

Library Happenings

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**The Dalles-Wasco
County Public Library**
722 Court St
The Dalles OR 97058
(541)296-2815

Monday—Thursday
10:00 a.m.—7:00 p.m.
Friday
10:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.
Closed Saturday & Sunday

**Dufur School/
Community Library**
(located at the Dufur School
Campus)
802 NE 5th St
Dufur, OR 97021
(541)467-2588
Contact the library for
hours

**Southern Wasco
County Library**
507 Grant Ave
Maupin, OR 97037
(541)395-2208

Tuesday—Thursday
11:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.
Friday 11:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
Saturday Noon—4:00 p.m.

Library stations are also located
at Shaniko Old School House
and Tygh School Community
Center.

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The library is now open

The Dalles Public Library has re-opened, with limited library services available. Facemasks are required at all times while in the building, worn properly over the nose and mouth. Please limit your library visit to one hour. The self-checkout machine will be available.

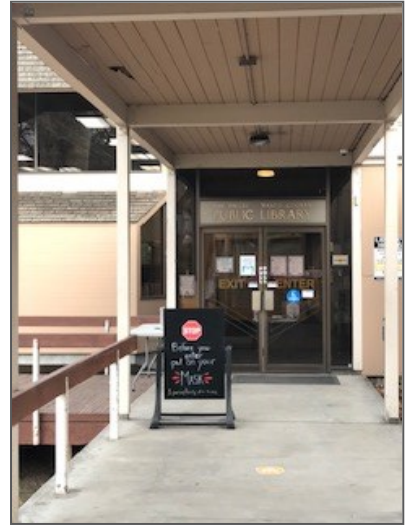
There are three public computers available with sessions limited to 30 minutes. Printing from the computer, and making photocopies, is now available.

We will continue to offer Curbside Service, for those that want it. If possible, please call before coming for Curbside which allows us time to gather materials and have them ready. Our digital resources continue to be available, such as Kanopy (video), Library2Go (audio & digital books), and TumbleBooks (digital books for children). You can find the access links on our website. In addition, we will continue to offer other virtual programs, such as storytimes and author events, and artistic/craft/STEM programming. There will be no in-person programs at this time.

What to know before you visit the library:

- Facemasks are required at all times while in the building, worn properly over the nose and mouth.
- Temperature is taken at the front entrance, before you come into the building.
- Seating is unavailable.
- Please respect social distancing.
- You can now pay fees (overdue fines, lost or damaged item charges) at the front desk.
- Educational play equipment in the children's wing will not be available.
- Meeting room remains closed.

If you have any questions, please contact the library at 541-296-2815.



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Thank you to the Friends of the Library for sponsoring this newsletter

Children's events

Storytime
3-days a
week



Virtual storytimes

Beginning March 31st, our three story times will be available on our YouTube channel, or through a link on our Facebook page.

Baby Storytime: ages 0 - 16 months, on **Wednesdays** at 10:30. Must have an adult lap to sit on. This 15-20 minute program is full of finger-plays, lapsits, and songs.

Toddler Storytime: ages 12- months to 3-years, is held on **Thursdays** at 10:30.

This 20-25 minute storytime will have songs, finger-plays, a story, and maybe a lapsit; and usually ends with the *Barnyard Dance*. Adult participation is required.

Friday Morning Storytime: Join us on Facebook or YouTube at 10:30 on Friday mornings. These storytimes include songs, finger-plays, movement, and stories. Adult participation is encouraged, it helps the children learn.

Book bundles

For those that need help getting books for their children, maybe your life has just gotten too busy, let us do the work for you. Just let us know the age of the child, and how many books you want. We'll gather a selection for you, and let you know when they are ready.

Contact Rita, the children's services coordinator, at rsquires@ci.the-dalles.or.us



To view *Legends and myths from Mount Olympus* you will need to contact us for a special "key" or code.

Traveling Lantern presents:

Legends and myths from Mount Olympus - Whimsical and daring adventures from the ancient civilization by the sea.

From their protected perch on Mount Olympus, the gods of ancient Greece spin their magic and subterfuge into fantastic landscapes while they conjure cunning exploits for the humans they choose to meddle with far below.

