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Cannon Beach Library's monthly Newsletter

**Library Hours:** Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat 12-4 p.m.; Thurs 12-6 p.m.

**November 2022**

## Board Notes

Several matters were discussed in some depth at the October board meeting in preparation for decisions to be considered at future meetings.

Board members discussed the feasibility of accepting credit cards for regular daily business and not just during book sales. The advisability of staying open until 6 p.m. on Thursday during the winter months was also discussed, as was moving the sneeze guard on the desk into storage. Desk Volunteers will be consulted about their view on these issues.

Details regarding the NW Author talk on Saturday, November 12, at 2 p.m. were reviewed. Peggy Thom will conduct a Story Time session at noon before the NW Author talk. Both the NW Author talk and Story Time are included on the WOW! Weekend website..

Plans for preparing this year's appeal letter for mailing were discussed, as were preliminary plans for the Holiday Tea, which is scheduled for December 3. Volunteers are needed to bake and to help with the tea.

Linda Sugano and Mary Kerwin shared recommendations from the Acquisitions Committee regarding policies and procedures. Board members thanked the Acquisitions Committee for the great work they are doing.

Board members discussed the current policy requiring library volunteers to be vaccinated.

There was extensive discussion of current and future needs for building maintenance as a first step in developing a plan for needed improvements over the next several years. Items mentioned included replacing the carpet and linoleum, installing new cabinets in the kitchen because it is increasingly difficult to open and shut the drawers in the current cabinets, and figuring out ways to increase storage facilities. Given the age of the building, board members thought it would be prudent to have the siding, gutters, crawl space and furnace looked at

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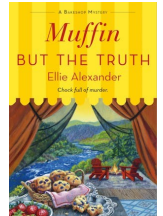


## NW Authors Series Presents Ellie Alexander



Join us Saturday, November 12 at 2 p.m. for the library's NW Authors Series featuring popular cozy mystery writer Ellie Alexander, who will present "Meet the Modern Mystery." This is a hybrid event, so join us at the library or watch live online: [cannonbeachlibrary.org](http://cannonbeachlibrary.org). This event is also a part of WOW! Weekend, a 3-day festival in Cannon Beach featuring local vendors, artists, speakers and performers. All library events are FREE and open to the public.

Ellie Alexander is the author of a number of bestselling series featuring charming small towns, idyllic settings, delicious foods and drinks, lovable characters - and sometimes, even murder. Her works include the Bakeshop Mystery Series, Sloan Krause Mysteries, Pacific Northwest Mystery Series, Rose City Mystery Series, and a number of stand-alone novels, novellas and collaborations.



Alexander has published over thirty books in hardcover, mass-market paperback, e-book, and audio, with over a half million books in print. Her writings have appeared in a number of publications including Climbing Magazine, Women's World, Buzz Feed, and The Oregonian. She also teaches writing classes and workshops.

## Annual Holiday Tea and Quilt Drawing



Join us Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Annual Holiday Tea. The library will be aglow with traditional holiday decorations and good cheer. Come enjoy tea, hot mulled cider, home-baked cookies, and other treats. The tea is from 1-4 pm, during the City's Haystack Holidays Celebration. **Anyone interested in serving at the tea is invited to come by the library Wednesday, Nov 9 at 1 pm for a quick meeting.**

## Bakers Wanted!

We're looking for bakers to donate goodies to the Holiday Tea. Baked goods can be dropped off at the library Friday, December 2nd before 4pm or Saturday, December 3rd between 10 am and noon.

Please label your donations, including any allergens. Bring items on trays if you can (include a label with your name and number on the bottom if you'd like your tray returned) and please bake or cut items into smallish sizes (2" by 2", for example).

## Call for Submissions: 5th Annual Writers Read



Suppose novelist Ernest Hemingway arrived at Oregon's North Coast and wanted to write about his experience in a maximum of 600 words. What would he write? This year's Writers Read Celebration, sponsored by the library's NW Authors Series, asks that question with the theme, "Hemingway at the beach: What Would He Say?"

We're inviting writers of all ages to explore Ernest Hemingway's terse writing style. Pieces can be serious, whimsical, funny or thoughtful. All written formats will be considered (essay, story, poetry, haiku, etc.). Writers may submit up to three entries, 600-word maximum per entry. A panel of volunteer judges will select 10 to 12 works to be read by their authors during the Writers Read Celebration March 10.

Submissions will be accepted by email or by mail, though email is preferred. Submissions should be in Word or PDF format and include a separate cover letter with the writer's name, email and phone number (please do not include the author's name or contact information on the entry document so authors remain anonymous during the judging process). The deadline for submissions is January 20.

