

## Between the Bookends

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Banks Public Library



The Friends of the Banks Public Library are having a Bookfair at the Tanasbourne Branch of Barnes and Noble on Saturday, November 17. During the Bookfair, a percentage of sales will be donated to the Friends if patrons say that they are supporting the library at checkout. Online sales can

also qualify by going to [BN.com/bookfairs](http://BN.com/bookfairs) between November 17th and November 22nd.

In conjunction with the Bookfair, the library will host two events. At 1:00 p.m. on the 17th, members of a local 4-H group will give a hands-on demonstration of spinning natural fibers into yarn. At 3:00 p.m., members of the Friends will teach interested people how to knit or crochet. This event is a great opportunity to get a start on holiday shopping and benefit the library.

Fundraising is underway for Phase II of the Banks Public Library Expansion project. The Friends' goal is to raise \$10,000 in donations from the community to show active support for the project. Phase II is necessary to restore the much-needed community meeting space for groups in the community who need access to a low-cost facility for meetings and other gatherings. It will also provide flexible space for preschool storytime, summer reading and other 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. You will also notice that contributions are being taken at Jim's Thriftway this month.

The library now has two storytellers who will be taking turns conducting our Preschool Storytime on Wednesday mornings at 10:15. Nancy Upton and

Janette Allen will both entertain and educate youngsters by reading stories, telling stories, singing songs and using a felt board. We have a brand new rug that makes for a cozy spot to share stories. Come on in and check it out! Preschool Storytime is designed for youth three to six years old, but siblings are welcome. Themes this month will be the following:

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| November 7:  | Bears                               |
| November 14: | Colors                              |
| November 21: | No Storytime (Thanksgiving holiday) |
| November 28: | Cats                                |

If you have incurred some fines or lost a book, you now have the option of paying for these charges with a credit card when charges are \$3 or more. You should also be aware that many libraries no longer issue refunds if lost and paid items are later found and returned. Some libraries, including Banks, allow for refunds if you return the item within 90 days of payment when accompanied by the receipt.

### On the Shelf:

*Dead Reckoning* by Mercedes Lackey and Rosemary Edghill. Zombie fiction has been popular for a while now and this book proves that the genre is almost infinitely flexible by blending a traditional western with zombies. Set in 1867 in West Texas, Jett Gallatin is expecting trouble when she enters a saloon looking for her lost twin brother. But she doesn't expect to be attacked by a horde of the undead. The resulting tale is a romp that blends the raw American west with the horror of zombies.

*Confessions of a Horseshoer* by Ron Tatum. Tatum lives in Aloha, Oregon, and has been a horseshoer for almost 40 years or almost half his life. He is also a college professor and a retired marine. Throughout this book, Tatum ponders

what led him to horseshoeing in addition to his bookish life as a professor. He also writes a detailed description of the process of horseshoeing and its history. Other chapters include the humor involved with other animals, including chickens, rabbits, dogs, ducks and llamas.

*Farther Away* by Jonathan Franzen. Franzen is well-known for his novel *Freedom*, which was a fictional look at life in the twenty-first century. In *Farther Away*, Franzen gathers his essays and speeches from the last five years. They address themes, both human and literary, that have long preoccupied him. Topics range from encountering bird poachers in Cyprus to the way that technology has changed how people express their love to overcoming his prejudices against China while on a trip to that country.

**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  
**Internet:** [www.wccls.org](http://www.wccls.org) Browse library resources, reserve or renew materials online. Call for information.

## Veteran's Day ceremony planned at Fair Complex

The public is invited to a Veterans Day Ceremony on Sunday, November 11, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., at the Washington County Fair Complex, NE Veterans Drive and NE 34th Avenue, Hillsboro.

The event, sponsored by American Legion Post 6, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2666

and Washington County Disability, Aging and Veteran Services, will honor all of our nation's veterans.

Veterans with ties to Washington County who have died in service since September 11, 2001, will receive special recognition with the unveiling of engraved memorial stones. Gold Star Families have been invited to attend. These families receive the Gold Star Lapel Button from the Department of Defense for the sacrifice of their loved one.

Brigadier General Eric C. Bush, Commander, Land Component Command, Oregon National Guard and Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici will be on hand to speak.

The Veterans Day Ceremony will take place rain or shine. Attendees may park in TriMet's lot at the Fair Complex/Hillsboro Airport MAX Station. For more information, call Doug Lund at 503-357-0357.

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