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*Happy Retirement Rosalyn!  
 We are grateful for all your years of service as Library Director, you will be missed.*



## Bandon Library Friends and Foundation

### NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

We give sincere thanks for the many volunteers who helped make our recent Holiday Book Sale a great success. This annual one-day sale of special media and gift items raised funds that will benefit the Bandon Library and BLFF programs.

What are your new year resolutions for 2020? We hope they include supporting the BLFF. How can you help? We are always grateful for your cash donations, and we also appreciate the gift of your time:

- \* **Join or renew your membership in the BLFF**
- \* **Sort & box donated books for future book sales**
- \* **Volunteer to bake cookies for or work at a future book sale**
- \* **Assist with one of BLFF's Monday Night programs:  
*Classic Movie Night, Library Reader's Book Club and  
 Travel Night***
- \* **Attend BLFF monthly meetings and participate**

Whether you have an occasional hour each month or five hours every week, **we need you!** Your participation helps ensure that we can continue to provide media, equipment, programs, and services necessary to the library and important to the Bandon community. Please contact *Volunteer Coordinator* Sabrina Johnson at [volunteers@bandonlff.org](mailto:volunteers@bandonlff.org) for more information.

Thank you and Happy New Year!

Megan Maloney, *President* ❖

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## From the Director's Chair...

This is my last missive as I retire two months from today. I think back on how I started reading at age three, and by four, I was correcting Dad's mistakes as he read aloud to me. Naturally, I spent many hours in the library. As I aged, times changed - following school, or walking home from the beach covered in sand, dragging my skateboard (we called them sidewalk surfboards then), then doing homework at the front table of the library with my best friend. I was always hauling more books home. I watch children today doing essentially the same thing - only, they have backpacks and I think, "Oh, how many more books I could have carried with a backpack!"

I remember shelving in the high school library, then working the summer inventorying the collection. Since then, I have always worked in libraries, first in college and grad school, then on the coast, after which I landed a job as a library director in Washington County. It was there that I first encountered computers. We had the awesome job of converting all those card catalogs to MARC (MACHINE Readable Cataloging), our first experience with the clunky, big computers housed in a huge area. Oh, how the libraries have changed. From clunky card catalogs and manual typewriters and no inter-library loans to fast computers, the ability to download what you need, as well as order material from anywhere in the world.

That first directorship was interrupted one day by an extremely forward-thinking City Manager who walked in and said "Ladies, I'm going to send you to school." We both looked at him and said huh? The problem with volunteer fire departments and daytime is that most of people were working out of town and there was nobody to respond to the calls. The library was housed in City Hall with the Fire Department and Police Departments. Therefore, we took training to become Emergency Medical Technicians and Fire Fighters. It turned out to be a real blessing. The people knew us, so when we came upon a scene they were not afraid, because they already trusted us. It was a genius combination and it worked well for everyone. Librarians are naturally helpful and caring and are used to saving lives - "You've been dying for the new Patterson, it's in for you." Saved a life! "You can't make it to work because your car broke down - let me help you find what you need in the Chilton's Manual. " "Your doctor prescribed what? Here - let us look up the side effects. " "You think your child is on drugs? Let's get you some material to help you decide before you take the next step." Sometimes just chatting with a patron in the library can be lifesaving. When I took books to homes as the outbound librarian, I was the only other person one woman saw except for the mailman, her niece who brought her groceries twice a month, and the meter reader. I got her hooked up with "Meals on Wheels" and some home nursing visits. I also found her a ride to the senior center. Lifesaving! Libraries change with technology, but the caring side has never faltered. Read some of the books about librarians on horseback delivering to mountain communities, or on elephants in some countries. We may computerize, but we are still humans who care.

When I first arrived as director of the Bandon Public Library, we had doors that flew off into the parking lot or didn't work at all, bad lighting, and we won't even talk about the Sprague room floor. Now it's almost six years later and we have wonderful doors - which open when you walk up with your

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## BLFF Holiday Book Sale

It is the morning of Saturday, December 7. A crowd is quietly gathered in the hallway. Megan and Horty have renewed memberships and signed up newcomers to BLFF. Seekers of great gifts await Cathy's signal: "*It's time, open the door!*"

Into the Sprague Room they flowed, heading directly to tables filled with the previous years' donated books, media, puzzles and gifts. More than 60 boxes, unpacked the day before by dedicated volunteers (Cathy, Gaia, Horty, Gary, Lorna, Lydia, Sirkka, James, & David) awaited 2019 shoppers. Armfuls of books worked their way to the front. Gaia, Lorna, James, and Tracy sub-totaled purchases as shoppers made their way to cashier Cathy. Steve & Barbara bundled for rain and posted signs around town directing folks to the Holiday Sale. Bandon's fabulous cookie bakers (Roselyn, Cedric, Steven, Carol, Sue, Horty, Melody, Marilyn & more) donated dozens for folks to nibble on. Thanks, Horty for your help.

