Library Happenings

Wasco County Library Service District www.wasco.plinkit.org

The Dalles-Wasco County Public Library 722 Court St The Dalles OR 97058 (541)296-2815

Monday—Thursday 10 a.m.—8:30 p.m. Friday 10 a.m.—6 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m.—5 p.m.

Dufur School/ Community Library

(located at the Dufur School Campus) 802 NE 5th St Dufur, OR 97021 (541)467-2588

School Year Hours are:

Monday—Thursday 8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. Friday 8:00 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

Southern Wasco County Library 410 Deschutes Ave Maupin, OR 97037 (541)395-2208

Tuesday 1:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m. Wednesday 1:00 p.m.6:00 p.m. Thursday 1 p.m.—6:00 p.m. Friday 11 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Library stations are also located at Shaniko Old School House and Tygh School Community Center.

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Free with your library card

Wasco County Service District patrons now have access to three handy new electronic resources, thanks to the library district and Libraries of Eastern Oregon (LEO).

Genealogists will be excited to hear that they can now access Ancestry Library Edition and Heritage Quest Online, and anyone who needs a bit of help tinkering with their vehicle will want to check out the online Auto Repair Reference Center. These resources are free to library district cardholders.

Ancestry.com

Ancestry Library Edition gives access to more than 7 billion names from more than 4,000 genealogical sources including United States Census records, passenger lists, and records from several other countries including Canada, United Kingdom, China, Eastern Europe, and Germany. With its vast resources and constant updated, Ancestry is a great resource for family historians. Ancestry Library Edition is available only when visiting one of

the libraries in Dufur, Maupin or The Dalles.

HERITAGE QUESTIONLINE

Heritage Quest, another genealogy resource, provides a collection of research materials for tracing family lineage and American culture. It includes more than 25,000 genealogies, local histories, primary source materials, and genealogical and local history publications. It includes not only U.S. Census information, but also digitized genealogy books, bank records, and records from the Revolutionary War. Heritage Quest is available from home with a valid library card.



Auto Repair Reference Center includes repair information, wiring diagrams, and other practical information to keep over 50 years of makes and models of automobiles purring. Library patrons can view step -by-step diagrams on how to do everything from replacing a manifold to flushing a radiator. This resource is also accessible from home with a valid library card.



AtoZdatabases, which has been available for the past couple of months, is the premier reference and marketing database marketed to library, academic, and government institutions throughout the U.S. This simple, user-friendly, webbased solution provides details on every business and every household within the U.S.

We have created a more useful reference product for library patrons such as job seeker, small business owners, entrepreneurs, students, marketing researchers, career counselors, and so many more patrons of the libraries.

This will help entrepreneurs conduct prospecting, help students complete market studies, and help community members get more use out of our databases.



Book discussion October 17th 6:30 p.m.



October 25th 10:30 a.m.

"Third Thursday" book group at The Dalles library

The Dalles-Wasco County Public Library book discussion group needs readers like you! Each month there is a new book to read and discuss. We meet at 6:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each month upstairs in the magazine corner. The next meeting will be October 17th. The book discussed in September was *She's come undone,* by Wally Lamb.

For the October discussion, we are reading *Can't wait to get to heaven*, by Fannie Flagg. Octogenarian Elner Shimfissle falls off a ladder after accidentally disturbing a hornets' nest while picking figs. After she dies at the hospital, the novel's bite-size chapters alternate between funny and touching vignettes showing how Elner's death and life has affected dozens of people in town, interspersed with scenes of Elner's laugh-out-loud assent into the hereafter. From there, the plot offers readers a series of delightful surprises. Perhaps Flagg's funniest novel since her debut, Daisy Fay and the Miracle Man, she's created a charming, life-affirming tale and a full cast of memorable characters, including Elner's late sister, Ida, who greets her in heaven still carrying her purse and a grudge about the bad hair styling she got for her funeral.

Copies of this book are widely available in the Sage Library System, as well as an audio book version. All readers are welcome (and for those of you wondering, No, you do not have to have a library card in order to join us), even if you haven't finished the book.

Charlie Williams is the Noiseguy!

If it sounds like a duck and walks like a duck; it must be a duck, right? Well, maybe not! Charlie Williams is "The Noiseguy", a vocal sound impressionist who can imitate the sound of planes, trains and automobiles! This talented performer is also a kids' comedian, author and illustrator. In one of his typical shows you might hear flushing toilets, dinosaurs, monster trucks and 'beatboxin'.

When he tells you his fractured fairy tale of Jack chopping down the beanstalk, he doesn't use an ax – that's not noisy enough! If you close your eyes, you'll be convinced The Noiseguy is using a real chainsaw to bring down the beanstalk. This is a show like none other – you won't believe your ears! Parents – be prepared for a lot of giggling!

Williams encourages kids to laugh at everyday annoyances because humor is an important life skill. Parents will get in touch with their inner (noisy) child. Everyone will learn some vocal impressions of their very own! Williams believes "the family that makes noise together is a family that enjoys together".

Don't miss his Fun With Amplified Sound program on Friday, October 25th at 10:30 a.m. at The Dalles-Wasco County Public Library. All ages are welcome to enjoy the show, and maybe learn how to make a strange noise or two.

