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Farewell to Deputy Library Director Teresa Landers

by Carolyn Rawles-Heiser

It's time for us to say goodbye to Teresa Landers, who has been our deputy director for the past 10 years. Santa Cruz, California, has recognized what a gem we have here and has chosen Teresa to be the director of the Santa Cruz City-County Library System.

Teresa has played a key role in virtually every major accomplishment of our library system in recent years, leading many of these projects. She led the transition to the TLC on-line system, worked with Alsea and Monroe on their new building projects, managed the purchase of the bookmobile and the change in bookmobile service, and played a key role in both the 2002 planning effort and our current planning process. She has been a valuable City team member as well, serving on labor negotiations several times and on the City's Labor-Management Advisory Team.

She has been a leader in statewide library efforts, including facilitating the state consortium for downloadable audio and video materials, updating public library standards, and chairing the Oregon Library Association Annual Conference. She was both the OLA Librarian of the Year and the Public Library Division's Ole winner for her statewide accomplishments. She also represented Oregon libraries in China as part of the Horner Exchange with Chinese libraries.

Most of all, Teresa has been a wonderful partner with me as we have worked with the staff, board, and community to bring our library into the 21st century. Teresa, we are all so proud of you!



Message from Library Director Carolyn Rawles-Heiser

Periodically all healthy organizations should take a good look at where they have been and where they are going. Our Library has been engaged in such a process for the past year with the help of library consultants The Ivy Group. After a year of data gathering and analysis, the report is about to be finalized and disseminated.

We wanted to make sure our stakeholders were heard when it comes to Library services. We conducted the first ever (to my knowledge) telephone survey of county residents to find out what they thought of the Library and its services and whether or not they used the Library. We also conducted one-on-one interviews with a number of county-wide leaders in various fields. The results were overwhelmingly heartening for our Library—the vast majority of respondents had a Library

card, used the Library (including a large number that used the Library more than 26 times in the last year!), and had a favorable opinion about the Library. The public was especially positive in its praise for our Library staff.

This data, along with analysis of population projections and changes, examination of trends in society and Library services, and input from the Library board and staff, guided the consultants in making their recommendations on the future direction of the Library. As I write, the plan is in the final editing stages. Stay tuned for more information and an exciting new future for your public Library!



Chautauqua Series, Summer 2009

Once again, there will be informative and entertaining lectures at the Library on Tuesdays at 12:10 p.m. this summer. Oregon Chautauqua 2009 offers knowledgeable speakers exploring humanities topics sure to capture your interest. The series is brought to you through a partnership between the Library, Benton County Historical Museum, and LBCC Benton Center. Funding is provided this year through grants from Oregon Council for the Humanities and a generous donation by John Croy, Edward Jones Financial Planning. Please join us at the Library, and feel free to eat your lunch at the same time!

- June 30—*Stitched Patches: Quilts of Celebration*, with Mary Bywater Cross, Portland. During America's bicentennial in 1976, Oregonians created quilts representing their counties and communities. This program will explore, through more-recent quilts, how Oregon has changed in 30 years.
- July 7—*Women Photographers in Oregon, 1852–1917*, with Carole Glauber, Portland. In this slide-illustrated program, photohistorian Carole Glauber traces the

distinctive work of four early women photographers, providing a window into our state's history.

- July 14—*Chinese Diaspora in the Americas: The First "Illegal Aliens,"* with Elliot Young, Lewis & Clark College Department of History. Explore the immigration bureaucracy created to deal with mid-19th century "illegal" Chinese immigrants and the strategies they in turn used to stay one step ahead of the government inspectors.
- July 21—*Becoming Oregon: A Printed History*, with Robert L. Hamm, West Linn. This program uses newspapers, woodcuts, maps, and early photographs to explore Oregon's place in the national imagination, from the early 1800s to the early 20th century.
- July 28—*Justice in Frontier Oregon, 1851–1905*, with Diane L. Goeres-Gardner, Oakland. This program explores how Oregon's early history of public executions shapes modern attitudes and perceptions, and questions of justice.

Staff Profile

Lori Johnston, Circulation Supervisor



Lori Johnston

When Lori Johnston was last profiled in 1994, she was a library specialist in the "Processing and Mending Unit." Since then, she has been a lead worker and is currently one of the circulation supervisors, with Shaun Hearn. Her job entails supervising the folks who provide customer service and ensure that materials make it to the shelves, to the patrons, and back again. One of the biggest changes in her time here is the huge increase in the volume of business that the Library handles. She also marvels at the patrons she has known since they were children, who are now adults with their own kids, and fondly remembers those who have grown old and passed away.

In her off time, Lori enjoys camping, boating, gardening, and photography. She's a Corvallis native who worked at the old Corl's Bookshop and Penny's before starting working for the City, originally in the Fire Department. She and her husband have two grown sons and share their home with their dog, Sienna, three cats and four birds.



Corrine Gobeli

Volunteer Profile

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Corrine Gobeli has been active in the Friends of the Library for more than 10 years. She volunteered with the annual book sale and co-chaired the effort in 2002 and 2006. She also coordinated the holiday and Fall Festival sales. Then in 2007 she became co-president of the Friends, along with Cheryl Maze. That year she was also appointed to the Library Board. Corrine says that the Friends Board is a great group to work with that also has fun. The Library Board offers a behind-the-scenes perspective on the challenges of running the Library.

