

# infoothelibrary's Monthly Newsletter

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

**April 2023** 

#### **Board Notes**

Several issues were addressed at the March board meeting. Office Manager Jen Dixon reported that the electrical upgrades to the building are complete. A new electrical panel and new outlets in the office have been installed and the outdoor lights are all functional. The project to replace our aging server is on hold until we find the technical support we need to install it.

Plans are in place for Game Night on March 31 and for Story Time on Saturday, April 1. Jen and board member Peggy Thom have been planning this year's Summer Reading Program; the theme is "Finding Your Voice." In addition to reading books, children will be able to participate in three special events.

Board vice president Wanda Meyer Price has been looking into adding a blanket to the Books for Babies program. Board member Roger Neugebauer has been attending a program provided by the State Library regarding equity in libraries. He is also investigating how to be more efficient in the way we collect and manage information about library cards, memberships, volunteers, etc.

Board members discussed our current charges for library cards and memberships. There is a lot of confusion because both are the same price. A couple of options were discussed and will be presented at the next membership meetings.

A draft Code of Conduct for board members was discussed. It was accepted and will be part of the Policy and Procedure Manual.

The library's involvement in 'Get Lit at the Beach' was reviewed. Mindy Hardwick will do a presentation at the library, Friday, April 14, at 6 p.m. We will also raffle off two tickets to the event at the Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon.

Plans for the Volunteer Luncheon on April 7 were discussed and finalized; Board treasurer Karen French is overseeing the luncheon, and doing a great job.

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## NW Authors Series: Marianne Monson

Join us for a presentation with author Marianne Monson Saturday, April 22nd, 2 p.m. This is a hybrid event; come to the library or watch online.



Monson will discuss her latest novel, *The Opera Sisters*, based on the true story of sisters Ida and Louise Cook – who, on the eve of World War II, used their passion for opera to attempt the daring rescue of dozens of Jewish refugees. The Opera Sisters has been praised as heart-wrenching, eyeopening, and hopeful.

Marianne Monson is know for unearthing remarkable stories of incredible women. She is the author of twelve books for children and adults. She has been nominated for a Whitney Award and the American Library Association's Amelia Bloomer award. She holds an MFA in Creative Writing from Vermont College of Fine Arts, teaches writing, and is the founder and president of The Writer's Guild, a literary non-profit. She lives part-time in Astoria, Oregon.



We're currently in planning mode for our summer reading program, *Find Your Voice!* Find Your Voice focuses on themes of self- expression and activism. Our program is geared towards all young readers aged pre-k to high school. Participants will keep track of anything they read in a logbook and then collect badges and prizes, leading up to the grand prize.

We have several special programs planned throughout the summer, including a kick off reception, an art program, music program, author program, and programs geared towards early civics. Look for more information in the coming months, and please help us spread the word to local families and parents.

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#### **Membership Meeting and Elections**

Our official annual Membership Meeting will be held Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10 a.m. in the library. In accordance with our bylaws and in returning to our pre-covid structure, the election of our Board of Directors will be held in-person during that meeting. Read on for information about the two candidates who are up for election to fill the two open vacancies for members-at-large. Members will also be voting for Board Officers.

Your membership support is vital to the continued health and success of the library; please consider renewing your annual \$10.00 dues online, in-person, or by mail. Only members with paid dues may vote. Reach out if you have any questions about your membership status or about the election process.



Caroline Godderz grew up in Spokane and attended the University of Washington. She has been a desk volunteer since moving to Cannon Beach in 2013. She has worked on the Cannon Beach library

scholarship committee for the last 2 years, and has volunteered for the Old and Rare book sale, the 4th of July book sale, and the bylaws committee. Caroline says she loves to work in her yard, spend time with her many grandchildren, and read!



Tammy Stewart and her husband Jim purchased their home in Cannon Beach in 1999. She was a volunteer at her children's schools with a focus on the libraries, and volunteered at her church's li-

brary in San Diego. When moving full time to CB in 2021, she found the library and has loved volunteering at the desk. She has also cohosted member meetings and volunteered to host the library's first-ever Game Night. Tammy says getting to know the patrons, visitors and other volunteers has been a blessing.

