New Open Hours Begin September 1 in most TRL Branches

Timberland Regional Library (TRL) will be increasing open hours in most of its libraries beginning September 1, 2014. A total of 57 hours will be added among 26 libraries. The new schedules, which were guided by community input and current staffing levels, are revenue neutral.

All but one branch will be open for an additional one to six hours a week. Current hours at the North Mason library in Belfair will stay the same. The eight largest local libraries and the districtwide Central Reference Ask-a-Librarian service will stay open until 6 p.m. on Fridays, an addition of one hour per week.

Several communities will see an increase in Saturday hours at their libraries. One of the libraries (Ilwaco) will be open an additional day, resulting in all 27 libraries being open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays, a benefit to the local community and to the system as a whole. In general, the new schedules will provide more consistent, easier-to-remember opening times.

Reasons for the changes
The new hours respond to residents’ feedback at local meetings, Community Conversations (held in 2012 in all five counties of the library district) and in online surveys where people stated they would like more open hours in libraries.

The new schedules reinforce the role of the public library as the center of each community. ”TRL’s Strategic Plan is to build a better future by being available and strengthening communities throughout the five counties it serves. This plan balances community needs and current staffing levels and restores some of the 115 hours that were cut in 2009 due to the economic downturn,” said TRL Director Cheryl Heywood.

The hours-change process
The new schedules are the result of a careful and detailed process. TRL staff reviewed the public’s comments in the surveys and community meetings. A team of library staff gathered input by talking with employees at each Timberland library, compiled data by studying patrons’ hour-by-hour library use patterns — timing of visits, use of library computers and circulation of library materials — and looked at staffing levels. Schedules were developed, checked and cross-checked.

No financial impact
Expanded hours will be implemented with no budget increase. The additional hours will be achieved through adjusting staff schedules. “TRL is enormously grateful to the employees for their flexibility in service to the public,” said Heywood.

Library Launches E-Magazine Service
TRL now offers patrons unlimited free access to complete digital editions of about 100 popular magazines through the library’s website. Library cardholders can read the latest issues on their PC or Mac computers, and most tablets and mobile devices as soon as they create their free accounts with the library and the e-magazine provider, Zinio.

The startup collection includes magazines for a variety of interests, such as National Geographic, US Weekly, Every Day with Rachael Ray, Bloomberg Businessweek, Shape, Rolling Stone, Martha Stewart Living, Motor Trend, American Girl, Cosmopolitan, O — The Oprah Magazine and Kiplinger’s Personal Finance.

The e-magazines are full-text and full-color. Some provide additional content such as video, audio and web links.

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Great Reads

Fiction

Ghost Train to New Orleans
Mur Lafferty
Zoe Norris writes travel guides for the undead. Zoe and her team go to the Big Easy at the request of her boss, a vampire. A delightful urban fantasy.

Hild
Nicola Griffith
The fictional early adventures Hilda of Whitby, a 7th-century Christian saint and abbess whose wisdom and faith aided in the conversion of Anglo-Saxon Englanders.

An Officer and a Spy
Robert Harris
The story of the Dreyfus Affair (1894–1906) where an army officer was wrongfully convicted of espionage in an anti-Semitic France, is told by the lieutenant who helped prove Dreyfus’s innocence. The talking book edition is beautifully read.

The Old Man’s Love
Rudolfo Anaya
The tale of an old man whose cherished wife dies. She lives on in his thoughts, and his grief and reminiscences help him turn to a celebration of their lives together.

Nonfiction

Tambora: The Eruption that Changed the World
Gillen D’Arcy Wood
The eruption of Mt. Tambora in 1815 unleashed a destructive wave of weather throughout the world.

Overwhelmed: Winning the War against Worry
Perry Noble
Offers a Christianity-based plan for overcoming stress, worry, depression, and anxiety.

100 Places You Will Never Visit
Daniel Smith
Secret places and places full of secrets that you’ll never be able to see.

Discover New Worlds of Reading at PageTurners Book Discussions

You’re a reader who’ll turn the pages of a book late into the night. You get excited about book-inspired ideas and you want to share them… You’re a “PageTurner.” Since 1997, monthly Timberland staff-led “PageTurners Book Discussions” groups have read and talked about works spanning the spectrum from classics, best sellers and award winners to less well-known gems, both fiction and nonfiction.

