

today's library

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Newsletter of the Timberland Regional Library



In October, Go Where No Reader Has Gone Before

We'll be the first readers of a new anthology by local writers.

This October, readers in the five Timberland counties will be the first to hold, read and discuss "Timberland Writes Together" a newly published anthology of short fiction written by authors from Grays Harbor, Lewis, Mason, Pacific and Thurston counties. The anthology is the focus of this year's "one book, one community" reading program, Timberland Reads Together (TRT). Libraries will host book discussions with anthology authors and a variety of writing and publishing workshops.

Each of the 15 stories in the anthology is written around the theme of optimism. Not optimism as in rose-colored glasses; rather, optimism as strength of character combined with critical thinking to question the ubiquitous gloomy perspectives that seem to dominate the public conversation.

Circulation Services Coordinator Ryan Williams, who is one of the selectors for the anthology, characterizes the book this way:

"The stories span genres and time, from Sci-Fi adventures to present day slices of life. They examine how small things can change a life, how people meet unimaginable challenges with creativity and courage, and rise from their troubles with resilience and hope."

"Timberland Writes Together" can be checked out in early September, in print and as an eBook, from all 27 Timberland libraries and from various retail booksellers.

Great Reads Fiction

Fear of Dying

Erica Jong

A sequel to the best-selling *Fear of Flying* finds a former 1960s television actress reexamining her priorities.

Best Kept Secrets

Shelly Ellis

Between his father's latest shady business dealings and his wife Charisse's alcoholism, Evan Murdoch has his hands full.

The Aeronaut's Windlass

Jim Butcher

An airship's crew become humanity's lone defenders when an ancient enemy reawakens and threatens the world.

Fear the Dark

Kay Hooper

Investigating a series of disappearances in a small mountain community, paranormal crimes agents team up with two new partners. Then the case takes a sinister turn.

Great Reads Nonfiction

The Oregon Trail

Rinker Buck

Buck took a 2000 mile trip on the Oregon Trail in a covered wagon with a team of mules and discusses the history of the trail and the people who made the migration.

The Ingenious Mr. Pyke: Inventor, Fugitive, Spy

Henry Hemming

The life of a journalist, war hero, adventurer and possible Russian spy.

Browsings: A Year of Reading, Collecting, and Living with Books

Michael Dirda

Personal essays on the literary life.

Check These Out: One Librarian's Catalog of the 200 Coolest, Best, and Most Important Books You'll Ever Read

Gina Sheridan

A stash of great books you may have missed over the years.



LIBRARY "CON" ARTISTS HOSTED GREAT GATHERINGS
COMICS-BASED CONFERENCES ("CONS") DREW BIG CROWDS OF COSTUMED FANS

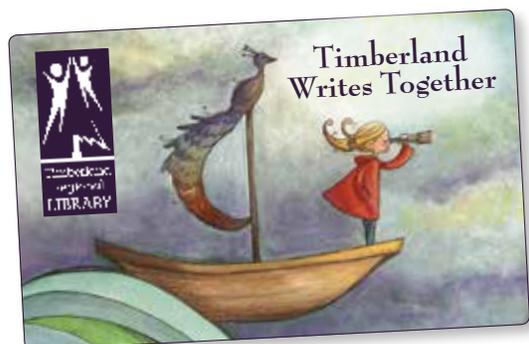


In four counties, Timberland libraries hosted celebrations of comics and pop culture with games, crafts, movies and cosplay fashion shows. On July 10, Tumwater pulled off a hugely successful FanatiCon. The North Mason Timberland Library hosted ComicCon on July 16.

In Pacific County, Raymond was the site for WillipaNerdiCon on July 24. On July 25 in Grays Harbor County, HarborCon attracted fans to the Aberdeen Timberland Library. These photos show some of the merry mayhem.

October Only – New Patrons will Get THIS Card

A limited-edition card and a chance to win an eReader!



“Timberland Writes Together,” an anthology written by local authors.

