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Cannon Beach Library's Monthly Newsletter

May/June 2020

## Please Return Your Library Books

To avoid being inundated by hundreds of returned books when we reopen the Library, we encourage you to drop your Library books in the book drop at the front of the Library. We will process and disinfect all returned books before we shelve them, so they will be safe to be checked out again. **There will be no overdue fines.**

## Board Notes

Both the April and May board meetings focused on when and how the Library will reopen. It was the consensus of the board that, because our volunteers are in a group that is vulnerable to COVID-19, we need to be especially cautious in reopening. The board decided that the Library will not consider reopening for regular Library services until Clatsop County is approved for Phase 3 of the Governor's reopening framework.

When the Library reopens, masks will be required of volunteers and patrons; patrons will be asked to use hand sanitizer that will be provided; and there will be a limit on number of patrons using the Library at any one time. A sneeze guard will be purchased for the circulation desk to protect Desk Volunteers.

The board voted to cancel this year's Fourth of July Book Sale. Book donations will still be solicited for future sales and the Book Sale Room.

While the Library is closed, we will rearrange the Library and the office to facilitate social distancing. We will also repaint the office, storeroom, and back hallway. Karen French will get bids from local painters.

Patrons will be encouraged to return their library books, using the book drop, so that we can gradually process and shelve them in advance of reopening. No Library fines will be assessed.

—Phyllis Bernt  
For the Library Board

The Cannon Beach Library is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization. Our Board minutes are public information and are available upon request.

## When We Reopen



Out of an abundance of caution, the Library will not reopen for regular Library services until Clatsop County is approved for Phase 3 under the Governor's reopening framework. We wish to assure the safety of Library volunteers and patrons, many of whom are in a group that is at greater risk from COVID-19.

When the Library is reopened for regular services, patrons will be required to wear face coverings, use hand sanitizer, and observe social distancing. There will be a limit on how many patrons will be able to use the Library at any one time.

## July 4 Sale Cancelled Book Donations Still Needed

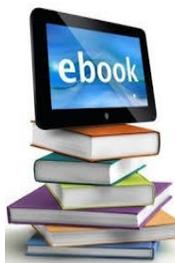
Because of the coronavirus pandemic, this year's Fourth of July Book Sale is unfortunately cancelled. But your book donations are still needed.



The Library Pricing Committee hopes to receive enough donations to make next year's sale the biggest ever, and wants to be sure the Book Sale Room will be ready when we are once again open.

If you have books to donate, please leave them on the Library's back porch. Just call the Library office (503-436-4186) so we will know to look for them.

## Don't Forget eBooks



A lot of our patrons are taking advantage of ebooks while the library is closed. This service is included with your annual library card, and includes thousands of titles for adults, YA, children, and audiobooks. Your 4-digit patron number is your login and password. Don't know your patron number? Contact Jen Dixon, our office manager, and she will get it to you asap. She also suggests downloading the Libby app, which has a very user-friendly interface and makes searching for titles easy.

## Disinfecting Books



We want to make sure our books are virus free, so we are monitoring research that is being done by the Battelle research institute in partnership with OCLC (the organization that maintains the huge WorldCat database of library collections) and the Institute of Museum and Library Services. This research project is named REALM (REopening Archives, Libraries, and Museums); it is examining how long the COVID-19 virus lives on Library materials. Hardback and paperback books are being infected with the COVID virus and examined after 1, 2, 4, and 6 days to see when the books are virus free.

The results of the REALM project will help us be sure we are handling our books in a manner that is safe for Library volunteers and patrons.

## WiFi Available

The Library's free WIFI is still available 24/7 for anyone who has their own device. It can usually be accessed from the benches on the west, north and east sides of the Library or from the parking lot. You don't need a password; just connect to "CB Library."



## Summer Reading Program



We had some fun, interactive, and hands-on programs planned for our young readers this year, which now won't be feasible due to COVID 19. We are currently brainstorming some ideas to engage our young readers, which may be posted

on our website or be available through no-contact pick up. Please stay tuned!

## Become a Member of the Library

You can be an integral part of the Cannon Beach Library by becoming a Member. Members have input into Library policy making, vote for Library board members and officers, enjoy 7 brunch meetings per year, receive the annual membership directory, and are notified of events and functions.

Annual membership dues are \$10.00. Become a member by filling out and returning the membership form on the next page of this newsletter.

See you at the Library!



## Volunteer Spotlight



### Thank You Rance!

Rance Babb is retiring from the board this year. His passion, dedication, and good humor have helped shape our organization. We wanted to thank Rance for the hard work he has contributed. His countless hours of time - from the everyday like picking up the mail and hitting the streets with flyers, to organizing major fundraisers - have been so appreciated. We asked Rance to reflect on his time with the Cannon Beach Library Board.



### *How did you first become interested in joining the board?*

*I was contacted by former president Jean Furchner. A few people were familiar with my work as a volunteer with the History Center, and they thought I might be interested in helping the library as well. I thought hey, the library is so important to the community, I'd be happy to help.*

### *You've been involved with many activities. Is there any one project that has been the most meaningful for you?*

*My first project was helping to choose a builder and bids for a new front desk. Then I helped with getting a new front door. The one we had was a single panel wooden door, barely standing up. We got grants for both. I guess the project I'm most proud of is the Fall Fundraiser. I was happy to help get the local merchants involved, to get donations for gift certificates and add an ongoing silent auction. This raised our revenue pretty significantly and added a bit of excitement to the event. Now it's our second biggest fundraiser of the year.*

### *What's been your favorite part of serving on the board?*

*Serving on the board has been a true honor, really. I want to say how wonderful it's been getting to know all our patrons, our library membership, and the great people on the board. So for me I can't tell you how much I've enjoyed the people, again it's just been such an honor to be involved with the library community, I've made some great friends.*

## Cannon Beach Library Membership

**Yes! I would like to join or renew my membership to the Cannon Beach Library**

**Mail to: Cannon Beach Library P.O. Box 486 Cannon Beach, OR 97110**

**Annual membership dues are \$10 per person**

**Year 2020 to 2021**

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I am interested in volunteering time or talents! Please contact me about:

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