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Cannon Beach Library's monthly Newsletter



August 2021

Board Notes

This was the first in-person board meeting since March 2020, and board members were delighted to be in the same room. The board addressed a variety of issues.

We have received several inquiries from people who wish to make donations to the Library through the Library website. Many other nonprofit organizations offer that capability. Office Manager Jen Dixon will explore the steps that need to be taken to make that possible, and will report at the next meeting.

Board members discussed when more in-person events may be feasible, given Covid. Everyone agreed that there will be no Fall Festival this September. NW Author Dana Haynes is scheduled to speak on Saturday, September 11. All agreed that it is prudent to schedule his talk as a Facebook LIVE presentation.

There was discussion about when to schedule a Membership Meeting. The prospects for an indoor meeting in September are not good. Instead the board discussed having an outdoor Membership Meeting on September 1st. The focus of the meeting would be to give Members a chance to socialize and reconnect. There would not be a formal speaker. Les Shirley Park was suggested as a possible venue.

The board discussed surveying our members and patrons regarding our book and DVD collections to gauge their satisfaction with our offerings, to see what genres and authors they especially like, and to ask if there are any genres or authors they might like us to think about adding.

Claire Landrum suggested we consider doing away with overdue fines. Research has suggested that fines discourage Library use, and that the lack of fines has not resulted in the failure to return books. Multnomah County Library has done away with fines, as have other public libraries. Board members will look into this issue further and will discuss it more fully at the next meeting. In the meantime, we will not

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Library Awards Scholarships

By Wanda Meyer-Price



In June the Cannon Beach Library awarded \$1,000 scholarships to two outstanding Seaside High School seniors: Maria Nolzco from Cannon Beach and Joshua Brown from Seaside. Maria plans to begin her studies at Clatsop Community College and then attend Portland Community College for certification in the dental hygienist program. She is especially interested in the fields of dentistry and nursing. Joshua plans to study computer science at Portland State University, with a focus on software development and coding. A three-person committee made up of Linda Sugano, Caroline Godderz, and Wanda Meyer-Price made the selections using a set of pre-established criteria, and the Library Board sent a personal congratulatory letter to each recipient that was presented to them with their scholarship award. We wish these students continued academic success as they pursue their life goals, and are grateful for the opportunity to give them a small boost along the way.

Membership Meeting Sept 1

A membership meeting is planned for Wednesday, September 1st at 10 a.m. The meeting will be held **outside** at Les Shirley Park on the north end of Cannon Beach. Bring your own coffee and scone or a snack to enjoy instead of our usual luncheon. The meeting will be reporting on the "State of the Library." We will provide a limited amount of folding chairs for those with mobility issues, but if you can, please bring your own lawn chair. If it looks like an outdoor meeting isn't feasible due to weather, plan to meet via Zoom instead (a link will be available on our website). New and familiar faces are welcome!

There will be no Fall Festival in September this year. Thanks to all the businesses, crafters, bakers, and volunteers who work to make this one of our best annual fundraisers.

We hope to see you all in 2022.

WOHR Library Lecture Series



Join us Wednesday, August 11th at 7:00 p.m. on [Facebook Live @Friends of Haystack](#) for the World of Haystack Rock Library Lecture Series. Dr. Selina S. Heppell will be presenting “*What Can Citizen Science Tell Us About Puffin Declines and North Pacific Climate Change?*”

Dr. Heppell is a seabird watcher and fisheries scientist. She will review the available science on tufted puffin declines, including data collected by citizen scientists. Dr. Heppell will provide information from NOAA’s Integrated Ecosystem Assessment to review these impacts and their possible links to puffin declines.



Photo credit: Friends of Haystack Rock

Dr. Selina Heppell is a Professor of Fisheries and Ecology and Head of the Department of Fisheries, Wildlife, and Conservation Sciences at Oregon State University. She is a strong proponent of citizen science and active engagement of the public in marine science and conservation.

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begin assessing fines on August 1st as had earlier been planned.

Karen French, Wanda Meyer-Price, Phyllis Bernt and Jen have been working on policies regarding memorial donations. They presented a draft policy having to do with memorial benches, and will continue to work on policies regarding other types of memorial donations.

