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Cannon Beach Library's monthly Newsletter
June 2021



Board Notes

The first order of business for the May board meeting was to welcome new board members Melodie Chenevert and Caroline Godderz.

The Library's fiscal year runs from May 1 to April 30, and treasurer Karen French reviewed the year's financial results, which, thanks to generous donations and frugal expenditures, showed the Library was able to break even.

Jen Dixon, in her Office Manager's Report, noted that use of eBooks continues to grow, and that use of InterLibrary Loan Service is also growing. Jen reported that there are quite a few books that are missing but have not been marked lost in the system. This creates confusion since patrons don't realize they are unavailable. Jen will now mark the books as 'lost' in the system.

Claire Landrum reported that more people are taking advantage of Limited Browsing. Because the county threat level keeps changing, and will continue to change in the near future, board members decided not to make any changes to the schedule at this time. The small size of the Book Sale Room limits browsing, so additional sale books are displayed on a cart and table outside the Sale Room.

Phyllis Bernt has begun a short article in the Library's monthly newsletter featuring mystery writers that patrons may have forgotten or may not be aware of.

Ken Quarles has agreed to expand the enclosure around the trash can to include the recycling bin behind the building. He will also enclose the bottom half of the back porch, from the railing to the floor.

The board members agreed that there won't be any children's programming this summer. Prior to the pandemic, a membership committee made up of Jen, Mary Kerwin, Wanda Meyer-Price, and Lynne Murray, developed a list of recommended actions. The board will revisit the list to see what actions are now possible.

Board Notes Continued →

NW Authors Series Summer Break

The library's NW Authors Series programming is taking a break for the summer! Thank you to all the viewers who helped support our first virtual season. The series will resume in September 2021. We already have some great authors lined up, including Dana Haynes, Karl Marlantes, Tina Ontivaros, and Deborah Reed. We hope to be able to have in-person events or a mixture of in-person and virtual events next season. Stay connected and check our website for more announcements in the fall.

Another thanks to the volunteers of the NW Authors committee for their commitment to providing engaging programming throughout our first virtual season. Committee members are Phyllis Bernt, Jen Dixon, Nancy McCarthy, Wanda Meyer-Price, and Doug Sugano.

And special thanks to the talented authors who donated their time and resources to present to the library community: Paula Butterfield, Jennifer Greer, Apricot Irving, J.A. Jance, Marianne Monson, R. Gregory Nokes, and Lori Tobias. You can access our virtual catalog for a list of the authors' books, and you can also still watch any of the author events on our website. Go to www.cannonbeachlibrary.org.

2020/2021 NW Authors Series Presenters:



Board Notes Continued...

The Scholarship Committee (Caroline, Wanda, and Linda Sugano) reported on their deliberations.



- *Phyllis Bernt, for the Board of Directors*

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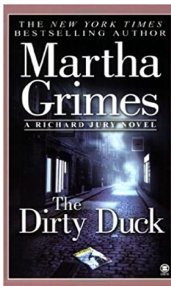
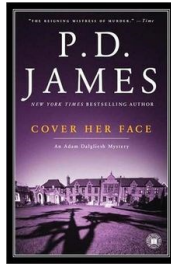
Looking for a Good Mystery?

If you enjoy British mysteries with absorbing plots, well developed characters, and an engaging main detective, consider books by P.D. James, Martha Grimes, and Elizabeth George.

Reviewers of P.D. James's novels call her the 'queen of crime fiction' and find that she wasn't just an author of mysteries, but a great writer by any literary measure. James's detective, Adam Dalgliesh, is a poet as well as a detective commander, who pursues murderers in country manors, hospitals, courts of law, crime laboratories, and colleges. P.D. James's experiences as a bureaucrat and politician make her plots and characters realistic and believable.

The titles of Martha Grimes's novels are all names of British pubs, which help form the backdrop of each novel. Her detective, Scotland Yard Inspector Richard Jury, is handsome, sensitive, and surprisingly unlucky in his personal life. He is helped in his efforts to solve cases by Sargeant Wiggins, an amusing hypochondriac, and by the eccentric inhabitants of the Village of Long Piddleton, especially Melrose Plant, a British Earl who has given up his title and whiles away the time by helping Jury and by plaguing his annoying, snobbish Aunt Agatha.

Many readers of American writer Elizabeth George's novels assume she is British because of how accurately she portrays British life. Her detective, Inspector Thomas Lynley, is a British Earl who has chosen to pursue a career with Scotland Yard. He is assisted by his aggressively working class sargeant, Barbara Havers, as well as by his longtime forensic pathologist friend Simon St. James. Lynley and Havers deal with problems in their personal lives as they solve challenging, psychologically realistic cases.



Cannon Beach Reads June 16

The book that will be discussed, via Zoom, on Wednesday, June 16, will be *Brave New World* and *Brave New World Revisited*, by Aldous Huxley.

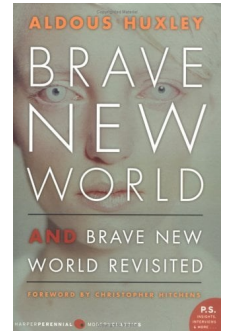
Considered Huxley's masterpiece, *Brave New World* presents a futuristic view of World State, a technologically advanced country in which people are bred through artificial wombs, indoctrinated to accept an authoritarian government, and kept drugged on Soma, a drug designed to keep them "happy" and therefore willing to accept the status quo.

