

## The Many Sides of Romance

There is a lot more to know about romance novels than the paperbacks you find at the supermarket. With Valentine's Day right around the corner now is the perfect time to become more familiar with this multifaceted and immensely popular genre.

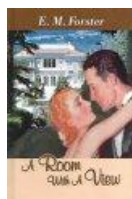
### Christian Contemporary Romances



**Sweet Waters** by Julie Carobini

Spurned by an ex-fiancé, Tara Sweet moves back to her childhood home of Otter Bay, California, finding friends and a new flame in firefighter Josh, but also dredging up shocking family secrets that test her unwavering faith.

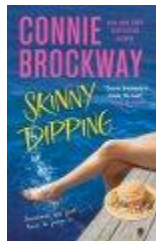
### Classic Romances



**A Room With a View** by E.M. Forster

Lucy Honeychurch falls in love while on a visit to Florence and must choose between fulfilling her social role or following her heart.

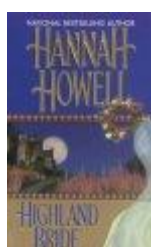
### Humorous Romances



**Skinny Dipping** by Connie Brockway

Returning home to help save her family's Minnesota retreat, Mimi Olson, the queen of slackers, finds herself falling in love with her new polar opposite neighbor, an overachiever named Joe Tierney, who is trying to reconnect with his son.

### Men in Kilts



**Highland Bride** by Hannah Howell

In the Scottish Highlands of the 15th century, Gillyanne Murray has yet to be courted, but when she visits the lands given to her by her father's kinsmen, she arrives to find three lairds, each one vying for her hand--and property.

### Paranormal Romances



**Obsidian Prey** by Jayne Castle

A rune's mysterious power puts prospector Lyra Dore and cutthroat businessman Cruz Sweetwater in danger, and only by trusting their psychic instincts will Cruz and Lyra survive--and surrender to the desire that binds them.

# NEWS

## February Library Events

**Tuesday, February 2:** Today is Groundhog Day, a widely observed traditional annual Candlemas Day event. If Punxsutawney Phil sees his shadow, six more weeks of winter will follow. If he does not, an early spring is expected.

**Monday, February 15:** All Tillamook County Libraries will be closed in observance of President's Day.

**Sunday, February 14:** Happy Valentine's Day! Be sure to send your sweetheart a card, flowers, candy or all three.

**Friday, February 26:** Today marks the start of the Newport Seafood and Wine Festival. If you find yourself in Lincoln County this weekend, be sure to join in on the festivities.

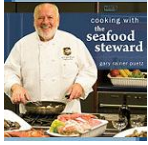
## February Movies

**Feb 1:** *Pirates of the Caribbean, the Curse of the Black Pearl*  
143 minutes/ PG-13

**Feb 8:** *Pirates of the Caribbean, Dead Man's Chest*  
150 minutes/ PG-13

**Feb 22:** *Pirates of the Caribbean, at World's End*  
165 minutes/ PG-13

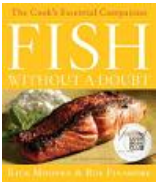

## Alternatives to the See Food Diet



### **Cooking with The Seafood Steward** by Gary Rainer Puetz

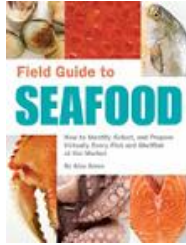
What type of fish should I buy? How much should I buy? How do I prepare it? And What should I serve with it? Chef

Puetz answers these questions and more in this comprehensive combination recipe and how-to cookbook.



### **Fish Without a Doubt** by Rick Moonen

Rick Moonen is a fish guy, having served as chef-owner of two seafood temples in New York City. In this new book, he shares his expertise from how to shop for fish to how to clean it and how to cook it.



### **Field Guide to Seafood** by Aliza Green

Award-winning chef Aliza Green explains everything you need to know about different kinds of seafood. It explains how to select, prepare, serve, and more. Many excellent recipes are included.



### **Fish & Shellfish, Grilled & Smoked** by Karen Adler

Filled with dozens of recipes inspired by a wide range of cuisines, from Cider-Marinated Boston Bluefish to Grilled Seafood Paella to Smoked Asian Leaf-Wrapped Snapper.

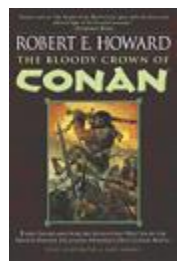
## Staff Profile: Irene Greenfield



Hi everyone! I'm Irene Greenfield. I've been a book worm from the time my parents and grandparents taught me how to read when I was four. Obviously, NONE of my friends are surprised to find me working here! I also enjoy music (ask me about Community Band!), drawing, playing sports, and hanging out with my family and friends. I grew up in south county, graduated from Nestucca in 2003, and my fiancé and I recently moved out to Netarts. I love being so close to the beach! Our dog, George, enjoys it ALMOST as much as I do.

My technical title here is Library Assistant 1, but I do a LOT of different things. My main job is to shelve books in the kids room and keep it looking good. I also repair (and charge for) broken and damaged items. My other duties include: updating the scrapbook, checking in the new magazines, playing in the Saturday music sessions (ow, ow, twist my arm!), and just about anything that involves filing. I look forward to seeing some familiar faces and getting to know new ones, too!

## Staff's Choice: The Bloody Crown of Conan



Few characters created by American writers cast longer shadows than Robert E. Howard's Conan the barbarian. Even if you have never read a single Conan story you probably have some impression of who he is. However, if your idea of Conan is a dim-witted muscle man stuffed into a loincloth, you couldn't be further from the truth.

Admittedly, Conan can be found sporting a loincloth from time to time, but what makes him such an enduring and very American character is that he perfectly captures the dark and gritty spirit of the Depression era West. Based on the author's experiences with prizefighters, bootleggers, oil field bullies and honest workmen, Conan is a wonderful expression of those desperate and uncertain times. Add in some exotic locales, some rip roaring adventure, and you have a fantasy classic.



## Volunteer opportunities at the Tillamook County Library System

When you share your time and talent at your local library you make a positive impact on your community. Whether it is shelving books, reading shelves or assisting with special projects, your service makes a difference.

If you would like to become a volunteer contact your local Tillamook County Library today.

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