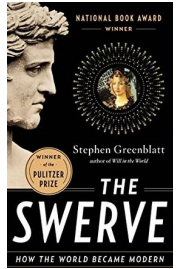
**Send submissions to: Attn: Writers Read**  
**Email: [info@cannonbeachlibrary.org](mailto:info@cannonbeachlibrary.org)**  
**Cannon Beach Library**  
**PO Box 486 Cannon Beach, OR 97110**



Join us for Story Time at the Cannon Beach Library, 12 p.m. on Saturday, November 12. Come listen to stories about the changing seasons! Story Time is a FREE event – WOW! Weekend attendees are welcome. Target age is pre-k to 8 years, but any age may attend. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

## Cannon Beach Reads Nov 16

Members of the Cannon Beach Reads book club will meet in-person at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, November 16, at the library, to discuss "The Swerve: How the World Became Modern" by Stephen Greenblatt. "The Swerve," which was awarded both a Pulitzer Prize and a National Book Award, tells the story of Poggio Bracciolini, a papal emissary and avid book hunter, who in 1417 saved the last copy of the Roman Poet Lucretius's poem "On the Nature of Things."



Lucretius, whose poem had been all but lost for a thousand years, believed there was no plan to the universe. Instead, he thought the universe was made up of small bits of matter—atoms—that were in constant motion, colliding with one another and swerving randomly in new directions, without any intervention from gods or other divine beings.

To Greenblatt, the rediscovery of Lucretius's poem was like an atom swerving in a new direction, because it changed the direction of history. Lucretius's ideas of a random universe presented an alternative to the fifteenth century worldview of an orderly universe created and overseen by a supreme being, with the earth at its center. According to Greenblatt, Lucretius paved the way for the great thinkers who helped define the modern age: Galileo, Darwin, Freud, Einstein and Thomas Jefferson.

Stephen Greenblatt is a Shakespearean scholar and influential literary historian. Educated at Yale, he has taught at UC Berkeley and Harvard. He has written extensively about Renaissance studies and Shakespeare. His biography of Shakespeare, "Will in the World," was on the New York Times best seller list for nine weeks. Joe Bernt will lead the discussion at the library. A zoom link will also be provided for those who wish to participate from home. Contact Joe Bernt at [berntj@ohio.edu](mailto:berntj@ohio.edu) to get the link. Cannon Beach Reads is open to everyone. New participants are always welcome. Come join the discussion. Coffee and goodies will be provided.

### ***Board Notes Continued...***



to assess any need for maintenance or replacement in the future.

*-Phyllis Bernt, for the Board of Directors*



## Looking for a Good Mystery?



Next time you are looking for a good mystery, you might consider a book by an author who has a unique understanding of murderers because she once was one.

Anne Perry, British author of historical detective fiction, was, at the age of 15, found guilty of murdering her best friend's mother. Perry, whose real name was Juliet Hulme, was living in Christchurch, New Zealand, when she and her friend Pauline Parker bludgeoned Pauline's mother to death to prevent her from sending Pauline to live in South Africa. After serving a 5-year sentence, Perry changed her name from Juliet Hulme to Anne Perry and moved to England. She eventually moved to a small Scottish village and began writing mysteries.

Perry is the author of a five-book series set during World War I, in which three siblings in the Reaveley family—a chaplain, an ambulance driver and an intelligence officer—chase murderers, liberate prisoners of war and unmask a traitor. More recently, she has created three novels featuring Elena Standish, an intrepid photographer who is a spy for MI6 in Europe before World War II.

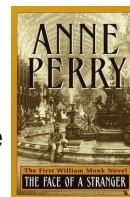


Perry, however, is best known for two lengthy series set in Victorian England: the Charlotte and Thomas Pitt series and the William Monk series. Victorian England, with its social inequality, inflexible expectations for respectability and morality among the upper classes and abject poverty among the lower classes, offers the perfect setting for hypocrisy among the wealthy, desperation among the poor and the potential for violence and murder in all areas of society. Perry takes full advantage of the situation to draw a richly detailed picture of Victorian life and society.



In the Thomas and Charlotte Pitt series, police inspector Thomas Pitt, who has married the upper-class Charlotte Ellison to the displeasure of her family, is helped immeasurably in solving cases by his charming wife's good sense, intelligence and social connections. From the first novel, *The Carter Street Hangman*, published in 1979, to novel number 32, *Murder on the Serpentine* in 2016, Thomas and Charlotte Pitt deftly solve murders, kidnappings and other challenging cases across all segments of society.

Thomas and Charlotte's son Daniel becomes a successful lawyer, but, like his parents, he is drawn to investigating crime, often with his parents' help. The result is a new series featuring Daniel Pitt, including six novels, from *Twenty-One Days* in 2018 to *The Fourth Enemy* in 2022.