Local participants choose the books to be discussed for the year. Becoming an official PageTurner is as easy as reading or listening to the books selected for discussion, and sharing your thoughts about them. All book discussion groups welcome new participants.

Library Launched E-Magazine Service

Key features:
- Read popular magazines on a PC, Mac or mobile devices that have Internet access
- No waiting; all titles are always available
- Check out as many as you want and keep them for as long as you like
- New issues are available online at the same time the print edition is released
- Back issues dating from the beginning of the library’s subscription will be available
- Browse the library’s entire collection of Zinio magazines, search by magazine title, or use the genre feature to find magazines in different interest areas
- Free apps are available for iPad®, iPhone®, Kindle Fire™, and Android™

Patrons can start at http://tinyurl.com/Zinio-at-TRL to create their TRL and RBLibrary Zinio accounts. The page also includes an illustrated step-by-step “Zinio Digital Magazines Checkout and Download Instructions” document if needed.

For the initial collection, the library chose from Zinio’s most popular titles and the titles that TRL patrons checked out most often (when available with Zinio) as well as titles in a variety of genres to cover a wide range of interests.

For more information, people are welcome to visit a local Timberland Library or www.TRL.org.

Technology Update: CAC Readers in all Timberland Libraries

The CAC or Common Access Card, a “smart” card about the size of a credit card, is the standard identification for active duty uniformed service personnel, Selected Reserve, Department of Defense civilian employees, and eligible contractor personnel. CAC Readers are used to authenticate their access to secure online systems. Each Timberland library has a CAC Reader at the Circulation (Checkout) desk for use by these personnel. The readers are USB devices that can be plugged into any library public Internet PC.
The TRL branches in Centralia (built in 1913), Hoquiam (1911) and South Bend (1913) are listed in “Mr. Carnegie’s Grand Tour,” the Clark County Historical Museum’s passport to libraries in Washington and Oregon that were built with funding from 19th century steel magnate Andrew Carnegie. The passport is a guide to an automobile adventure.

Clark County Historical Museum website: “Andrew Carnegie was born in Scotland and came to America in 1848. In a rags-to-riches story, Carnegie worked his way up the business ladder. While Carnegie was just a teen, a wealthy businessman allowed him to access his personal library. Carnegie never forgot the opportunity he was given to improve himself. Upon his retirement, Carnegie had become the richest man in the world. Believing that “the man who dies rich, dies disgraced,” Carnegie began giving away his fortune through endowments. He launched a library program that built 2,509 libraries around the world. Of the 43 built in Washington, 32 are still standing. Of the 32 built in Oregon, 28 are still standing.”

Learn more about the Timberland libraries at www.TRL.org, under the Locations tab. View and download a copy of the “Grand Tour” at www.cchmuseum.org, under the Education tab.

### Upcoming Events at Your Libraries

Just a few examples of the hundreds of programs offered each month are listed here. For more, go to www.TRL.org and look under Events or Locations, or contact your local branch. The area code for all phone numbers is 360.