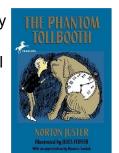
### Thank You Volunteers

April is Volunteer Appreciation Month, and we'd like to say thank you to all our volunteers! From running errands to working the front desk, helping with book sales, setting up for events and choosing new books, our volunteers are an important part of library operations. If you're interested in getting involved, start by filling out a volunteer application online, or pick one up at the library circulation desk.

#### **Cannon Beach Reads April 19**

The Cannon Beach Reads book club will meet at 7 p.m., Wednesday, April 19, to discuss *The Phantom Tollbooth*, by Norton Juster. This is a hybrid meeting; participants can join in person in the library or online through use of Zoom and a webcam conferencing system.

The Phantom Tollbooth is a fantasy adventure novel about Milo, a tenyear-old boy who is bored with school and life in general, until he finds a magic tollbooth in his room. The tollbooth transports Milo to the troubled Kingdom of Wisdom. The Kingdom has been in turmoil since the rulers of



the kingdom banished the princesses Rhyme and Reason to the Castle in the Air. Milo goes on a quest to return the princesses to the Kingdom of Wisdom, meeting a cast of unique characters along the way. After successfully completing his quest, Milo finds himself back home a changed boy. He now finds the world to be an interesting place.

With its extravagant use of puns and wordplay, The Phantom Tollbooth is more than just the story of one boy's adventures, it's also a treatise on the importance of developing a love of learning and the damage that's done by mindlessly following senseless rules.

Norton Juster was an American architect, professor of architecture and environmental design, and writer. He is best known as a writer of children's books. In addition to *The Phantom Tollbooth*, Juster's other books include *The Dot and the Line: A Romance in Lower Mathematics, The Hello, Goodbye Window*, and *The Odious Ogre*.

Lauren Wilson will lead the discussion. The Zoom link is available from Joe Bernt at <a href="mailto:berntj@ohio.edu">berntj@ohio.edu</a>. Coffee and cookies will be provided. New members are always welcome.

#### **Board Notes Continued**

Plans for the May Membership Meeting, which is also the Annual Meeting, were discussed. There will



be board and officer elections, and Wanda will do a presentation involving the fabrics she acquired during her recent travels.

-Phyllis Bernt, for the Board of Directors

## Looking for a Good Mystery?

If you like hard boiled detectives, you could do worse than picking up a book by Michael Connelly. Connelly has created a fictional world set in Southern California and populated by some 49 recurring characters in 37 novels and numerous short stories, but his main character is Hieronymus "Harry" Bosch.

Bosch is a detective, first with the LAPD and then as a private detective and reserve officer for the San Fernando police department.

Connelly gives Bosch a colorful past; he was the illegitimate son of a prostitute who was killed when Bosch was eleven. After years in orphanages and foster homes, Bosch joined the US Army, doing two tours of duty in Vietnam as a member of the "Tunnel Rats," soldiers who entered the Vietcong's network of tunnels to gather intelligence, kill enemy soldiers, and set off explosives.

Bosch is a relentless investigator, more concerned with solving cases than with his career. His drive to get justice for victims, and his problem with authority, attract numerous internal affairs investigations, unfair accusations, demotions, transfers, and pressure to retire from the LAPD. Bosch perseveres as a private detective and officer in the San Fernando PD, solving crimes and clearing his name.

Bosch works with various partners, FBI agents, and his half-brother, who is a defense attorney. A few of these characters take center stage in some of Connelly's novels; his half brother Mickey Haller is the main character in six novels, for example, including *The Lincoln Lawyer*. But Bosch is the focus of most of the novels, appearing in 24 books, from Connelly's first book, The Black Echo in 1992, to Connelly's most recent novel, Desert Star in 2022.

Connelly's novels have been adapted for film and television. His 38th novel is scheduled for publication in November of this year.

#### **WOHR Library Lectures Series**

This will be the last lecture of the 2022-2023 season. Special thanks to Friends of Haystack Rock, Angela Benton, Tiffany Boothe, and Bob Lundy for their hard work in coordinating with the library for this series. This year's Lecture Series was in memory of Sandi Lundy, a dedicated conservationist and library volunteer.

