



# UMATILLA COUNTY SPECIAL LIBRARY DISTRICT

Strengthening our community libraries

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## Library Happenings

### Adams 541.566.3038

Jun 10 - Summer Reading Kick-off with  
Charlie Brown

### Athena 541.566.2470

Jun 11 - Juggler Charlie Brown

### Echo 541.376.8411

Jun 20 - Summer Reading Kickoff

### Helix 541.457.6130

Jun 19 - Summer Reading Kickoff

### Hermiston 541.567.2882

May 16 - Centennial Celebration

### Milton-Freewater 541.938.8247

May 2 - Oldies Night @ the Library  
Jun 17 - Summer Reading Kickoff with  
Charlie Brown

### Pendleton 541.966.0380

May 10 - Children's Mothers Day  
Crafting  
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### Pilot Rock 541.443.3285

Jun 16 - Summer Reading Kickoff

### Stanfield 541.449.1254

May 16 - 2014 Pinkalicious Party  
Jun 10 - Summer Reading Kickoff with  
Ronald McDonald

### Ukiah 541.427.3735

Jun 9 - Summer Reading Kickoff with  
Charlie Brown

### Umatilla 541.922.5704

Jun 11 - Juggler Charlie Brown

### Weston 541.566.2378

May 22 - Novel Readers  
Jun 13 - Summer Reading Kickoff with  
Charlie Brown

*These and more programs are available. For specifics contact the local library.*

## UCSLD In-Service Training

Mema Martinez, Umatilla/Hermiston Library Assistant

On April 4, our member libraries, District staff, and board members met at the Hermiston Public Library for our semi-annual spring In-service Training. The trainings help staff gain knowledge in different areas of the library, to expand upon ideas and programming, and to catch up with what other libraries are doing.

State Librarian, Mary Kay Dahlgreen opened our first session with a dynamic update on what is happening in the library system at the state level. She shed some light on some upcoming changes to with the Ready to Read Grant, and a little bit about Plinkit and its upcoming end date.

Our next session we were given the choice between three different sessions; cataloging with Dea Nowell, from the District; web based Reference Resources with Arlene Weible from the State Library; and SRP (Summer Reading Program) ideas with Laura Orr, the science teacher from Ukiah. I attended the session with Laura to glean ideas for the upcoming Summer Reading Program -- she was great! Laura gave us some wonderful resources to seek out and some great websites to peruse in an effort to make our respective Summer

Reading Programs the best they can be.

Next, Beth Longwell provided us with an update on Evergreen – the computer system the libraries use – and answer any questions we

may have had. Per usual, Beth was very informative and it was nice to get some long standing questions answered.

After a delicious lunch, Michelle Munro and Brenna Dunlap, from Ready2Learn (R2L) spoke to us about the ins and outs of R2L. There are only a few libraries issuing library cards for the R2L program, so it was wonderful to have the chance to let the other libraries know who was issuing cards and how their patrons can participate. It was staggering to hear that just over 1,200 cards had been issued and that there have been about 18,700 checkouts on those R2L cards!

The day concluded with Erwin Watson discussing personal safety techniques with the group and demonstrating some simple, but effective maneuvers to use if we find ourselves in trouble. Overall the In-Service was quite the success and it was a joy to be a part of the planning process.



*As part of In-Service Training three contestants (and all other participates) play Know Your UCSLD? an informative game about the District.*

## Rosetta Stone: Now Available

Have you heard? Rosetta Stone is now available on-line through your local library.

You now have the opportunity to learn a new language at your local library or in the comfort of your own home. This chance is made available by the Umatilla County Special Library District and the purchase of Livemocha, our original foreign language learning provider, by Rosetta Stone.

Rosetta Stone provides cutting-edge interactive technology that is changing the way the world learns. They offer courses in 25 languages – ranging from English to Farsi to Swedish – all online. The company was founded

in 1992 on the core beliefs that learning to speak a language should be a natural and instinctive process, and that interactive technology can activate the language immersion method.

All you need to use Rosetta Stone is your library card and PIN and a computer with broadband internet connection. For optimum use, a headset with a microphone and

speakers is desirable. To access Rosetta Stone use your library's website (website address can be found on page 4). If you have questions or problems, contact your local library staff.



## SPOTLIGHT ON: Adams Public Library

*Editor's Note: This is the last in a series of articles profiling the 12 City Libraries in Umatilla County.*

The Adams Public Branch Library was established November 9, 1914. Ordinance #88 of the City of Adams stated that the City could establish a branch Library to the Umatilla County Library as long as no debt was incurred by the City of Adams. To create the library without

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Director

expenses the Adams Ladies Club, a nonprofit community benefit group, placed the library in the Adams Ladies Parlor on Main Street in Adams and the club members served as librarians on a volunteer basis. This continued until December 14<sup>th</sup>, 1987 when the Adams Public Library was established as well as the Adams Public Library Board of Directors. The library has resided in the Ladies Parlor, the fire station, a mobile room, and finally, after a building

renovation, the current location on Main Street in the historically restored IOOF building.