Raffle chances on an original Lois Olds' seascape were sold. Thank you, Lois, for your continued support to BLFF. A red ticket was drawn. Out of town guest, Ben Tallent, Washington, was the lucky recipient. Congratulations, Ben!

Folks contributed to the donation jar; the sales appearance was often complimented. When seeking specific topics we were able to do so thanks to Sirkka's non-fiction sorting expertise. At sales' end, worn out volunteers persisted; Cathy, Gaia, Horty, Megan, James, Allen, Lorna, and Tracy packed unsold books for the July Sale.

Proceeds totaled more than \$2000 - a good sale for BLFF and the library! Thanks to all the librarians for their support, to Cathy for your guidance in getting those 60+ boxes to the sale, and to all who volunteer and shop.

It has been my pleasure and delight to get to know folks and sort books this past year. Thanks for the opportunity to serve Bandon's Library. Please, accept my apologies if I missed your name. ❖



### CyberLynx - Oregon

Free Computer Classes for the Greater Bandon Community  
[cyberlynxoregon.org](http://cyberlynxoregon.org)

Bandon Library and CyberLynx are offering free computer classes. All classes will be held in the library on the 2nd and 3rd Tuesdays of the month from 5-7 pm. Dates for classes are listed below. Register online and read more about each class or lab topic at <http://cyberlynxoregon.org> or call 541-236-2038.

Tues Jan 14, 2020	5pm - 7pm	Apple Lab
Tues Jan 21, 2020	5pm - 7pm	Windows/Open Lab
Tues Feb 11, 2020	5pm - 7pm	Apple Lab
Tues Feb 18, 2020	5pm - 7pm	Windows/Open Lab
Tues March 10, 2020	5pm - 7pm	Apple Lab
Tues March 17, 2020	5pm - 7pm	Windows/Open Lab

# Classic Movies

Jan 13, 2020 - "**The Cowboys**" A cattleman attempts a 400-mile drive with a crew of schoolboys he must mentor after his regular crew abandons him in order to strike gold. John Wayne, Bruce Dern, Roscoe Lee Browne, Colleen Dewhurst, Slim Pickens. 1972 Warner Bros. 123 min.

Feb 10, 2020 - "**Roberta**" A football player gets a crash course in the fashion world thanks to an unexpected inheritance. Irene Dunne, Fred Astaire, Ginger Rogers, Randolph Scott, Helen Westley. 1935 Warner Bros. 105 min.

Mar 9, 2020 - "**Citizen Kane**" Following the death of publishing tycoon, Charles Foster Kane, reporters scramble to uncover the meaning of his final utterance; 'Rosebud'. Orson Welles, Dorothy Comingore, Joseph Cotton, 1941 Warner Bros. 119 min.

**All movies are shown at 7:00 PM in the Sprague Room**

## In the Art Gallery...

December 1, 2019 - January 31, 2020

Paintings by **Angela Passalacqua**; Vintage tins collection from **Dawn Vonderlin**

February 1, 2020 - March 31, 2020

Photographs by **Susan Dimmock**; Jewelry by **Jane Ujhazi**

## On The Long Wall...

January 1, 2020 - April 30, 2020

Paintings by **Merv Cole**

# TRAVEL NIGHT



**The January 2020 Travel Night with Sally Shackel will be on AFRICA.**

Travel Night is one of BLFF's Monday Night Series. It meets the fourth Monday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Library's Sprague Room. Volunteer presenters prepare a slide show and talk about their travels. They may answer questions from the audience, give a brief history of the area or bring in mementoes from their trip. The program usually lasts an hour or so.

We are looking for volunteers who will share their trips with an appreciative audience. What does this involve? Ahead of time, we will get information from you in order to prepare publicity. We will show you what equipment is available and how to use it. The night of the program we will set up the room, put out the coffee/tea and cookies. At the end of the program we clean up and lock the room. It's fun, rewarding, and you give others in our community a chance to "arm chair travel" to a place they might not otherwise be able to visit.

If you would like more information or would like to sign up to give a presentation in 2020, please contact Maryiln Noorda, *Chairperson* at 541-347-4757.

