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Cannon Beach Library's monthly Newsletter
May 2021



Board Notes

A range of issues were discussed at the April board meeting. Office Manager Jen Dixon reported that our Follett system and website are now secure because we have installed SSL encryption and certification. Claire Landrum reported that Door-Side Service and Limited Browsing continue to be successful. Several patrons have expressed appreciation for being able to look up books and place holds through the Library website.

There will be a NW Authors Speaker Series presentation on Saturday, May 15 at 2 p.m. Lori Tobias will discuss her book, "Storm Beat," which details her experiences as a journalist covering the Oregon coast.

The Library has been approached by an organization called MED-Project, which claims to deal with the safe disposal of unwanted prescription medications. Phyllis will talk with the Police Chief before agreeing to distribute material from this organization.

Members are sending in their ballots for the annual election of board members and officers. Jen will send out an email reminder about returning ballots so they are received by Friday, May 7th. Board members thanked retiring board member Rance Babb for his outstanding service on the board. Retiring board member Janet Bates's dedication and service were also recognized; she was not in attendance to hear the board members' thanks because of a medical appointment.

A committee composed of Karen French, Claire Landrum, Lynne Murray Stuart, and Phyllis Bernt have been examining ways to improve the appearance of the area behind the Library building. They presented their recommendations, which the board accepted. The Scholarship Committee, composed of Caroline Godderz, Wanda Meyer-Price, and Linda Sugano, are meeting to select recipients of the Library's two \$1,000 scholarships.

Mary Kerwin reported that the weeding committee

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NW Authors Series Presents: Lori Tobias

Author Lori Tobias will discuss her new memoir, "Storm Beat," which chronicles her years as a journalist for The Oregonian. During this time Tobias covered the entire 363 miles of the Oregon coast "beat." Tune in to hear tales of the north coast - from being called out during dangerous conditions and storms in the middle of the night, to overturned fishing boats and tsunamis - and all of the excitement in between! To join the program from the library's Facebook page, go to facebook.com/cannonbeachlibrary/ and scroll to "posts." To join the program directly from our website, go to cannonbeachlibrary.org and click the banner at the top of the page.



Tobias has worked as a journalist for more than 25 years. She currently freelances for several publications and is a columnist for Oregon Arts Watch. Her novel, "Wander," was published in 2016. Tobias lives on the Oregon coast.

This program will conclude our NW Authors Series events until the series continues in September 2021. We already have some great authors lined up, so stay connected for more announcements in a few months.

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had finished weeding the mystery section. The board discussed how to deal with the large print section which has never been weeded. The board decided to only remove large print books that have never been checked out.

The board decided there would not be a Fourth of July Sale because of COVID. Instead we will begin planning for a possible sale later in the year, either over Labor Day weekend or during Stormy Weather.



- Phyllis Bernt, for the Board of Directors

The Cannon Beach Library is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.

Board minutes are public information and are available

upon request at the library office

Book Sale Dates Not Certain

Covid makes it difficult to plan events, including book sales. Board members and Desk Volunteers have been asked about the likelihood of there being a book sale some time this year.

We will have a book sale only when we can be sure it will be safe for our members, volunteers, and patrons. Because of the uncertainty surrounding the current and near future state of the pandemic, there will not be a Rare and Old Book Sale this Memorial Day Weekend, and there will not be a Fourth of July Book Sale.

We are hoping it may be possible to have a book sale this fall, perhaps over Labor Day weekend or during Stormy Weather. Book sales require the participation of many volunteers. If you would like to help with a book sale this year, please contact the Library Office by emailing info@cannonbeachlibrary.org or calling 503-436-1391. Book sales also require a lot of planning. If you would like to be part of the committee making decisions about when to schedule a book sale and planning the specifics of the sale, please call or email the Library Office.

World of Haystack Rock Library Lecture Series - May 12

Join us Wednesday, May 12th via Facebook Live @Friends of Haystack. Tim Halloran will present, "Just how do you monitor the puffins?" Tim will answer this frequently asked question, share his experiences on the beach, and highlight the puffin behavior he has observed. He will describe puffin research worldwide, with particular focus on the Cannon Beach data. If you wonder why so many seabird populations have declined by 90% in our lifetimes, and are concerned about the fate of our tufted puffin colony, then this program will provide food for thought.

Tim taught biology at the high school and university level. He began volunteering for HRAP in 2010 and started monitoring Puffins for USFW in 2012. He lives part time in Cannon Beach.

Friends of Haystack Rock are excited to announce an EXTENDED lecture series this year! They have declared 2021 "The Year of the Puffin." To raise awareness about the rapid decline of their population in the lower 48, the extended lecture series will focus exclusively on issues surrounding the tufted puffins. Stay tuned on the second Wednesday of the month all summer long.

Cannon Beach Reads May 19

The book that will be discussed, via Zoom, on Wednesday, May 19, will be *The Age of Edison: Electric Light and the Invention of Modern America*, by Ernest Freeberg. *The Age of Edison* is a fascinating exploration of how electric lighting changed American society.

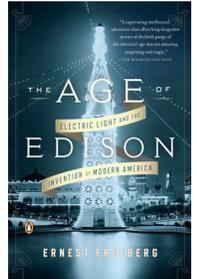
The nineteenth century was a period of amazing inventions: the phonograph, telegraph, telephone, and moving pictures were all invented during the 1800's, and Thomas Edison played a role in these inventions. But perhaps the most important invention was electric light, which safely and reliably kept darkness at bay, and extended people's ability to work and play beyond daylight hours.