The biggest prize of all is a lifetime of access to:

- Books, eBooks, audio books, and periodicals
- Music, videos, and DVDs
- Downloadable and streaming media: music, magazines, TV, movies
- Research and Learn (online) Collection
- Computers and printers
- Wi-Fi and Wi-Fi printing
- Programs and events for all ages and interests

Tell your friends to sign up for a new library card in October. They can't lose.

People who sign up for a Timberland Regional Library card in October will receive a beautiful, limited edition card (while supplies last) depicting the cover of the new “Timberland Writes Together” anthology. In addition, they will be entered in a drawing for prizes. In each county, the 1st place winner will receive an eReader. Five 2nd place winners will receive a copy of

Knowledge Unlimited: Job Search Skills Through Online Learning

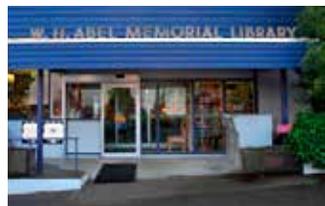
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Montesano Rolls Out New Carpet



The Montesano Timberland Library will be closed from Friday, September 11

through Tuesday, September 22 for new carpet installation. It will reopen on a regular schedule Wednesday, September 23. The outdoor bookdrop will continue to accept returned items throughout the closure.

Library items that would normally be due during the closure will have their due dates extended to September 23. Items put “on hold” that would arrive during the closure will be available when the library re-opens.

The work will be done by Great Floors, headquartered in Seattle.

The Montesano Timberland Library is located at 125 Main Street S. For information, call 360-249-4211 or visit www.TRL.org.

The Quartet: Orchestrating the Second American Revolution, 1783-1789

Joseph Ellis

Chronicles America's post-Revolution efforts for independence, including the creation of the Articles of Confederation and the Bill of Rights.

The Light of the World

Elizabeth Alexander

The poet reflects with gratitude on her life after the sudden death of her husband.

Great Reads Youth

Red: A Crayon's Story

Michael Hall

Red's label clearly says that he is red, but he can't do anything right until a new friend offers a fresh perspective.

Ready Rabbit Gets Ready

Brenna Maloney

Ready Rabbit tries to get ready for school. He'd rather build spaceships and ride his imaginary motorcycle.

Touch the Brightest Star

Christie Matheson

An interactive picture book depicting the beauty of nighttime.

Float

Daniel Miyares

Wordless picture book about a boy who loses his paper boat in the rain.

Grounded: The Adventures of Rapunzel

Megan Morrison

Rapunzel believes she is the luckiest person in Tyme, because Witch tells her so, but Witch is not telling her the whole truth.



Chosen by Timberland Regional Library selectors

Robin Bradford (fiction)
Kim Storbeck (nonfiction)
Jackie Marquardt (youth)

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More Hoopla, More Freegal – Still Free

Streaming digital media service, Hoopla, has doubled the number of items patrons can check out each month, from 10 to 20. That's a total of 20 selections from any category: movies, TV shows, songs, audiobooks – and now – eBooks and comics too. Freegal – streaming and downloadable music – has increased the number of music downloads from 3 to 5 per week.



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Timberland Regional Library Foundation to Cease Operations

The Timberland Regional Library Foundation announced that it will dissolve the independent, non-profit organization, effective December 31, 2015.

The Foundation began operation in 1997 with a mission of supporting the Timberland Regional Library district and its 27 branches. When notified of the Foundation's decision, TRL Director Cheryl Heywood expressed thanks for the all-volunteer board's years of hard work. "Throughout our 18-year partnership," Heywood said,

"the Foundation has supported many vital events and programs; we will miss their commitment to increase literacy and help build thriving communities in the TRL district."

The Foundation has raised and donated money for major library initiatives including Timberland Reads Together, the Family Read & Sing Aloud, Mother Goose Parent Education Workshops and the Get the Card library card campaign.

Comments or questions? E-mail newsletter@trl.org