**WINTER READING**

**Winter Reading Challenge: Winter Nights & Cozy Reads | December 1-31 | All Ages**

Read this December and help our community! Every hour you read will increase a donation to the Oregon Food Bank (up to $1,000). Reading includes being read to and listening to audiobooks. Everyone can participate. Help us reach our goal of 10,000 hours read this winter!

Three ways to participate:

- Download the Beanstack app and track your reading on your phone or tablet.
- Track your reading on a paper log from the library. Play BINGO with your reads! Return forms to either library by December 31.

Look for crafts, stargazing events and Teen PJ Movie night to celebrate the cozy season on December 16, too. Questions? Contact askuscml@wccls.org or call or visit a library.

**ANNUAL KIDS' BOOKS FUNDRAISER**

Be a children’s books sponsor at your community libraries! By donating to the annual Kids' Books fundraiser, you’ll contribute toward the purchase of new books for little readers at Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries. This year’s goal is to add or replace 800 new books! The books average $5 each. How many will you sponsor? *Your generous gift gives local kids the gift of reading!* Learn more.

Questions? Contact CMLdevelopment@wccls.org or (503) 644-0043 x121.

*Donate in a library, by mail or online at [Library.CedarMill.org](http://Library.CedarMill.org).*

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Library News December 2022—February 2023
WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE LIBRARIES

Annual Report 2021/2022
July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022

4,584 New Library Cards Issued
1,895,457 Circulation Overall
405,969 Digital Circulation
30,576 Items Added to the Libraries' Collection

1,938 Student Cards Issued
9,497 WiFi Hours

In-Person Programs Returned

In-Library Browsing, Newspapers, Internet Computers, and Study Spaces Opened Up

Thousands of Items Were Donated to the Libraries' Book Sale and Thrift Store

250 People Attended the Summer Reading Festival

ARPA Grant
27,500 Underserved Households Reached
230 Volunteers
14,763 Hours Volunteered

1,558 Books Delivered to Little Lending Libraries
1,539 Donations to CMBCLA
$203,234 Donated

CMBC was Named a Star Library by Library Journal

6,287 Items to Outside Organizations
CMBCL IN THE COMMUNITY

Library staff took CMBCL to the community throughout summer and fall, giving away books, answering questions and delivering information about library resources. Visits included:

- Schools and Summer Schools
- Kindergarten Orientations
- Farmers Markets
- Community Festivals
- School Lunch Programs
- Beaverton Resource Center
- Senior Communities

Bookshare is Booming

CMBCL’s Bookshare program is now delivering books in 10 languages to 59 preschool and daycare sites. Expansion of the program to Preschool Promise sites is thanks to a Library Services and Technology Act grant. Preschool Promise is a publicly funded program serving children ages 3 to 4 years old from families with incomes at or below 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Level.

PATRON SURVEY

We want to hear from you!


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**KIDS**

**Oregon Battle of the Books**

If you have a child in school, you’ve likely heard of Oregon Battle of the Books, or OBOB, a statewide reading program open to students in grades 3 through 12. OBOB’s mission is “to encourage and recognize students who enjoy reading, to broaden reading interests, to increase reading comprehension, promote academic excellence, and to promote cooperative learning and teamwork among students.”

Each year students work in teams to compete in a trivia competition about the books they’ve read. Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries offer several resources to support students and their families:

- Multiple copies of the print books
- Access to ebook and e-audiobook versions through OverDrive/Libby
- Audiobooks on CD (at Cedar Mill Library) and Playaway
- Kindles pre-loaded with OBOB titles
- DVDs of past state battles (at Cedar Mill Library)
- Unofficial practice questions
- Trivia programs for grades 3-8 in December

Visit Library.CedarMill.org/Kids/OBOB to find all of these OBOB resources and more! Visit the CMBCL calendar at Library.CedarMill.org/Events to learn more and register for events.

**Winter Storytimes**

Family Storytime continues through December 15 at Cedar Mill Library and the Bethany Library Annex. More of your favorite storytimes are added beginning January 14:

- Baby Time
- Fun for Ones
- Preschool Storytime
- Twos Together

Find schedules in the Winter Events brochure and details at Library.CedarMill.org/Storytime.