Children become the mountains and the wind as they watch Icarus and Daedalus fly free on wax wings, help tell the story as they witness Ceyx and Alcyone's love morph into fantasy, and stave off evil with bravery and courage as Perseus battles the snake-headed Medusa and ultimately turns her into stone.

This virtual performance by Traveling Lantern is available to us April 3rd through April 11th. You will go to their website: travelinglantern.com, click on the icon to watch a virtual performance, enter the special "key" we'll give you, and watch an amazing production. You can watch as many times as you would like during the week.



Note: you will need to contact us for the special "key" which allows you access to this video. You can call us at 541-296-2815, or email us at: thedallespubliclibrary@gmail.com.

Children's activity kits

Activity kits ages 0-4

During the month of April, we will offer two different craft kits for those between the ages of 0 and 4. Supplies are limited, pre-registration through our website is required. Registration opens Monday, March 29th, for these kits. You will be notified by email or phone call when they are available. The kits must be picked up within one week of notification, unless other arrangements have been made.

If your child is almost 5 (turning 5 this month or next), you might want to sign him or her up for the older kit instead.

Week of April 12th: Color your own cup

So much fun for anytime of the year! Create custom cups by coloring the included designs. Each kit includes a plastic cup with a paper insert, straw and bright lid. You'll need to supply crayons or markers. (Remove insert before washing.)



Week of April 26th

Bug mask

Be an enigmatic insect with this Bug Mask Craft Kit for kids! Includes self-adhesive foam pieces and an elastic band. Kits include instructions.



Activity kits ages 5-10

During the month of April, we will offer two different craft kits for children ages 5-10. Supplies are limited, pre-registration through our website is required. Registration opens Monday, March 29th, for these kits. You will be notified, by email or phone call, when they are available. The kits must be picked up within one week of notification, unless other arrangements have been made.

Week of April 12th: Ceramic bugs

DIY crafts are fun and easy with these Do It Yourself Ceramic Bugs! Paint them in bright colors for a fun springtime craft project. Each kit will contain a bug, and a selection of acrylic paints, with a paintbrush.



Week of April 26th: Fish Sand Art Magnet

Each project includes a 3 1/4" sand picture and 3 - 4 bags of assorted color sand. All craft kit pieces are pre-packaged for individual use. Kits include instructions.



Family Science activity kit

If your family includes at least one elementary school age child, currently in kindergarten, through fifth grade, then you can sign-up to get a science activity kit.

For April, you will receive the Gravi-Goo kit, from stevespanglerscience.com. Gravi-Goo is a great introduction to molecular weights and structures. Children will marvel at this fascinating goo and learn a lesson about polymers at the same time. Watch out though, even adults have been known to become addicted to the uphill flow of Gravi-Goo!

The possibilities for exploration are nearly endless... try coloring your goo, add a squirt of Pearl Swirl or even a pinch of Clear Spheres. And now, we are providing you with a whole new gravity-defying experience... this new and improved Gravi-Goo comes with an amazing new polymer... Orbs. The roly, poly polymers are brightly colored and grab the Gravi-Goo, providing the ultimate visual experience!

Each kit contains: 150 gram jar of Gravi-Goo, four 16oz clear plastic cups, 100 True Colors Color Mixing Tablets, 10 grams of Clear Spheres, 10 grams of Orbs, 15mL bottle of Pearl Swirl Concentrate, a blue measuring scoop, and an activity guide.

Registration for this kit will be through our website at: www.wascocountylibrary.com/family-and-childrens-services. You will be notified when they are ready.



Teen and Tween activity kits

Activity kits are by registration through our website, beginning March 29th. We will notify you when the kits are ready to be picked up. Once you have been notified, you have one week to pick up the kits, unless other arrangements have been made. These kits are for those ages 11-18.

April 2nd - Magnetic Poetry Kit

April is national poetry month, so channel your inner Robert Frost or Rupi Kaur and celebrate with this pocket-sized poetry kit! Each kit contains a case, magnets, and words to choose from, to create your own poetic masterpiece.



