DAY OF SERVICE AT CEDAR MILL LIBRARY

Teens Volunteer to Clean Library

Twenty-five students from Westview and Sunset High Schools teamed up to clean bookshelves at Cedar Mill Library on the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday. Each year students commit a Day of Service to their community. The teens removed thousands of books from shelves, cleaned the shelves, then took on the monumental task of reshelving the books. CMBCL is grateful for the help of local teens who value their community libraries!

WINTER READING WINNERS

Local School Embraces CMBCL Challenge

Bethany Elementary School dominated CMBCL’s Winter Reading Challenge held during the month of December. More than half of the reading was logged by that one school. Kudos to the students, parents and teachers who encouraged that level of participation. Almost 5,000 hours and 3,000 activities were logged through the month. Students from many other schools participated, as did 32 adults. We truly live in a community of readers! In honor of reaching this reading goal, a donation was made to the Oregon Food Bank. The donation came from an anonymous donor who supports the missions of Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries and Oregon Food Bank.
CELEBRATING VOLUNTEERS

CMBC volunteers gathered at Cedar Mill Library in January for Volunteer Happy Hour and enjoyed refreshments and photos.

242 CMBC Volunteers contributed over 10,000 Hours in 2022!
Kids’ Books Fundraiser Results

Total Raised: $2,260.

Thank you to everyone who donated to CMBCL’s annual Kids’ Books Fundraiser! Your gifts will add 452 new children’s books to Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries’ Youth Services collection. Your support will inspire young minds for years to come.

OnPoint CCU Supports Bookshare

OnPoint Community Credit Union awarded Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries a $2,000 grant as part of their Community Giving Program in December. Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries’ Bookshare program currently delivers book boxes to 64 childcare sites each month. CMBCL is grateful for community partners like OnPoint Community Credit Union who support the libraries’ mission of promoting early literacy and school readiness.

CMBCL STAFF LEGACY

22 Years of Outreach

Adult Services Outreach Librarian Karen Travillion is leaving CMBCL after 22 years of service. Since joining the libraries in 2001, Karen has been instrumental to library innovations such as outreach to seniors, computer training labs, video collections, world languages collection, large print materials, and support for underserved groups. When asked about the accomplishments she’s most proud of in her tenure at the library, Karen mentioned:

Connecting patrons to technology. In classes or one-on-one sessions, Karen guided hundreds of patrons through the basics of computer literacy, from how to use a mouse and email to mastering iPads, e-books and cell phones.

Working with CMBCL volunteers. “So much programming relies on their talent and commitment,” Karen said.

Supporting book clubs at senior living centers. Karen’s outreach efforts helped connect local seniors to CMBCL’s mission to foster a joy of reading and lifelong learning.

Building CMBCL’s world languages collection. Informed by population studies and visits to local adult English as a Second Language classes, Karen grew the libraries’ collection to include items in 18 languages and ESL resources.

But it’s “the people at Cedar Mill who made the job the best—the staff, volunteers and patrons,” Karen said, “connecting with people and helping them learn.” Her favorite patron question? “Can you help me find a book?” Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries are grateful for Karen’s commitment to connecting the libraries with community members and helping to ensure that CMBCL is truly for everyone.

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1 in 5 People Have Dyslexia

Dyslexia is a language-based learning difference that creates challenges in reading, writing, and spelling. It affects at least 1 in 5 people. Signs of dyslexia change with age, but can include difficulty naming letters and numbers, difficulty recognizing rhyming words, and difficulty sequencing numbers or events in a story. Children don’t outgrow it, but can learn to read with a systematic, structured approach to reading instruction. More importantly, while dyslexia creates learning challenges, it is not a sign of lack of intelligence or lack of effort. Visit the CMBCL WiserKids blog to find online resources and booklists on these related topics:

- The Science of Reading
- Decodable Books & Games for Beginning Readers
- Neurodiversity in Picture Books

Funny Books Are Powerful Reading Motivation

Many parents visit the library hoping to find books that not only engage and entertain their child, but also keep them interested in reading more. But navigating the library bookshelves to find a perfect book can be challenging, especially given the many choices, time constraints, and varying abilities and interests.

According to research by Scholastic, “4 in 10 kids agree (42%) that they have trouble finding books that they like. This is far higher at 59% among infrequent readers and is true of roughly half of kids by age nine. Nearly 1 in 3 parents (28%) agree that their child has trouble finding books. This percentage increases among parents of infrequent readers and among parents of children older than age eight.” Youth librarians recommend books based on factors like age and developmental stage, grade level, popularity, and what will interest each unique reader. CMBCL librarians love helping kids find their next favorite book!

When in doubt, choose a funny story. “Books that make me laugh” was the top response from 6–17 year old’s when asked “What do you look for when picking out a book for fun?” according to Scholastic’s Kids and Family Reading Report, which reflects reading habits and behaviors of kids in that age group. The sentiment was especially true for new readers.

