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# TILLAMOOK COUNTY LIBRARY ADDS FILM STREAMING SERVICE, KANOPY

With Kanopy, Tillamook County Library Patrons Will Have Access To More Than 30,000 Films, For Free!

If you're a movie buff with a Tillamook County Library card, your entertainment options just improved immensely! The library has just added a new on-demand film streaming service called Kanopy and you can use your library account to watch up to six free movies per month. Kanopy showcases more than 30,000 of the world's best films, including award-winning documentaries, art films, rare and hard to find titles, film festival favorites, indie and classic films, and world cinema.

Bill Landau, Manager of Branch Libraries in Tillamook County, shares his excitement for the product. "If you've seen how easy it is to stream Netflix, you will love the quick access you will have using Kanopy. I registered my own account in about two minutes and had a movie playing immediately after that."

One of the best things about Kanopy is there is no waiting list for the films. Once you make a selection, it immediately begins playing and you can view it as many times as you want for three days.



# No waiting list for the films

If all this wasn't enough, patrons will even have access to Kanopy Kids, for the best in viewing for children.

https://tillamook.kanopy.com/



## A SUMMARY OF OUR PROGRESS IN 2017-2018\*

### **Goal One:**

### All residents are aware of and use the library.

· Circulation of library materials increased to 520,385 items, or an average of over 19 books checked out by each man, woman and child in Tillamook County.

• The number of library cardholders increased by 7.2%. Over three fourths of Tillamook county residents are library cardholders.

· Attendance at library programs and events increased by almost 15%, averaging over 1,321 participants each month.

### Goal Two:

Residents experience a library that is convenient, easy to use, and rewarding.

• When surveyed, over 89% of county respondents agreed or strongly agreed that the library is easy and convenient to use.

• Thanks to the generosity of private donors, work continues on a new park adjacent to the Tillamook Main Library.

### **Goal Three:**

Residents recognize that they get good value for the dollar.

• When surveyed, over 91% of respondents agreed or strongly agreed that the library provides good value to our community.

• Similarly, over 88% of county residents surveyed agreed or strongly agreed that they are satisfied with the services provided by the library.

### Goal Four:

Residents and community members know the library is a valuable resource and active partner in helping improve the quality of life in Tillamook County.

• In the library's annual community survey, almost 90% of respondents agreed or strongly agreed that the library helps build a better community through learning and knowledge.

• Your library has active partnerships with a wide range of other community organizations, including the Grub Club and AARP Foundation Tax-Aide Program. We work together to ensure that Tillamook County is a great place to live for everyone.

\*Results reported from the library's most recent fiscal year (July 1, 2017 - June 20, 2018).

### 2017/18 AT A GLANCE

### 520,944

Items checked out 204,933 Visits to

69,551

Number of online sessions (library computers and Wi-Fi)

21.724 Cardholders 18,225 Program attendance

## 1.145

**Tillamook County Library** sytem is currently working on our next Futures Plan.

We are charting the path ahead with a committee made up of residents from across our county.

Our goal is to provide the best service possible to our community.

### Tax Assistance



AARP Tax-Aide helps low to moderate income taxpayers have more discretionary Tax-Aide" income by assisting with tax services.

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide is available free to taxpayers with special attention to those 60 and older.



Assistance will be provided on an appointment basis. Appointments will run on Wednesdays & Thursdays from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. Allow about 1 1/2 hours for preparation of both Federal and State Tax Returns.

### Sign ups begin January 3rd

Stop by the Reference Desk (upstairs) or call (503) 842-4792 x 1701 to schedule an appointment



# Sheriff Sees the Library as a Vital Community Resource Benefiting Law Enforcement

#### **By Neal Lemery**

From a young age, Andy Long recognized the value of a public library in his life. He watched his mother studying at their living room table nearly every evening, as she worked on her college degree. A single parent, she knew the value of an education for herself and her kids, a key to a better life.

The library and the parks and recreation district were cherished resources and were a great way to have healthy activities for a low-income home. "I felt like I was busy all the time and always had something to do, and if there was idle time I would have at least a couple of books from the library." Andy would often find himself lost in a book at the Eugene Public Library, or a quiet corner of home.

He'd set his sights on a career in the Coast Guard and knew that he needed to have a solid foundation in math and reading comprehension in order to meet the tough requirements to enlist. Books and access to his public library gave him the knowledge he needed, setting him on a career path that has led him to be the sheriff of Tillamook County.