Freeberg examines earlier efforts at providing artificial light (oil lamps, gas, candles); retells the race to develop incandescent lighting; and analyzes the impact of electric light on work, leisure, transportation, and civic life. In the process he explains why Edison was regarded as the "wizard" of the era, and examines reasons for America's dominance in invention during this period.

Ernest Freeberg is a distinguished professor of humanities at the University of Tennessee. He is the winner of the David J. Langum, Sr. Prize in American Legal History and the Eli M. Oboler Award from the American Library Association. His other books include *The Education of Laura Bridgman*, and *Democracy's Prisoner*.

The Age of Edison has been described as "a captivating intellectual adventure," "a vivid social history," and "a dynamo of a book."

Joe Bernt will lead the discussion, which will take place via Zoom, on Wednesday, May 19, 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. New members are always welcome. If you would like to join in, contact Joe Bernt at berntj@ohio.edu.



Board Elections Closed

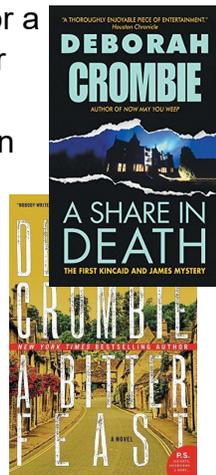
The 2021 election of board officers and new board members has officially closed. Thank you to all our current members who returned their ballots - we had a voter turn out of over 80 percent! Results will be posted on the library website and in next month's newsletter.

Looking for a Good Mystery?

If you are a mystery lover looking for a good read, think about discovering, or rediscovering, Deborah Crombie. A Texas native who spent many years in Chester, England and Edinburgh, Scotland, Crombie has created 18 novels featuring Scotland Yard detectives Duncan Kincaid and Gemma James. Her first novel, *A Share in Death* was nominated for Agatha and Macavity awards for best first novel. Her subsequent novels have been nominated for Agatha, Macavity and Edgar Awards, with her fifth and ninth novels receiving the Macavity Award for Best Novel.

Crombie's novels are more than police procedurals. Crombie creates complex, fully developed characters and compelling plots. She also explores the developing relationship between Kincaid and James in a sensitive and plausible manner.

If you enjoy reading Louise Penny, Elly Griffiths, or Ann Cleeves, give Deborah Crombie a try.



Cannon Beach Reads 2021

Members of Cannon Beach Reads continue their 15th year discussing important books via Zoom, every third Wednesday at 7 p.m. The Cannon Beach Book Company offers books for purchase, and the library loans copies for patrons.

June 16

Aldous Huxley, *Brave New World & Brave New World Revisited* (Arthur Broten, Discussion Leader)

July 21

Mark Twain, *A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court* (John Markham, Discussion Leader)

August 18

Lyanda Lynn Haupt, *Pilgrim on the Great Bird Continent: The Importance of Everyday and Other Lessons from Darwin's Lost Notebooks* (Kathy Bell, Discussion Leader)

September 15

Richard Attenborough, *A Life on Our Planet: My Witness Statement and a Vision for the Future* (Mary Lloyd, Discussion Leader)

October 20

Matt Haig, *The Midnight Library* (Wanda Meyer-Price, Discussion Leader)

November 17

E.D. Hirsch, Jr., *How to Educate a Citizen* (Lila Wickham, Discussion Leader)

December 15

H.L. Davis, *Honey in the Horn* (Phyllis Bernt, Discussion Leader)

New Acquisitions April 2021

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Fiction:

August - Callan Wink

The Devil's Hand - Jack Carr

Good Company - Cynthia Sweeney

The Good Sister - Sally Hapworth

Hummingbird Salamander -

Jeff VanderMeer

The Last Night in London -

Karen White

The Night Always Comes -

Willy Vlautin

Northern Spy - Flynn Berry

Outlawed - Anna North

Raft of Stars - Andrew Graff

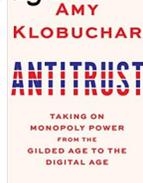
Such a Fun Age - Kiley Reid

The Venice Sketchbook -

Rhys Bowen

What are You Going Through -

Sigrid Nunez



Mystery:

Death With a Double Edge -

Anne Perry

Every Last Fear - Alex Finley

A Gambling Man - David Baldacci

Ocean Prey - John Sandford

Turn a Blind Eye - Jeffrey Archer

When the Stars Go Dark -

Paula McLain

Win - Harlan Coben

Non-Fiction:

Antitrust: Taking on Monopoly

Power from the Gilded Age

to the Digital Age - Amy Klobuchar

Broken (In the Best Possible Way)

- Jenny Lawson

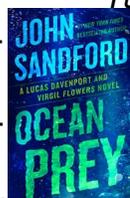
Losing the Long Game: The False

Promise of Regime Change in

the Middle East - Philip Gordon

Tangled Up in Blue: Policing the

American City - Rosa Brooks



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Children/Easy Reader:

Little critter's: The trip -

Mercer Mayer

Rudolph to the rescue -

Robert Lewis May

Pig the pug - Aaron Blabey

Never kick a slipper at the moon -

Carl Sandburg

Curious George and the

Firefighters - Margaret Rey

From head to toe - Eric Carle

Little Critter's: The Night Before

Christmas - Mercer Mayer

Deadliest animals -

Melissa Stewart

Nancy Clancy, soccer mania -

Jane O'Conner

The Princess in Black takes a

vacation - Shannon Hale

Juvenile/YA:

The gilded ones - Namina Forna

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Cannon Beach Library Membership

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Annual membership dues are \$10 per person

Year 2021 to 2022

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