CMBCL staff curate booklists to help your family find good books at all ages and levels including:

- Silly Picture Books work well for all ages, but especially for young ones ages 2 and up.

First graders who adore Elephant and Piggie stories can find more options on the If You Like Elephant and Piggie booklist. Suggested titles are within the same reading level range as the E&P books.

- Leveled Booklists will help you find books based on IRLA (Independent Reading Level Assessment), used by Beaverton School District.

- Funny Chapter Books are recommended for children in grades 1-5; these titles will provide giggles from beginning to end!

- Tween and Teen Booklists for grades 5-12 cover a variety of genres, or browse a list of Funny Teen E-books. Ask about CMBCL’s Young Teen Collection next time you’re at Cedar Mill or Bethany Libraries! The stories are rich in plot and character but lighter on mature themes.

Find links to these booklists and more at Library.CedarMill.Org/WiserKids. Sign up for the WiserKids e-newsletter to keep up with the latests news and reading lists for kids.
**ADULTS**

**Gardening Series**

Cedar Mill Library is the place to be for gardeners this spring! The library will offer three programs aimed at helping you create a healthy and productive garden. Topics include:

- How to grow oyster mushrooms on coffee grounds.
- Gardening for bees.
- The history of soil in the Cedar Mill area and how to care for and keep it healthy.

Find event details and registration information in the enclosed Spring Events Brochure and at Library.CedarMill.org/Adults.

**TEENS**

**Teen Book Review: Moth (Me)**

Moth should have died the night she lost her entire family in the car crash. Except now she has to simply carry on, forced to leave her home and live with her aunt in California. Before the crash, Moth lived a life high on love, laughter, and her passion for dance—but even that has been stolen from her. Burdened with the weight of grief and guilt for being the only one to survive, Moth spends her last couple years of high school in a daze—wondering if she'll ever be whole again. Until the day she meets Sani. Read the rest of Julia's review of Amber McBride's intense novel in verse at Library.CedarMill.org/Teens.

**Graphic Novel & Manga Book Club for Teens**

Attend a discussion of The Well by Jacob Wyatt, at Cedar Mill Library on March 4th at 2pm. Registration is required and limited copies of the book will be available to pick up at Cedar Mill and Bethany libraries beginning February 8th for ages 11-18 who can commit to attending the event. April’s book club pick is Witch Hat Atelier V. 1 and the discussion will be on April 1st at 2pm at the Bethany Library Annex. Limited copies of this title will be available for teens starting March 1st. If you’ve read either, or both of these books and would like to attend, email markr@wccls.org to register. These programs are supported by the Oregon Cultural Trust and the Cultural Coalition of Washington County.

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

**EVERYONE**

**Crosshatch Reading Challenge** Library.CedarMill.org/Read-Now

Read comics and manga in all forms! From March 1st through May 6th, CMBCCL is challenging all readers to participate in the libraries' comics/manga reading challenge in Beanstack or on a paper bookmark available at Cedar Mill and Bethany Libraries. Complete activities and earn badges related to reading manga, nonfiction, memoirs and graphic novels. Two participants will win a gift card to a local comic book store. Participants must be WCCLS cardholders or live in Washington County, Oregon. This program is supported by the Oregon Cultural Trust and the Cultural Coalition of Washington County.
SECOND EDITION RESALE

Spring Savings
Inflation-busting pricing! We reduced our prices for the pandemic, and it has been so popular that we are keeping them low. There’s no inflation at Second Edition Resale.

Upcoming Themes
February 28-March 4: Crafting & St. Patrick’s Day
March 7-11: Storewide Sale! Everything 50% off Tuesday-Thursday, 75% off Friday & Saturday
March 14-April 8: Easter & Spring
April 11-22: Garden
April 25-May 13: Garden & Mother’s Day
May 16-25: Camping
May 30-June 3: Storewide Sale! Everything 50% off Tuesday-Thursday, 75% off Friday & Saturday

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.

Shop Hours: Tuesday-Saturday 10am-4pm.

VOLUNTEERS
Volunteers help make your community libraries possible!

Sophia enjoys volunteering at CML because "working in Circulation is great for book and movie recommendations!"

Lily enjoys volunteering at Second Edition Resale. "I recommend it to everyone!"

Sid says that one nice thing about volunteering at the libraries is that you can find interesting books. We agree!

Carol likes volunteering in Circulation because she loves to see the trends in books.

