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

**APRIL 2024** 

#### **Board Notes**

Several issues were discussed at the March board meeting. Manager Jen Dixon reported progress on the library sign, and it has been approved by the City's Design Review Board. Roshan Koshy is hoping to have the rebuilt sign ready by Memorial Day. Meanwhile the signpost is leaning and needs to be straightened. Jen also reported that new computers will be installed and existing computers repurposed on April 1. Administration of the library WIFI will also be simplified.

Final plans for the Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon on April 3 were discussed, as were details for the May Membership Meeting.

Currently, children 17 and younger can get a free library card; however they can only check out books with that card. Board members agreed to allow holders of free children's cards to check out up to two DVDs from the family DVD section.

Upcoming fundraisers were discussed. Art books will be featured for sale during the Spring Unveiling. The Rare and Old Book Sale will take place Memorial Day weekend, May 25 - 27 (Saturday through Monday). Dates for the Fourth of July book sale will be Thursday, July 4 through Sunday, July 7. The Fall Festival will be Saturday, September 28. Board member Roger Neugebauer reported there will be a gift certificate raffle and a silent auction for hotel stays, with ticket sales and auction bidding starting Monday, August 26. The day of the Festival will include a mystery book sale, crafting activities, door prizes and other activities.

Linda Sugano reported on efforts by the Acquisitions Committee to monitor whether the new books they purchase for the collection are being checked out. Virtually all mystery and fiction selections and most of the nonfiction selections are being checked

out. Board members commended the Acquisitions Committee for doing a great job.

- Phyllis Bernt,

For the Board of Directors

# OREGON BOOK AWARD AUTHORS TOUR: Sindya Bhanoo

Author Sindya Bhanoo will be at the library on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. as part of the Oregon Book Awards Authors Tour, presented in partnership with Literary Arts and hosted by the library's NW



Authors Series. Her story collection *Seeking Fortune Elsewhere* won the 2023 Oregon Book Award's Ken

Kesey Award for fiction. The Oregon Book Awards are presented annually by Literary Arts to honor and celebrate the work of outstanding Oregon authors.



Bhanoo's story collection Seeking Fortune Elsewhere features intimate stories

of South Indian immigrants and the families they left behind. Spanning from Pittsburgh to Eastern Washington to Tamil Nadu, these stories about dislocation and dissonance see immigrants and their families confront the challenges of leaving and staying, identifying sublime symmetries in lives growing apart.

Sindya Bhanoo is an award-winning fiction writer and journalist who has worked for The New York Times and The Washington Post. She currently teaches creative writing and journalism at Oregon State University.

# **Summer Reading Plans**

We're currently in planning mode for our summer reading program "Read, Renew, Repeat," which focuses on

themes of conservation, environmental awareness, and stewardship. Participants aged pre-k to middle school will track daily reading, collect badges and prizes, and enter monthly raffles. We have special programs planned throughout the summer, including a kickoff reception and art and plant growing program on June 22<sup>nd</sup>, a program with children's author Sara Behrman, and programs with local conservation groups. Look for more information next month, and please help us spread the word to families!



Join us for STORY TIME at 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 27th – it's "Rhyme Time," in celebration of National Poetry Month. Volunteers will read bilingual (English/Spanish) poems followed by a crafting event where children will make poetry collages out of repurposed book jackets. Participants will also receive a FREE book and treat. Best for ages pre-k to 8 years old, but all are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

### **Board and Officer Elections**

The May Membership Meeting on Wednesday, May 1, at 10 a.m., promises to be filled with good friends, good food and an interesting speaker.

Library members Pam Crone and Bonnie Neugebauer will host the event, which will feature Jennifer Reading, the Director of the Seaside Public Library.

Jennifer joined the Seaside Public Library almost a year ago, coming to Seaside from the Jefferson County Public Library System in Colorado. She holds a Master of Library Science degree from



Jennifer Reading

the University of Denver, and has 25 years of experience in many types of library settings, including a law school library, elementary and high school libraries, and three public library systems in Colorado and Washington State. Jennifer will tell us about her career history, how she came to Seaside, and her plans for the Seaside Public Library.

The Seaside Public Library has been very helpful to our own library by making it possible for us to offer Interlibrary Loan services.

