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Over thirty years ago, many Oregonians, inspired by America's Bicentennial, gathered together to stitch quilts that represented their counties and communities. How have the cultural and economic borders and boundaries of Oregon's communities changed since 1976? Can the stitched quilt serve as a manifestation and a metaphor for those demographic changes?

The Tillamook County Library is pleased to host an Oregon Chautauqua program from the Oregon Council for the Humanities. Quilt historian and author Mary Bywater Cross will examine the significance of quilts as visual metaphors for community and cultures in Stitched Patches: Quilts of Celebration. This free, public program will take place on Friday, January 30th at 2pm in the Tillamook Library's community meeting rooms.

In this program quilt historian and artist Cross traces transformations within the quilt-making genre as she interprets locally made quilts stitched for and after the Bicentennial. The quilt pieces and the stories behind them will provide a catalyst to stimulate critical thinking about what it means to be an Oregonian today.



New Quilting Materials at the Library

Are you in a quilting rut? Are you looking for new ideas before you begin your next quilt? Well look no further! The library has added quite a few new book and magazine titles that quilters of all skill levels may enjoy. Here are a few of our newest additions:



One-Block Wonders Encore! New Shapes, Multiple Fabrics, Out-of-This-World Quilts by Maxine Rosenthal 2008



Stitch, Spritz & Sew: Curved Piecing as Easy as 1-2-3 by Kathy Bowers 2008



Big-Print Quilts: 15 Projects Using Large-Scale Fabrics by Karen Snyder 2008

We also have subscriptions to Fons & Porter's Love of Quilting, Quiltmaker and McCall's Quilting. The Dewey subject number for more great quilting books is 746.46. With resources like these your next quilt is sure to be a success!

January Library Events

Thursday, January 1: The library will be closed today in observance of New Year's Day

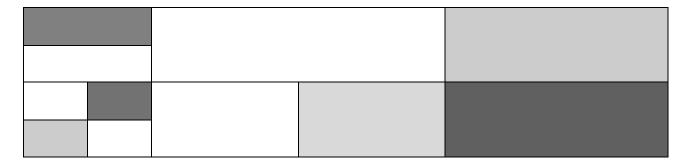
Sunday, January 4: On this day in 1785, Jacob Grimm was born. He and his brother Wilhelm are best remembered for Grimm's Fairy Tales.

Wednesday, January 7: On this day in 1891 Zora Neale Hurston was born in Eatonville Florida. One of the most important African-American writers of the 20th century, she is best known for *Their Eyes* Were Watching God.

Tuesday, January 13: In 1968 country music star Johnny Cash performed in front of 2,000 inmates in the Folsom Prison's cafeteria. The concert was recorded as a live album and became a worldwide hit.

Monday, January 19: The library will be closed today in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.

Thursday, January 22: Today is Answer Your Cat's Question Day. Look at your cat, you will observe that the cat is looking at you with a serious question. Meditate upon it, then answer the question.



The Right to Enjoy Books!

There is no wrong way to read a book. You can read the last page first, or you can read a book from cover to cover and skip the last page. It is up to you. Life is too short to spend time reading a book you do not like, in a fashion that does not suit you.

Reading a book is a unique experience. No two people read the same book exactly the same way. Reading speed, reading comprehension, interests, and life experiences all affect how a person will relate to a book. To help you get the most enjoyment out of reading this year we present Daniel Pennac's Reader's Bill of Rights from his book *Better Than Life*.

The Reader's Bill of Rights:

- 1. The Right to Not Read.
- 2. The Right to Skip Pages.
- 3. The Right to Not Finish.
- 4. The Right to Reread.
- 5. The Right to Read Anything.
- 6. The Right to Escapism.
- 7. The Right to Read Anywhere.
- 8. The Right to Browse.
- 9. The Right to Read Out Loud.
- 10. The Right Not to Defend Your Tastes.

Staff's Choice! The Last Voyage of Somebody the Sailor



In *The Last Voyage of Somebody the Sailor* John Barth seamlessly weaves fantastic nautical adventures of the medieval Middle East with voyeuristic glimpses of life in contemporary Maryland. From murderous pirates to first loves, this book overflows with mirth, mayhem, a few dirty poems and an unblinking view of that Familiar Stranger the Destroyer of Delights.

The story focuses on journalist Simon Behler who, in a failed attempt to rescue a drowning friend, is

mysteriously transported to the court of the legendary Sindbad the Sailor. Over the course of six evenings, the two take turns recounting their previous voyages and plotting out their final journey to the wondrous land of Serendib (wherever or whenever that may be).

Hey Kids! Do you have an interesting collection?



Staff Profile: Becki Wilhelm



My name is Becki Wilhelm and I have been the reference librarian at the Main Library for the past 14 years. I also ordered and cataloged the adult nonfiction books and provided reader's advisory services. Before working here, I was a children's librarian for 20 years, mostly in Tillamook schools. So I guess I've worked in libraries my whole life.

I grew up in Tucson, AZ where I went to the University of Arizona for my BA and then moved

to Seattle for my MLS degree. After moving to Tillamook, I met my husband, Ken Philips, and I have a son, Brady, who now lives in Eugene. Outside of my passion for reading, I've been very involved in the TAPA Theater group; acting, singing, dancing and directing, and have even learned to <u>like</u> gardening.

I am retiring January 5th and will miss seeing the library patrons I've come to know over the years. Libraries have changed enormously since I started, but that is what is exciting; always something new and challenging to try. So now, on to new challenges, (maybe in a place that's drier!) Goodbye to you all.

The Tillamook Library Children's Department is looking for kids with 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 Kathy or Judy.