



CEDAR MILL & BETHANY COMMUNITY LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION

LIBRARY NEWS

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WELCOME BACK!

In-Library Browsing Returns to Your Community Libraries

Q: Can I browse the shelves?

A: Yes! Library collections are now open for browsing! Some areas of the library remain closed to the public (including meeting rooms and staff work areas). Visit our website for updates on our current services.

Q: Do I have to wear a mask?

A: The library follows state and county guidance which is subject to change. Please check the [libraries' website](#) for updates or speak with a staff member if you require an accomodation.

Find the latest updates at Library.CedarMill.org or call a library at:

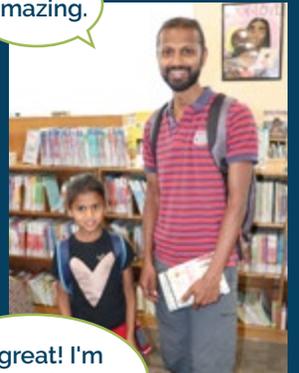
Cedar Mill Library: (503) 644-0043 Bethany Library: (503) 617-7323

How does it feel to be back in the library?

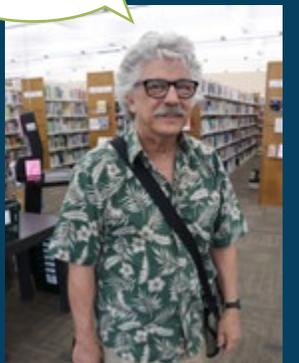
We love it!



Amazing.



It's great! I'm here 2-3 times a week.



New Hours Beginning Tuesday, September 7th

Monday-Thursday 10:00am-8:00pm
Friday 10:00am-5:00pm

Saturday 10:00am-5:00pm
Sunday 12:00pm-5:00pm

READING SUCCESS STARTS WITH ACCESS



Free Books - Freedom to Read

CMBCL's Value Statements include "We help children develop a love of reading and learning, and we promote early literacy and school readiness." That's why library staff were excited to visit local schools over the summer. Their mission was to hand out books during free lunch programs. The staff gave out over 300 new books to young readers. See more of the staff in action on the libraries' social media accounts.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE LIBRARIES

WELCOME

Meet our new Youth Services Manager. Catherine comes to us from Northern California. She has degrees in Literature and Library Science from UC Santa Cruz and San Jose State. She is passionate about early literacy, community building, and library advocacy. In her free time, you can find her in the yoga studio, traveling, and reading. Her favorite author is Haruki Murakami. She loves experimental fiction, magical realism, poetry, and of course all things youth!



You may know Julie from Bethany Library and Storytimes. She's now heading our Bookshare Program. As BookShare Librarian, she will continue the libraries' book delivery to local daycares and preschools. Julie grew up in Hillsboro where she loved spending time on her grandparents' farm. The first book she ever read and immediately reread was *The Blue Sword* by Robin McKinley. It is one of her favorite books to recommend. When she is not reading she enjoys baking, giving tea parties and spoiling her two cats Hemingway and Hawthorne.



JOIN THE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

You can be a member of the [Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries Association](#) volunteer Board of Directors.

By serving on the CMBCLA Board you will:

- Make community access to vital resources and programs possible.
- Ensure library development, transparency and accountability.
- Gain valuable, hands-on experience.
- Impact the future of literacy in Washington County and beyond.



To apply:

- Become a member of the Cedar Mill & Bethany Community Libraries Association by making your annual gift online, by mail, at a library, or call (503) 644-0043 x121.
- Apply to become a volunteer and note your interest in serving on the board.

Learn more about the libraries, association and board at Library.CedarMill.org/Join-The-Library-Board.