**FEATURED EVENTS**

**Your Money and Your Future: Financial Tips for Ages 16 to 30**

Learn how to gain independence, build wealth and reduce money stress at any of our four sessions on smart money choices for twenty-somethings and teens. Michelle Duran from Financial Beginnings Oregon will teach key concepts to help those just starting out to make smart money choices. Topics will include:

- **Budgeting & Goal Setting**: Thursday | January 12 | 6:30-7:30pm | Cedar Mill Library
- **Credit & Debt**: Thursday | January 26 | 6:30-7:30pm | Bethany Annex
- **Insurance & Fraud**: Thursday | February 9 | 6:30-7:30pm | Cedar Mill Library
- **Building Wealth**: Thursday | February 23 | 6:30-7:30pm | Bethany Annex

Attend one or all sessions. Registration is required and materials are provided. Sessions are intended for ages 16-30.

Find more CMBCL event information in the online calendar at Library.CedarMill.org.
Curated Booklists Are Waiting For You

Librarians at CMBCL regularly posts booklists inspired by hot topics and current issues. Here are just a few:

- Women Who Changed History
- If you liked Bridgerton
- Early Literacy Board Games
- Adult Fall Fiction Spotlight 2022
- Tales with Tails: Animal Stories
- Book to Screen: Fall 2022
- Microhistories
- True Crime
- Tales of Survival
- Read Local
- Thrillers
- International Mysteries
- Hidden History of WWII
- Pulitzer Prize for Fiction

Find more lists compiled by your favorite library staff at Library.CedarMill.org/Adults/Booklists.

Find even more at WCCLS.Bibliocommons.com. Choose ‘List’ from the drop-down menu and search #CedarMill and #BethanyLibrary.

OBOB Trivia for 6th-8th grades

Thursday | December 29 | 2pm & 3pm | Cedar Mill Library

Join us in person or online for OBOB trivia battles for the 6-8 Division books. Bring a smartphone or tablet to battle other kids in our Kahoot trivia sessions. Registration required, please register for only one.

Find registration links at Library.CedarMill.org/Teens/Events.

Teen Book Review: Lobizona

Lobizona tells the story of Manuela, a young Argentine immigrant who lives an undocumented life with her mother and grandmother in Miami. All her life, Manu has been confined to her apartment; never allowed to go to school, attend parties, make friends, or even fall in love. Her mother has done everything to keep Manu hidden, not only from the U.S. government but from the entire world. You see, Manuela isn’t your ordinary girl; her golden eyes reflect the sun and her pupils are bright silver stars. Manuela has spent her life believing that this makes her an outsider, until the day her family falls apart....

Read more more of Julia’s review and other teen book reviews at Library.CedarMill.org/Teens.

New Teen Council

CMBCL’s new teen council is meeting every month to plan programs, write book reviews, record podcasts and provide interesting content on Instagram. We are so thankful for all they do for the libraries!

Follow the #cmbteen hashtag on Instagram for TLC-generated content. Listen to the TLC Chowder Chat podcast at Library.CedarMill.org/Teens.
SECOND EDITION RESALE

Winter Treasures
Visit Second Edition Resale this winter to shop your favorite themes and year-end sales. Don’t forget about weekly colored dot sales that let you score big on fabulous finds!
All proceeds from your purchases made at Second Edition Resale support Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries.
Visit @SecondEditionResale on Facebook and Instagram to see new items and keep up with promotions and sales.

Upcoming Themes

| Dec 1-17: Christmas/Winter Holiday | Jan 17-21: South Asia |
| Dec 20 & 21 Storewide Sale 50% off | Jan 24-28: International |
| Dec 22 & 23: Storewide Sale 75% off | Jan 31-Feb 14: Valentine's |
| Dec 24-Jan 2: Closed. No donations accepted. | Feb 14-Feb 18: Vintage |
| Jan 3-14: East Asia | Feb 21-Mar 11: Crafting |

Shop Hours: Tuesday-Saturday 10am-4pm. Shop closed December 24 through Jan 2.

VOLUNTEERS
Volunteers help make your community libraries possible!

CMBCL relies on volunteers for help with fun library programs. Advait, Akshaya, Louise, Julia and Prerana had fun helping with this programs for kids.

"Libraries are key in making kids readers...avid readers," says Josephine. She volunteers in Circulation, helping make materials available for check out. "Literacy," she says, "is the key to people moving ahead in life."