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:

**In Memory**

Robert Epstein By: Miriam Epstein
Sue Conger By: Thomas Hinson & Anne Thompson
Ken Gies By: Berneeta Gies
Dennis Thomas By: Carole Thomas
My wonderful father who taught me to love reading By: Anonymous

**In Honor**

Jessica Baker By: Pam & Dennis Baker
Sue Broderick By: Sara O’Donnell
Marianne Coalson By: Hillary & Kjell Ostlund
Stephanie Liu Science of Reading Fund By: Cecilia Liu
Jennifer & Richard Shih By: Brenda Shih
Mom, who loves to read By: Phillip & Jamie Marucha
Gwen Watt By: Natalie Howes

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.

Visit Library.CedarMill.org/Support to honor someone you care about today.

"Cedar Mill Library is awesome!" – Sherri Jo L.

CORPORATE AND EMPLOYEE SUPPORT

Thank you to the sixty library supporters who gave through their workplace and secured matching donations to the libraries from their employers in 2022.

Workplace donors and their employers donated $24,547 in 2022!

Matching gifts received from: Applied Materials
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Genentech
IBM
Intel
Kaiser Permanente
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Mutual of America
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Nordstrom
NW Natural Gas
PepsiCo
Portland General Electric
Salesforce
Synopsys Inc.
The Standard
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Your donations help make services at your Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries possible! Questions? Contact CMLdevelopment@wccls.org or call (503) 644-0043 x121.

Library News March—May 2023
Cedar Mill and Bethany Libraries will be closed May 29.

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.
CROSSHATCH READING CHALLENGE

March 1-May 6 | All Ages

Read comics and manga during our comics reading challenge. Comics come in all shapes and formats these days and you can complete activities and earn badges related to reading manga, nonfiction, memoirs and graphic novels.

Sign up by scanning the QR code, visit LibraryCedarMill.Beanstack.org, or pick up a bookmark at the library.

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 Monday, May 29.
Grab and Go Crafts
*Cedar Mill Library & Bethany Library*
Fridays | March 3, April 7, May 5
Pick up craft bags to take home, while supplies last.

Felt Sewing Craft
*Cedar Mill Library*
Saturday, March 18 | 10:30am-12pm | Ages 8+
Sew a felt pocket bunny to take home.

LEGO Free Play
*Cedar Mill Library*
Wednesday, March 29 | 10:30am-12pm
Saturday, May 13 | 10:30am-12pm
*Bethany Library Annex*
Thursday, March 30 | 10:30am-12pm
Thursday, April 13 | 1-2:30pm
Drop in to build and play with LEGO. Ages 5+.

Super Mario Party
*Bethany Library Annex*
Tuesday, March 28 | 2-4:30pm | Ages 5+
Enjoy activities, crafts, Hot Wheels races & more.

Collaborative Coloring Activity
*Bethany Library*
Wednesday, March 29 | All Day | Ages 5+
Friday, April 14 | All Day | Ages 5+
Drop in and color to your heart’s content!

Little Kids Dance Party
*Cedar Mill Library*
Tuesday, March 28 | 10:30-11:15am | Ages 2-6
Enjoy music, movement and a few special stories!

Giant Games
*Cedar Mill Library*
Friday, March 31 | 10:30am-12pm | Ages 5+
Play giant games like Connect 4, dominos, checkers, tic-tac-toe, cards and more!

Saturday Play & Learn
*Cedar Mill Library*
Saturdays, April 1-29 | 10am-12pm | Ages 2-6
Drop by to play and discover with your child.

Bethany Village Easter Egg Hunt
*Bethany Library*
Saturday, April 8 | 2-4pm | All Ages
Join us for the annual Bethany Village Easter Egg Hunt!

Super Smash Bros. Party
*Cedar Mill Library*
Saturday, April 15 | 10:30am-12pm | Ages 6-11
Join us for a craft. Super Smash Bros. video game on the Switch and more!

Preschool Clothespin Puppet Craft
*Bethany Library Annex*
Wednesday, April 26 | 10:30-11:30am | Ages 3-6
Create a finger puppet using a clothespin!

Button Making with Comics
*Cedar Mill Library*
Saturday, May 6 | 10am-12pm | Ages 6+
Celebrate Free Comic Book Day by making a button with comics and our button makers.

Mother’s Day Card Craft
*Bethany Library*
May 10-May 13 | All Day | All Ages
Make your own Mother’s Day cards, while supplies last.

Bethany Village Spring Market
*Bethany Fountain / Plaza Area*
Thursday, May 25 | 3-6pm | All Ages
Stop by the library booth for a fun craft and learn about our summer reading program and events.

Parent Information Series
Join us in person during April & May for our annual Parent Information Series, where several experts will present on important topics such as screen time, anxiety and more! Check our online calendar for information about these free events.
**Kids Storytimes**

**Spring Storytime Session: April 3-May 26**

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

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

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

**Preschool Storytime**
*Bethany Library Annex*
Thursdays | 10:30-11am | Ages 3-6 years
Join us for stories, music and rhymes that focus on pre-reading skills. Enjoy participating along with your child!

