

Between the Bookends

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It's way too soon to think about holiday shopping. But, in case you are looking that far ahead, mark your calendars for Friday and Saturday, November 19 and 20. The library will be having a bookfair at the Tanasbourne branch of Barnes and Noble. A portion of sales from patrons who mention the library will be donated to the library. There will also be special events scheduled, including performances by band members from Banks Junior and High Schools. More details will be available next month.

Do you ever wish your favorite author could write just a little bit faster? The library can't make your author write more books, but our website does have a tool that will help. Go to wcccls.org. Under the column "Library Services" there is a heading that says, "Find your next read with NoveList Plus." Follow this link and you will see "readalikes" for many popular authors. You can also search for a book by plugging in any subject, and NoveList will suggest several books. You just might find a book that will be by your next favorite author.

Join us for craft night Wednesday, October 13 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the community room. Enjoy some lively conversation while you work on your favorite craft. Come and meet some new friends or visit with old ones while using the library's work space and en-

joying some light snacks. You may find knitters, scrapbookers, quilters and maybe even a tatter or two.

Do you have a youngster who needs something to do on Wednesday morning? Story time at the library could be the answer to what to do. Our reader, Miss Cathy, picks a few stories around a theme each week and shares these stories with the children in an entertaining, engaging way. Join us for Preschool Story Time on Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. in the community room of the library. Story Time is designed for children aged three to six, but younger siblings are welcome.

The themes for October are:

- October 6: What IS it?
- October 13: One Big Happy Family
- October 20: Mouse House
- October 27: Booooooo

The Friends of the Banks Public Library can always use your support. You can make a tax deductible donation, become a member, or volunteer. Money that the Friends raise helps the library purchase Cultural Passes, upgrade equipment and purchase books and movies. Also, we take donations of books that are in good condition.

We recently met with a publishers' representative for several children's and young adult non-fiction publishing companies. We made many purchases that will be exciting additions to our collection. Some of the books will be best suited for research and school projects, while others will suit casual reading needs. When the books arrive and are processed, we will have many of them on display.

On the shelf:

Zombies vs. Unicorns. This unique book is a collection of stories by many of today's hot teen authors that

attempts to decide which is better: zombies or unicorns. The book is collected by Justine Larbalestier for Team Zombie and Holly Black for Team Unicorn. The two authors have engaged in internet debate on this subject for several years and finally decided an anthology was the only way to settle the question once and for all. Each story is helpfully labeled with a picture of either a zombie or a unicorn, so anyone staunchly in favor of one team won't accidentally read one for the other team. Other authors include Meg Cabot, Garth Nix and Scott Westerfeld.

Junkyard Dogs by Craig Johnson. This is the sixth Walt Longmire mystery, a series set in Wyoming. In this book, the sheriff find himself in the throes of a modern-day range war with missing body parts and dead developers, as developers of million-dollar properties try to get rid of an abutting junkyard. An unlikely romance between the junkyard owner and a local teacher complicates things, and other characters add humor to the tale. It is a mix of the darker aspects of human character and love, death and derelict automobiles. If you are in the market for a new mystery writer and haven't tried Craig Johnson yet, it may be time.

Portobello by Ruth Rendell. Rendell's career spans more than forty years. With *Portobello*, she delivers a captivating and intricate tale that weaves together the troubled lives of several people in Notting Hill. When Eugene Wren, a man with a shameful addiction, discovers an envelope of cash, he hatches a plan to find the rightful owner on his own. Soon his life is linked with other people afflicted with their own obsessions and despairs, and his life and that of his fiancée will be changed. Rendell creates a complex tale and an intriguing depiction of one of London's most fascinating neighborhoods.

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