

Between the Bookends

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The Washington County Co-operative Library Services is hosting the 7th Annual Hearing Voices Storytelling Festival April 10-16. Numerous performances by four different storytellers will be held at libraries and other locations throughout the cooperative. Banks Public Library will host Gene Tagaban on Thursday, April 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the community room. Tagaban will present "One Crazy Raven," a mix of contemporary and traditional Native American stories, music, songs and dance. Check wccls.org for details of all the performances. They are free and open to the public.

The Friends of the Banks Public Library's annual Book, Plant and Art Sale is coming next month. The sale will be held at Schlegel Hall in Sunset Park on Friday, May 6 from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, May 7, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Plants for sale will include native plants, perennials, vegetable starts and flowers. Books for sale will include donated items and items withdrawn from the library, as well as magazines and media. This sale has something for everyone, and you are sure to find a gift for Mom.

Tax season is upon us. Unfortunately, Banks Public Library does not receive any hard copies of tax forms or booklets. These publications should be available at the Cornelius, Hillsboro (both branches) and Beaverton libraries. All forms can also be downloaded from the IRS website at irs.gov. Oregon state forms and information are available at www.oregon.gov/DOR or by calling 1-800-356-4222.

Join us for craft night Wednesday, April 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 enjoying some light snacks. You may find knitters, scrapbookers, quilters and maybe even a tatter or two. If you would like to be on an e-mail reminder list for craft night, call the library with your name and e-mail.

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 April are:

- April 6: What's in Your Pocket?
- April 13: The Color Green
- April 20: The Bunny Hop
- April 27: What a Croc

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.

On the shelf:

Over the next month we will be adding many new audio books to our shelves. Many will be adult mysteries, but there will also be Newberry Award winners for the juvenile section and some young adult titles.

The Diva Cooks a Goose, by Krista Davis. Maybe it's a little late for holiday books, but this one also includes recipes! Sophie Winston is expecting a jolly holiday until a grinch steals her gifts and even her meals. Then,

her sister-in-law's father shows up for the holiday with a girlfriend just one month after his separation and suddenly more than one person is thinking of murder. When the girlfriend is the victim of foul play, some of Sophie's relatives top the suspect list. But Sophie won't let anyone ruin her holiday so she sets out to solve the mysteries.

The Lies that Bind, by Kate Carlisle. What could be better than a mystery book that features books? That's what the Bibliophile Mysteries do. Brooklyn Wainwright is a master of rare books and antiquities. She is to teach a bookbinding class at the Bay Area Book Arts. Unfortunately, the director, Layla Fontaine, is a horrendous host who pitches fits and bullies her subordinates. Soon, Layla is found dead from a gunshot wound, and Brooklyn is bound and determined to find out who did it. Brooklyn realizes that the case is more personal than she thought when she finds that Layla's past is intertwined with that of Derek, Brooklyn's boyfriend.

Gambit by Karna Small Bodman. Bodman, author of *Checkmate* and a former director of the National Security Council, is back with another gripping thriller that reads like tomorrow's headlines. American planes are being shot out of the sky and no one knows how or why—nothing is seen, even on radar. Dr. Cameron Talbot, a world-famous expert on missile defense systems, believes that a new stealth technology is being used. The White House orders her to find a way to protect America's airways. Cammy races against time to develop a defense against the mystery weapon and soon suspects that the downed planes are only the opening gambit in an ambitious campaign.

Banks Public Library: 111 Market Street.

Hours: Mon., Fri., Sat., 11 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Tue., Wed., Thu., 11 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

Preschool Story Time: Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m.

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