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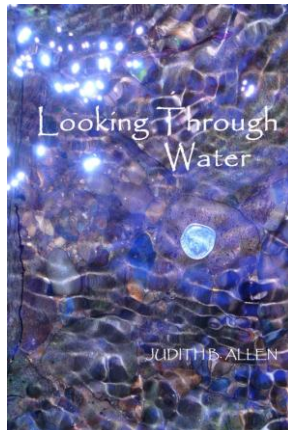
County

Library

Meet Local Author Judy Allen

Judy Allen will speak on **Monday, March 28, 2011 at 6:30 pm** in the **Hatfield Community Room** at the Tillamook County Library.

In Judy's new novel, *Looking Through Water*, Allen juxtaposes the metaphysical and the mundane in an exploration of human failings and superhuman gifts on the northern Oregon coast in the forties.



Addie Sawyer, a precocious child, startles her parents, Jake and Rose, when she innocently describes seeing her grandfather's spirit at his funeral. Jake and his family are founding members of a strict Bible church in their small town, and when Addie later reveals an electrifying healing touch, Jake fears that the source of her gifts is the devil. Rose vigorously disagrees, escalating the conflicts in the marriage and in the church. When Addie heals her brother from a life-threatening injury, events take a turn for the worse. The church elders take action to try to put a stop to Addie's healing abilities. Tragedy follows, and as Addie weaves her way through the reactions, attitudes and fragilities of those she loves the most, she must come to terms with the demands of such a gift, and make decisions as a young woman about her own beliefs, purpose, and future.

The question of how healing happens has been a fire in the bones for author Judith Allen since her early years growing up on the northern Oregon coast. In fifteen years as Director of the Reed Miracles Center and The Healing Place in Portland, Oregon, she has met and sponsored many healers, and learned a great deal about the nature and practice of healing.

Her 30-year career in educational research, writing, speaking and teaching includes a PhD in Psychology of Instruction, publication in many academic journals and magazines, a number of textbooks, and a non-fiction account of her own miraculous recovery from metastasized cancer, *The Five Stages of ~~Death and Dying~~ Getting Well*.



Looking Through Water is her first novel. Judy lives in Manzanita with her husband, Jack, and continues to explore the dynamics of physical, emotional and spiritual healing.

NEWS

March Library Events

Saturday, March 5: New York Times best-selling author April Henry will speak at the Tillamook County Library at 11 am (this event was previously scheduled for February 26).

Monday, March 7: Last night of the Food Roots Food Systems Film Series. *Broken Limbs* will be showing at the Tillamook County Library at 6 pm.

Sunday, March 20: Happy first day of Spring.

Monday, March 28: Local author Judy Allen will speak at the Tillamook County Library at 6:30 pm.

Wednesday, March 30: Retirement reception for library staff member Elki Powers from 2 to 4 pm (see back for more information).

Please welcome Melanie Hetrick, TCL's new Children's Librarian!

Tell us a little about yourself: I'm originally from Arizona. I was raised in Phoenix and spent 10 years in Tucson. I received both my bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Arizona in Tucson. I have two cats: Lily and Monte, and truly enjoy all animals, snakes and spiders included!



When I'm not working I like to read, play with my cats, read, watch movies, read, listen to music, read, crochet, read, cook, read, get outside and explore...oh, and read some more!

Where did you live before Tillamook? Before I moved to Oregon I lived in Baltimore, Maryland. I was a children's librarian for a very large public library and I did a lot of the things I do now.

What do you like most about being a children's librarian? I love being a children's librarian because I get to have all the fun the kids are having! I get to dress up in costumes and put on plays. I get to read stories to children, plan tea parties, fairytale balls and dragon hunts. And I get to read some of the best books out there! How great is that?

What are some of your favorite books for children? Teens? Adults?

Some of my favorite books for children are *Anne of Green Gables* by Lucy Maud Montgomery, *The Bloody Jack* series by L.A. Meyer, *The Books of Bayern* by Shannon Hale, *The Giver* by Lois Lowry, and *The Wolf Brother* series by Michelle Paver.

For teens: *This is All* by Aiden Chambers, *The Last Apprentice* series by Joseph Delaney; *Speak* by Laurie Halse Anderson, *The Secrets of the Immortal Nicholas Flamel* series by Michael Scott, and *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian* by Sherman Alexie.

For adults: *Dracula* by Bram Stoker, *Jane Eyre* by Charlotte Bronte, *The Wilderness* series by Sara Donati, *The Black Magician Trilogy* by Trudi Canavan, and *The Alchemist* by Paulo Coelho.

Join Melanie at Tillamook County Library's weekly story times:
 Ages 3-5: Wed. and Thurs. 10:00-10:30 am
 Ages 6-12: Thurs. 4:00-5:00 pm

Retirement Reception for Elki Powers

Library staff member Elki Powers will be retiring from the library this month after 18 years of service!

Join us for a retirement reception on **March 30, 2011 at from 2 to 4 pm** in the **Hatfield meeting room** at the Tillamook County Library.



Hey Kids!
 Do you have an interesting collection?



The Tillamook Library Children's Department is looking for interesting collections.

Collections will be on display for one month and will be placed behind protective glass in the case located in the children's area of the library.

If you are interested in showing off your collection please call 503-842-4792 and ask for Judy or Melanie.

Would you like to share your collection in our display case?

Call the Tillamook County Library
 503-842-4792



On Display Now:

Upstairs Case: Artifacts from the Pioneer Museum

Foyer Case: Calligraphy display

Downstairs Cabinet: Kitchen gadgets