



Aloha Community Library

OCT/NOV 2014

VOLUME 1, NUMBER 8

*"A library book, I imagine, is a happy book." –
Cornelia Funke*

17455 SW Farmington Rd,
Suite 25B
Aloha Oregon 97007
503-259-0185
AlohaLibrary.org

Hours:

Mon 10am–8pm
Wed 10am–8pm
Thurs 10am–8pm
Sat 10am–5pm

Meet the Library Staff!

Greeting from Erin Barnard, Director of Library Services

I am excited to be the newest staff member of the Aloha Community Library Association (ACLA), serving as Director of Library Services. I recently relocated from New York State where I gained experience leading small public libraries, most recently serving as the Director of the Millbrook Free Library in Millbrook, NY. I hold a Master of Science in Library and Information Services from the University at Albany, State University of New York (SUNY), a BA in History from SUNY Plattsburgh and am working towards a Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit and Public Management from Portland State University. I am looking forward to becoming a part of the Aloha Community and helping to lead the library as it continues to grow. I am joining a team of people passionate about the future of the Aloha Community Library, and am looking forward to helping further the library's goals, assisting in the mission to join WCCLS and ensuring the library is meeting the needs of the community.

Terri Palmer, Director of Volunteer Services

Terri Palmer, a Certified Volunteer Administrator, is the ACLA Director of Volunteer Services. She joined ACLA as a volunteer in January 2012 and was hired as the first employee the following September. She earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology at Portland State University while working as a Circulation Clerk at the Tanasbourne Library. Terri spent a few years as a mental health therapist before transitioning to volunteer coordination in a variety of organizations. For six years she worked alongside the volunteer staff at North Plains Public Library, the last developing library to join Washington County Cooperative Library Services. Her passion for volunteer management is grounded in her belief that everyone has a purpose that can be discovered and shared for the good of the community.

Jesse Castellanos, Library Clerk

Jesse Castellanos is our Library Clerk. A native of Salem, Oregon, Jesse earned her Master of Library and Information Science degree from the University of Washington last spring. Jesse served as an ACLA volunteer from the summer of 2012 until being hired as an employee last March. She has also worked for the OHSU Center for Diversity and Inclusion and as a Library Assistant for the Forest Grove School District. Jesse was recently hired as an on-call Youth Services Librarian at Cedar Mill Community Library. At ACLA, she has proven her devotion to all areas of Youth Services, even volunteering to be turned into a Zombie Librarian by a make-up artist from the TV series *Grimm* at a teen program this summer!

Book Sale a Success Thanks to Supporters!

Because of the overwhelming support from our volunteers and the community, we have great results to report from our September book sale! The Association earned \$5930, which will help purchase new materials for the library's collection, pay for utilities to keep lights and computers functioning and the internet connected, and much more. Huge thanks to Maxine Wald and Renee Berg, who coordinated the sale, and to the many volunteers who moved boxes of books to the Library annex, donated tables, unloaded books onto tables, sorted the books into the correct areas, set up the cable for our credit card reader's secure connection, and worked the sale as cashiers, baggers, and table monitors! Each dollar that is donated makes a huge difference to our organization. We would not be able to raise those funds without our amazing volunteers!

Big Changes, Big Space and Big Opportunity

Thanks to the hard work of the Aloha Community Library Association staff and many volunteers, we moved the ACLA book sale operations (online and in-person) into the space formerly occupied by Tuesday Morning. This new Library annex has already been used for a very successful book sale as well as for library programs and meetings.

The annex is over 9,000 square feet -- what a huge improvement for our library annex space! Maxine Wald is a true super-star. She, along with volunteer helpers, has kept the book sale operations running throughout the upheaval of 3 moves in the past year. Stay tuned for more book sales and special events to come!

Thanks to the generosity of a small group of ACLA volunteers and donors, we will be announcing a fall matching campaign at the annual membership meeting (see below). The theme of the campaign is Thanks and Giving. Betsy Buckel is creating another one-of-a-kind display for the library windows to track our progress.

Although we have been approved for future membership in the Washington County Cooperative Library System (if the next library levy passes), we won't receive county funding until mid-2016. That means that we need to continue to be self-funded for two more years. In order to meet our community needs, we have added staff, space, materials and programs, all of which cost money.

