

Between the Bookends

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Banks Public Library



Signups for summer reading are underway. Ages 0-18 can sign up at the library and receive incentives including a free ticket to a Portland Timbers Reserve Team Game on August 21, a Bullwinkle's coupon for free miniature golf, and a chance to earn free rides at the Washington County Fair.

Readers who meet their goal will be eligible for a free book, a ticket to a Portland Trail Blazer game and an invitation to the Oaks Park Celebration on August 10.

Adult readers can also participate and will be eligible for a weekly drawing. Signups will continue through July 15 and the first day to turn in reading records will be August 1. All records must be turned in by August 31.

Summer reading events at Banks Public Library this summer will kick off with BJ the Clown on June 23 at 2:00 p.m. Don't miss everyone's favorite clown! Other events will follow on Thursdays at 2:00 p.m. on June 30, July 14, July 21, and possibly July 28. Also, on Wednesday, July 20 at 7:00 p.m., there will be a special event for teens with the Mid-City Breakers doing a break dance performance.

Check wccls.org for summer reading events at other libraries.

If you're wondering how to make sure your young child is ready for school next fall, or doesn't lose skills learned this year, try checking out our Early Readers collection. Some books, like those in the "We Read Phonics Collection", include many helpful tips for how

parents can help their child learn to be a successful reader. Books in our Early Reader collection cover many different subjects and range in difficulty from the very simple to independent reading. Summer Reading can be an important part of maintaining and building your child's skills over the summer!

Join us for craft night Wednesday, June 8 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 June are:

- June 1: Dancing Dinos
- June 8: Farm Critters
- June 15: My Dad
- June 22: Big Blue Sea
- June 29: Yum Yum

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:

My Neck Hurts! Nonsurgical Treatments for Neck and Upper Back Pain by Martin T. Taylor, DO, PhD. If you have neck pain and you are like most people, you want to know how to relieve the pain without having surgery. This user-friendly guide will help you work with your health care providers to find an effective treatment. The book looks at the causes of pain and the many possible therapies, including exercise, ultrasound, traction and others. It is written in an approachable style with clear illustrations.

Caleb's Crossing by Geraldine Brooks. In this novel, Brooks, author of *Year of Wonders*, again takes a shard of little-known history and brings it to life. She creates a tale of passion and belief, magic and adventure from the few facts that survive of the extraordinary life of the first Native American graduate of Harvard College in 1665. Most of the novel is set in Martha's Vineyard and is told from the point of view of Bethia Mayfield, a young girl growing up in a small group of Puritans. At 12, she meets Caleb, the young son of a chieftain, and the two forge a secret bond that draws each into the alien world of the other. As Bethia fights for the right for a voice in a society that requires her silence, she also becomes entangled in Caleb's struggle to bridge the intellectual and cultural divides of their two cultures.

The Tiger's Wife by Tea Obreht. Obreht was selected as one of The New Yorker's twenty best American fiction writers under 40. In a Balkan country mending from years of conflict, Natalia, a young doctor, is on a

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

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