As a kid, Cathy found that the library was her special place, where she knew she belonged and loved to be. Lucky for us, she still feels that way, as a Bookshare Storytime volunteer.

Ready to Volunteer?
To learn how you can volunteer at the libraries and resale shop, visit Library.CedarMill.org or contact Volunteer Services Manager, Jennifer Imai, at (503) 644-0043 x111 or jeni@wccls.org.
SUPPORT YOUR COMMUNITY LIBRARIES

Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries Association gratefully acknowledges these Tribute Gifts:

**Tribute Gifts:**

**In Memory**
- Richard Thomas  By: Anonymous
- Sylvia Lee  By: Anonymous

**In Honor**
- TK & Mabel Rose Moteberg  By: Jim & Cela Wood

When you make a Tribute Gift, a bookplate featuring your tribute’s name is placed in a new library book. Your library book plates will journey through the hands of library patrons for years to come. Learn more about Tribute Gifts here.

Your support helps your libraries to:

- **Provide** free access to books, media and educational programs, databases and services.
- **Host** literacy and skill-building events that promote confidence and inclusion.
- **Offer** programs and series that help parents give their children the best start in reading.
- **Deliver** books and library cards to schools, day care facilities and family care centers.
- **Develop** school readiness and a love of learning in local kids.
- **Foster** a sense of community and encourage community involvement through outreach, partnerships and volunteerism.
- **Promote** self-directed learning for all ages and the belief that education is the pathway to personal empowerment.
- **Enable** access to a wide variety of viewpoints through a diversity of learning opportunities in a non-commercial environment.
- **Support** and welcome all people to a world of knowledge.

Thank you for your support of Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries! Questions? Email CMLdevelopment@wccls.org or call (503) 644-0043 x121.

“Dear Bethany Staff, you are the nicest friendliest folks. I’m not sure what I’d do without my local library... but getting a cheery hello each time I come in makes you even more important to me.” —Daryl B.

“Just wanted to say THANK YOU for being an awesome library! 95% of the books I want you get for me in short order (the other 5% are my weird esoteric topix). I will miss this library when I move away! ALSO friendly and helpful people.” —Charlene J.
Holiday Books Available

Holiday and winter-themed books, CDs and DVDs will be available for purchase at Cedar Mill Library beginning December 1. Visit the mezzanine to find items for adults. Shop for kids at the Children’s Book Sale table near the front door. Available while supplies last.

CMBC’s Book Sale is an on-going fundraiser for your nonprofit Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries. Shop great prices on books, audiobooks, CDs, DVDs, and games at Cedar Mill Library and in the libraries’ Amazon store. All Book Sale proceeds benefit library operations.

Cedar Mill and Bethany Libraries will be closed December 24 and 25 and January 1 and 16.

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.

Learn how you can support your community libraries by visiting: Library.CedarMill.org

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- Cedar Mill Library
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Adults Events

Estate Planning for Families with Young Children
Cedar Mill Library
Wednesday, January 25 | 6:30-7:30pm
Benjamin L. Rasche, J.D. presents estate planning and choosing a guardian for your children.

Garden of Eatin'
Cedar Mill Library
Saturday, February 18 | 2-3pm
Registration Required
Get gardening tips from OSU Extension Service Master Gardener™ Dennis Brown, PhD.

This IS Kalapuyan Land
Online via Zoom
Wednesday, February 22 | 6:30-7:30pm | Ages 16+
Registration Required
Steph Littlebird will present her exhibit about Kalapuyan history and culture.

Library Locations

Cedar Mill Library
1080 NW Saltzman Rd Portland, OR 97229
(503) 644-0043

Bethany Library
15325 NW Central Dr, Ste J-8, Portland, OR 97229
(503) 617-7323

Bethany Library Annex
4888 NW Bethany Blvd, Ste K-2, Portland, OR 97229
(503) 617-7323

Hours
Monday-Thursday: 10am-8pm
Friday-Saturday: 10am-5pm
Sunday: 12pm-5pm

Both Libraries & Second Edition Resale will be closed Dec 24, Dec 25, Jan 1 & Jan 16.

Winter Events
December 2022 - February 2023

All Ages
How to D&D: Level Up Your Roleplaying
Bethany Library Annex
Saturday, December 3 | 1-3pm | Adults & Teens 11+
Registration Required
Boost your confidence with roleplaying, teamwork, and improvising in Dungeons & Dragons 5th edition.