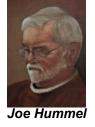
Join us Wednesday, April 12th at 7:00 p.m. for the World of Haystack Rock Library Lecture Series. Come to the library to watch in person, or watch online: Facebook Live @Friends of Haystack. Roy Lowe will present, "Monitoring Migratory Birds in Lincoln County, Oregon Through Citizen Science"

Roy Lowe and other local volunteers have been documenting the return of the threatened Western Snowy Plover to Lincoln County beaches. Absent as a breeding species in the county for nearly four decades, successful recovery efforts have greatly increased the Oregon coast population of this unique shorebird species. Volunteers are also monitoring the Pacific Black Brant at Yaquina Bay, whose wintering population has been in decline since the 1980's. Black Brant are dependent on eel grass as their primary forage in wintering and staging areas.



Waldport resident Roy Lowe was employed with the US Fish and Wildlife Service for more than 37 years. He was stationed at the Hatfield Marine Science Center for 30 years and was the Refuge Manager of the Oregon Coast National Wildlife Refuge Complex upon his retirement in 2015.

Friends of Haystack Rock is a nonprofit organization focused on keeping Haystack Rock healthy and thriving. Their mission is to promote the preservation and protection of the intertidal life and birds that inhabit the Marine Garden and Oregon Islands National Wildlife Refuge at Haystack Rock.



### **National Poetry Month**

April is National Poetry Month. A varied assortment of poetry is available to check out at the library, including classic, contemporary, and Oregon poets. Check our special display or look under the Joe Hummel Memorial Poetry Collection in the nonfiction section, starting at 811.



### **Fiction:**

Armored - Mark Greanev The Curator - Owen King The Devil's Ransom - Brad Taylor Hang the Moon - Jeannette Walls Loyalty - Lisa Scottoline Pineapple Street - Jenny Jackson The Porcelain Moon - Janie Chang The Terraformers - Annalee Newitz What Happened to Ruthy Ramirez -Claire Jimenez

#### Mystery:

48 Clues into the Disappearance of My Sister -Joyce Carol Oates Collateral Damage - J.A. Jance The Golden Spoon - Jessa Maxwell Her Deadly Game - Robert Dugoni I Will Find You - Harlan Coben The London Séance Society - Sarah Penner Murder Your Employer: The McMasters Guide to Homicide - Rupert Holmes So Shall You Reap - Donna Leon What Have We Done - Alex Finlay The White Lady - Jacqueline Winspear

#### Non-Fiction:

The Best Strangers in the World: Stories from a Life Spent Listening - Ari Shapiro It's OK to Be Angry About Capitalism -Bernie Sanders

Rough Sleepers: Dr. Jim O'Connell's Urgent Mission to Bring Healing to Homeless People -Tracy Kidder

The Teachers: A Year Inside America's Most Vulnerable, Important Profession -Alexandra Robbins

The Watchmaker's Daughter: The True Story of World War II Heroine Corrie ten Boom -Larry Loftis

Weathering: The Extraordinary Stress of Ordinary Life in an Unjust Society - Arline T. Geronimus

#### Child/Junior/YA

Bad Kitty: Puppy's Big Day - Nick Bruel Ma©łana Iguana - Ann Whitford Paul Last Day, Hooray! - Nancy Poydar Jimmy's Boa and the Big Splash Birthday Bash -Trinka Hakes Noble

Wow! It's Great Being a Duck - Joan Rankin There was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Chick! -

Lucille Colandro

The Princess and the Pig - Jonathan Emmett Charlie the Ranch Dog - Ree Drummond The Berenstain Bear Scouts Save that Backscratcher

- Stan Berenstain

Houndsley and Catina and the Quiet Time -James Howe

An Enchantment of Ravens - Margaret Rogerson Bravely - Maggie Stiefvater The Stars Did Wander Darkling - Colin Meloy Swift Rivers - Cornelia Meigs Genuine Fraud - E. Lockhart

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Thank you to everyone who participated in our first-ever Game Night! A big shout out to Bruce's Candy Kitchen for the yummy popcorn snacks, to Tammy Stewart for hosting, and to Bonnie Neugebauer for the wonderful photos.



New Visitors



83rd Bday!



FUN!



Rummy Cube



Locals



Family



Games!



Snacks!

# It's that time of year! Renew your library membership today

Membership in the organization is different than purchasing a library card.

Membership works much like a "Friends of the Library" group, and gives you a voice in the nonprofit organization that helps operate the library.

## Get Involved! Help the Library! Become a Member!

Yes! I would like to join or renew my membership to the Cannon Beach Library Annual membership dues are \$10.00 per person Year: May 2023 to May 2024

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