



Ocean Shores Friends of the Library

Winter 2020 Newsletter

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

Message from the President

As this year draws to a close, heartfelt thanks from me and the other FOL officers for the continuing support for FOL and the library through the book sales and honor boxes in the library meeting room.

- Malinda

Shopping the FOL Book Store

YES! You CAN shop the FOL Book Store in the Library Meeting Room. Just make an appointment through the Library (360-289-3919), wear a mask, and pass the temperature check. There are TABLES of books, CD's, DVD's and so much more. All Children and Youth Books (2 tables full) are currently 4 for \$1.00. Thank you for your continued support of our library.

Thank You!

Recently we received an annual donation via the Fidelity Charitable Donor Trust from Mr. and Mrs. Chaney of Mukilteo, WA. This year's donation was for \$75.00.

AND

A big Thank You to Oyhut Bay for the donation of many boxes of books. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Book Donation Days

Book donation days will be discontinued until spring 2021. If you have a few books to donate, you can bring them into the Library during your appointment, if you have a larger number of books to donate, please send an email to os.lib.friends@gmail.com and you will be contacted and a volunteer will meet you at the library for drop off.



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



Notes from the Desk of the Treasurer:

-In September I finally got FOL into the Amazon Smile program and we received our September payment of \$19.09. If you shop Amazon, please be sure to select Ocean Shores Friends of the Library and Amazon donates a portion of the sale to our Non-Profit.

-This Fall we were all sad to hear about the passing of long-time library volunteer Karen Baer. Donations have been received in her honor to FOL and will be utilized to help fund Library programs in 2021. Thank you for the donations. Karen will be missed in our Library.

-With the Library services limited, shopping is still happening in the Meeting Room. During the months of July-November we had a total of \$989 in book sales. Ocean Shores has many readers.

-Current FOL finances as of December 1, 2020: Checking account \$2,683.64
 Savings account \$11,273.38

Library Open Days

12-3 pm

December 16 –
January 9

Wed- December 16

Thu -December 17

Fri-December 18

Wed- December 23

Wed –December 30

Thu- December 31

Wed-January 6

Thu- January 7

Fri- January 8

Sat -January 9

Library News

At this writing the Library is open by appointment only Wednesday through Saturday, 12-3 pm.

Materials may also be placed on reserve using the library catalog (www.oslibrary.info) or by calling the library at 360-289-3919. Items may be picked up at curbside during open hours.

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

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) is available on the web page. Go to Services/Washington Newspapers/Seattle Times.

Interested in the history of Ocean Shores? The www.washingtonruralheritage.org web site has photos, articles, and over 20 oral histories.

Historical Photos Needed: Ocean Shores Heritage Project volunteers are seeking old photographs, historical text, and maps of Ocean Shores for the Washington Rural Heritage Project. Make an appointment to drop off items on Fridays at noon.

Please call the library during open hours for information about these services at 360-289-3919.

But Wait, There's More.....

Adult Book Group Schedule

Titles:

January – Secret Life of Bees by Sue Monk Kidd

February – Memory Keeper's Daughter by Kim Edwards

March – Geography of Genius by Eric Weiner

Meetings are currently by Zoom on the 3rd Friday of each month at 3:00 pm. Contact the library to be sent a zoom invite.

Kid's Craft Adventures!



Each month elementary children/parents can pick up a themed craft kit at the library during open hours. Inside the kit will be a fun craft, a list of library books related to the theme and some craft tools you can use to create your own stories. 1 craft kit per child.

Children's NEW Craft Adventures 2021

Books and special crafts each month

January – Dinosaurs

3D Wood Dinosaur

February – Insects

Bug Finger Puppet

March – Dr. Seuss

(His birthday month)

Dr. Seuss Hot Air Balloon

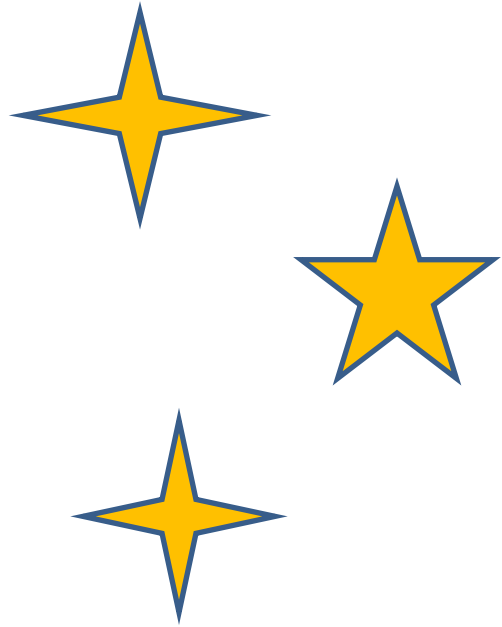
Call the library during the current month to reserve a kit and pick it up curbside.

