



CEDAR MILL & BETHANY COMMUNITY LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION LIBRARY NEWS

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WELCOME BACK!

We're glad to see you again and grateful for your support and patience. Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries have turned the page on change and written a new chapter featuring opportunities for community progress and unique services designed to provide you with all that your libraries have to offer.

New online programs and events are now available. Library operations have been re-designed to get items into your hands while keeping you safe. CMBCL librarians are sharing their recommendations for great reads, selecting books for you and delivering items right to our front doors for you to pick up. Here and on our website you'll find out what's in store for you this fall from Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries.

Turn the page to learn more and find out how *Your Community Libraries* are serving you!



"We are thankful for your leadership during a time of immense change. We all adapt differently and your compassion for staff, volunteers and the community is so appreciated. Thank you for your leadership and inclusivity! We have the best libraries!" – Gloria L.



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE LIBRARIES

CURBSIDE LIBRARIES

Curbside Pickup of held items is now available at *Your Community Libraries!*

How to Check Out Library Materials

- 1** Place a *Hold* on the item by using the [online catalog](#) or calling the library where you'd like to pick up.
- 2** When you receive notice that the item is available, visit our website or call to make an appointment and learn more about Curbside Pickup. Schedule up to one appointment per account per week.
- 3** Bring a bag and wear a mask to your appointment. Items will be checked out to you before you arrive for your appointment. Walk up and find your items on the table by looking for your name on a holds tag.
- 4** Enjoy your library materials!



7,291

Curbside Pickup appointments served by CMBCL staff in July.



How to Return Items

Items may be returned during [Curbside hours](#)—no appointment necessary.

Items are placed in quarantine for 96 hours before being checked in and circulated. Fines do not accrue during the quarantine period.

"This is awesome! We really appreciate all the accommodations you're making to keep us safe AND well read! Thank you so much!!!" - Crystal G.

Make appointments and find Curbside hours and information online or by phone at:

Library.CedarMill.org

Cedar Mill Library: (503) 644-0043

Bethany Library: (503) 617-7323

300

Patrons served *per day* on average during Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries' first month of Curbside Pickup.

A LIVING LEGACY

After 33 years as Head of CMBCL's Youth Services Department, Nancy Spaulding retired in August. Since 1987, Nancy has guided the library to meet the ever growing needs of the children and families in our expanding community. She thrived through library expansions, collected creative staff, supported program development, and expanded book collections to reflect the community's diversity.

Committed to getting books into the hands of young children, Nancy hired the first children's outreach librarian in Washington County to develop a program of book delivery and storytimes to local childcare homes and centers.

Nancy collaborated with librarians and educators to advocate for kids. She worked on Beaverton School's Partnership and Early Literacy teams, and supported youth library access. She served on statewide library boards including Oregon Library Association. In 2000, Oregon librarians recognized Nancy for leadership and innovation in services to children, awarding her the prestigious Lampman Award.



While contributing in the library, the community, and the state, Nancy's passion for children shines through. Nowhere is that more visible than when you observe the joy that Nancy derives from connecting a kid to a book, or making children laugh in storytime.

A special gift fund for Cedar Mill & Bethany Community Libraries Youth Services was set up to honor Nancy's service to generations of new readers in our community.

SUMMER READING DELIVERED

Each summer CMBCL awards books to readers as part of the libraries' Summer Reading program. This year Washington County Cooperative Library Services libraries worked to connect families with books by partnering with schools. CMBCL staff members visited Beaverton School District school free lunch sites to distribute free book packs.

Over 300 books were distributed to kids!



KIDS

Kids' Book Club

Visit our website to learn about the libraries' new monthly book club for 3rd through 5th graders—with a grown up—starting in October.