**Family Storytime**
*Bethany Library Annex*
Saturdays | April 8 & May 13 | 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+
Join us for stories, rhymes, songs and movement!

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**Teen Events**

**Teen Graphic Novel and Manga Book Club: The Well**
*Cedar Mill Library*
Saturday, March 4 | 2-3:30pm | Teens 11-18
*Registration Required*
Join us for a discussion of *The Well* by Jacob Wyatt. Limited copies of the book will be available to pick up at both libraries starting February 8 for those who can commit to coming attending.

**Chaotic Crusaders Club: Dungeons & Dragons for Teens**
*Cedar Mill Library*
Saturdays | March 11, April 8, May 13 | 1-3 pm | Teens 11-18 | *Registration Required*
Grab your dice and join us for a game of Dungeons & Dragons 5th edition. New and experienced players welcome!

**Teen Game Night: Super Smash Tourney**
*Cedar Mill Library*
Fridays | March 31 & May 19 | 6-8pm | Teens 11-18
*Registration Required*
Compete in our Smash Bros. Tournament. Meet your friends and play console games together.

**Teen Graphic Novel and Manga Book Club: Witch Hat Atelier**
*Bethany Library Annex*
Saturday, April 1 | 2-3:30pm | Teens 11-18
*Registration Required*
Join us for a discussion *Witch Hat Atelier* Vol. 1 by Kamome Shirahama. Limited copies of the book will be available to pick up at both libraries starting March 1 for those who can commit to attending.

**Marvel vs. DC vs. Manga**
*Cedar Mill Library*
Saturday, May 6 | 2-3:30pm | Teens 11-18
*Registration Recommended*
Celebrate Free Comic Book Day at your library and join a Marvel vs DC vs Manga debate game. Make buttons out of old comics while the debate rages.
Spanish Conversation Hour
Cedar Mill Library
Wednesdays | March 8, April 12, May 10
6:30-7:30pm | Adults & Teens 11+
Chat with others and improve your Spanish language skills through facilitated conversation.

Technology Open Lab
Cedar Mill Library
Tuesdays | Mar 14, Apr 11, Apr 25, May 9, May 23 | 1-3pm
Get started with basic computer skills and practice with devices like laptops, tablets and cellphones.

How to Grow Oyster Mushrooms on Coffee Grounds
Cedar Mill Library
Thursday, March 16 | 6-7pm | Adults
Registration Required
Learn how to grow oyster mushrooms on coffee grounds with Jordan Weiss and take home your own starter.

Understanding and Caring for the Soil in Cedar Mill Backyards
Cedar Mill Library
Thursday, March 23 | 6:30-7:30pm | Adults
Registration Required
Join Dean Moberg from Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District for a discussion on the history of our soil and what you can do to keep it healthy.

Voices in Verse
Online via Zoom
Saturdays | March 25, April 22, May 27 | 10:30am-12pm
Registration Required
Share your own poetry or listen to others favorites.

Medicare 101
Bethany Library Annex
Wednesday, March 29 | 6:30-7:30pm | Adults
Wednesday, May 3 | 11am-12pm | Adults
Cedar Mill Library
Thursday, April 20 | 6:30-7:30pm | Adults
Michelle Hernandez covers the basics of Medicare, what parts are right for you, and how to enroll.

Writers’ Mill
Hybrid - Zoom and Cedar Mill Library
Sundays | March 19, April 16, May 21 | 1-3pm
Adults & Teens 16+
Join fellow writing enthusiasts for inspiration and fun.

Owl Book Group
Online via Zoom
Fridays | March 31, April 28, May 26 | 10:30am-12pm
Registration Required
Join us to discuss a recent or popular book.
March: Shuggie Bain by Douglas Stuart
April: Fascism: A Warning by Madeleine Albright
May: A Long Petal of the Sea by Isabel Allende

Avid Adventurers Alliance: Dungeons & Dragons for Adults
Cedar Mill Library
Saturdays | March 11, April 8, May 13 | 1-3 pm
Registration Required
Grab your dice and join us for a game of Dungeons & Dragons 5th edition. New and experienced players welcome!

Repair Fair
Cedar Mill Library
Saturday, April 22 | 1-4pm | Adults & Teens
Bring an item to repair and work with local volunteers to keep items in use and out of the landfill.

Gardening for Bees
Cedar Mill Library
Thursday, May 4 | 6:30-7:30pm | Adults
Megan, an OSU Extension Service Master Gardener, will share how you, as a gardener, can help our most important pollinators.

Taste of Oregon: Wine Tasting
Cedar Mill Library
Thursday, May 25 | 6:30-7:30pm | Adults 21+
Learn how Eagles Nest Reserve uses ethical stewardship to grow their grapes and taste two of their wines. ID will be checked at the door.