Are you interested in a
Children's Mystery Book Bag?



Ocean Shores Public Library is offering children's mystery book bags for library patrons by request. Each bag contains 10 random children's library books upon your selection of material request and will check out for 3 weeks.

You can request a mystery book bag under the services tab on the library's website at www.oslibrary.info.



News from the Board of Trustees

The Ocean Shores Library Board of Trustees continues its monthly meetings via Zoom. Our meeting date remains the 2nd Wednesday of each month. The time is now 10 am to accommodate the library's 12-3 open hours and drive through pick-up service.

While public communication is different, we'd still like to hear from our patrons. Public communication may be submitted to Sara Logan, City Clerk, by the date specified on the published agenda.

Existing board members Jani Cate, Jeff Brittain, and Alex Suarez, along with me, welcomed Susan Robinson to our 5 member board in November. Susan has frequented libraries from a young age and is particularly fond of ours. Susan shares that she is honored to be on the board and looks forward to advocating for our library and being part of its bright future. Susan has lived in OS for 14 years and works at Edward Jones here in town. The Board welcomes Susan's business background as a real asset to our mix of talents.

As 2020 ends (thankfully), the Board would like to thank the Friends for their continuing efforts stocking the meeting room book sales. Your efforts are much appreciated since the proceeds are critical to fund future library programs.

The Board offers its continued thanks to the awesome OSL staff for making the library the heart of our community during these particularly challenging times.

We wish you all a safe and prosperous new year.

Denise Siers. President

ABIBLIOPHOBIA

Noun/uh-bib-li-uh-fo-bee-yuh

1. The fear of running out of books to read.

Book Recommendations

Thanks to everyone who shared their “good reads” with us!

From Frances Russell:

The Billy Boyle WWII mysteries by James Benn. This 16 book series begins with “Billy Boyle: A World War II Mystery”. “The Only Woman in the Room”, a historical fiction about Hedy Lamar, and the Alaska mysteries by Sue Henry. *(Some of these are available in various formats at the OS library)*

From Bob Krueger:

“Recently read two of John Grisham’s latest works. “Camino Winds” and “A Time for Mercy”. These books picked up on earlier tales with familiar characters. He’s one of my favorite authors and these two didn’t disappoint.” *(available at the OS library in multiple formats)*

From Anonymous:

The Maeve Kerrigan series by Jane Casey. Beginning with “Left for Dead”, this is a police procedural series set in the UK and should be read in order, if possible. If you like the Peter Robinson/Alan Banks books, you will like these. *(some titles available at the OS library)*

From Louise Loughlin:

Louise has said that she really enjoyed “The Splendid and the Vile” by Erik Larson, about Winston Churchill. She found it surprising entertaining. Also, a great fiction read by Alice Hoffman, “Magic Lessons”. *(available at the OS library)*

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From Kathleen Isaac:

A 3-book series (beginning with “Angel Killer”) by Andrew Mayne that is available in both print and e-book format. The main character was a magician and is now an FBI agent. The cases she solves need all of her expertise. (*available on Overdrive*)

From Kathy Baker:

A binge read of Kristin Hannah novels, all of which are very good, included “The Things We Do for Love”, “Comfort and Joy”, “The Great Alone”, “Magic Hour”, and “The Nightingale”. This Northwest-based author uses many familiar coastal features in her writings, and the stories all revolve around family dynamics and reconciliations. I’ve only gotten started, but look forward to reading all of her other books as time allows. (*available in multiple formats at the OS library*)

Message from the Editor



Oh, What A Year.....

I think most people are more than ready to move on from 2020 to what will hopefully be a new year that is more like what we have been used to. Many of us lament what we could NOT do this past year due to circumstances, but forget all of the things that did not change. We live in a beautiful area, and are blessed to be able to enjoy nature in ways that many cannot. The tides still go in and out, the rain still falls, and flowers still bloom. We may not be able to gather with loved ones in person, but facetime, Zoom, and Skype have enabled a different type of communication (and perhaps challenged our technological abilities). In her diary, Anne Frank wrote, “*I don’t think of all the misery, but of the beauty that still remains.*” In that spirit, I am challenging myself to focus on what is possible, instead of what is not; what remains, rather than what has been lost, even if only temporarily. I choose to focus on the beauty there is in the world, the people I care about, and the things for which I am grateful. Let’s all try to keep those sparks alive.

Wishing you all Love, Peace, Joy, and Hope.

-Kathy Baker