

Between the Bookends

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At Banks Public Library, back-to-school also means back-to-Storytime. We are embarking on a search for a new reader, but in the mean time, Rick Samuelson, the Washington County Coopera-

tive Library Services youth services librarian, will fill in for the month of September. Preschool Storytime is designed for youth three to six years old, but siblings are welcome. Storytime is on Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. in the library. Themes will be the following:

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| September 12 | Friends |
| September 19 | Bugs |
| September 26 | Big Bad Wolf |

While we have implemented many changes, there are still a few coming in the future. This month we are adding the ability to accept payment by credit card. Also, the library will be getting a self-check machine which will allow patrons to check out their own materials.

The Friends of the Banks Public Library are working on fundraising for Phase II of the Banks Public Library Expansion Project. Phase II is necessary to restore the community meeting space and meet the terms of CDBG (grant) contract obligation. It will also provide flexible space for preschool storytime, summer reading and oth-

er library programs, and increase the technological capabilities for long distance learning and interactive multi-media communication. If you would like to contribute or help out with this campaign, call the library at 503 324-1382.

Join us for craft night Wednesday, September 12, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the library. We have just enough room to set up some tables in the library space and get to work. 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. 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.

On the Shelf:

The Dressmaker by Kate Alcott. In this novel, an aspiring dressmaker is lucky enough to be hired by a famous designer and taken aboard the Titanic. Of course, disaster strikes and Tess barely survives. Her new boss also survives and soon there are rumors that Lady Duff Gordon may have saved herself at the expense of others. Tess is torn between loyalty to her new boss and the possibility that the stories are true. Through it all, she still hopes to realize her dream of becoming a skilled dressmaker. This is an historical novel, rich in details from the period, including some courtroom scenes.

Weight Watchers One Pot Cookbook. Many times a busy cook needs a meal that comes together simply and quickly. This

book is full of such recipes and is organized around the different one-pot possibilities. Hence, there is a chapter on meals in a bowl, in a wok, in a roasting pan, in a slow cooker and so on. For the most part, the recipes are simple and the ingredients are easy to find. There are many old favorites, but also some new flavor twists. There is even a chapter on dessert! This is a Weight Watchers cookbook, so many of the ingredients are low-fat or reduced calorie, but the recipes are adaptable even for those not trying to lose weight or not willing to use some substitutes.

Some Assembly Required, a Journal of My Son's First Son by Anne Lamott with Sam Lamott. In careful and often hilarious detail, Anne and Sam write about struggling to balance their new roles as grandparent and parent. Anne writes about the complex feelings that Jax, her grandson, foster in her and recalls her experiences with Sam when she was a single mother. Sam recounts his own transformation from son to father. Over the course of the year, the rhythms of life, death, family and friends unfold in surprising and joyful ways.

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.

Phone: (503) 324-1382 for information

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Salsa canning requires safety

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other or mild peppers for chilies. Do not increase the total amount (pounds or cups) of peppers in any recipe. This results in a change of final acidity of the mixture and potentially unsafe canned salsa. Be sure to wear plastic or rubber gloves when handling hot peppers and do not touch your face, particularly the area around the eyes! If you do not wear gloves, wash hands thoroughly with soap and water before touching your face or eyes.

Red and yellow onions may be substituted for each other, but do not increase the total amount of onions called for in the recipe – again, this changes the final acidity level of the salsa and can create an unsafe canned product.

Acidic ingredients, like vinegar, lemon juice or lime juice help preserve canned salsa. Unfortunately, USDA research has not been able to calculate a safe canned salsa that tastes similar to the fresh salsas we are accustomed to. Salsa recipes for home canning have larger amounts of vinegar or lemon juice, which create a more acidic flavor. It's important that the amount of acid in the recipe is never reduced.

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