April 5th - Paint Night: Northern lights

This paint night picture will feature a night sky with the aurora borealis, or Northern Lights. Follow along with Jeannie on YouTube as she paints her own. These paintings are for inspiration, you are not required to paint this picture. You can paint anything you like with the colors provided.



April 9th - DIY Shower Jellies

Let Mema show you how to make your own squishy shower jellies with very basic ingredients. All materials will be provided for the jellies; use of a stove is required for this activity.



April 12th - Birdhouse

Colorful birdhouses will liven up any garden or patio. Sign up for one of these cute birdhouses and decorate your own.



April 19th - Tickle-Me plant kit

Tickle-Me plants are also called Sleeping Plants or Zombie Plants. When you touch the leaves, they quickly close up. Celebrate Earth Day with us and sign up for your own Tickle-Me plant kit. It comes with seeds, a soil puck, and a plastic planter.



April 23rd - Morse code keychain/bracelet

Make a Morse Code bracelet. Choose your kit color and encode your name, or a short secret message for yourself or someone special. Don't know Morse Code? No problem, we'll include a letter chart with your kit.



April 26th - Banksy Graffiti Shirts

Banksy is an anonymous street artist with art all over the world. He/She is known for the political and social messages their art portrays. This kit will include a stencil, t-shirt, and "spray" paint. When you register for your kit, please be sure to include your shirt size.



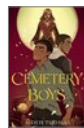
Have you read this book yet?

Try one of these titles, taken from ALA's list of 10 Best Books for Young Adults:

Be not far from me, by Mindy McGinnis. Ashley Hawkins has spent a lot of time learning survival skills, but they may not be enough when she takes off on her own during a camping trip; a nasty fall leaves her alone with a broken foot and nothing but the clothes on her back.



Cemetery boys, by Aiden Thomas. When trans Latinx teen Yadriel accidentally summons the wrong ghost while trying to prove to his family that he is a real brujo, he must find a way to help Julian get what he wants so he can release him to the afterlife.



Clap when you land, by Elizabeth Acevedo. Camino Rios waits at the

airport for a flight that never arrives, while Yahaira Rios finds out that her father has died in a plane crash. Little do these girls know, they are sisters sharing a father who lived a double life with families in both the Bronx and the Dominican Republic.



Deeplight, by Frances Hardinge. The gods are gone, but pieces of them remain. When Hark finds the still-beating heart of a dead god, he uses it to save his friend Jelt's life. As Jelt slowly transforms into a monstrous version of himself, Hark must decide if the consequences are worth it.

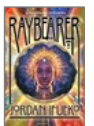


More than just a pretty face, by Syed M. Masood. Danyal is a pretty face but not much of a student. Then he gets a chance to be recognized academically



at school and impress the girl of his dreams. But Bisma, the book-smart girl who helps him with his project, keeps edging into his heart.

Raybearer, by Jordan Ifueko. When Tarisai is chosen to be a member of the Crown Prince's Council of Eleven, she must fight against the magical wish to which her mother, The Lady, has bound her: gain the prince's trust and then kill him.



This is my America, by Kim Johnson. With the clock ticking on her father's death-row sentence and her brother accused of killing a white classmate, Tracy has just 267 days to uncover the racist secrets of her small Texas town and prove her family's innocence.



Take and Make kits for adults

Registration for the adult Take and Make kits for the month of April opens Monday, March 29th, through our website. If you need help registering, call us at 541-296-2815. These activity kits are intended for those age 19 and older. We will notify you, by phone or email, when the kits are available for pickup.

April 6th - PB&J Felt Kit

Cue the music, "It's peanut butter jelly time!" National Peanut Butter and Jelly Day is April 2nd, and we've got a smashing craft for you. The kit will include sheets of felt, eyes, needle, and thread. This cute craft will have you craving pb&j every day. Don't forget to watch the video tutorial on April 6th on our YouTube and Facebook pages.



Did you know, according to nationalcalendar-day.com, the average American will have consumed over 2000 pb&j's by the time they graduate high school! The first reference of peanut butter combined with jelly in the United States, was in 1901 in the *Boston Cooking School Magazine of Culinary Science and Domestic Economics*.