Access to books and improving adult literacy remains one of his goals, as the Sheriff oversees the county jail, and inmates wanting to improve their lives. Reading comprehension is needed for inmates working on their GED, participating in alcohol and drug

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rehabilitation, and anger management programs. A large percent of jail inmates have some level of difficulty in comprehending written materials, with reading levels below seventh grade levels or the challenges of English as a second language, the Sheriff says.

Unfortunately that same difficulty applies to many communities. "For inmates who aren't high school graduates, their literacy challenges are three times more difficult. The ability to read and be able to comprehend written materials is essential to anyone's success in life," Long says. "Without that ability to improve your knowledge and skill set, people struggle harder to find meaningful, better paying jobs. I know that opportunity made an enormous difference in my life and my career."

"The role of a vigorous education system and our public library such as Tillamook County's library system, is an essential part of reducing crime and community policing in our county," he says. "Without the influence of the library, and its ready availability of books, programs and other educational materials, it might not be measurable but I believe it would have a big quality of life impact on many people, especially low-income homes. I'm certain this relates to less criminal activity making my job easier."

### The IRS created a shorter, simpler Form 1040 for the 2019 tax season

The new Form 1040 will replace the current Form 1040 as well as the Forms 1040A and 1040EZ. The new 1040 form can be supplemented with additional schedules if needed.

We will have 1040 forms, along with reproducible tax forms and instructions at all our locations when available from the IRS.

**NOTE:** In 2018 we didn't receive all forms until late February.

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"I see the correlation between people who would engage in criminal behavior or the availability of the better choices and the positive influence of our library in providing a healthy opportunity for self-improvement. It simply can change a person's life."

The library provides the jail with a regular supply of paperbacks on demand. Although reading and GED programs have been tough to keep in the jail, due to resources and instructors when available, inmates can work on their GEDs and participate in rehabilitation programs, funded by a grant from the Oregon Department of Corrections through Community Corrections.

"I'm certain that in communities without a healthy library, and positive activities for especially young people, there will be tougher challenges for law enforcement," he says.



wi<mark>th a book, coming in February!</mark>

# PROGRAMS! Be sure to check location!

## PROGRAM

# DATE/LOCATION/TIME



## **Big History and Factfulness** Why Things Are Better Than You Think... Set Ten 19: 4

"Big History and Factfulness" examines our past, explains our present, and imagines our future. Please join us for a fascinating talk with Greg Cermak. Sat. Jan 19: Manzanita-1pm

South Tillamook County History with Sally Rissel



Songs & Stories of the Oregon Territories with Scott Butler

# Collage Classes with Valerie Class 1

We supply the materials and you bring your creative brain along! We'll be making fun collages using old

books, magazines, scissors and glue! Each class will have a different theme.



## Food Roots Programs

Having trouble gardening in our unique climate? Come learn about coastal gardening tips, everything from starting a new garden to growing tomatoes. Sat. Feb 2: Tillamook-1pm

Sat. Feb 2: Tillamook-2pm

Tues. Feb 5: Bay City-2pm Thurs. Feb 7: Pacific City-3pm Thurs. Feb 14: Manzanita-2pm

Tues. Mar 5: Bay City-2pm Class 2 Thurs. Mar 14: Pacific City-3pm Thurs. Mar 21: Manzanita-2pm

> Thurs. Feb 28: Pacific City-1pm Thurs. Feb 28: Manzanita-4pm

### Plant Propagation Basics Learn the basics of plant Sat. Mar 2: Tillamook-12pm

Learn the basics of plant propagation with Master Gardener Harry Coffman

# Got Seed;? Now What?

Sat. Mar 2: Tillamook-2pm

rogram with Allyson Gardner

# AND MORE PROGRAMS!

## PROGRAM

## DATE/LOCATION/TIME

Poetry Fest

Oregon Poet Laureate Kim Stafford will be in Manzanita for a workshop in the library from 2 to 4 pm followed by a reading at the Hoffman Center at 4.

Sat. Mar 16: Manzanita-2pm

Please call to register (503) 368-6665

#### Animals Compan of тпе Three Decades of

Photographing Wildlife Around the World

With renowned photographer Kevin Schafer



Sat. Apr 6: Manzanita-1pm Hoffman Center for the Arts, 594 Laneda, Manzanita (across from the library)



### The Oregon Coast Trail

Presentation by Connie Soper, author of **Exploring the Oregon Coast Trail** 

Sat. Apr 6: Tillamook-2pm



## **Celebrate! Garibaldi Library's**

Fri. Apr 26: Garibaldi

Dairy Free Cheese Making with Claudia Lucero

90th birthday with us!

