

Bandon Library Friends and Foundation NEWSLETTER October—December 2018

President's Message

In July we held our annual summer book sale. Each year, we're amazed by the number of old friends we see and new friends we meet. Some are neighbors, but others may be visitors from out of state who've chosen to come to Bandon at this time just so they can attend the book sale... and renew their BLFF membership! Thank you to all the VOLUNTEERS who helped out by sorting books throughout the year, setting up for the sale, baking cookies, staffing, clearing away and cleaning up. Because of your hard work, \$2,853 was raised, all of which benefits the library and its programs.

The BLFF's Monday Night series -- Classic Film Night, Bandon Library Readers Book Club, and Travel Night -- continues. There are also the many children's and adult programs put on through the Bandon Library and often sponsored by the BLFF. And soon it will be time again for the December Holiday Book Sale.

What all these programs have in common is that THEY NEED YOUR SUP-PORT. Without you, without volunteers, the programs don't exist, nor do the new programs we all would like to see. We and the library always appreciate your financial support, but there also are so many times when what is needed is your time. Please consider how you can help. You may leave a note at the library's check-out counter, send an email to bandonlibraryfriends@bandonlff.org, or attend one of our monthly meetings the fourth Tuesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. in the Sprague Room. Thank you.

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From the Director's Chair

Recently I have been reading how the public library is an important part of "social infrastructure". In an interview for *Marketplace*, noted professor of sociology, Eric Klinenberg, says our social infrastructure can save us all. In another interview he stated, "To Restore Civil Society, start with the library, this crucial institution is being neglected just when we need it the most." In his book "*Palaces for the People: How social infrastructure can help fight inequality, polarization, and the decline of civic life"* (longest title ever...) he states, "libraries and parks are part of the spaces and organizations that shape the way people interact. The library is the best possible kind of social infrastructure. It's a remarkable institution that has a physical space that welcomes everyone regardless of age or race or even citizenship status. It's got diversity of programs that draw people into situations that they might not otherwise have a chance in which to participate."

In Bandon we value the Public Library and this is proven by our support system of volunteers, Friends of the Library and of course, the City of Bandon. City Manager Robert Mawson, is a forward-thinking individual who sees the value of the Library and, along with our City Council, brings progress and security. Our populace really steps up when the need is stated and this needs to continue to keep our "social infrastructure" vibrant and alive.

On another note: How much money did you save by using the library? Soon we hope to be able to offer the amount you saved on the bottom of your check out slip. This will show how much you would have spent to purchase those items you just checked out for free. You will be amazed at how much you saved. My three books, two magazines, four DVD's and one book on CD yesterday saved me \$159.00. If a person checks out 6 DVD's a week that's an average of \$120 a week of benefits from your library. Now add in the books, magazines, and yes, the Wall Street Journal you sit and read for free – what a bargain! We can only continue to offer programs, information, education and a marvelous collection with your continued support.

Upcoming library programs include:

Medicare 101 - Oct. 4th, Thursday @ 6 PM

Medicare 101 - Oct. 6th, Saturday @ 10 AM, Learn the Basics of Medicare!

Wild Rivers Coast Alliance: What we do - Oct. 16th, Tuesday @6 PM

Bee-Friendly Gardening & Farming: Plants and Techniques - Oct. 20th, Saturday @ 3 PM

<u>Wild Rivers Land Trust: Southern Oregon's Wild & Scenic Rivers 50th Anniversary – View a film of local rivers followed by a discussion - Oct. 24th, Wednesday @ 2 PM</u>

New Lifetime Members Club!

Lifetime Members exist because each one of us has a strong and lifelong commitment to the important role of the Bandon Public Library in our community. Bandon Library Friends would like to give its lifetime members an opportunity to get together as a group and choose a library project to sponsor. Over 100 of our Bandon Library supporters have joined the BLFF as lifetime members.

The new **BLFF Lifetime Members Club** will meet annually to select a project to fund. This is a chance to give direct community input to selecting library improvements! Just a few members donating \$50-\$100 each could easily fund small but important "extras" in the \$1,000 to \$3,000 range. Possible projects: new furniture to replace worn items, more adult programs, books on CD. There's no ties to join in every year.

If you'd like to be part of this effort, let us know. If you'd like to help with organizing it, that would be even better! Of course, just writing that check would be a wonderful contribution. How do you know if you are a Lifetime Member? It's printed on your newsletter label if you are.

We will have the first meeting on November 4 at 2 PM at Bandon Library Sprague Community Room. A group of projects will be presented. Please join us.

To attend, please RSVP by October 19 at **lifetimemembers@bandonlff.org** or leave a message at 541-347-4374. For those interested in participating but can't attend this meeting, please email us and we'll keep you informed. Thank you!



Holiday Book Sale Saturday, Dec 1st



10 AM-12 "Members Only." You can join at the door. \$5 a year.

12-4 PM Open to the public.

You'll find gifts like hard cover books, paperbacks, DVD movies, music CD's, puzzles, antique books, and small gift items.

Louis L'Amour leather bound books and two framed vintage watercolors from local artists have also been donated for this sale.

The beautiful quilt that has been on display inside the library will be raffled off at 3:30. Get your tickets now! Coffee, tea, and homemade cookies will be available. Come have some fun being green!