Perry's William Monk novels are dark in tone and often set in the wretched areas inhabited by the poor, and sometimes-criminal classes. William Monk, the son of a poor fisherman, is a brilliant, ruthless policeman who has lost his memory in an accident. He is able to keep his amnesia a secret and to continue solving crimes, often thanks to the help of unconventional, stubborn Hester Latterly, a Crimean War nurse trained by Florence Nightingale. From *Face of a Stranger* (1990) to the twenty-fourth book in the series, *Dark Tide Rising* (2018), Monk and Hester work feverishly to exonerate innocent defendants and to bring vicious murderers to justice. Perry has a real talent for creating well-developed historical settings, whether she's writing about Victorian England or World War I or Europe in the 1930s. The library has many of her novels. They're worth a look.

## WOHR Library Lectures Series In Honor of Sandi Lundy



The World of Haystack Rock Library Lecture Series is back at the library! This year's season is dedicated to Sandi Lundy, a long-time supporter of the library and Friends of Haystack Rock.

From its inception in 2008, Sandi worked year after year to ensure the continued success of the lectures series. While her presence will be greatly missed, we will continue in her honor. Join us Wednesday, November 9th, 7:00 p.m. at the library for the first lecture of the series. This is a hybrid event, so you can also watch live on Facebook. Sylvia Yamada, a faculty member at the Oregon State University Department of Integrative Biology, will present "European Green Crabs: Are They Here to Stay?" Yamada is a marine ecologist who has been monitoring the presence of European green crabs in Oregon estuaries for over 20 years. Her research includes salmon stock identification, invertebrate fisheries, and the role of introduced fisheries and introduced species on the marine environment. The green crab is considered to be one of the most invasive species in the marine environment today, and is a threat to habitats around the world.





# New Acquisitions October 2022



## **Fiction:**

The Book Haters' Book Club - Gretchen Anthony

Demon Copperhead - Barbara Kingsolver

Hester - Laurie Rico Albanese

Mad Honey - Jodi Picoult and Jennifer Finney Boylan

The Mountain in the Sea - Ray Nayler

Our Missing Hearts - Celeste Ng

The Passenger - Cormac McCarthy

## **Mystery:**

Alias Emma - Ava Glass

The Harbor - Katrine Engberg

Hell and Back - Craig Johnson

The Ink Black Heart - Robert Galbraith

Livid - Patricia Cornwell

Next in Line - Jeffrey Archer

Reckoning: An FBI Thriller - Catherine Coulter

Righteous Prey - John Sandford

## **Non-Fiction:**

Brave Hearted: The Women of the American West  
- Katie Hickman

The Song of the Cell: An Exploration of Medicine and the New Human - Siddhartha, Mukherjee

When McKinsey Comes to Town: The Hidden Influence of the World's Most Powerful Consulting Firm  
- Walt Bogdanich and Michael Forsythe

Visual Thinking: The Hidden Gifts of People Who Think in Pictures, Patterns, and Abstractions - Temple Grandin

## **Children/Easy Reader:**

The Great Fuzz Frenzy - Janet Stevens

No, David! - David Shannon

Planets - Rebecca Baines

1001 Things to Spot in the Sea - Katie Daynes

Happy Easter, Little Critter - Mercer Mayer

The Three Little Rigs - David Gordon

The Bad Mood - Moritz Petz

Counting Colors - Roger Priddy

Go, Train, Go!: A Thomas the Tank Engine Story -

The Reverend W Awdry

Good Night, Beach - Adam Gamble

Frosty the Snowman - Jack Rollins

Ball Sullivan - Mary Sullivan

Race Team - Dennis R. Shealy

Ellie's Crayon Adventure - Sarah Glenn Marsh

I'm a Unicorn - Helen Yoon

Cesar the No Drama Llama - Bee Dugan

The Princess in Black and the Mermaid Princess - Shannon Hale

## **Juvenile/Young Adult:**

The Last Kids on Earth and the Forbidden Fortress - Max, Brallier

Dinosaur Atlas: When they Roamed, How they Lived, and Where We Find their Fossils - National Geographic

The List of Things that Will Not Change - Rebecca Stead

Six Million Paper Clips: The Making of a Children's Holocaust Memorial - Peter W Schroeder

E is for Evergreen: A Washington Alphabet - Marie Smith

Extreme Animals Dictionary: An A to Z of the World's Most Incredible Species - Clint Twist

We will draw a winner for this year's quilt fundraiser at 3 pm during the Holiday Tea. Tickets for the quilt drawing are available at the library or online!