Felt Portraits
Cedar Mill Library
Saturday, December 3 | 10-11:30am | Kids & Teens
Make your own portrait out of felt!

Glass Bead Ornaments with Daniela Mahoney
Bethany Library Annex
Thursday, December 8 | 6:30-7:30pm
Adults & Teens 11+
Registration Required
Create glass bead ornaments inspired by Czech and Slovak traditions. All materials will be provided.

Winter Night Astronomy
Cedar Mill Library
Friday, December 16 | 6-7:30pm | Adults & Teens 10+
Registration Required
Rose City Astronomers highlight the winter night sky in an outdoor stargazing tour.

How to D&D: So You Want to Be a Dungeon Master
Cedar Mill Library
Saturday, December 17 | 1-3pm | Adults & Teens 11+
Registration Required
Learn how to make a great game and handle problems in Dungeons & Dragons 5th edition.

Your Money and Your Future: Financial Tips from Ages 16 to 30: Credit & Debt
Bethany Library Annex
Thursday, January 26 | 6:30-7:30pm | Ages 16-30
Registration Required
Get the pros/cons of debt type, differences between credit and debt and ask questions if you’ve already accumulated debt.

Your Money and Your Future: Financial Tips from Ages 16 to 30: Insurance & Fraud
Cedar Mill Library
Thursday, February 9 | 6:30-7:30pm | Ages 16-30
Registration Required
Learn how to minimize your fraud risk with insurance. Find out what insurance covers and how to avoid scams.

Trapped in the Upside Down: A Stranger Things Escape Room
Cedar Mill Library
Friday, February 10 | 6pm & 7pm | Adults
Saturday, February 11 | 2pm & 3:15pm | Ages 11-18
Registration Required
Can you decipher Will's messages and get him back from the Upside Down?

Your Money and Your Future: Financial Tips from Ages 16 to 30: Building Wealth
Bethany Library Annex
Thursday, February 23 | 6:30-7:30pm | Ages 16-30
Registration Required
Discover how your money can work for you to build wealth. Learn about compound interest, long term savings, risk tolerance and fees.

Register for events at Library.CedarMill.org or scan the QR code.
**Kids Events**

**Grab and Go Crafts**
**Cedar Mill Library** & **Bethany Library**
Fridays, December 2, January 6, February 3
Pick up craft bags to take home, while supplies last.

**LEGO Free Play**
**Cedar Mill Library**
Saturdays, Dec 10 & Feb 18 | 10:30am-12pm | Ages 5+
Drop in to build with LEGOs.

**OBOB Trivia Grades 3-5**
**Zoom**
Tuesday, December 27 | 10:30am & 11:30am
**Cedar Mill Library**
Wednesday, December 28 | 10:30am & 11:30am
**Bethany Library Annex**
Thursday, December 29 | 10:30am & 11:30am

**Registration Required for All Events**
Test your individual OBOB (Oregon Battle of the Books) knowledge! Questions will be the same at each event - please only attend one.

**Pokémon Party**
**Cedar Mill Library**
Friday, January 13 | 10:30am-12pm | Ages 6-11
Join us for a craft, Pokken Tournament and more.

**Festive Winter Window Craft**
**Bethany Library Annex**
Friday, January 13 | 2-3:30pm | Ages 5+
Create a winter window, while supplies last.

**Heart Handprint Tree Craft**
**Bethany Library Annex**
Friday, February 3 | 10-11:30am | Ages 5+
Decorate your handprint tree, while supplies last.

**Minecraft Papercraft & Sticker Craft**
**Bethany Library Annex**
Tuesday, February 21 | 2-4:30pm | Ages 5+
Craft your favorite mobs and monsters, while supplies last.

**Family Storytime**
**Bethany Library Annex**
2nd Saturday of the month, January 14, February 11, March 11 | 11:15-11:45am | Ages 2+
Join us for stories, rhymes, songs and movement!

**Family Storytime**
**Cedar Mill Library**
Tuesdays & Wednesdays | 10:30-11am | Ages 2+
January 17 - March 8
Join us for stories, rhymes, songs and movement!

**Twos Together**
**Bethany Library Annex**
Tuesdays | 10:30-11am | Ages 24-36 months
January 17 - March 7
Join us for songs, rhymes, and stories perfect for active toddlers. Learn and move with your child.

