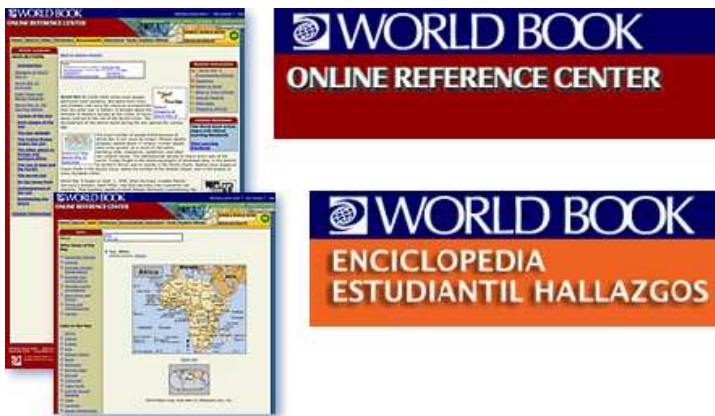


Homework Troubles are Over! Now Available: World Book Online Reference Center!

The internet is a wonderful resource. Unfortunately, when you are a student working on a school project it can become a confusing and sometimes overwhelming research tool. Fortunately, the Tillamook Library has purchased the perfect solution: The World Book Online Reference Center.

Now every student in Tillamook County with internet access and a library card has a complete set of current World Book Encyclopedias (in both Spanish and English), a comprehensive English dictionary and an up-to-date atlas of the world.

Whether it is right after school or late Sunday night, every student in Tillamook County can turn to this excellent grade saving resource. In order to access the World Book Online Reference Center, visit the library's website www.tillabook.info, click on **eShelf & Research** and select **Magazines and Research Databases**. Scroll down until you see the link to [Worldbook Online](#), click it, enter your library card number and away you go. For more information on accessing this outstanding library resource, please contact the Tillamook County Library at 503-842-4792.



How is an Online Encyclopedia Different from the Internet?

The advantages of using an online encyclopedia are many. Unlike the open internet, the World Book encyclopedia is logically ordered and written in clear understandable language. The information presented is continually updated and has been verified by a team of professionals.

Articles written for World Book provide students with a solid foundation for understanding their topics. Rather than scraping and pecking for bits of unconnected information, they are immersed in a rich tapestry of useful and accessible facts. With the World Book Encyclopedia students will spend less time searching and more time learning.

NEWS

August Library Events

Saturday, August 2: Brian Kellow, a Tillamook native and editor of *Opera News*, will discuss his book *Ethel Merman: A Life* at the main library starting at 12 p.m.

Thursday, August 7: 126 years ago today the Hatfield-McCoy feud began with the knifing and shooting of Ellison Hatfield.

Thursday, August 15: Dragon Theater Puppets will perform *Little Bugs BIG WORLD* today at 2 p.m. at the main library. (ages 6-12)

Friday, August 15: National Relaxation Day. Turn off the phone, go to the beach and take a nap.

Wednesday, August 20: On this day in 1942 University of Chicago scientist Glen Seaborg and his colleagues first weighed plutonium, the first manmade element.

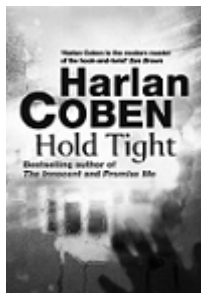
Saturday, August 30: A magazine sale at the Manzanita Branch Library will be held during regular library hours 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Tillamook Libraries on Parade!



Luke Kralik, Lon Meisenhelder, Bruce Cooper, Sarah Beeler, Norma Johansen, Sara Charlton, Leo Schreiner, greet library patrons and parade watchers at the July 5, 2008 Clover's Day Parade in Cloverdale, Oregon. The bookmobile participates in all county parades during June and July. Feel free to stop by and visit the bookmobile at the Tillamook County Fair, August 6-9th. See you at the Fair!

Staff's Choice! *Hold Tight*



I confess to being a plodding reader, usually requiring a month or more to get through any normal-sized novel. For this reason, I always look forward to new titles by Harlan Coben. Mr. Coben's novels allow me the novel (no pun intended) experience of reading a book through from beginning to end, in only one or two sittings. Some critics consider his

work less-than-serious and not worthy of much regard, but from a "wisdom of crowds" perspective, his huge success says otherwise.

While he writes a mystery series featuring sports agent/mystery solver Myron Bolitar, it is the stand alone, everyman-falls-into-dire-circumstance thrillers that provide the object of my reading affection. These works are not just page-turners, but page-burners. His latest work, *Hold Tight*, encompasses several "au courant" themes, including technology-driven generation gaps, teen suicide and drug use, privacy issues, and nosy neighbors. Like all of his stand-alone novels, *Hold Tight* juxtaposes the familiar (suburbia, issues of career, the challenges of parenting) with the mildly-to-wildly unexpected (organized crime, long lost relatives, past indiscretions, war criminals). While I wouldn't characterize Mr. Coben's novels as "cozy", nor are they unnaturally violent or graphic.

If, like me, you're stuck in a one-book-a-month pattern, put *Hold Tight* on your list... but don't make any other plans for the weekend.

Staff Profile: Elki Powers



Hello. I am Elki Powers. I have been at the main library for 15 years and have loved almost every minute of it. The best part of my job is working on the circulation desk, meeting and chatting with our patrons. When I am not on the desk I am the middle-person for reserved books coming to

us and going to the other libraries in our system: Newport, Lincoln City, Toledo, Waldport, Siletz, OCCC, TBCC and our branches in Tillamook County. I do the display cases in the library and I am amazed by the collections and talents of our community. (I am open to any offerings by any of you.)

My husband Richard and I moved to Tillamook County 20 years ago from Logan, Utah, where Richard taught at Utah State University. We are originally from California and we were ready to get back to the ocean. We found our dream house in Oceanside and are living happily ever after! We have kids too far away: Tia is a massage therapist in Florida and Matt is a paramedic with the Madison Fire Department in Wisconsin.

I sometimes drive the rest of the staff crazy because I am an organic-food-eating activist, and am anti-household-chemicals, anti-workplace-chemicals, anti-pesticides and anti-plastic water bottles. Otherwise I am quite easy to get along with!

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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