A Membership Committee made up of Lynne Murray Stuart, Mary Kerwin, Wanda, and Jen have been meeting to develop ideas for attracting new Members and volunteers. Committee members found that they themselves became members and volunteers because they were either looking for a sense of community or because they wanted to do library work, or both. Emphasizing opportunities for engaging in social activities and for getting involved with important Library tasks might be the most effective way to increase membership. Jen has developed an attractive and informative Membership flyer which will be available at the circulation desk.

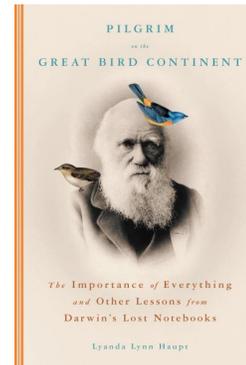


-Phyllis Bernt, for the Board of Directors

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Cannon Beach Reads Aug 18

The book that will be discussed, via Zoom, on Wednesday, August 18, will be *Pilgrim on the Great Bird Continent: The Importance of Everything and Other Lessons from Darwin’s Lost Notebooks*, by Lyanda Lynn Haupt.



Haupt examines the notebooks Charles Darwin kept during his five-year voyage aboard the *Beagle* from 1831 to 1836. Focusing on Darwin’s *Ornithological Notes*, she traces Darwin’s evolution from an inexperienced young student to an accomplished naturalist, while at the same time discussing her own experiences with nature. The result is what one critic has described as “the strong writer-reader bond that typifies good nature writing.”

Lyanda Lynn Haupt is an author, naturalist, and speaker who is part of the movement to connect people with nature in their everyday lives. Her other books include *Mozart’s Starling*, *Rare Encounters with Ordinary Birds*, and *The Urban Bestiary: Encountering the Everyday Wild*.

Kathleen Bell will lead the discussion, which will take place via Zoom, on Wednesday, August 18, beginning at 7 p.m. Cannon Beach Reads plans to continue to meet via Zoom on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. until vaccination levels rise and the current surge in Covid cases declines.

To join the discussion contact Joe Bernt at berntj@ohio.edu. New members are always wel-

NW Authors Series Returns Sept 11

The 2021-2022 NW Authors Speaker Series will kick off on Saturday, September 11th at 2 p.m. Join us on Facebook Live with Portland author Dana Haynes, who will discuss his electrifying international crime thrillers. His latest work, “*Sirocco*”, is the sequel to the best-selling “*St. Nicholas Salvage & Wrecking*” and continues to follow bounty hunters Michael Finnigan, a former New York City cop, and Katalin Fiero Dahar, a former Spanish assassin, as they operate in the shadowy underworld hunting the worst of the worst. This program is the first of an impressive lineup of talented authors planned for 2021-22.





Looking for a Good Mystery?

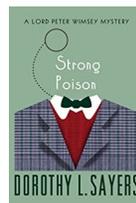


If you're in the mood for a mystery, why not turn to the classics? Mystery novels by Agatha Christie, Dorothy Sayers, and Josephine Tey not only offer satisfying plots and intriguing characters, they also provide a window on an earlier world.

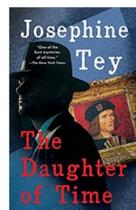
Dame Agatha Christie wrote 66 novels and fourteen short story collections, two billion copies of which have been sold in countless languages. From her first published novel *The Mysterious Affair at Styles* in 1920 to *Postern of Fate* in 1973, Christie wove intricate and surprising plots around her often quirky detectives. In addition to the brilliant but egotistical and fussy Hercule Poirot, and the shrewd, intelligent spinster, Jane Marple, Christie created the intrepid sleuthing couple Tommy and Tuppence Beresford, the mysterious detective Harley Quin, and the gentle retired civil servant, Parker Payne, who regarded himself as a detective of the heart.



Dorothy Sayers is perhaps best known for her urbane, sophisticated detective, Lord Peter Wimsey. In a series of novels and short stories, Sayers portrays Wimsey as a breezy dilettante and man-about-town who enjoys solving mysteries in order to fend off boredom. Set in Britain between the two world wars, Sayers's novels provide a commentary on British society by examining the British class system; the disruptions caused by WWI for individuals and society; and the limitations faced by women seeking to break out of traditional roles.