Make Dairy Free Creamy Mac n Cheese Sauce and Alfredo Sauce with Veggies



Wed. May 1: Tillamook-1pm

Make Dairy Free Feta and Smoky Cheddar with Nuts

## Movies for Adults at Manzanita

## Thurs. at 6 pm

Jan. 10th: Calamity Jane Feb. 14th: Seven Brides for Seven Brothers

Mar. 14th: Annie Oakley April 11th: Shanghai Express May 9th: A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum



Wed. May 1: Tillamook-3pm

Please call to register (503) 842-4792 x 1700

## SPANISH LANGUAGE CINEMA TRIMAN IXCANUL

### La biblioteca del condado de Tillamook recientemente comenzó a ofrecer un nuevo servicio

Kanopy ofrece películas por medio de internet. Puedes ver películas clásicas y cine mundial desde tu computadora en casa. ¡Todo es gratis con tu tarjeta de la biblioteca! Si quieres usarlo, ve a https://tillamook.kanopy.com/. Para buscar películas en español, ingrese las palabras "spanish language cinema" en el cuadro de búsqueda en la parte superior de la página, o busque el cine mundial. Para registrarse y comenzar a ver películas, haga un clic en el botón naranja de registro en la esquina superior derecha de la página. Puedes ver 6 películas por mes. Si tiene alguna pregunta, no dude en venir a la biblioteca o llámenos al 503-842-4792.



# Tillamook County Library Foundation Park Update

A sharing, a pruning and crafty decorations marked the Tillamook County Library Foundation's December.

Foundation member Neal Lemery made an overture to the City of Tillamook, "Would they share a standing light display with the

*Park?*" They would and they did. City Public Works brought it over and set it up - a most appropriate Santa driving a tractor pulling a wagon filled with a tree.

Joe Balden, Park Work Group member, built and installed candy canes on either side of the Park sign. The Park was decorated for the season.

The Library Foundation serves all of Tillamook County's branches and strives to participate, where appropriate, in county activities. This year the Kiawanda Community Center in Pacific City hosted its first decorated Christmas tree auction. Trees were donated by non-profits with earnings going to the non-profits. The Foundation entered a tree—Books and Bows—a gold and red confection of bows and book page decorations. Many thanks to the three creative women who made the tree happen—Sally Underwood, Barbara Billstine, and Cheryl Davy.

While all the decorating was going on, Joe Balden (besides being a maker of PVC pipe candy canes, he's also a certified arborist) was waiting for a break in the weather. That break came on December 4. With Joe supervising and Steve Pieren, of Steve Pieren Tree Service, wielding the pruning equipment, the Atlas Cedar

that dominates the southwest corner of the Park got a much needed cleaning out. What a difference! **The branching, long hidden in a tangle of inner branches, is magnificent.** 



As the new year begins, there are still plenty of Park

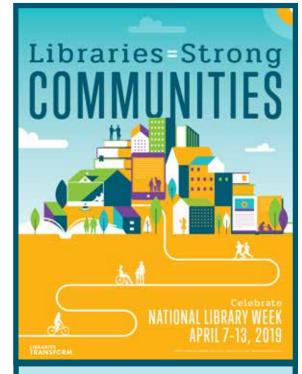
Do you love history?

Would you like to transcribe Letters to Abraham Lincoln,

Clara Barton's Diary or more?

https://crowd.loc.gov/

Plots to choose from. Donations can also be made on-line at: www.tillamookcountylibraryfoundation.org



Libraries of all types strengthen their communities through education, lifelong learning, and a wealth of public services. No longer just a place for books, libraries have expanded beyond their traditional roles and provide more opportunities for community engagement and the delivery of new services that connect closely with their community's needs.

Libraries are at the heart of our cities, towns, schools, and campuses - a resource for all community members to find what they need to help improve their quality of life.

## AT TILLAMOOK

Tween/Teen programs will return February through May, on the second Thursdays of the month at 5:00 pm.

In June, Tween/Teen Summer reading programs will begin!

## AT PACIFIC CITY

1st Tuesday of every month at 5:00 pm Feb 5th: Gingerbread houses / March 5th: Make Flubber! / April 2nd: Trivia Night / May 7th: Make Geysers / June 18th: Kick off Summer Reading with a special event!

