## Timberland Online:
Your guide to reading, entertainment, and learning services

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Great Reads

Fiction

Broken Open
Lauren Dane
This contemporary romance is book 2 in the Hurley Brothers series. The story is set in Hood River, Oregon and the main character is from Olympia.

The Duke’s Guide to Correct Behavior
Megan Frampton
A historical romance about a duke and a governess, both seeking respectability. It’s light, fun, and humorous—a good way to drive away the impending cold.

Murder 101
Faye Kellerman
This is the 22nd book in the Decker/Lazarus series. The Deckers move from an LA Homicide department to a small town police operation in New York State. Want to jump into a great series? Here’s an on-ramp.

The Peripheral
William Gibson
The author of Neuromancer is back with a book that promises to be a hit. Literally.

Closer to Home
Mercedes Lackey
A return to the popular world of Valdemar for Lackey. A chance to jump into the world at the beginning of a new series.

Nonfiction

Age of Opportunity
Laurence D. Steinberg
New research on the developmentally crucial adolescent years.

Death of a King
Tavis Smiley
A chronicle of the 12 months leading up to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.’s assassination.

Dr. Mütter’s Marvels
Cristin O’Keefe Aptowicz
A biography of a medical innovator and founder of a famous museum of medical oddities.

Into the Wardrobe and Down the Rabbit Hole
Get ready to tumble into the Winter Reading Season

Reading is a special part of winter’s charm that we, as readers, share. Happily, we also share Timberland Regional Library (TRL). Cardholders can find—free of charge—books and magazines in print or online, audio and e-books, large-print books, even e-readers that come pre-loaded with books. Whether you read in the library, check books out, or borrow them online, winter can be the best time of year for reading.

Don’t forget the Adult Winter Reading contest begins January 1. Prizes include several overnight get-aways at local resorts and book bags filled with books and specialty food items.

Best wishes for a wonderful winter reading season.

For many, winter is a time of festive gatherings and gift-giving. If this is true in your family, explore TRL’s online used bookstore at www.thriftbooks.com/trl.

You’ll find the cost of generosity much less than you planned for, and a portion of each sale supports TRL.

Displays at the Library: Snoopy at the Olympia branch.

Befriend your local Timberland Library
Join “Friends of the Library” in your town

The 27 libraries that make up Timberland Regional Library have the best of two worlds; each is part of a strong, centralized system and, just as importantly, each is a uniquely local institution.

Being part of a regional library system means that all branches can count on essential financial and administrative support—in good times and not-so-good—so that even the smallest branches can provide a vast array of services, programs and resources.

Within this system, stretching from Packwood in the east to Ocean Park in the west, each Timberland library has its own unique way of providing service to its neighbors. Library “Friends” groups are a big part of keeping the local Timberland libraries local. They provide fresh ideas, hands-on help, financial resources and public advocacy.

Join your local Friends group today. Supporting your library is both fun and important.

Learn more about becoming a friend of your local Timberland Library.

Go to www.TRL.org, scroll down to the lower navigation bar, click on Get Involved, and select Friends of the Library.
In 2015, It’s “Timberland Writes Together”

Submissions accepted January 1–March 31, 2015.

For submission details visit wwwTRL.org. Hover your cursor over Programs in the green navigation bar and select Timberland Reads Together.

Timberland Regional Library’s popular month-long program “Timberland Reads Together” (TRT) departs from the norm in 2015 reflected by a slightly altered title, “Timberland Writes Together,” and an exciting vision. It’s still “one book, one community,” but the book will be unique, created right here in the five Timberland counties — an anthology of local writing, published just for this program.

In the Library: Stories from Librarians

From the Mountain View branch, Timberland librarian Mary Prophit writes:

“Today, before the Summer Reading program, three young ladies handed me an envelope. They said it was a donation to the library to purchase kids’ books. With the donation was a note signed by two of the three children. I learned later that the three girls had drawn pictures and were selling them at a roadside booth. They told people the donations would go to the library to buy books.”

Creativity Abounds

Thanks to a partnership between the LEGO® Group and the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC) Timberland libraries have received 15 sets of LEGO® bricks with 10,000 pieces in each set.

Smoke Gets in Your Eyes & Other Lessons from the Crematory
Caitlin Doughty
The “Ask a Mortician” blogger describes her experiences working at a crematory.

Liar, Temptress, Soldier, Spy
Karen Abbott
Four real-life women who risked everything to take on a life of espionage during the Civil War.

The Rescue at Dead Dog Beach
Stephen McGarva
The author protects the stray dogs of Puerto Rico’s Dead Dog Beach, a notorious dumping ground for the island’s unwanted canines.

I’m My Own Dog
David Ezra Stein
This dog fetches his own slippers, curls up at his own feet, and gives himself a good scratch. One day, a poor little human follows him home. What can the dog do?

Hug Machine
Scott Campbell
Open your arms to this sweet tale. Big or small, square or long, spikey or soft, no one can resist The Hug Machine’s unbelievable hugs! It’s an endearing story that encourages a buoyantly affectionate approach to life.

Little Green Peas
Keith Baker
A passel of playful peas experience the colorful world around them, from red kites to yellow buses to purple mountains and more! A delightful exploration of color.

The Midnight Library
Kazuno Kohara
There is a little library that only opens at night, and a little librarian with three assistant owls. It’s always peaceful and quiet, until one night there’s trouble and fun in the Midnight Library.

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This is a great season for crafty, clever people who enjoy learning through doing.

The Hobbies & Craft Reference Center caters to an array of interests, from appliqué to radio-controlled rocket making. It contains resource sections such as Kids’ Crafts, Performing Arts, Indoor Recreation, Science and Technology, Scrapbooking, Home and Garden and more. Make holiday gifts, dive into a project or just have fun.

The Home Improvement Reference Center is a DIY-er’s dream. Indoor, outdoor, decorating or hard-core construction, you’ll find what you need to fix, replace or create every little thing in your home environment.

To find these two collections, go to www.TRL.org, place your cursor on Research in the green navigation bar, click on Reference Databases, then click H.