April 9th - Animal Keychain

We all have keys. We have keys for our car, our house, our shed, etc. If only there was a way to put all our keys together in one place. Now there is! With our Animal



Keychain Take & Make kit you can make a handsome and handy keychain to keep or share. Kits will be available after April 9th

April 16th - Poetry Journal

April is National Poetry Month. What better way to celebrate than to create your own poetry. If you sign up for this kit you will get a journal, a pen and some cool stickers to decorate the cover. Write whatever you want in your journal. Sign up early, as kits are limited. Kits will be available after April 16th



April 23rd - Adult Coloring Book

Coloring books are a fun way to express yourself or just relax. Now the library is giving away a coloring book and colored pencils. Each page has intricate designs and shapes you can fill in with your preferred hues. Color outside the lines if you want. We don't care! Kits will be available after April 23rd



Mini Pinata Kit

Did you register for our Día de los Niños event with author Silvia López? Awesome! You are on the right track for some exciting festivities. This kit will include a craft roll, tissue paper, and you guessed it, candy. Tune in on April 20th for a video tutorial on our YouTube and Facebook pages.



The Mini Pinata Kit is open to anyone over the age of 3. Supplies are limited, make sure you register soon.

Read a classic

Having just this little bit of space to fill, I'll offer some titles, that according to someone (or maybe lots of someone's), everybody should read at least once. This is in no particular order, but each title shows up on at least three different "must read" lists. How many of these have you read?

Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen (1813)

To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee (1960)

The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald (1925)

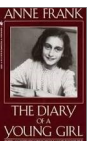
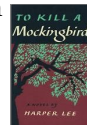
1984, by George Orwell (1949)

Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte (1847)

The Call of the Wild by Jack London (1903)

The Book Thief, by Markus Zusak

The diary of a young girl, by Anne Frank





Pride Book Club

The PRIDE Book Club is now meeting via Zoom! The PRIDE Book Club is open to people over 18 years of age who are interested in reading and discussing LGBTQ books. If you are interested in participating, please call the library and ask for Barbara. That way we can invite you to Zoom with us. Our next meeting will be April 8th from 6-7pm. The book for April is *The friends we keep*, by Jane Green.

Evvie, Maggie, and Topher have known each other since university. Their friendship was something they swore would last forever. Now years have passed, the friends have drifted apart, and none of them ever found the lives they wanted – the lives they dreamed of when they were young and everything seemed possible.

Evvie starved herself to become a supermodel but derailed her career by sleeping with a married man. Maggie married Ben, the boy she fell in love with at university, never imagining the heartbreak his drinking would cause. Topher became a successful actor but the shame of a childhood secret shut him off from real intimacy. By their thirtieth reunion, these old friends have lost touch with each other and with the people they dreamed of becoming. Together again, they have a second chance at happiness... until a dark secret is revealed that changes everything.

The friends we keep is about how despite disappointments we've had or mistakes we've made, it's never too late to find a place to call home.



The book for May will be *Upright women wanted*, by Sarah Gailey.

Third Thursday Book Club

The Third Thursday Book Club meets, by a strange coincidence, on the third Thursday of each month. This group reads a variety of books, from non-fiction to science fiction. For the **April 15th** discussion, this group will meet at 6:30, via Zoom. If interested, contact the library for your invite.

The book we will be discussing is *The midnight library*, by Matt Haig: Somewhere out beyond the edge of the universe there is a library that contains an infinite number of books, each one the story of another reality. One tells the story of your life as it is, along with another book for the other life you could have lived if you had made a different choice at any point in your life. While we all wonder how our lives might have been, what if you had the chance to go to the library and see for yourself? Would any of these other lives truly be better?



In *The Midnight Library*, Matt Haig's enchanting new novel, Nora Seed finds herself faced with this decision. Faced with the possibility of changing her life for a new one, following a different career, undoing old breakups, realizing her dreams of becoming a glaciologist; she must search within herself as she travels through the Midnight Library to decide what is truly fulfilling in life, and what makes it worth living in the first place.