**Fun for Ones**
**Cedar Mill Library**
Thursdays | 10:30-11am | Ages 12-24 months
January 19 - March 9
Join us for songs, rhymes, stories and movement while making new friends!

**Preschool Storytime**
**Bethany Library Annex**
Thursdays | 10:30-11am | Ages 3-6 years
January 19 - March 9
An interactive storytime filled with books, music and rhymes that focus on developing skills needed to get ready to read. Grownups are encouraged to participate alongside the kids.

**Babytime**
**Cedar Mill Library**
Fridays | 11:30am-12pm | Ages 0-12 months
January 20 - March 10
Share songs, rhymes, stories, and playtime while learning about early literacy skills and socializing in a supportive environment.
Teen Events

Teen Crafternoon: Painted Wood Ornaments
Cedar Mill Library
Saturday, December 10 | 3-4:30pm | Ages 11-18
Registration Required
Paint wintery designs on wooden ornaments.

Teen Cozy PJ Movie Night
Cedar Mill Library
Friday, December 16 | 5:30-7:30pm | Ages 11-18
Bring PJs, blankets and pillows as we watch the classic film about being left behind at Christmas.

Tech Open Lab
Cedar Mill Library
Tuesdays, Dec 13, Jan 10, Jan 24, Feb 14, Feb 28 | 1-3pm
Get started with basic computer skills and practice with devices like laptops, tablets and cellphones.

OBOB 6-8 Division Trivia Battles
Hybrid - Zoom and Cedar Mill Library
Thursday, December 29 | 2-3pm & 3-4pm
Registration Required
Practice OBOB trivia battles for the 6-8 Division books. Bring a smartphone or tablet to battle other kids in our Kahoot trivia sessions.

Spanish Conversation Hour
Cedar Mill Library
Wednesdays, Dec 14, Jan 11, Feb 8
6:30-7:30pm | Ages 16+
Chat with others and improve your Spanish language skills through facilitated conversation.

Teen Game Night: Super Smash Tourney
Cedar Mill Library
Friday, January 6 | 6-8pm | Ages 11-18
Registration Required
Compete in our tournament and play console games with your friends. Switch, Wii and Gamecube games are available.

Teen Crafternoon: Hydro Dipped Mugs
Bethany Library Annex
Friday, February 3 | 2-3:30pm | Ages 11-18
Registration Required
Come learn about hydro dipping and create your own unique design on a mug.

Junkyard Wars: Shark Tank Edition
Cedar Mill Library
Tuesday, February 21 | 2-4pm | Ages 11-18
We provide the junk, you have 30 minutes to create and sell your invention to our panel of “investors.”

Adults Events

Medicare 101
Cedar Mill Library
Friday, Dec 2 | 12-1pm
Saturday, Jan 21 | 11am-12pm
Friday, Feb 17 | 3-4pm
Bethany Library Annex
Michelle Hernandez will cover the basics of Medicare, what parts are right for you, and how to enroll.

Tech Open Lab
Cedar Mill Library
Tuesdays, Dec 13, Jan 10, Jan 24, Feb 14, Feb 28 | 1-3pm
Get started with basic computer skills and practice with devices like laptops, tablets and cellphones.

Spanish Conversation Hour
Cedar Mill Library
Wednesdays, Dec 14, Jan 11, Feb 8
6:30-7:30pm | Ages 16+
Chat with others and improve your Spanish language skills through facilitated conversation.

Voices in Verse
Online via Zoom
Saturdays, Dec 17, Jan 28, Feb 25 | 10:30am-12pm
Registration Required
Share your own poetry or listen to others read their favorites.

Writers’ Mill
Hybrid - Zoom and Cedar Mill Library
Sundays, Dec 18, Jan 22, Feb 19 | 1-3pm
Join fellow writing enthusiasts for inspiration and fun.

Owl Book Group
Online via Zoom
Fridays, Dec 30, Jan 27, Feb 24 | 10:30am-12pm
Registration Required
Join us to discuss a recent or popular book.
Dec: The Paris Bookseller by Kerri Maher
Jan: 1000 Years of Joys and Sorrows by Ai Weiwei
Feb: The Cartographers by Peng Shepherd

Get the latest updates, staff picks and more: sign up for enews at Library.CedarMill.org