irene Garrett,
"Born Amish"

Sue Ames Room, Library.
6:30 p.m

Followed by a reception

Knit Together 4-6 pm First Thursday of the month, Sept- May, Sue Ames Room.

If you knit or crochet, stuck with your current project or would like to learn how to use yarn and needles, drop on by! We have free needles and yarn for charity projects. Tea will be served.

Thurs April 1

Thurs May 6

Current library hours are:

Monday thru Thursday 9 am - 2:30 pm

Friday 9 am - 6 pm

Saturday 10 am - 2 pm

JUST A REMINDER: The Library will be closed on Monday, May 31 in observance of Memorial Day.

Friends' Calendar of Events

Meeting Monday, March 29 7:00 PM
Sue Ames Room, Library

Book Sale Friday, April 16
Saturday, April 17 SEE AD