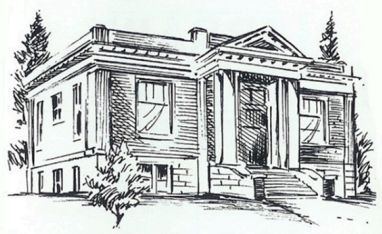


Director's Note

Dear Friends,

We've been hearing about the "loneliness epidemic" for a while now. While it may not be a new phenomenon, it remains a dangerous one, linked to higher risks of several chronic diseases. So, when I came across a recent NPR story, *"Patients Are Getting Prescriptions to Socialize to Fight an Epidemic of Loneliness"* by Katia Riddle, I immediately thought of libraries and everything we have to offer.



As a Children's Librarian who spent over 20 years creating Early Literacy Storytimes, I've had the privilege of watching families attend storytime together, forging friendships between parents and caregivers as their children interacted. My own children, now teenagers, still keep in touch with friends they first met in storytime—friends they might not even remember meeting at such a young age.

I've heard countless stories of library book club members arriving 20-30 minutes early just to catch up, and of others who've built lifelong friendships from connections made at the library. Our monthly Memory Café, too, has become a valuable space for families dealing with memory loss and their caregivers, providing a chance to connect over shared experiences.

The library is the ultimate "third place"—that welcoming space outside of home and work where people can socialize or simply hang out. There's no need to make a purchase to enjoy your time here. The library offers endless opportunities to make connections—whether you're reading quietly in the historic Carnegie Library, joining one of our many book clubs, or diving into a craft or art project on a Saturday. You can also attend a lively storytime, bring your kids to LEGO Club and meet other parents, or connect with fellow homeschooling families at Homeschool Happening.

We all need human connection, and we all need people (yes, even you, my fellow introverts). You don't need a prescription—or even a library card—to join in. This is your third space, your community library. We look forward to seeing you soon.


With gratitude,
Korie Jones Buerkle
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Library Board Meeting


Thursday, February 20th; 6:00pm


To register comments for the next scheduled meeting of our supportive Library Advisory Board, please contact Korie Buerkle at korie.buerkle@newbergoregon.gov.


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Library Matters

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Federal Tax forms are available

Federal tax forms 1040, 1040SR, and the instruction booklet have arrived and can be found upstairs near the information desk. Federal tax forms are also available in Spanish. State of Oregon tax forms can be ordered directly from the Oregon Department of Revenue. They can be reached at 503-378-4988 or at questions.dor@dor.oregon.gov.

Library Hours	
Sunday/Monday	Closed
Tuesday	10-6 pm
Wednesday	10-6 pm
Thursday	10-8 pm
Friday	12-6 pm
Saturday	10-6 pm
Curbside pick-up available all open hours	

Celebrate Black History Month

February 1st - March 1st

Celebrate Black History Month throughout the month of February with displays, recommended reading, social media posts, and a wide array of digital resources available to anyone with a library card.


Here are a few things to look for while at the library:


- Children's area: Find our display & book list celebrating black authors.
- Teen area: visit the teen black author display.
- Adult area: display case celebrating black authors.
- Library Webpage: <https://www.newberglibrary.org>
- Digital resources: check out Libby and Kanopy for material celebrating Black History Month.


City of Newberg- New Website Coming Soon


Monday, February 10th


We're thrilled to announce that the City of Newberg will be launching a brand-new website, designed with you in mind. The new site will feature a range of accessibility enhancements that will make it easier than ever to navigate. We can't wait for you to check it out. The URL will remain the same: <https://www.newberglibrary.org>. Due to these changes, the eNewsletter will be delivered on February 10th to ensure that all of the links are properly working.

 Contact Us

 Get Involved

 Search The Catalog

 Apply for a Library Card

 FAQ's

Children's Programming

Children's Information Desk
(503) 537-0304

Early Literacy Storytimes

Baby Tot Storytime (Birth-24 months) Tuesdays at 10:15am



A storytime for babies ages birth-24 months and their caregivers followed by a stay and play session. Siblings welcome.

Family Storytime Tuesdays at 11:15am



An all-ages, interactive early literacy storytime full of stories, songs, movement, and rhymes.

Story Play! (ages 2-5) Wednesdays at 10:15am



Listen to a story then play together as your child builds early literacy skills. Sensory-friendly storytime experience. Siblings welcome.

Unofficial OBOB Challenge

October 1st, 2024-April 1st, 2025

Stop by the Children's Desk to pick up your challenge form. Read at least four current OBOB titles to be entered into a drawing to win a prize.

Library Word Search

Stop by the children's desk to get your monthly wordsearch. February's theme: Soup!