There are a limited number of copies of this book available to borrow, ask for one today. If you use Library2Go, you will find a copy there that is only available for patrons of our library.

The book planned for the May discussion is *Pachinko*, by Min Lin Jen. Copies of this book will be available beginning April 12th.

Still looking for a book club?



Are you still looking for a book club that suits your interests? In the past we've had a Mystery book club, a Non-fiction book club, a Science Fiction book club, a Romance book club, a Christian Fiction book club, and a Gentle Reads book club. Did you belong to one of our other book clubs, and wish it would resume? Or maybe you have an idea for a different type of book club that you think others would be interested in. Let us know, and we'll see what we can offer. You can email us your thoughts or ideas at: thedallespubliclibrary@gmail.com, put Book Club in the subject line.

Virtual author visits

Carole Lindstrom

Water is the first medicine. It affects and connects us all . . .



Carole Lindstrom

We are excited to announce that the author of the 2021 Jane Addams and Caldecott Award winning children's book, Carole Lindstrom, will visit The Dalles-Wasco County Library virtually on April 22nd. Carole Lindstrom is a New York Times bestselling author of literature for young people. She is Anishinaabe/Métis and an enrolled citizen of the Turtle Mountain Band of Ojibwe. We can't think of a better way to celebrate on Earth Day!

Registration for this event will open March 29th at 10:00 a.m. There will be two chances to visit the author virtually, the first at 1:00 p.m. and the other at 3:30 p.m. The presentations will include a reading of *We are water protectors*, a discussion about the book, and a Q&A with the author. Attendees will have a chance to win an autographed book. One per family. Register for the event at wascocountylibrary.com/we-are-water-protectors

Hear what others are saying about the book: "In this tribute to Native resilience, Indigenous author-and-illustrator team Lindstrom and Goade invite readers to stand up for environmental justice. An inspiring call to action for all who care about our interconnected planet."— *Kirkus Reviews*

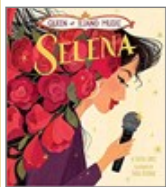
"Goade's watercolor illustrations fill the spreads with streaming ribbons of water, cosmic backdrops, and lush natural landscapes.... Lindstrom's spare, poetic text flows with the "river's rhythm." Written in response to the construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline, famously protested by the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe—and others—these pages carry grief, but it is overshadowed by hope in what is an unapologetic call to action." — *Booklist*

This virtual event was made possible thanks to the Wasco County Cultural Trust.



Silvia López

Bidi Bidi Bom Bom! Celebrate Día de los Niños with us. The Dalles-Wasco County Library is thrilled to celebrate children's literacy, through diverse books, languages and cultures, on April 30th with award-winning author Silvia López. López will be joining us virtually from Miami to share her two most recent children's picture books, *Selena: queen of Tejano music* and *My Little Golden Book about Frida Kahlo*. She will present twice that day, Spanish at 1:30 p.m. and English at 3:30 p.m.

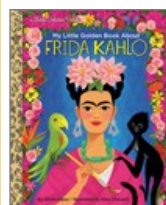


López has earned degrees in English and Educational Technology, along with a Masters in Library Science. She has served hundreds of children as a librarian in Miami-Dade County for close to forty years. She is a Cuba native, Miami raised author of children's literature.

Did we mention, attendees will have a chance to win an autographed book! We will have books in English and Spanish. Registration opens March 29th @ 10:00 a.m., to register for this event please visit: www.wascocountylibrary.com/dia-de-los-ninos-2021

To amplify the celebration, be sure to register for our Piñata craft kit. Nothing says party time like a piñata full of candy!

Her published works include:



Zunzuncito: Un Cuento del Pájaro Abeja Cubano, which received the International Latino Book Award as Best Children's Picture eBook of 2017. *Just right family: an adoption story* (Albert Whitman Co.) won the Florida Book Award. *Handimals: animals in art and nature* (Henry Holt/Macmillan). *Selena: Queen of Tejano Music* (Little Bee Books) listed as Junior Library Guild selections. *Pacho Nacho* (Capstone). *My Little Golden Book about Frida Kahlo*.



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