Corrine is a life-long library user, and our Library impressed her when she and her husband arrived here from Minnesota in 1982. Corrine has been a junior-high English teacher, but most of her career was spent working in the human resources field. She also taught in the OSU College of Education and Business. She is active with the League of Women Voters and the OSU Thrift Shop. Corrine loves to read and cook, and she and her husband are avid tandem cyclists. They are training for their fourth bike tour in Europe this summer.

Friends Membership, and Cosponsored Events

by Cheryl Maze, Friends Co-President

**Summer
Book Sale**
Saturday, July 11
10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Main Meeting Room,
Corvallis Library

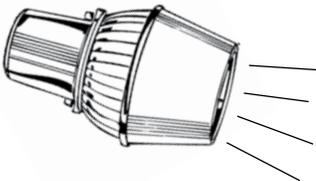
Corrine Gobeli and I will be soon turning over the FOL presidency to David Low. David has served as our liaison to the Library Foundation for three years, is a Benton County representative on the Library Board, and is employed by OSU Federal Credit Union. It has been my great good fortune to have such a capable, cheerful co-president—thanks, Corrine!

We wish to thank our dedicated FOL board members, who contribute many volunteer hours throughout the year. The chairs are: Co-Treasurers **Phyllis Sartain** and **David Newman**; Benton Books/Past President **Lois Malango**; Secretary **Chris Rochester**; Membership **Kathy Vohland**; Random Review **Debra Goldenberg**; February Book Sale **Mark Speulda**; Warehouse Storage **Ted and Dolores Touw**; Library Board Liaison **Jacque Schreck**; Monroe Liaison **Dena Elliott**; Philomath Liaison **Stephani McRae Dickey**; Library Foundation Liaison **David Low**; and Holiday Book Sale **James Howard**. Special

thanks to the Library staff members who attend our meetings and guide us: **Carolyn Rawles-Heiser, Teresa Landers, and Carol Klamkin.**

The FOL has been the lucky recipient of oodles of donated books, so we have increased the inventory of our 50-cent shelves in the Library and posted more books on Benton Books, our 24/7 online store, and we will be adding annual, and sometimes spontaneous, one-day sales in the Meeting Room or front patio. Don't miss our **Summer Book Sale on Saturday, July 11, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.** There will be lots of good-condition, used books at low prices to fill out your summer reading list. All proceeds will benefit the Library.

We have replenished supplies of our Read T-shirts, available in the lobby area of the Library. These and FOL cloth book bags make great gifts for out-of-town visitors, and provide funds for the many programs the Library offers. We welcome new FOL members—please join us today!



Spotlight: PressDisplay

Would you like to read newspapers from around the world, complete with ads, classifieds, photos, and even comic strips? The Library's Press-Display database offers full-image copies of newspapers from over 800 newspapers, in 81 languages, from 31 countries. *British Times*, *Toronto Star*, the *Irish Independent*, and Melbourne's *The Age* are just a few. You can read newspapers in Arabic, Danish, French, Greek, Italian, Russian, and more. Newspapers can be chosen by their country of origin or language. If you are looking for international coverage of a particular news story, you can search by keyword as well.

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U.S. newspapers are also featured, including Baltimore, Chicago, Dallas, San Francisco, Washington, DC, and many other cities. Several of the popular Spanish-language papers are also available.

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Special Happenings – Free – at the Library

July 3 and 4 – All libraries CLOSED for holiday

July 22 – Academy for Lifelong Learning (ALL) presents “Corvallis’ Best Gift” with Thomas McClintock. 10 am–noon, Main Meeting Room. McClintock, OSU professor emeritus of history and author of *The Best Gift: The History of the Corvallis-Benton County Public Library*, will share the story behind writing his book and some of the interesting discoveries he found during his research. The class will conclude with a tour of the public art in the building and a demonstration of some of the latest technology available in the Library. For information about registration for the ALL summer series, go to www.ALL-osuaa.org.

Chautauqua: The World of Ideas lecture series – Tuesdays in July, 12:10 pm. See the article on page 2 for program details.

Library Book Club – meets every third Wednesday at 7:30 pm in the Library Board Room. Books are provided by the Library and are available four weeks prior to the monthly meeting.

- July 15 – *Animal, Vegetable, Miracle: A Year of Food Life* by Barbara Kingsolver
- August 19 – *The Blood of Flowers* by Anita Amirrezvani

Friends of the Library Summer Book Sale – July 11 from 10 am to 6 pm in the Main Meeting Room. Come check out the selection of excellent used books at reasonable prices. All proceeds will be used for Library programs.



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Library Foundation

by Betty McCauley



A Library patron tries out the new self-checkout machine.

One of the pleasures of serving on the Foundation Board is being able to use money given by the public to respond to the needs of the public. Library use surges in times of recession, so it is necessary to make it easier and quicker to check out books and films. Corvallis users appreciate the convenience of self-service machines; 75 percent of all items are now checked out this way. So it was with real pleasure that Foundation money, given by library patrons, could be used to buy a new machine. An \$8,200 machine now stands in the middle of the lobby, near materials on

hold. It is one of six machines accommodating the public. As you come for summer reading or viewing, aren't you glad you contributed to support the purchase of this new and helpful technology? I remember when I was growing up that I handed the librarian my precious choice of books. She turned her pencil over and marked cards in the books with a rubber date stamp on the end of the pencil. Technology has changed; rubber stamps were cheaper, but the joy of going home with another week's good reading is just as great. Thank you for supporting the Foundation.

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