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An occasional newsletter for Friends of the Ashland Public Library

2008 December



Season's Greetings!

Holiday Open House on December 21 from 12-4

Celebrate the season with carols, music, hot cider and cookies! It's the annual Friends of the Ashland Public Library's gift to you.

Giving Tree

Stop by the Library with Caps, Hats, Socks and Mittens for the Giving Tree in the Children's Department. Head Start children will be toasty warm this winter, thanks to you.



Friends of the
Ashland Public Library

www.ashlandfriends.org

Ashland Public Library Hours

Mon 10-8
Tues and Wed 10-6
Thurs and Sat 12-5
Sun 12-4

Our mission is to help our library to achieve any and all of its goals. Ensuring free access to information is part of Ashland's community life, to which the Friends are firmly dedicated.

What Would Happen if All Oregonians Read the Same Book During the Sesqui-centennial Year? The Oregon Reads project will find out. Read *Stubborn Twig* along with everyone else in the Oregon.

Music In Action with Rich Glauber



Called the pied piper to children, Rich Glauber is a bilingual, energetic musician and storyteller who will set your toes tapping. The influence of his global travels is expressed in the universal language of music! Mark your calendar now for Tuesday December 16 at 11:30a.

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Game Day

Imagine 40 or 50 young teens sprawled all over the downstairs of the library, playing board games and video games, chatting and challenging each other, eating popcorn and nachos and having a great time. That was the scene of the library's first ever Game Day on Saturday November 15.

Games increase critical thinking skills and hand-eye coordination. Played as a group, games also give sometimes solitary gamers opportunities for socialization and fun.

Look forward to a Game Days on third Saturdays at the library sponsored by the Friends of the Ashland Public Library!

Library staffer Robert Michael and YA Librarian Esther Mortensen organized the November 15 event with the assistance of the American Library Association and Play It Again Games of Ashland.



If you're a card-carrying member of the Jackson County Library Service, then you have free access to Library2Go, an online library of audio books and now, as of Fall 2008, to videos too!

Library2Go works with many popular MP3 players such as Zune, ZEN, iPod and other devices that use DRM-protected Windows Media content. Just download the Overdrive Media Console and you're good to go!

Login to JCLS.org to search the Library2Go catalog and find thousands of audio books and videos in all subject areas. You'll find everyone from JA Jance and Kate Wilhelm to politics and foreign language study. For more information call 774-6996.

Thank You to Our Sponsors!

Thanks to all those who bid on baskets at the 2008 Friends of the Ashland Public Library Book Sale and Silent Auction held November 15 and 16, 2008. We especially appreciate the generosity of our sponsors, hardworking volunteers and library staff, and the many Friends who bought books and bid on auction items.

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Where's My Bookmark?

✕ currently reading ✕

The Golden Spruce by John Vaillant

✕ most recently finished ✕

Lost Japan by Adam Scott

✕ favorite book ✕

Grass Beyond the Mountain by Richmond P. Hobson

I was lucky enough to be born into a family of life-long readers. I grew up surrounded by books of every genre. I especially loved books about people and far away places and by the time I was thirteen I had traveled around the world in the pages of books. Even today I find reading the most convenient form of travel and almost as fun as my motorcycle.

Happy Reading!

— Ashland Mayor John Morrison



New Reference Databases Reference USA and The Foundation Directory Online

Did you know that as a card-carrying member of the Ashland Public Library you have access to more than 50 different online databases guaranteed to enrich your life and help you succeed?

Two of the newest online databases are *Reference USA* and *The Foundation Directory* online.

Reference USA is an anytime, anywhere database available when you login to your account at JCLS.org.

Reference USA has verified

information on more than 14 million businesses, 285,000 executives, 855,000 physicians, surgeons and dentists and lots more. You can build mailing lists and other business tools with *Reference USA*.

The Foundation Directory Online has grants and other funding opportunities for 10,000 of the largest foundations in the United States. Search available grants by topic, foundation and location. Foundation records also include financial data; pur-

pose and activity statements; fields of interest; types of support; giving limitations; application information; names of trustees, officers, and donors.

You can also search more than 100,000 grants awarded by the top 1,000 U.S. foundations to see what projects and ideas the foundations have funded in the past to see if yours might fit the foundation's criteria.

The Foundation Directory Online is licensed for use at computer workstations at the Medford and Ashland libraries, but is not available from home computers.

For more information about *Reference USA*, *The Foundation Directory Online* or any of the library's other online databases, call 774-6996.

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2009 Membership Renewal

There's no better way to support the Ashland Public Library than by renewing your membership in the Friends, and there's no better time to do so than now.

Membership Category

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Reader. \$10 | <input type="checkbox"/> Publisher. \$100 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reader Family. \$25 | <input type="checkbox"/> Storyteller. \$500 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Editor. \$50 | <input type="checkbox"/> Other. \$__ |

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I want to volunteer!

- Book Sale
- Event Setup
- Publicity
- Newsletter

Here's how often I can volunteer!

- 1-2 hours a week
- 1 day a month
- Special events
- I'm not sure; call me

What I Love About the Ashland Public Library:

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

email _____



How the Friends Support the Library

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| Children's Storytelling | Special Book Purchases |
| Ashland Mystery Readers | Library Book Sales |
| Author Night at the Library | Volunteerism |
| Summer Reading Programs | Your Voice in the Community |
- For more information, call Friends President Sue Lopez at 541-488-1616

Thanks Everybody for Voting in Support of the Library!

Dates to Remember

- Wednesday Films at 2p; Saturday Game Days: 3d Saturdays
Dec 1 at 7p. Author Night. Peace House's *Peace Poems* and poets
Dec 16 at 11:30a. Rich Glauber, storyteller and musician
Dec 21 at 12-4p. Holiday Open House at the Library
Jan 5 at 7p. Author Night. Marshall Umpelby's *Delayed Steal: Baseball Stories*
Jan 9 and Jan 10. Robert McDowell talk and workshop "The Healing Circle: The Words We Need to Share, the Words that Take us there" based on his best selling book *Poetry as Spiritual Practice*.
Feb 5 at 7p. Author Night. Moh Keed Wong's *To My Heart with Smiles* in celebration of the Chinese New Year