Scottish author Elizabeth MacKintosh adopted the pen name Josephine Tey, which was her great great grandmother's name. Writing from the 1920's to the 1950's, Tey rejected the formula of amateur sleuths and bodies discovered in British manor houses. Her detective was one of the first to be a Scotland Yard detective rather than a talented amateur. Inspector Alan Banks appears in six Tey novels, in which he solves murders, investigates suicides, pursues unsavory characters, and even resolves questions about a four-hundred year old royal crime. Tey's novel, *Daughter of Time* was selected as the greatest crime novel of all time by the British Crime Writers Association.



So next time you're looking for a mystery, consider stepping back in time and discover why, after all these years, Christie, Sayers and Tey still have a lot to offer.



Fiction:

- Always the Last to Know* - Kristan Higgins
- The Cellist* - Daniel Silva
- The Final Girl Support Group* - Grady Hendrix
- The Final Revival of Opal & Nev* - Dawnie Walton
- The Forest of Vanishing Stars* - Kristin Harmel
- Klara and the Sun* - Ishiguro Kazuo
- The Other Bennet Sister* - Janice Hadlow
- It's Better This Way* - Debbie Macomber
- Sleeping Bear: A Thriller* - Conner Sullivan

New Acquisitions July 2021

- Such a Quiet Place* - Megan Miranda
- The Therapist* - B A Paris
- The Thousand Crimes of Ming Tsu* - Tom Lin
- Mystery:**
- Blink of an Eye* - Iris Johansen
- The Bone Code* - Kathy Reichs
- Fallen* - Linda Castillo
- False Witness* - Karin Slaughter
- The Heathens* - Ace Atkins
- The Man With The Silver SAAB* - Alexander McCall Smith
- The Midwife Murders* - James Patterson
- The Night Hawks* - Elly Griffiths
- Razorblade Tears* - S A Cosby
- Revenge* - James Patterson

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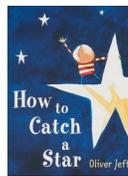
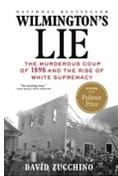
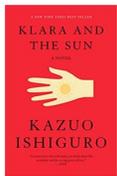
Spencer Quinn

Non-Fiction:

- The Best of Me* - Dave Sedaris
- The Case of the Murderous Dr. Cream: The Hunt for a Victorian Era Serial Killer* - Dean Jobb
- Madhouse at the End of the Earth: The Belgica's Journey Into the Dark Antarctic Night* - Julian Sancton
- Twilight of Democracy: The Seductive Lure of Authoritarianism* - Anne Applebaum
- Wilmington's Lie (Winner of the 2021 Pulitzer Prize): The Murderous Coup of 1898 and the Rise of White Supremacy* - David Zucchino



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Children/Easy Reader:

- A Tall Tale About Dachshunds in Costumes : How more dogs came to be* - Kizzie Jones
- Big Pig on a dig* - Phil Roxbee Cox
- Chicken Little* - Steven Kellog
- How dachshunds came to be : a tall tale about a short long dog* - Kizzie Jones
- How the sea came to Marissa* - Anne Renaud
- Miss Nelson is back* - Harry Allard
- Miss Nelson is missing!* - Harry Allard
- A tall tale about a dachshund and a pelican: how a friendship came to be* - Kizzie Jones
- How to catch a star* - Oliver Jeffers
- The Berenstain bears and the drug free zone* - Stan Berenstain
- The Berenstain Bears and the nerdy nephew* - Stan Berenstain
- The Berenstain Bears gotta dance!* - Stan Berenstain
- Picnic! : a day in the park* - Joan Holub

Juvenile/YA:

- The lost city of Faar* - D. J. MacHale
- The Never War* - D. J. MacHale
- The reality bug* - D. J. MacHale
- The rivers of Zadaa* - D. J. MacHale
- Flight of the reindeer: the true story of Santa Claus and his Christmas mission* - Robert Sullivan

Seaside School District Bookmobile

Spread the word - the Seaside School District Bookmobile is giving away FREE BOOKS through September 2nd. Materials are available for every age group from Pre to 12. All children are welcome to stop by and select a book, even if they don't attend Seaside schools. You can find the Bookmobile:



- Tuesdays - Cannon Beach City Park 12-2 p.m.
- Wednesdays - Seaside Broadway Park 1 to 2 p.m. and Cartwright Park 2:15-3:15 p.m.
- Thursdays - Gearhart City Hall 1-2 p.m. and Cullaby Lake Boat Ramp 2:30 -3:30 p.m.

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Annual membership dues are \$10.00 per person
Year: May 2021 to May 2022

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