The May Membership Meeting is also the Annual Meeting during which we have the election of board members and officers. More about the elections on page three.

### **Free ESL Classes**



Free after-hours ESL classes are being held at the library every Thursday from 6 to 7:30 p.m. No pre-registration is required; just show up. All ages and language levels are welcome.





# **Cannon Beach Reads April 17**

The Cannon Beach Reads book club will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 17, to discuss *One Long River of Song: Notes on Wonder,* by Brian Doyle. Participants can take part in the discussion at the library or from home. The Zoom link is available by emailing Joe Bernt at bernti@ohio.edu.

Brian Doyle was a versatile and prolific author who, during his lifetime, published 28 books, including anthologies of essays, collections of poems, novels, short story collections and even a work of juvenile fiction. His essays appeared in *Harper's*, *The Atlantic Monthly, The New York Times* and *The Times of London*. He was the long-time editor of the University of Portland's *Portland Magazine*, which during his tenure won the Sibley Award for best magazine of the year. Doyle received the American Academy of Arts and Letters Award in Literature, as well as three Pushcart Prizes. His books were finalists for the Oregon Book Award seven times.

One Long River of Song is a posthumous collection of Doyle's essays, selected by Doyle's editors and published two years after Doyle died of a brain tumor at the age of sixty. The proceeds from the sale of this book were for Doyle's wife and children.



Doyle was noted for writing about the joys found in daily life; about friendship, love, family life, childhood memories, and nature; and about the need for compassion, kindness, and reverence. All of these themes are evident in *One Long River of Song*. Bob Lundy will lead the discussion. Coffee and cookies will be provided at the library. New members, whether in person or online, are always welcome.

# Thanks to Local Businesses

Local businesses help support the library, from giving during our fundraisers to donating for our ongoing

events. We'd like to give a special shout out to Brian and family at Bruce's Candy Kitchen for donating amazing popcorn for our game night, and to Jack and JJ Stevenson at the Bistro for donating all the food for our annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon.

Please help us support these wonderful

local businesses!



Owners of the Bistro

### **Board and Officer Elections**

Come to the May Membership Meeting on Wednesday, May 1, to vote and to meet your board members and officers.

The library's bylaws designate the May Membership Meeting as the meeting during which the election of board members and officers takes place, and elections are on the agenda on May 1.

The slate of candidates standing for election as board officers is as follows: President: Claire Landrum; Vice President: Mary Kerwin; Treasurer: Karen French; Secretary: Tammy Stewart.

Standing for election for a first term as an at-large board member is: Pam Crone.

Standing for re-election as at-large board members are: Amy Jones; Roger Neugebauer; Linda Sugano; Peggy Thom. Continuing as an at-large board member is: Caroline Godderz.

The bylaws specify that the most recent past President serves as an ex-officio board member. Phyllis Bernt will serve in that capacity. Wanda Meyer-Price will be leaving the board after serving as an active and valuable at-large member and Board Vice President.

### Get Lit at the Beach

"Get Lit" is an annual literary festival held in Cannon Beach. Get Lit brings authors and readers together to celebrate a mutual love of books and reading. Participants listen to writers talk about their work and share conversations and thoughts about the importance of reading.

As part of Get Lit, the library will host bestselling author Mindy Hardwick on Friday, April 12 at 6 p.m. Mindy writes sweet contemporary small-town romances, as well as children's books celebrating art and community in the Pacific Northwest.



Mindy Hardwick

Get Lit tickets are available at the Cannon Beach Book Company or online at:

https://www.getlitatthebeach.com/

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# **New Acquisitions**

## **MARCH 2024**

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### **Fiction:**

<u>Anita De Monte Laughs Last</u> – Xochitl Gonzalez

<u>The Atlas Maneuver</u>- Steve Berry

<u>Becoming Madam Secretary: A Novel</u> –

Stephanie Dray

The Great Divide – Cristina Henriquez

Iron Flame - Rebecca Yarros

James: A Novel – Percival Everett

Mona of the Manor – Armistead Maupin
The Romanov Brides: A Novel of the Last

Tsarina and Her Sisters –

Clare McHugh

When the Jessamine Grows - Donna Everhart

### **Mystery:**

<u>Blessed Water: A Sister Holiday Mystery</u> –

Margot Douaihy

<u>Finlay Donovan Rolls the Dice</u> – Elle Cosimano

<u>The Hunter</u> – Tana French

In Sunshine or in Shadow: A Molly Murphy

Mystery – Rhys Bowen and Clare Broyles

Listen for the Lie - Amy Tintera

Murder at la Villette: An Aimee Leduc Investigation – Cara Black The Mystery Writer – Sulari Gentill