My First Book Club (Grade K-2)

Tuesday, February 4th; 3:30pm



Brave Miss Muffet by Dori Graham. Sign up at the Children's Information desk for this interactive read aloud book club. Registration is required.

Homeschool Happening

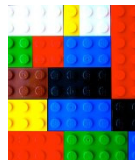
Wednesday, February 12th; 1:00-2:30pm



February: Create-Your-Own Graphic Novel. Meets monthly on the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

Lego Club for Elementary & Middle School

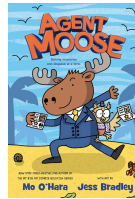
Wednesday, February 19th; 4:00-5:30 pm



Kids & Teens- come and join us for LEGO Club. Children under 10 must be accompanied by teens or adults. We'll provide the LEGO bricks for building.

Graphic Novel Book Club (Grade 3-5)

Tuesday, February 25th; 3:30pm



Agent Moose by Mo O'Hara. Registration required. Sign up at the library or online and pick up a copy of the book. Meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month.



Teen Programming (Grades 6-12)

Information Desk
(503) 538-7323, opt. 6

Young Teen Thursdays (6th-8th grade) Thursday, February 20th; 4:00-5:30pm



Join us in the teen area for this monthly service program. Learn how the library works, prep materials for programs, and help clean and organize. Register online.

Crafts & Conversation

Thursday, February 20th; 7:00pm



Come craft & chat! Bring your own crafts or use ours. Meets every 3rd Thursday of the month. No registration necessary.

Teen Books--Coming Soon!



Adult Programming

Information Desk
(503) 538-7323, opt. 6

Library Art Club

Saturday, February 1st & 15th; 11:30-1:30pm

All adults are welcome to bring their current art projects and create while engaging with community at the library.

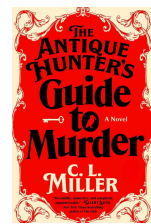


Fiction Book Club

Thursday, February 13th*; 7:00pm

The Woman by Kristin Hannah.

*Temporary day change due to staffing shortages.



Mystery/Thriller Book Club

Thursday, February 20th; 7:00pm

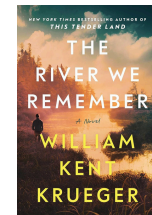
The Antique Hunter's Guide to Murder by C.L. Miller.



Newberg Memory Café

Thursday, February 13th; 10:30am

A social gathering for adults living with memory loss and their care partners to connect and socialize where activities are not dependent on flawless memories. Care partners are required to attend.



Senior Book Club @ Chehalem Senior Center

Wednesday, February 19th; 1:00pm

The River We Remember by William Kent Krueger.

Technology Classes

@ the Chehalem Senior Center

Wednesday, February 26th; 1:00pm

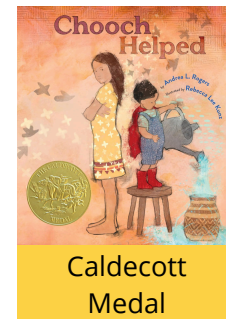
Basic tech help @ the Chehalem Senior Center. For more information, contact the senior center at (503) 537-9404.



2025 American Library Association Youth Media Award winners



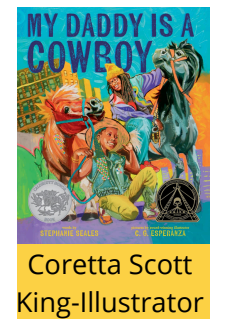
Asian/Pacific American Awards



Caldecott Medal



Coretta Scott King-Author



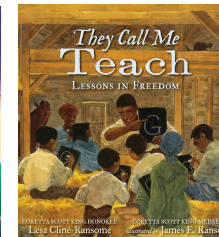
Coretta Scott King-Illustrator



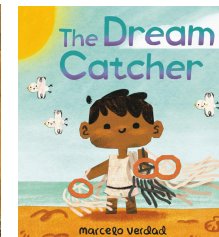
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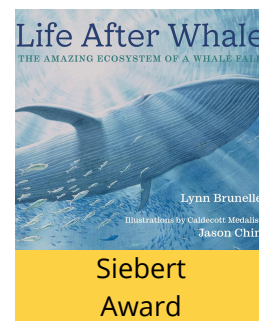
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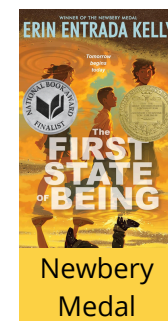
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Schneider Award



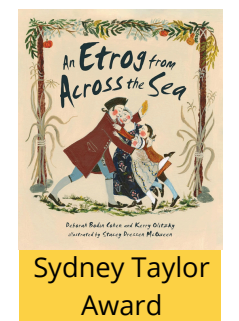
Siebert Award



Newbery Medal



Stonewall



Sydney Taylor Award

