

# Open Books Open Minds

## OPEN LIBRARIES

An occasional newsletter for Friends of the Ashland Public Library

2009 March

### Annual Meeting. All Friends Invited Monday April 6 at 7pm at the Library

Refreshments!

**Keynote Speaker: Marjorie O'Harra: Ashland's Historic Place Names**

**Business Partner of the Year: Ron Roth and Kathleen MacMichael,** owners of Geppetto's in downtown Ashland. In grateful recognition of your support of the Ashland Public Library with the Beer 'n BBQ for Books at Eagle Mill Farm, drawing thousands together to support the Ashland Library, the heart of our community.

**Volunteers of the Year: Shirley and Harry Kannasto have personally** selected books and delivered them to Ashland's homebound for more than 20 years. "I enjoy the people I meet and helping them," Shirley says. We thank you Shirley and Harry, and thank all those who make time in the day and room in their heart for others.

Friends of the  
Ashland Public Library

[www.ashlandfriends.org](http://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.

**OREGON**  
2009 **Reads**  
A statewide community reading project



### Inside this issue:

**March 19, noon.** Alton Chung, nationally known storyteller, explores what life was like for the Issei and the Nisei during WWII.

**March 28, 1-2:30p.** Mitzi Loftus shares the story of her family's story and their acquaintance with the Yasui family in *Stubborn Twig*.

### ADULTS

*Stubborn Twig* by Lauren Kessler. A factual account of three generations of a Japanese-American family living in Oregon. Meet the author at SOU Tuesday March 31 7:30p at SOU Stevenson Union. Download *Stubborn Twig* from Library2Go.

### TEENS

*Bat 6* by Virginia Ewer Wolff. Two rival Oregon farm communities face off in baseball, with team members who've suffered loss at Pearl Harbor and imprisonment at an internment camp.

### KIDS

*Apples to Oregon* by Deborah Hopkins. Delicious describes her family's journey from Iowa to Oregon

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# Land of the Empire Builders

## Lectures celebrating 150 Years of Oregon Statehood

At the Ashland Public Library on second Wednesdays 12 noon to 1 pm.

**April 8.** Tom Nash, Oregon Trails, Oregon Tales

**May 13.** Marjorie O’Harra, The Lithia Park Story: The Power Struggle that Determined the Fate of Ashland Creek Canyon

**June 10.** Ben Truwe. Boomers, Charlatans, and Thieves of Early Medford.

Get there early for the best seats, as the Gresham Room fills quickly with eager, history-loving listeners!



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## Wednesday Community Films



Stop in for free movies (and popcorn and new friends) at the Ashland Public Library every Wednesday afternoon at 2 pm

**March 11,** *Flash of Genius*, based on a true story about an inventor’s heroic fight against the auto industry. Rated PG-13.

**March 18,** *Son of Rambow*, a comedy about two boys with a video camera and big ambitions. Rated PG-13.

**March 25,** *Family Gathering*. This documentary expands the information in the book *Stubborn Twig*, the Library’s Oregon Reads 2009 program choice. Featuring interviews with the Yasui family, photos, home movies, and new reels, this fascinating narrative represents one part of the Japanese-American story in Oregon.



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## Meet the Shelters and Sorters

Grace Hamilton, Mary Wooding, Marjorie Stober, Colleen Curren, Becky Allen, Deb Kalmakav, Nancy Menken and Diane Cowan.

Thanks to our tireless volunteers who sort book donations, organize the book sale shelf and get ready for Tuesday Sales. These special volunteers love it and we love them!

Your book donations and book purchases gave \$3000 to youth programs, special events and collection development in 2008.

## Teen Corner

Lots of stuff going on!  
Saturday game days and  
Last Friday movies.

Invade the Library.



## Where's My Bookmark?



### ✧ CURRENTLY READING ✧

Tara Road by Maeve Binchy and Dead North by Sue Henry. Binchy literally places you in Dublin; with Henry, you enjoy the beauty of Alaska and get caught up in a good mystery story.

### ✧ MOST RECENTLY FINISHED ✧

The Post-America World by Fareed Zakaria. Not about the downfall of America, but about the rise of other countries. Excellent

### ✧ WHY I LIKE TO READ ✧

To expand my world.

*Historian Marjorie O'Harra — meet her on April 6*

## Little Ones in the Library

### BABIES IN THE LIBRARY

April 7 through May 26  
Tuesdays at 10:30 am  
for babies ages 0-12 months

### WOBBLERS

Tuesdays at 3 pm  
for ages 12-24 months  
Babies in the Library is a program of books, songs and rhymes for parents and their babies. Wobblers, "The Next Step" is an active early liter-

acy experience for those little ones who are not quite ready for preschool story.

### PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Mondays at 6:30 p.m.  
Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m.  
Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Books, finger plays, rhymes and songs are woven together by our Librarian, Perri Owen, for a half-hour of story time fun!



## Library Elf

- ✓ Avoid overdues with email alerts
- ✓ Check multiple library cards
- ✓ Track books, DVDs, CDs
- ✓ Join for free\*

Go to [www.libraryelf.com](http://www.libraryelf.com) and sign up for the free basic service to get email reminders of when the library books you've borrowed are due back at the library. The premium service (\$12/year) extends your email reminders to holds ready and holds requested and also lets you add this service to multiple library cards.

Concerned about privacy? Library Elf is a privately held company and notes that it will not sell or share any lists containing participant's email address.

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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. \$__        |

Dues, contributions, gifts & bequests are fully tax deductible. Friends of the Ashland Public Library is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization. Your contribution can be used as a match for the Oregon Cultural Trust. Thank you for your support of the Ashland Public Library.

#### 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:

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### 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

**Your 2009 Friends Membership Supports Children's and Teen Programming and Promotes Reading in the Community. Please Renew Today. Thank you!**