Fall 2020 Storytimes begin September 14

Pre-recorded storytimes | 10:30am | Facebook and YouTube

Monday: Baby Time with Teresa

Tuesday: Songs and Rhymes for Young Children with Marta or Steve

Wednesday: Storytime with Julie or Nicole

Live Interactive Storytime | 10:30am | Online via Zoom

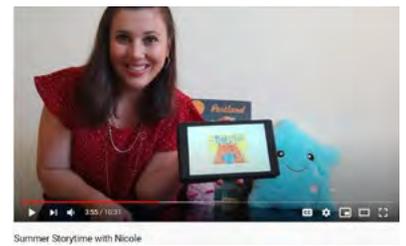
Thursday: Preschool Storytime with Rebecca or Jenny (registration required)

Find details and registration information at Library.Cedarmill.org/Events/Kids/Storytime.

Facebook: [@CedarMillLibraries](https://www.facebook.com/CedarMillLibraries) YouTube: [Cedar Mill Library](https://www.youtube.com/CedarMillLibrary).



"You two are always a big part of our summer! Fun to watch this today" - Kelsey F.



Summer Storytime with Nicole

"Thank you Steve ! My daughter loved your library storytime before the closure and now she can have such a great time every week by watching your video." - Ariel F.



Summer Storytime with Steve

"Nicole, my son is 2 and a half years old. He loves your storytime videos. We can't wait for the next one. Thank you !!!" – Negar G

"Julie, you are amazing! My little one enjoyed every bit of story time! Thank you!" - Kalpana A.



Stories and Rhymes with Julie

"With all the resources and blogs and tips already out there, I love that I can come here and find FRESH and FUN new activities that will inspire creative playtime for my toddler!" – Lizzy C.



STEM Activity: SLIME!

ADULTS

Events and Videos for Adults

Three on a Theme Book Talk

Wednesdays | 5pm | Facebook: [@CedarMillLibraries](#) and pre-recorded on Youtube: [@Cedar Mill Library](#)

Join us each Wednesday as library assistant Becca brings us three book recommendations that all share a common theme.



Beyond Voting: Elections and Campaign Financing Workshop

October 6 | 6:30-8pm | Online via Zoom

A workshop led by Donna Cohen covering topics related to American electoral systems and bi-partisan civic/political engagement. Register via the event listing on our website calendar at [Library.CedarMill.org/Events](#).

Voices in Verse

September 26, October 24, November 28 | 10:30am-12pm | Online via Zoom

Share your own poetry or listen to others read their favorites. Newcomers can register by emailing laurab@wccls.org.

Owl Book Group

September 25, October 30, November 20 | 10:30am-12pm | Online via Zoom

Discuss titles by Bryan Stevenson, Tommy Orange and William Kent Krueger. Newcomers can register by emailing laurab@wccls.org.

Writers' Mill

September 20, October 18, November 15 | 1-3 pm | Online via Zoom

Whether you're writing just for fun, hoping for publication, or planning to self-publish, join us for an inspiring gathering of people who love to write. Newcomers can register by emailing laurab@wccls.org.

Find event details and so much more for adults and older teens at [Library.CedarMill.org/Adults](#).

Not sure what to read? Fill out a form and let us browse for you!

Discover [Handpicked Books](#).

"Thank you. I look forward to reading it. You all are doing a great job getting books to us and letting us continue to read. I am always amazed when I read a review on line and then find you have the book. Keep up the good work." - Marty C.

TEENS

Teens and Tweens

As of publication, teens have raised more than \$444 for Oregon Food Bank during the Summer Reading Challenge. An anonymous library supporter has committed to doubling that. Thanks to everyone who read and donated!

The CMBCL Teen Council continues to meet via Zoom.

Find book reviews, book and resource lists, podcasts and more at [Library.CedarMill.org/Teens](#).



"Teen library council has been such a great opportunity for my son. Thanks, Mark, for providing this opportunity for kids to learn leadership and so much more." - Afton N.

SECOND EDITION RESALE

Sidewalk Sale

Second Edition Resale put the new parking lot to good use and took the shop outside this summer. Sidewalk Sales will continue through Fall, weather permitting. Join us for Halloween in September and Holiday themes in October. Find Sidewalk Sale dates and times on our website at Library.CedarMill.org/Second-Edition-Resale. Save your donations of new and like-new clothing, shoes, jewelry and home goods and keep an eye on the website for news about donation acceptance.

All proceeds from your purchases made at Second Edition Resale support Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries.