If you appreciate what the library offers, please consider a generous year-end donation during the matching campaign to help us continue to provide library services in Aloha. By making a donation during the campaign, your donation will be matched dollar-for-dollar up to the matching grant amount. Watch the website and your email inbox for more information.

Book Donations

Book donations are always in season! Do you have books, DVDs, board games, and puzzles that you are ready to part with? We would be honored to find them a new home! We plan to hold sales more frequently in the Library annex, and our online sales always benefit from new additions to the inventory. Bring your donations to the library during regular hours, or if you have a large load, call ahead so that we can open the annex for deliveries. Please, only games and puzzles in good condition with all pieces. Thank you for helping us to raise money to support library operations!

Annual Membership Meeting

The annual membership meeting of the Aloha Community Library will be held on Saturday, October 18 from 9:00-10:00am in the new library annex at 17455 SW Farmington Road, Suite 26A. This meeting will include the election of directors to fill 3 open board positions, a review of the ACLA annual report, and an opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback to the library directors.

All current ACLA members are invited to attend. You are a current ACLA member if you made a donation of at least \$15 to the ACLA between October 1, 2013 and September 30, 2014. We hope to see you there!

Upcoming Events

Youth/Teen/Adult Events:

Community Collage Project: Aloha Community Library Through the Eyes of Ezra Jack Keats: Keats, author and illustrator of classics such as *The Snowy Day* and *Whistle For Willie*, broke ground with his innovative use of collage techniques to create worlds where all children could imagine themselves as a part of a multicultural community.

Join us on Saturday, October 18, 10:30am-2pm, to celebrate Keats, his art, and his life, and help us create a collage of our own community library!

10:30am-11am: Special storytime for children ages 3 and up.

11am-2pm: All ages are invited to make a tile for our collage!

Event will be held in the library annex.

Family Movie Night: *Hotel Transylvania* - Find out what happens when an ordinary guy stumbles onto the hidden vacation destination of vampires, werewolves, and other creepy monsters who are just trying to relax. Bring your bean bags and lawn chairs to the library annex. Come in costume, if you wish! Friday, October 24, 7pm.

Black Friday Book Sale: Shop for the holidays! We will have special 2-for-the-price-of-1 sale tables, donuts, and friendly volunteers! Don't know what to do with your out-of-town guests? Bring them along for

the fun. Buy some DVDs, make some popcorn, and you have a cozy family night! Friday, November 28, 10am-8pm.

3rd Annual Book-tique Craft and Book Sale (December 10-13):

We are seeking donations of additional hand-crafted items for our sale. With increased space, we are able to accept larger items! Gift baskets, afghans, sweaters, bags, and other similarly sized items are welcome. We also appreciate smaller hand-made items, like scarves, hats, Christmas ornaments and other decorations, jewelry, cards, and more. We will begin accepting donations for the Book-tique on Saturday, November 1st, during regular library hours of operation. Please contact Terri (volunteer@alohalibrary.org) if you have questions.

Sale Dates/Times:

- Wednesday, 12/10, 5pm-8pm (ACLA member/volunteer preview party)
- Thursday, 12/11, 10am-8pm
- Friday, 12/12, 10am-8pm
- Saturday, 12/13, 10am-4pm

Youth Events:

- **Family Storytime:** Join us for stories, songs, rhymes, and crafts! All ages are welcome. Caregivers are asked to stay with children during the program. Every Wednesday at 10:30am, in the children's area.

Quirky Days Ahead:

- **October 28th, Plush Animal Lover's Day:** Enjoy Mo Willems' *Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale* to celebrate this day.
- **November 1st, Book Lover's Day:** A perfect day to visit the library!
- **November 4th, King Tut Day:** Explore James Patterson's *The Murder of King Tut: The Plot To Kill The Child King*, a non-fiction thriller available at the library.
- **November 15th, America Recycles Day:** **Stop** in at the library to check out a copy of *Cool Metal Projects: Creative Ways To Upcycle your Trash Into Treasure* by Pam Scheunemann.
- **November 28th, Red Planet Day:** Celebrate our celestial neighbor, Mars, on this day by enjoying the movie *Mars Needs Moms*, available at Aloha Community Library.

The Aloha Community Library Association is a 501(c)3 tax-exempt corporation dedicated to providing public library services in the Aloha-Reedville area. The Aloha Community Library is volunteer-run and voluntarily-funded with member donations and grants. [Donate now](#). Thank you for your continuing support!