## Library Reader's Book Club

The end of 2019 brings the Library Reader's Book Club to the discussion of "The Good Good Pig" by Sy Montgomery on December 16 as our final 2019 choice. We also take the opportunity in December to choose the books for the first six months of 2020. This is always a fun and lively discussion, as members advance and defend their choices for the coming year. We try to keep in mind the length of selections as well as striving for a good diversity in genre and between fiction and non-fiction.

Everyone is welcome at the LRBC meetings, but we especially love to see our fellow BLFF members! The book club is, after all, YOUR book club and another way you benefit from the support you give to our wonderful library.

Please join us the third Monday every month at 7PM in the Sprague Room. Great conversation and tasty refreshments are always served.

Karen Thomas, *Coordinator*

# The Kid Zone

Hello from the Kid Zone!

By the time you read this we will be through the holidays. Our annual ornament party will have had children making ornaments to take home - as well as ornaments to decorate the Library Christmas tree.

Watch for our new Family Fun Kits, coming soon! Kits will include "Family Card Party", "Chess, Checkers and Backgammon" and "Star Gazers" (complete with night vision star gazing binoculars), as well as board game kits suitable for various ages. We are currently in the process of cataloging and preparing these items for check-out.

Also coming at a date and time TBA will be our *Make A Spaceship* party. Children will be given supplies and free rein to make alien piloted spaceships. Watch for details.

Wishes for a happy, healthy New Year! Julie



## LIFETIME MEMBERS CLUB

*Colorful Chairs Voted In by Lifetime Members Club*

The Lifetime Members Club met October 6, raising \$2290 for 2019-2020. The winning project was four Fremont barrel chairs purchased from Hennick's Home Center. They graciously gave us a 20% discount. The chairs are in the library ready for you to sit down and relax.

An artistic bamboo sculpture by local artist Ken Ayres was also purchased by five interested

members. With the remaining money, diverse adult fiction/non fiction audio books will be purchased for patron use. We would like to give a shoutout to the Shoestring Cafe for donating a \$20 gift certificate as one of our door prizes, thank you Rick!

A big "Thank you" to all who participated and helped make this event a success once again. The next Lifetime Member's Club gathering will be October 11, 2020.

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hands full, we have vinyl flooring in the Sprague room, we have better lighting, we have windows that open and bring in our wonderful ocean air. We have art, quilts, new chairs, super-fast internet, Wi-Fi, adult programs, children's programs, and events for families to enjoy. We have faster and more efficient service without giving up that hometown feel. When I look around this library, I am so proud of this town. Dedication, hard work, sweat and guts built this library and that is what it will take to keep it going. Reading is not becoming less popular; indeed, it is becoming a passion for all ages. My favorite thing is when children cry because they don't want to leave the library. They are the future we are building for and they do not hide their feelings – they love the library.

We will soon have sports equipment to check out thanks to the Bandon Rotary Club. Families will be able to come to the library to check out books to read, movies to watch at home and sports equipment to play with in the park. Don't have a horseshoe set? We do and you can check it out and play in the park. Return it to the library – no cost, no storage, no hassle. Have a sudden urge to play disc golf but don't have a disc with you? We do and you can check it out. Want to play a quick pickup game of basketball? We've got you covered. Challenge your buddies to volleyball or badminton and we've got what you need!

This is truly a community library – everyone helps. Thank you to the Face Rock Creamery for the prizes for our adult summer reading program. Thank you to the Rotary Club for the sports equipment, thank you to Ray's for our Christmas Tree. Thank you to the City of Bandon who are so wonderful about fixing what breaks and helping us with just about everything. Of course, thanking must include the wonderful Bandon Library Friends and Foundation – without them we would be nowhere near as fantastic as we are. Want to help? Join the Friends! Without their donations you would not have the books, music, programs, movies, I could go on forever.

Thank you all for just short of six years of never boring, always changing, and always entertaining library work. I'm leaving my post as library director but will remain a dedicated reader. This wonderful community will be in great hands – the Bandon Public Library and Staff are truly amazing. ❖

## Trivia Night

Join us at our 3rd Trivia Night to benefit the Children's Programs at Bandon Public Library! Saturday, February 8th at 7 pm at The Barn. Admission is \$15/adult; \$10/High School student. Admission includes free pizza. Beverages can be purchased for \$1. Teams can

include up to 6 people, or you can join a team when you get there. This game's theme is "The Natural World: from Atoms to Zoology" Great prize for winning team, plus door prizes and prize for the best on-theme costume!