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An occasional newsletter for Friends of the Ashland Public Library **2009 September**

Friends of the
Ashland Public Library

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Brews 'n BBQ for Books 2009

Music Lineup at BBQ 'n Beer for Books 2009

1p. Gabe Young and
Friends (great jazzy
tunes)

2p. Geriatric & The
Pacemakers (Crowd
pleasing favorites)

3p. Eric Von Radics &
Buzzard Song (Folk
rock)

4p. Dave Storie
(Guitar-driven Original
Rock)

5p. Turpentine (Local
Teens rock us)

6p. Delta Son (funky
blues & rock)

Yes! The 2009 Brews 'n BBQ for Books is Sunday September 27, from 1p to dusk at Eagle Mill Farm in Ashland. On the menu are chicken, and also tofu burgers and for the first time — ribs! Thanks Geppetots for sponsoring the event! Stroll the fields of Eagle Mill Farm, hang out in the sun, rock and roll to some great music, select a couple of free books, face painting and other stuff for kids, pick blackberries at their sweetest, and have a great time!

Enjoy one of the last days of fabulous fall weather with good friends, good food and good beer at the 2009 Brews 'n BBQ for Books—a fun fundraiser for the Friends of the Ashland Public Library to give books to newborns.

The Best of the Book Sale

This November 14 and 15 the Ashland Library's Gresham Room will once again be packed with the best books for sale! This year will be the Ashland Friend's Fourth Annual Winter Book Sale, just in time for holiday gifting.

Pre-sale for members only will be Saturday November 14 10a-12n, opening to the general public from 12n-4p on Saturday and clearance sales on Sunday from 12n-3p.

The tables will be packed with gently used books in all genres ~ great history collections, curious vintage covers, oversized coffee table books, special collections recently released from storage boxes, still enticingly musty, as well as newly released fiction and cutting edge non fiction. Each year the best in donations are set aside for this great book sale! Expect the unexpected!

This year gift baskets will again be presented for Silent Auction, stuffed with merchandise generously donated by local merchants and library patrons. If you have special items that might find a home in one of these special gift baskets, please email info@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.

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Peace Wall Dedication

From the tatters of wind-torn peace banners hung on a fence in the Railroad District, an idea for a permanent Peace Fence Wall emerged. The original 2007 Peace Fence, the inspiration of local artist Jean Bakewell, was a non-political expression of people's aspirations for peace and the planet's well-being. Thousands of visitors came to view over 200 peace panels, mostly made of fabric, created by artists and non-artists, including more than 180 Ashland school children. Weather ultimately took a toll on the panels.



A public art project approved and supported by the City of Ashland, the Friends of the Ashland Public Library and Peace House, the Peace Wall will be constructed as a ceramic tile mosaic mounted on a metal backing, the tiles replicating each of the original Peace Fence panels. The photo above illustrates how the new fence will be added to the existing retaining wall. A portion of the Wall will be dedicated at 5:30 pm on September 21, International Peace Day, in front of the Ashland Public Library. The event will include community speakers and poets and music by the Rogue Valley Peace Choir Ensemble. The public is invited to attend.

Chautauqua!

On Thursday, October 29, Mark Doty, the only American poet to have won Great Britain's T. S. Eliot Prize, will speak at Ashland High School. He is a National Book Award winning poet and memoirist. The Friends of the Ashland Public Library help sponsor the Chautauqua Poets and Writers author series who are hosting his visit. Tickets are available at Bloomsbury, Bookwagon and Nimbus or by calling 482-3632.



Goblin Alert!

On Halloween, Saturday October 31, there will be a pre-parade Halloween story time in the Ashland Children's Department at 2:30p.



Successful Summer Reading

Thanks to the Friends of Ashland Library for generously supporting our Summer Reading Programs. Almost 300 Ashland children read over 4,000 books this summer. Studies have shown that children who read throughout the summer are ready for school, and have high levels of vocabulary and reading comprehension.



Dear Friends of the Ashland Library,

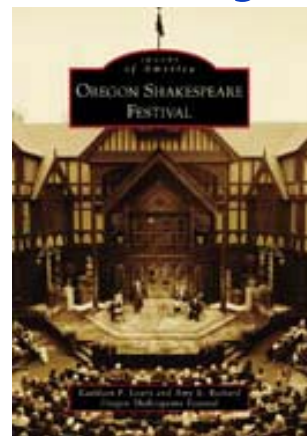
It's that time—time to renew your membership for 2010 and recruit your friends to join us too.

The Friends have sponsored many fine programs in the past years—reading events for children of all ages, services for seniors, programs for teens, a popular mid-week film series through the spring and summer, author presentations, local history presentations, partnership with schools, and a hefty corps of volunteers who keep the constant book sales going, all due to donations from people like you. Our dues are modest, \$10 a year and up, and we host an annual meeting for all members the first of the year. I hope you'll send in your renewal with this issue. Abundant thanks for your support, those who've given for many years and those who have recently joined. And for realizing how valuable a fine, well-staffed library is to this community. Your support makes all the difference!

- Ann Magill, Membership Chair

Kathleen Leary and Amy Richard, Oregon Shakespeare Festival Archivist and Media Manager respectively, will be on stage at the Ashland Public Library on Monday October 5 at 7p for the launch of their new book, ***Oregon Shakespeare Festival***, newly released by Arcadia Publishing.

Author Nights @TheLibrary



On Monday November 2, meet Ashley Offill, author of ***Compressed Leaves: Penses, Aphorisms, Poems, Fragments, Meditations...an Abstract Autobiography***.

Storyteller Will Hornyak will present two programs on Monday, December 7: for children at 4p and for adults at 7p. Both programs will be held in the Gresham room. *The Oregonian* describes Hornyak as a "storyteller par excellence ... boundless wit, endless imagination ... and ability to take children and adults into an amazing imaginary world. He takes his listeners across a spiritual threshold." Hornyak's events are gifts to the community from the Friends of the Ashland Public Library.

Story Time & Babies in the Library

BABIES IN THE LIBRARY

Tuesdays at 10:30a
for babies aged 0-12 months

WOBLERS

Tuesdays at 3p
for babies aged 12-24 months
Books, songs and rhymes for
parents and their babies.

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

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



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2010 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

- Reader. \$10
- Reader Family. \$25
- Editor. \$50
- Publisher. \$100
- Storyteller. \$500
- 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:

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ email _____



How the Friends Support the Library

- Children's Storytelling
- Ashland Mystery Readers
- Author Night at the Library
- Summer Reading Programs
- Special Book Purchases
- Library Book Sales
- Volunteerism
- Your Voice in the Community

For more information, call Friends President Sue Lopez at 541-488-1616

Dates to Remember

- Sept 21. Peace Wall Dedication
- Sept 27. Brews 'n BBQ for Books
- Oct 5. Author Night: Kathleen Leary, Amy Richard
- Oct 14. Oregon150: RoxyAnn, Stories Behind the Names
- Oct 24. Chautauqua: Poet Mark Doty
- Oct 31. Pre-Parade Halloween Story Time
- Nov 2. Author Night: Ashley Offill
- Nov 11. Oregon150: Southern Oregon at War
- Nov 14-15. Annual FOL Book Sale
- Dec 7. Storyteller Will Hornyak