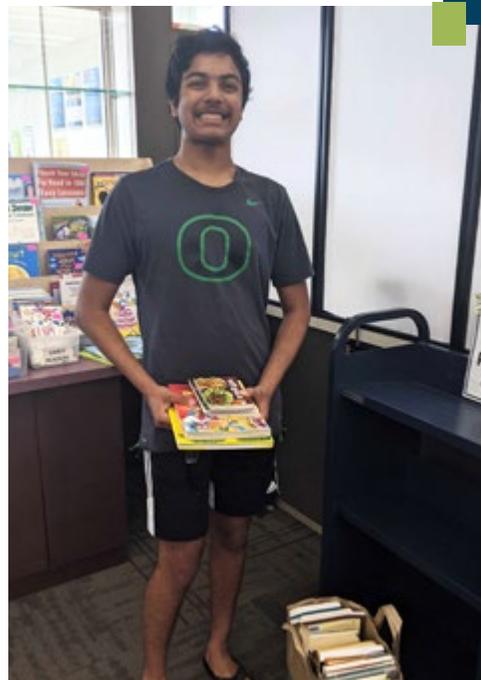
"The library is a place to learn, pick up a new craft, start a new hobby, engage with others through a movie or book or seminar. It is a place for kids to engage in storytime, do research, learn about the wider world, play a board game. The library has moved beyond being a place of only books on the shelves—it is a dynamic, ever changing, integral part of our community. It is a place for everyone and is vital. This is why I am honored to serve on the board of CMBLA." —Lesly Sanocki, Current President and Board Member since 2016



"It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve on the Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries Board of Directors. I have been an employee, a patron and a volunteer and know the workings of the library from both sides. I see the dedication of staff and volunteers and the results in making this one of the most efficient, innovative and beloved libraries in Washington County. It is truly a community asset that promotes the love of learning and reading in many forms." —Rita Rivera, Board Member since 2017

LOCAL TEEN HOLDS BOOK DRIVE

Local teen, Yash Tadikonda, started a book drive over the summer and has so far collected close to 400 books for CMBCL! The drive is an Eagle Scout project he titled Effective Book Drive Enabled by Technology to Address True Library Demand. Yash, pictured here, said, "I have been looking for opportunities to make a positive difference in the community. I chose the libraries because libraries have provided me with a lot of enjoyment and books to read. I hope to do my best to help increase the libraries' collection so more kids can have the same great experience. As I was exploring ways to connect the community with our libraries in a better way, I spoke with the CMBCL's Book Sale Coordinator, Kim Minter-Rohrich about opportunities. One of the issues I heard is that 'we get books donated but many of those we receive are not in demand and we spend a lot of time sorting and taking care of them'. This triggered the thought in me of how to solve this problem using technology to communicate the real needs of the library to the donors and create a scalable supply chain to get the books picked up and delivered to the library. I am so happy to see my project is scaling well and is addressing the opportunity to make our library resources more effective."



"One of the issues I heard is that 'we get books donated but many of those we receive are not in demand and we spend a lot of time sorting and taking care of them.'" —Yash T.

Yash created a website that helps donors determine if they have books that the libraries can use. Donors fill out a form on the site, then Yash coordinates with fellow Scouts to deliver the books to CML. Yash is still accepting donations.

Visit Yash's website at bit.ly/yashcmbcl to help. Questions about [donating media](#)? Contact the libraries' Book Sale Coordinator, Kim Minter-Rohrich at KimM@wccls.org or call (503) 644-0043 ext 116.

What kinds of books do the libraries need?

- 📖 Adult fiction and non-fiction
- 📖 Children's books from early readers to young adult
- 📖 Newer releases and bestsellers (both hardback and paperback)
- 📖 Art books and coffee-table type books
- 📖 Audiobooks on CD

JOIN US AT THE 46TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CMBCLA

Tuesday | October 19 | 7:00 pm | Location to be announced

Learn how you can get involved in your community libraries. Watch the libraries website for details and location information. Association members will receive an email announcing the meeting location before October 19. Become a member by making an annual gift on the [libraries website](#), by mail or at a library. To request more information, update your email address, or ask questions about membership, email CMLdevelopment@wccls.org or call (503) 644-0043 x121.

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KIDS

Saying Goodbye to Marta

Patrons will miss beloved Youth Services Librarian

After nearly 20 years at Cedar Mill & Bethany Community Libraries, children's librarian Marta is moving back to Poland. She has inspired many children and families in our community with her knowledge of children's literature, love of stories, and passion for reading.

Patrons of all ages have fond memories of Marta as she's performed over 1,000 storytimes for children and close to 100 Oregon Battle of the Books (OBOB) practice programs for kids and teens. She regularly receives fan mail in the form of drawings made by kids and thank you letters from grateful parents.