The Princess of Las Vegas – Chris Bohjalian
The Road to Murder: A Tuscan Mystery –
Camilla Trinchieri

<u>Still See You Everywhere</u> - Lisa Gardner <u>The Tainted Cup</u> - Robert Jackson Bennett <u>The Truth About the Devlins</u> - Lisa Scottoline

### **Non-Fiction:**

A Great Disorder: National Myth and the
Battle for America — Richard Slotkin
Secrets of the Octopus — Sy Montgomery
Thunder Song: Essays — Sasha LaPointe
Unbecoming a Lady: The Forgotten Sluts and
Shrews Who Shaped America — Therese Oneill
The Witch of New York: The Trials of Polly
Bodine and the Cursed Birth of Tabloid Justice
— Alex Hortiskk

\*Due to shipping and processing, not all books may be available when this list is printed - please check at the circulation desk

### Meet the Candidate: Pam Crone

Pam Crone is up for a first term election as a Board Member-at-large. Pam has volunteered at the front desk for several years, works on the NW Authors committee, helped with summer reading and other events, hosted membership meetings, and hosted last year's Annual Holiday Tea. Pam is a retired lawyer and contract lobbyist specializing in



Pam Crone

healthcare, domestic violence, civil rights, and social and human services. She also has a teaching background in both K-12 and law school clinical & externship programs.

### "Tide Pool Tales"

In lieu of our annual quilt raffle, this year we will be raffling off an amazing stained glass window, specially designed for the Cannon Beach Library by local artist Mary Schoessler.

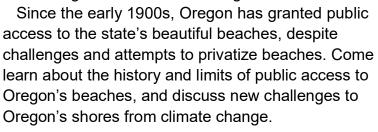


This piece features gorgeous hues and themes inspired by a love of both the beach and books. Etched glass seashells surround an octopus opening a book titled "Tide Pool Tales." This hand-crafted stained glass window measures approximately 13 x 19 inches - perfect for book lovers, beach homes, or anyone looking to take a piece of the beach home, all while supporting the library!

Tickets are one for one dollar, six for five dollars, or twenty-five for twenty dollars. Tickets are available at the library and online. Plus, we will ship anywhere in the continental United States for free!

# **Nature Talks April 10**

Join Friends of Haystack Rock
Wednesday, April 10 at 6:00 p.m. at the
Cannon Beach Chamber of Commerce
for "Nature Talks: Exploring Nature's
Treasures Together." Chris Worl will present
"Protecting Public Access to Oregon's Shores."



### **Membership Renewal Time**

Library membership runs from May to May, which means it's renewal time. Membership dues are \$15.00 per person and are available at the library or on our website: <a href="https://cannonbeachlibrary.org/support-us-get-involved/become-a-member/">https://cannonbeachlibrary.org/support-us-get-involved/become-a-member/</a>

A question we get asked a lot is, "what exactly is a library membership?" Because we're a nonprofit library, our organization is made up of members, who assist the library much like a traditional "friends" group does for a public library.

Members support the library in many ways, including volunteering, contributing to our operations, and electing board members and officers. Members are invited to meetings featuring delicious snacks and local speakers presenting topics that are of interest to the community. Members receive our newsletters, notifications of events, and the annual Directory. Membership is also a great way to meet friends and to get involved in the community.

Membership support is vital to the continued health and success of the library; please consider renewing or joining today!

"Check it out" - April is National Poetry
Month! Poetry is available at the library.
Look in the nonfiction section, starting at 811,
and visit our monthly display. We have
classics, contemporary, and Oregon poets;
the Joe Hummel Memorial Poetry Collection;
and children's poetry available.

