November 2025



# Monthly Report



Youth Librarian Ann performs a storytime for students of Valley Christian Preschool on Nov. 10.

## From the Director

November was such a fun month at the library! With the days getting shorter and colder, we loved seeing folks cozy up with books, stop by for programs, and share in the energy of the season.

November is a great time to reflect on gratitude. The library is a busy, bustling community hub that sees on average more than 400 people come through the doors each day. I am particularly thankful for the Wilsonville community. You make the library a vibrant gathering space and you bring life to what would otherwise be just a building with books.

Thank you for sharing your favorite books with us (we love that!). Thank you for bringing your kids to story time. Thank you for working from the library, for meeting at the library, for picking up your holds, for attending events, for asking us questions — you are a big part of what makes the Wilsonville Library so special.

-Shasta Sasser, Library Director

# **Children's Services**

## A Series of Fortunate Funday Events

While school was out on Monday, Nov. 10, Youth Services staff held a full day of activities for elementary age children. Activities included LEGO builds, a screening of the movie *The Wild Robot*, and board games and puzzles.

### Tween Crochet Corner

Outreach Librarian Crystal taught basic crochet skills to kids ages 10-13 at this program on Thursday, Nov. 20.

## Music Class with Heartstrings Mandarin

Children 7 years and younger, along with their parents, played with instruments, listened to stories, and learned some Mandarin on Saturday, Nov. 22.



Fans of "The Diary of a Wimpy Kid" book series enjoyed book-related trivia, crafts, and snacks at the Series Saturday program on Saturday, Nov. 1.

### **UPCOMING:**

- Series Saturday featuring "Baby-sitters Club" on Saturday, Dec. 6, at 2pm.
- Spanish Storytime on Saturday, Dec. 13, at 11am.
- Pink Pig Puppet Theater on Saturday, Dec. 20, at 11am.



The Teen book collection includes a Spanish language section, which has fiction, non-fiction, and graphic novels.

# **Teen Services**

# **Teen Afterschool Drop-in Activities**

On Wednesday afternoons from 3-6pm, teens dropped in to the library's Teen Area for video games, movies, crafts, and snacks. Popular with the teens in November was the film "Wicked," in anticipation of the November release of the film's sequel.

### **UPCOMING:**

- Youth Librarians visits to Meridian Middle School and Wilsonville High School
- Teen Advisory Board meetings at 4:30pm on Mondays, Dec. 8 and 22.

# **Adult Services**

# **Genealogy Club**

Librarian Malia presented the online database "FamilySearch," and demonstrated ways to use it at the Genealogy Club meeting on Monday, Nov. 17. Twenty people attended the monthly meeting.

# **Tabletop Game Night**

November's featured game on Thursday, Nov. 6, was "Betrayal at House on the Hill." The board game has players exploring a haunted house, and then fighting for their survival against one player who 'betrays' them. Everyone had a great time over the ninety minutes of game play.

## **UPCOMING:**

 Online program "Profiles" looks at three classic works that are the centerpieces of the holiday experience for millions of people across the world on Wednesday, Dec. 3, at 11am on Zoom.



Helena Greathouse performs at the Book Notes concert on Saturday, Nov. 8.

- Oregon Music Hall of Fame pianist John Nilsen performs at the Book Notes concert on Saturday, Dec. 13, at 2pm.
- Trivia Night returns with a "Winter Edition" on Thursday, Dec. 11, at 6pm.



The toy drive bins benefit children in Clackamas County ODHS programs. The bins will be in the library until Dec. 15.

# **Around the Library**

# Toy Drive at the Library

The Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) held a toy drive at the library. All toys collected will benefit children in the Self-Sufficiency and Child Welfare Programs run by ODHS in Clackamas County, which serves over 24,000 children.

This toy drive enables parents and foster parents to create memorable holidays for their children.

New toys can be dropped off at the library. The toy drive also has Amazon wish lists for all kids or specifically for kids in foster care.