Huxley, writing in 1931, feared the impact of reproductive technology, psychological manipulation, mass production, consumerism, and pharmaceuticals on the social order and on individuals. Thirty years later, in the essays titled *Brave New World Revisited*, he asks how accurate his prophetic vision has been.

Aldous Huxley was a British author and philosopher who wrote 50 books of fiction and nonfiction, as well as essays, poetry, and screenplays. He moved to the United States in 1937, where he wrote Hollywood screenplays, lectured at MIT, became more deeply involved with Eastern religion, and wrote a number of novels. He was nominated for the Nobel Prize in Literature nine times and received the Award of Merit from the American Academy of Arts and Letters.

Brave New World was ranked No. 5 by Modern Library on its list of 100 best English-language novels of the twentieth century. Its topic and themes remain relevant in the twenty-first century as well.

Arthur Broten will lead the discussion, which will take place via Zoom, on Wednesday, June 16, beginning at 7 p.m. Cannon Beach Reads plans to meet via Zoom on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. until in-person meetings are possible again. (hopefully soon). New members are always welcome.



Craving some summer reading? Stop by Wednesdays and Saturdays from 12-4 p.m., come inside, and CHECK OUT a book! We've heard from a lot of patrons who weren't aware that you can come inside the library to check books out, but you can - we're here waiting for you when you're ready. Please help us spread the word!



World of Haystack Rock Library Lecture Series - June 9



Join us Wednesday June 9th at 7:00 p.m. on Facebook Live @Friends of Haystack for the first *Extended* World of Haystack Rock Library Lecture Series, celebrating “The Year of the Puffin.” Amy Eberling and Amanda Colbert with the Salish Sea School will present, “The State of the Endangered Tufted Puffins in Washington State”. They will discuss the status of the Tufted Puffins in Washington State and take you on a journey of discovery, sharing what they have seen and learned out on the water, while also providing real ways you can help!

The Salish Sea School is on a mission to help save Washington State’s endangered Tufted Puffin population by helping with data collection at Smith Island, by promoting stewardship through experiential marine conservation programs for students, and by increasing public awareness of this population.



Photo credit: Friends of Haystack Rock

Election Results



Our first election by mail resulted in a voter turnout of over 80%. Thanks to all our members who took the time to mail in their ballots. 94% of those library members who returned ballots voted for the full slate of officers and new members at large. Results are: Phyllis Bernt, President; Lynne Murray, Vice President; Claire Landrum, Secretary; Karen French, Treasurer; Melodie Chenevert, Member at Large; and Caroline Godderz, Member at Large. Welcome to the board Melodie and Caroline!

Daily Used Book Sale Expanded

We have expanded our daily used book sale selection, including newly published hardbacks, cookbooks, gardening books, junior and young adult titles, children’s books, travel books, and much more. And don’t miss our PAPERBACK BARGAIN BIN - you never know what you might find.



New Acquisitions May 2021

Fiction:

- Great Circle* - Maggie O’Farrell
- Hamnet* - Maggie Shipstead
- Mary Jane* - Jessica Blau
- The Plot* - Jean Korelitz
- Project Hail Mary* - Andy Weir
- Sooley* - John Grisham
- Unsettled Ground* - Claire Fuller
- When Justice Sleeps* - Stacey Abrams

Mystery:

- Bone Rattle* - Marc Cameron
- The Final Twist* - Jeffrey Deaver
- Garden of Lamentations* - Deborah Crombie
- The Last Thing He Told Me* - Laura Dave
- Local Woman Missing* - Mary Kubica
- A Peculiar Combination* - Ashley Weaver

- Public Enemy #1* - Kiki Swinson
- Stargazer* - Anne Hillerman

Non-Fiction:

- Empire of Pain* - Patrick Keefe
- Freedom* - Sebastian Junger
- The Premonition: a Pandemic Story* - Michael Lewis
- A Traitor to His Species: Henry Bergh and the Animal Rights Movement* - Ernest Freeberg
- Zero Fail: the Rise and Fall of the Secret Service* - Carol Leoning

Children/Easy Reader:

- Demigods & magicians: Percy and Annabeth meet the Kanases* - Rick Riordan
- The green ember series: The Green Ember, Ember Falls, Ember Rising, Ember's End* - S. D. Smith

- Fantastic beasts and where to find them: the original screenplay* - J.K. Rowling
- Fantastic beasts & where to find them* - Newt Scamander
- Peter and the secret of Rundoon* - Dave Barry
- Pick the plot* - James Riley
- Secret origins* - James Riley
- The stolen chapters* - James Riley
- Story thieves* - James Riley
- Worlds apart* - James Riley

Juvenile/YA:

- The princess in black series: The bath time battle, The hungry bunny horde, The mysterious playdate, The perfect princess party, The science fair scare, Takes a vacation* - Shannon and Dean Hale



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Cannon Beach Library Membership

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Year 2021 to 2022

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