**Grays Harbor County**

**Music & Stories with The Harmonica Pocket**

*Westport* 268-0521
July 10, 11 a.m.  
For children

**Reptile Man, Meet 15 reptiles**

*Hoquiam* 532-1710  
July 16, 2 p.m.  
For all ages

**Visit with Teen Author April Henry**

*McCleary* 495-3368  
July 19, 10:30 a.m.  
For teens

**Lewis County**

**Children’s Theater: Who Stole the Queen of Hearts’ Tarts?**

*Mt. View (Randle)* 497-2665  
July 8, 2 p.m.  
For children

**Science Circus**

*Chehalis* 748-3301  
July 17, 11 a.m.  
For children

**Visit with Teen Author April Henry**

*Winlock* 785-3461  
July 18, 11 a.m.  
For teens

**Mason County**

**Doctor Who Party**

*North Mason (Belfair)* 275-3232  
July 15, 1:30 p.m.  
For teens

**Eric Ode’s Tide Pool Tunes & Fishy Tales Concert**

*Hoodsport* 877-9339  
July 16, 11 a.m.  
For children

**Pacific County**

**Children’s Theater: Who Stole the Queen of Hearts’ Tarts?**

*Naselle* 484-3877  
July 9, 2 p.m.  
For children

**Visit with Teen Author Kevin Emerson**

*Ilwaco* 642-3908  
July 26, 10:30 a.m.  
For teens

**Thurston County**

**Robert Kikuchi-Yngojo’s Asian Story Theater**

*Yelm* 458-3374  
July 9, 11 a.m.  
For children

**Chris Fascione’s Stories, Clowning & Mime**

*Tenino* 264-2369  
July 10, 4 p.m.  
For children

**LibrAnimeCon 2014, Anime & Manga**

*Lacey* 491-3860  
July 11, 5:30 p.m.  
For teens

**Steampunk Party**

*South Bend* 875-5532  
July 16, 3:30 p.m.  
For teens

**Visit with Teen Author April Henry**

*Winlock* 785-3461  
July 18, 11 a.m.  
For teens

**Gravity Catastrophe, Physics & Comedy**

*Shelton* 426-1362  
July 23, 3:30 p.m.  
For children

**The Noisy Paint Box**

*Barb Rosenstock* J Biography

All his life, Vasily Kandinsky, one of the first painters of abstract art, experienced colors as sounds and sounds as colors. Bold, groundbreaking works burst from his noisy paint box.

**The Year of No Sugar**

Eve Schaub

The author challenged herself and family to eat no added sugar for an entire year.

**Cubed: a History of the Office**

Nikil Saval

Why are we all working in tiny little boxes (and what could we do better)?

**Some Bugs**

Angela DiTerlizzi E

This zippy rhyming exploration of backyard-bug behavior includes insects such as butterflies and moths, crickets and cicadas, bumblebees and beetles.

**Go! Go! Go! Stop!**

Charise Mericle Harper E

Little Green only knows one word: ‘Go!’ It’s the perfect thing to get the construction site moving, but how will they stop?

**Peggy: a Brave Chicken on a Big Adventure**

Anna Walker E

Peggy, a hen, has a life-changing adventure when a gust of wind drops her in a big city.

**We Were Liars**

E. Lockhart YA

Spending summers on her family’s private island off the coast of Massachusetts with her cousins and a special boy named Gat, teenaged Cadence struggles to remember what happened during her 15th summer.

**Chosen by Timberland Regional Library selectors**

Jean Padovan (fiction)  
Kim Storbeck (nonfiction)  
Jackie Marquardt (youth)
Reference Databases: Business & Investments

Thirteen online business and investment databases provide substantive information for entrepreneurs, investors and market researchers. With your library card number handy, visit www.TRL.org, click on the Research dropdown tab, and then Reference Databases. Under the Subject List, select Business & Investments.

Reference USA provides information to conduct market research on over 25 million businesses and more than 262 million consumers. Business listings include complete contact information, key executive names, SIC Codes, employee size, sales volume, geo-codes for mapping, franchise and brand information, news, liens, judgments and bankruptcies, and credit rating scores.

Morningstar Investment Research Center serves investors at all levels, from beginners to experts, with independent analyst research on stocks, mutual, exchange-traded, and closed-end funds. Morningstar also offers portfolio management tools and online investment courses and guides. An interactive classroom teaches basic and advanced stock and fund portfolio techniques while special reports cover key topics from retirement to the basics of exchange-traded funds and options.

Business Plans Handbook presents over 500 actual business plans by entrepreneurs seeking funding for small businesses.

Family Read & Sing Aloud

- March 1–April 12, 2014: 6,209 children from 1545 families & classrooms
- In 2013: 5302 children from 1,615 families & classrooms
- In 2012: 5270 children from 1,502 families & classrooms

Not Just the Numbers. During Sing Aloud Week, a new piece in the Family Read & Sing Aloud program, over 500 youngsters sang to their librarians—everything from the ABC song to You are my Sunshine. One very shy preschooler, who had never said a word to his Tumwater librarian during story times, marched right up and sang the ABC song to earn his stickers, surprising both the librarian and his mom.