Charlie Williams resides near Seattle, Washington, USA. He's worked as a DJ, a cartoonist, a children's librarian and a dishwasher. A funny dishwasher. He is the author and illustrator of Flush! An Ode to Toilets; a fun picture book about the sounds of a variety of toilets. The comic illustrations and rhyming text was published by Sound Safari Theater, a company that still believes laughter is the best medicine.



Knitting in the Library

Who knew that knitting in the library could be so much

fun! A knitting group meets in the library in Dufur, and anyone is invited to join them. If crocheting is more your thing (or embroidery, etc.) come on down, they'll make room for you. The Dufur Knitting Club



meets on Thursday nights, from 6:00 until 8:00. For more information, you can contact the Dufur Library at 541-467-2588.

Story times

Toddler Time, for birth to 3 years old, is held every



Wednesday morning at 10:30 in the meeting room at The Dalles-Wasco County Public Library. Preschool Story Time, appropriate for the preschooler, but all ages welcome, happens every Friday morning at 10:30 in The Dalles and Maupin.

Game Day

Teens can join us at The Dalles-Wasco County Public Library for Game Day every Monday afternoon from 2:00 – 5:00 in the library's meeting room. Board games, PS2 and the Wii are available for the teens. On Thursday afternoons, from 2:00-5:00, the younger school age kids have their own game day. Snacks are usually available on these days.

Family Game Day

Family Game Days will take place on Saturday, October 12th and October 26th. All ages welcome! Video games and board games will be available from 10:00-1:00 in the library's meeting room.

Family Craft Night

Family Craft Night is back! Join us the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 for a family friendly craft. The planned activity for October we will be making acorn necklaces.

Visit to The Dalles Middle School

It is that time of year again, where Jayne Guidinger, the teen librarian here at The Dalles-Wasco County Public Library, will visit the middle school. She will be at the middle school library on Thursday, October 10th during the lunch hour. There will be cookies for kids who can answer trivia questions.

Yu-Gi-Oh tournament

The Dalles-Wasco County Public Library will host a Yu -Gi-Oh tournament for teens 18 and under. The tournament takes place on Saturday, October 12th from 1-5 p.m. There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners. Bring your decks and get your game on!

Dufur and Maupin



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Southern Wasco County



SWC Library is sponsoring a visit by author Rosanne Parry, author of Heart of a Shepherd, Second Fiddle &



Written in Stone. She will be at Maupin Grade School on Oct. 25 from 10:00 to 11:00 for an assembly on generating writing topics for students in grades 4-7, followed by a meet & greet with OBOB & Library Club members from 11:45 to 12:45 at the high school library. Public is welcome (no small children, please) to attend either event.

Stuffed animal sleepover

Bring your stuffed animal to the



library on Friday, October 4th.

We will give your stuffed animal an "Owner's Tag", tell them a bedtime story, sing

them a song and then you leave them overnight with us and they'll have a wild pajama party at the library!

You can pick them up on Saturday morning at 9 a.m. at a special story time before the library opens.

Contact the library at 541-296-2815 for more information.

Wildlife in the Gorge



Join author, Bill Weiler, at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 5th at The Dalles-Wasco County Public Library. He will talk about living well with wildlife; what to do when encountering

"dangerous" species; what are the Gorge's rarest endangered species. Learn why skunks are important! Bill Weiler is a wildlife biologist who has worked with every branch of government. He started the Columbia Gorge Ecology Institute, an environmental education organization based out of Hood River, and is currently a Land and Community Steward Consultant and will conduct free surveys on private land and recommend ways to enhance wildlife on properties: williamweilerstewardship.wordpress.com.

Library After Dark

Are you between the ages of 5 and 12? Have you ever wanted to be in the library after it closes? Then we want you to come to our first ever Library After Dark event, for **kids only**. Sorry adults, but this program is just for the kids, you'll have to find something else to occupy your time.

> This exciting event will take place on Friday night, October 11th, from 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. There will be

craft projects, experiments, a scaven-

ger hunt, and other fun things going on. Snacks will be served about halfway through the evening.

Because this event is taking place after the library has closed, plan on getting here shortly before 6:00 (we will be watching for latecomers, but no admittance after 6:15 at the latest). Parents are expected to sign their kids in, and leave name and contact information. You can pick your children up beginning at 9:00 p.m., they must be picked up no later than 10:15.

Contact the library at 541-296-2815 for more information.

Gorge Paranormal

Join the Gorge Paranormal Society in the meeting room at The Dalles-Wasco County Public Library on Saturday,

October 26th at 2:00 p.m. All programs are different, so if you've seen them before, this



one will be different and exciting.

The Gorge Paranormal Society offers investigations and tours of The Dalles and surrounding areas. Unlike most historic tours, and even most ghost tours in the United States, Gorge Paranormal offers tour-goers the opportunity to be real ghost hunters, using their own recorders and cameras while on the tour.

Check out their website: <u>gorgepara-</u><u>nomalsociety.com</u> for more information about them. Contact the library at 541-296-2815 for more information about the upcoming program.