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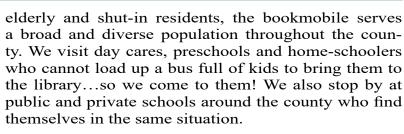
# Why a Bookmobile?

The bookmobile is the best way we can serve all residents of Tillamook County, regardless of their mobility status.

### by Bill Landau

Whenever someone asks me why we need a bookmobile when people can just go to one of our six libraries in the county, I try to remind them that **not everyone is fortunate enough to be able to jump in their car and run to the library.** Here is an example. Imagine yourself at the ripe, old age of 90, living in a nursing home. You've been a lifelong reader and still go through several books a week to keep your mind active and keep yourself entertained. But how do you get new reading material since you are no longer driving, and family members are not helping? The bookmobile to the rescue! We visit several care centers around the county, making deliveries to very appreciative residents.

This is just one example of the many ways the bookmobile assists readers who can't easily get to a physical library location. In addition to the



The bookmobile also conducts "*town stops*" in locations around Tillamook County that do not have a physical library building to go to. These stops include Oceanside, Netarts, Neskowin, Sandlake, Beaver, Hebo, Cloverdale, Wheeler and Nehalem. Residents in these towns look forward to the big blue bus pulling up to allow them access to library materials. Many of these people request books, DVDs and other library materials to be delivered to them as holds at the bookmobile stops.

The two-week repeating route also includes apartment complexes, RV parks, the Grange, dairy farmers who

can't get away from their livestock, small businesses and so much more. If you are interested in seeing if we could visit your location with the bookmobile, please give us a call at (503) 842-4792 x 1710.



including storytimes, theatrical performances,

North Tillamook Library Manzanita Library: Storytime with Mr. Bill / 1st Saturday of the month at 11:00 am

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Rockaway Beach Library: Tuesdays at 3:00 pm

Caribaldi Library: Thursdays at 2:45 pm

Bay City Library: Saturdays at 11:00 am



## MAIN LIBRARY

Tues: Terrific Twos 10:00 am (24-36 months)

Wed: Preschool 10:00 am (3-5 years old)

Wed: Legomania 4-5:00 pm (6-12 years old) Thurs: Preschool 10:00 am

Fri: Mother Goose on the Loose (MGOL) (birth-24 months) 10:00 am

Sat: MGOL 10:00 am

Preschool 11:30 am

South Tillamook County Library / Pacific City

<u>Saturdays at 9:00 am</u> Mother Goose on the Loose (birth to 24 months)

<u>Wednesdays at 4:00 pm</u> Storytime/Activities / Kids Crafts / Family Movies / Legos million programs were offered by public libraries in 2016.

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In 2016 nearly

**GET A LIBRARY CARD!** 

cooking and yoga classes.

ALAEL HANSDOW

ALANT TRANSFORM

# **Ukulele Interest Continues to Grow**

When a library introduces a new program, you never know how successful it will be. Interest in our ukulele jams has far exceeded our wildest expectations. We've had uke lessons and jam sessions in six locations around the county and every event has produced a great crowd. No ukulele? No problem! The library was gifted with 20 ukuleles to loan out!

**"The ukulele is one of the easiest musical instruments to learn,"** says Bill Landau, Outreach Manager for Tillamook County Library. "We have people show up who have never touched a stringed instrument before and within the first five minutes of class, we are already playing a song together. People get a real feeling of accomplishment, and it just makes everyone happy!" As former Beatle George Harrison once said, "You can't play a ukulele and not laugh!"

But what do ukuleles have to do with books and a library? Landau explains, "An educated librarian knows that libraries have always been about growth and enrichment. While such learning was originally focused on reading books, we now realize that not all growth and enrichment comes from the printed word. We are finding new ways every day to inspire and educate the public and ukulele lessons and jamming is just one way we get the job done."

Libraries have always been about growth and enrichment.

Landau is particularly excited about the multi-generational aspect of this project. "We often have school kids, teens, young parents and senior citizens in the same class, all learning together...and everyone is having a blast," says Landau. "Older adults like it because it gives them mental stimulation to learn a new skill and the social aspect of the jam session is much appreciated by all attendees."

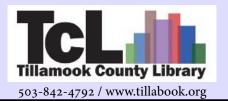


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weekly challenges

All ages!







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