Marta says, "Performing storytimes and interacting with children of all ages were the highlights of each and every day. I measured my success in smiles... and laughter! When I saw kids and adults laughing during storytimes... when I saw a young person smiling when walking away with a book... when I observed OBOB participants grinning when answering OBOB questions... when I saw a family looking for books together and being excited about the library... all these times I felt the joy of being a librarian over and over again. Watching my storytime kids grow up was a highlight of my career here. I will never forget them."

"I measured my success in smiles... and laughter!" – Marta

Marta performed a Farewell Storytime outside Cedar Mill Library in August to a crowd of over 100 attendees of all ages. One attendee said, "You have inspired my family and the community to become great lovers of books. We have so many fond memories of storytime with you at the library."

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The library is collecting Tribute Donations in honor of Marta. Donated funds will be directed to the Youth Services Department at Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries. New items purchased with donations will bear Book Plates that read "In Honor of YS Librarian, Marta."

Tribute donations to honor Marta can be made in a library, by mail to Cedar Mill Library or on the libraries' website. Visit Library.CedarMill.org/Support/Donate and click on Tribute Gifts.

Visit our Kids' page at Library.CedarMill.org/Kids to find out about programs, storytimes, book lists, and to sign up for the monthly *WiserKids* newsletter!

"The library has been life giving to us during the pandemic and we are so grateful. Thank you!" —Robert and Rachel S.

ADULTS

Beyond the Bin

Tuesday | September 28 | 6:30-7:30pm | Online via Zoom

Recycling is great, but there are other actions you can take to make an even bigger difference in your environmental footprint. Learn how to conserve resources, save money, and try out new skills by going Beyond the Bin! Join Washington County Solid Waste & Recycling in a discussion about why we should and how we can bring more "reduce", "reuse" and "repair" thinking into our lives.

Native by Design: Gardening to Invite and Support Biodiversity

Monday | October 25 | 6:30-7:30pm | Online via Zoom

Gardeners can play a crucial role in local biodiversity. Local native plants can sustain life, sequester carbon and manage water. Join author and eco-landscape designer Eileen Stark to learn how to garden with an ecological focus. Topics include utilizing the design principles of native gardening, choosing and arranging plants according to their natural associations and site conditions, and maintaining your garden with wildlife-friendly techniques.

Learn more about services, groups and events for adults at Library.CedarMill.org/Adults.

TEENS

Libraries Add New Young Teen Collection for 5th-8th Graders

Have you ever ventured into the Young Adult stacks and wondered what books were appropriate for a seventh grader? Have you wandered the Juvenile fiction aisles and pulled one too many easy chapter books off the shelf? The libraries will soon have a selection of books that are just right for you!

This fall, Cedar Mill and Bethany Libraries will add a new collection for young teens that will be housed near the Young Adult collection. The collection will feature books written for readers in grades 5 through 8 and include popular series like *Percy Jackson*, *Artemis Fowl*, *Aru Shah*, *Ranger's Apprentice*. The books will be found in other parts of the library as well, but the new section will make it easier for young teens to browse age-specific books in one place.

If you have a favorite book or series that you would like to see in the Young Teen section, email MarkR@wccls.org.

We Did It! Teens Read to Make a Difference

CMBCL challenged local teens to read 4,000 hours this summer to help cohorts facing adversity. More than 400 local teens met and exceeded the Summer Reading Challenge by logging over 4,324 hours read as of August 10th!

The teens success means that CMBCL will make a \$1,000 contribution to HomePlate Youth Services, a nonprofit that supports young people experiencing homelessness. The libraries will also work to get new books out to HomePlate and the Beaverton Resource Center to ensure that teens facing difficult circumstances have access to reading materials.

In addition to making a positive difference in the lives of their fellow teens, Summer Reading Challenge participants received a free book and a chance to win a prize. Local teens have shown that they are dedicated to personal development and helping others. CMBCL is proud of summer readers!

Visit Library.CedarMill.org/Teens to find more services, events and fun for tweens and teens.



A Teen Council Member in the budding Young Teen Collection.



A Teen Council Member, excited to help meet the Summer Reading

SECOND EDITION RESALE

Indoors or out, Second Edition Resale always brings you great merchandise at bargain prices. The shop has a fabulous theme line-up for fall starting with Western (get ready for the Round-Up!). Following are Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas/Winter Holidays. Plus, Crafting has moved to mid-October, in plenty of time for all your gift-making plans.