Follow @SecondEditionResale on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/SecondEditionResale) and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/SecondEditionResale)



Volunteers Sharon, Sean and Barb helped set up Second Edition Resale's Sidewalk Sale in July.

Making the Impossible Possible

So much would be impossible without the help of volunteers. Normally the libraries and Second Edition Resale depend on the help of more than 300 volunteers each month. They help with every aspect of our organization. As the libraries and Second Edition Resale find ways to operate while keeping volunteers and staff safe, we're grateful for your support!

To learn how you can volunteer when the libraries and shop reopen, visit Library.CedarMill.org or contact Volunteer Services Manager, Jennifer Imai, at (503) 644-0043 x111 or jeni@wccls.org.



Volunteer and Board of Directors Member, Rita .

"The library is such an important part of my daily life and I miss it." - Pam M., Volunteer

SUPPORT YOUR COMMUNITY LIBRARIES

Still Serving and Still Depending On You.

On March 15th, 2020, the libraries closed to the public. But your library staff members weren't deterred. Eager to provide you with all that your libraries have to offer, they got straight to work. Their homes became mini library offices where they filmed storytime and tutorial videos, hosted webinars and online book club meetings, compiled and posted title recommendations. Most importantly, they planned the future of offering library services to you, your family, friends and neighbors amidst a pandemic. The result was new online offerings to housebound families and library-lovers of all ages.

Your response warmed our hearts. Comments, emails and letters filled with gratitude flooded our inboxes. But we wanted to welcome you back. Back to the libraries you know and love. Back to the services you hold dear.

The logistics of providing library services during a pandemic are incredibly complex. Moving the millions of items that we loan out each year, while practicing safe distancing and putting returned items through quarantine is proving to be an immense challenge. Still, your community library staff refuse to be deterred. In June we began working through the thousands of back-logged holds. By July, we were serving 300 users per day for curbside pickup of books.

We are living through a historic event without precedent and without a playbook. The resilience and service focus of library staff is making it work. The patience and support of friends like you has made it possible.

But, what about fundraising?

You know that your community libraries are a 501(C)(3) nonprofit. Normally we send an appeal letter to supporters each spring, inviting you to renew your membership or make a gift to help your libraries offer services to our community. With so many Americans struggling to make ends meet during this national crisis, ***we didn't have the heart to ask for donations.***

Still, some of you sent checks or donated on our website. Your generosity is inspiring. Your gifts are a demonstration of your core values and a dedication to community that will withstand any crisis. We are immensely grateful to those of you who have made a priority of serving knowledge to your community during this difficult time.

If you haven't made a gift to Your Community Libraries this year, we hope you will do so today.

Because we're still here, with you and for you. And we still need your help.

Together we're making the best of this crisis and becoming more innovative in the process. Together, we're the authors of an inspiring tomorrow, a tomorrow that's well worth the read.

Sincerely,



Peter Leonard, Executive Director

As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries Association depends on your donations to make library services possible in your community.

Visit Library.CedarMill.org and make your gift today.

Questions? Contact us at CMLdevelopment@wccls.org or



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"Reading your plans to reopen and I know how hard this must be. But we look forward to having you back and appreciate efforts to keep the public safe." - Sarah F. and Robert G.

Cedar Mill Community Libraries Association or CMCLA is a 501(c)(3), nonprofit organization dedicated to providing public library services through Cedar Mill & Bethany Libraries. We are a member of the Washington County Cooperative Library Services.

Mission: Provide our community an open door to the joy of reading, lifelong learning and personal enrichment, with emphasis on the literacy development of children.

Cedar Mill Library

1080 NW Saltzman Rd, Portland, OR 97229
Same location, new address!
(503) 644-0043

Bethany Library

15325 NW Central Drive Suite J-8, Portland, OR 97229
(503) 617-7323

Bethany Library Annex

4888 NW Bethany Boulevard Suite K-2, Portland, OR 97229
Questions? Library staff are available by phone and email.
Email: cedarmill@wccls.org Website: Library.CedarMill.org

Second Edition Resale

1050 NW Saltzman Rd, Portland, OR 97229
(503) 644-6395

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Library.CedarMill.org

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