Calendar of BLFF Sponsored Events

Monday	October	8	Classic Movie	7:00 p.m.		"Dr. Strangelove or How I Learned to Stop Worrying
Monday	October	15	Book Club	7:00 p.m.	Gregg Hur-	"Hell Bent"
Monday	October	22	Travel Night	7:00 p.m.	Dulce Hav- ill	"Vietnam"
Tuesday	October	23	BLFF monthly	5:30 p.m.		
Sunday	November	4	Lifetime Members	2:00pm		
Monday	November	12	Classic Movie	7:00 p.m.		"Planes, Trains and Automo- biles"
Monday	November	19	Book Club	7:00 p.m.	Gregory	"After Alice"
Monday	November	26	Travel	7:00 p.m.	Tim Palm-	"Rivers of America"
Tuesday	November	27	BLFF monthly	5:30 p.m.		
Saturday	December	1	Holiday	10-12 & 12		
Monday	December	10	Classic Movie	7:00 p.m.		"My Man Godfrey"
Monday	December	17	Book Club	7:00 p.m.	Natasha	"The Indigo Girl"

"You don't have to burn books to destroy a culture.

Just get people to stop reading them." - Ray Bradbury

Library Reader's Book Club

The Library Reader's Book Club has been meeting at 7pm on the third Monday of each month. With excellent media coverage in the Coffee Break and The Bandon World newspaper along with posters and word of mouth, the club has attracted several new participants every month.



Our September selection was "The Complete Short Stories of Ernest Hemingway" with members choosing several stories each on which to report and discuss. We try to select varied genres to discuss throughout the year and are excited to review "Hell Bent" by Greg Hurwitz in October; "After Alice" by Gregory Maguire in November; and "The Indigo Girl" by Natasha Boyd at our December meeting. In December, we plan to also choose the selections for the first six months of 2019.

The LRBC always stresses that we welcome those who may not have had time to read or finish the current selection of the month! Lively conversation always results among book lovers, and your input is valued! For more information contact Karen Thomas at bookclub@bandonlff.org and make sure to pick up a bookmark at the library front desk.

FREE Computer Classes by CyberLynx

Bandon Library and CyberLynx offer free computer help sessions.

PLEASE REGISTER Sign up
ONLINE at http://
cyberlynxoregon.org or

DAY / DATE / TIME	CLASS		
Tue Oct 9, 2018	5pm	Apple Lab	
Tue Oct 16, 2018	5pm	Windows/OpenLab	
Tue Nov 13, 2018	5pm	Apple Lab	
Tue Dec 11, 2018	5pm	Apple Lab	

Call 541-236-2038 (leave a voicemail message) or Email admin@cyberlynxoregon.org

Look at the classes offered (https://cyberlynxoregon.org/classes) to see the kinds of software our instructors can help you with.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! If you have computer skills you'd be willing to share as a volunteer, please contact us at **admin@cyberlynxoregon.org**. To offer more sessions, we need more volunteers to staff labs and classes.

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The Kid Zone

Happy Fall! School is back in session, days are getting shorter, nights are getting cooler and Storytimes have resumed in the Kid Zone as of September 26th! Toddlers meet Wednesdays 11 - 11:30 AM. Pre-School sessions are Wednesdays 1:30 - 2:30 PM or Thursdays 11AM - Noon. Early Readers (kindergarten and older) meet Thursdays 3:30 - 4:30 PM. (Ocean Crest students can make arrangements to ride the school bus to the Library for the Thursday after school program by calling the school office.)

We are trying a new event in October. On Saturday the 27th we will have our first Family Halloween Movie Night. "The Ghost and Mr. Chicken" (the 1966 movie starring Don Knotts) will be shown in the Sprague Room. This movie is not rated and may be a little scary for the very young; however everyone is invited to this free showing!

Back by popular demand, in early December, will be the Kids' Ornament Party. Kids will make an ornament to hang on the Library Christmas tree and an ornament to take home. While you work be sure to munch on a Christmas cookie or a candy cane (or both)! Watch for details.

For more information on Kid Zone programs please contact Julie at 541-347-3221.



A CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

"The only thing you absolutely have to know is the location of the library" - Albert Einstein

Libraries play an integral part in every community and the people of the community are what keep a library going. Volunteers who give of their time and share their skills are always needed and appreciated here at the library and as part of the BLFF. If you have a few spare minutes and a passion for the library please contact Sabrina at **volunteers@bandonlff.org** or 541-260-4518.



Our goal was to raise \$10,000 to fund adult and young adult acquisitions for a year-long Staff Picks Project. Over \$11,500 has been raised at the time this newsletter goes to print and the project has made over 700 acquisitions - almost 60 new items every month.

This project, a partnership between Bandon Library staff and the BLFF, has allowed us to go beyond the basics. Bandon Library patrons have come to expect their library to be bubbling with exciting, contemporary and innovative collections. Keeping the library diverse and exciting is, and has been, a worthy challenge.

Every month when you've come to the library, you have been able to enjoy a new display of the Staff Picks Project's latest acquisitions.

Check them out: http://bandonlff.org/staffpicks/

Quilt Raffle/Fundraiser



This beautiful quilt could be yours!

Melody Rogovoy, a BLFF Volunteer, has generously donated another hand-made quilt to the BLFF to be used as the prize in our fund-raising raffle. This beautiful attic window quilt is on display in the library.

Tickets are \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5. See a librarian to purchase the tickets.

The winning ticket will be drawn at the end of the Holiday Book Sale—Dec.1st.