New Store Hours

Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 10am-4pm

All proceeds from your Second Edition Resale purchases support Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries. Check out Second Edition Resale's Instagram page for weekly updates:

[@SecondEditionResale](https://www.instagram.com/SecondEditionResale)

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers help make Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries possible.

For over a year, volunteers have been an integral part of providing library services to the Cedar Mill/Bethany community, despite the constraints of the pandemic. Their resilience and reliability—performing tasks that provide a foundation for library work—are the cornerstones of our organization.

Our gratitude and appreciation go out to all of our volunteers. Without them, library services wouldn't be possible.

Here are few of them at work.



Hiba getting down to business in Circulation at CML.



Eli steps up to pull holds for Cedar Mill patrons.



Jadyn helps in the Teen Dept with Summer Reading prize books.



Vicky returned to Bethany Library to help in Circulation.



Dan—part of Cedar Mill's one "night crew"—is a super sleuth/holds-hunter!



Doris brings her smile back to Second Edition, where grateful shoppers are happy to browse again.



Vange checks in books so that Children's Outreach continues, and kids in childcare get books.



Pam volunteers in Circulation at Bethany and also helped at Cedar Mill on a project for the Development Office.

Ready to Volunteer?

To learn how you can volunteer, visit Library.CedarMill.org or contact Volunteer Services Manager, Jennifer Imai, at (503) 644-0043 x111 or Jeni@wccls.org.

SUPPORT YOUR COMMUNITY LIBRARIES

Tribute Gifts

In Memory

Jack Thurber

By: Gerald & Marlene Knechtel

Jack Thurber

By: Aleta Parker

Allen Van Veen

By: Aleta Parker

In Honor

Library Staff

By: Anonymous

Library Staff and Volunteers

By: Lonny & Ann Bass

Jim Rivera

By: Anonymous

Stephanie Liu Science of Reading
Fund by:

Cynthia Kudart

Tina Jenq

Janet Yearwood

June Yearwood

Cecilia Liu

Jane Schwartzberg

LL Liu/Porcelli

Ron & Ellen Fried

Stephanie and John Liu

Susan Walsh

Cheryl Meyers

Jacinta Kilber

Anonymous

Anonymous

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When you make a Tribute Gift a bookplate featuring your tribute's name is placed in a new library book.

New Donor Clubs

Being a member of your local nonprofit libraries association is important to you because it means that you value knowledge and intellectual freedom. Your ongoing support means that you are a steadfast champion for access to knowledge and resources for all in your community!

Your support can provide:

\$100/month: **Literati** - Monthly delivery to a day care site each month

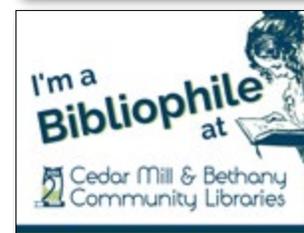
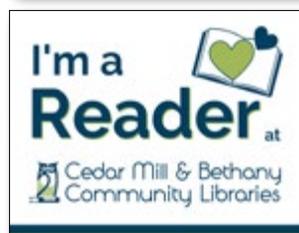
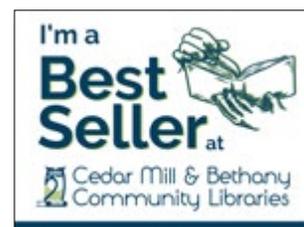
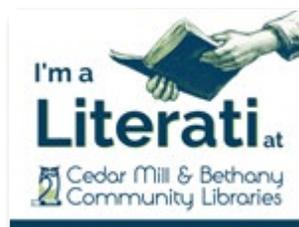
\$75/month: **Bibliophile** - A new audiobook for the Adult Collection each month

\$50/month: **First Edition** - Supplies for an educational program

\$25/month: **Best Seller** - First two books in a popular teen series

\$15/month: **Reader** - A new children's books a month

Join a **Monthly Supporter Club** and receive a **static cling** to proudly display on your laptop, window or any flat, hard surface.



Three Ways to Join:

Visit Library.CedarMill.org.

Fill out a Donor Club Card at a library.

Contact (503) 644-0043 x121 or
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"THANK YOU for the awesome service you provide to the community!" –Mindy H.

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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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