

## Between the Bookends

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Banks Public Library



Renovation plans are heating up. Construction at the Banks Public Library will follow work being done at the Public Works Building, and while an exact date has not been set, work will definitely occur this winter. In preparation for the work, the library will not be taking donations of books after

November 15 until the work has been completed. Also, the community room will not be available for rental after the month of November.

With the change of seasons comes the possibility of worsening weather conditions. If roads are snowy or icy, call the library at 503 324-1382 to make sure that we have been able to open. Also, if you are unable to come to the library to return items because of weather conditions, give us a call and we will renew them for you.

The Friends of the Banks Public Library are having another book fair at the Tanasbourne Barnes and Noble, just in time for Christmas shopping. All day Friday and Saturday, November 18 and 19, a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the library when patrons present a certificate at check out or mention the library. Patrons can also shop online and benefit the library by going to [www.bn/bookfairs](http://www.bn/bookfairs), clicking on "details" and shopping during the weekend.

Several fun events are scheduled during the fair. Friday night from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. will be a bonus craft night. Bring whatever project you want to work

on and enjoy using Barnes and Noble's space to get some work done. It's also a perfect opportunity to browse their collection of crafting books and see if something strikes your fancy.

Saturday morning at 10 a.m. there will be a storytime for all ages, featuring Thanksgiving stories and crafts.

On Saturday afternoon at 2:00 p.m., members of a local 4-H group and some adults will host a fiber day celebration/demonstration. Several spinners will be on hand demonstrating their art and talking about the different kinds of fibers from animals and plants. Yarn isn't just from sheep anymore! Needle felters, knitters and crocheters will also be showing the many things that can be done with fiber and yarn. Following this, at 3:00 p.m. there will be an opportunity to make a fiber craft.

Join us for craft night Wednesday, November 9 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.

Come to the library for Preschool Story Time on Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. and let your kids enjoy some great stories. 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 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 November are:

- November 2: Down on the Farm
- November 9: Dragons in Wagons
- November 16: un-Bear-able
- November 23: no storytime
- November 30: Where's My Hat

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 li-

brary purchase Cultural Passes, upgrade equipment and purchase books and movies. Also, we take donations of books that are in good condition.

### On the Shelf:

*Snuff* by Terry Pratchett. If you are a long-time Pratchett fan, you probably already know this book is out. If you are not a long-time Pratchett fan, you probably should be reading some of the 30- plus Discworld novels. In *Snuff*, the character focus is on Sam Vimes, commander of the Night Watch and one of Pratchett's longest running protagonists. Vimes finally takes a vacation, going to the countryside with his family, but a policeman on holiday always finds a crime. Soon Vimes is investigating smuggling, piracy and murder. Out of his element and without his customary support, his policing instincts lead him to smuggling, river piracy, murder, and even some crimes against goblins that aren't against the law—yet. Still, Vimes ensures that justice is done. *Snuff* is basically a sequel to *Thud*, but most Discworld novels can be enjoyed without regard to what order they were written in. Pratchett combines humor, clever storylines and a little satire to deliver books that entertain and provoke a few thoughts.

*Beauty and the Werewolf* by Mercedes Lackey. Lackey is working on a series called a Tale of the Five Hundred Kingdoms. Each novel in this series functions independently of the others and each takes on a different fairy tale. In this novel, the story of the Beauty and the Beast mixes with Little Red Ridinghood and results in a story about a young woman trying to avoid the pitfalls attendant to being an eldest daughter. Bella sets off in a red cloak to visit Granny and is attacked by a wolf, who is actually a cursed nobleman. Bella is torn between her family and this strange man who makes her laugh. With the work of a beauty and a wizard, plus some godmotherly help, they may be able to break the werewolf spell and find a happy ending.

*The Bite Before Christmas* by Lynsay Sands and Jeaniene Frost. If you're not tired of vampires yet, here's a holiday book with a vampire twist. Sands writes "the Gift," the story of a vampire who finds her soulmate when she is snowed in over Christmas with an older mortal man. Frost writes "Home for the Holi-

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**Preschool Story Time:** Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m.  
**Phone:** (503) 324-1382 for information  
**Internet:** [www.wcccls.org](http://www.wcccls.org) Browse library resources, reserve or renew materials online.  
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