Today the Adams Public Library has a Library Director, Jennifer Davison of Adams. She has been with the library for nine years. The library is open three days a week and offers nearly 4,000 items in the library. As a member of the Umatilla County Special Library District, the library has access to thousands of items in the Inter-library loan system and provides their patrons with Libraries2Go, an e-book and audiobook database. The library also offers Ancestry Library edition, HeritageQuest Online, Rosetta Stone and an Auto Repair database for free. We have free public Wi-Fi and touchscreen computers. All printing for education and job search is free to our patrons. Items available for check out, from the Adams Public Library, range from audio books, music CDs, DVDs, a telescope, Kill-A-Watt devices, passes to several local museums and books for all ages and all genres. For Adams patrons unable to get to the library due to health or

mobility reasons, the library provides a program called "Deliver Me a Book" that allows them to use the library by having books delivered right to their home in Adams. A popular program is the Movie Night in the library. We have a digital projector, 12 foot indoor screen and movie contract that permit us to show new movies in the library. During the summer months we ramp it up by showing the movies on the outside wall of the library on a 20 foot wide screen. The library also has Xbox game nights and an awesome Summer Reading Program! This summer we will be using the national theme of "Fizz, Boom, Read!" for our Summer Reading Program and be providing weekly science based programs for the youth. We will play with magnetic fluids, grow crystals, and grow snow to learn about science and engage the youth in our program. The grand prize for the youth that reads the most in 2014 will be a quad-copter drone with HD camera! All public programs are free and can be attended by anyone



regardless of library affiliation.

The library participates in Adams Day, Adams Community Day, and the Annual Adams Christmas Program. We also write and publish the monthly city newsletter the "Adams American". Looking towards the future, the library hopes to increase the library hours to be open 20 hours a week and provide more public programs to the community. We are always striving towards our mission to provide appropriate resources in support of the information and recreational needs of area residents, and thereby be a center for community enrichment and lifelong learning. The Adams Public Library invites you to visit us online at [www.adams.plinkit.org](http://www.adams.plinkit.org), friend us on Facebook or visit us in person at 190 North Main Street in Adams!

## UCSLD Board: Jean Eckles

*Editor's Note: This is the last in a series of articles introducing the UCSLD Board members.*

I hope you have enjoyed reading the Board biographies. I am Jean Eckles, Board President, and mine is the last. I was born and raised in Montana. My early formative years were spent in a small community of 200-300 people. We had town hot dog roasts, sledding parties, holiday dinners often together.

The one thing we didn't have was a library. We

borrowed books from each other. Most of us got books for special occasion. We never seemed to run out, although several were read over and over.

I went to college in Portland, Oregon. That is where I met my husband. Oregon became my home. I have never regretted that decision. My husband was transferred to Pendleton in 1978. My first job here was a shipping clerk for an electronic firm. In the early 80's a friend told me about

an opening for the School District in elementary library. I worked in school district libraries for 22 years. The last twelve years I worked in the middle school library. They were rewarding years with students, colleagues, books, and academics.

When I retired I wanted to give back to my community. I tutor at the District, volunteered at the Chamber, did a fantasy book club for the Arts Center children activities. I was asked by a friend to fill her

position on the Umatilla County Special Library District. It has been my pleasure to be on the Board for many years. I will rotate off in 2015.

Libraries are important to all communities no matter what the size. I think it is important to wellness and economy of local communities. We should all become involved in our communities. It enriches our lives in so many ways. I would like to thank you all for nurturing your libraries and communities.



Keynote Speaker, MaryKay Dahlgreen, Oregon State Librarian, address the staff from all the city libraries in the County, at the April In-Service Training at the **Hermiston Public Library**.



Author Jane Kirkpatrick was the featured speaker at the Annual Meeting of FOWL -- the *Friends of the Weston Library* -- on March 31.



Above: **Helix Public Library** kids enjoyed the movie *Frozen*. A special thanks to our projectionist Allan Herbert-Holden for always being there for us.



Spring has spring at the **Echo Public Library**. The kids were busy with the Spring Window Project. The multi-week art project added signs of spring each week.



Actor Duffy Hudson portrays Albert Einstein describing time and space at the **Umatilla Public Library**.

Below: The **Athena Public Library** story time participants decorated Easter buckets.



Left: Lee Ferran, a **Ukiah Public/School Library** volunteer, is awarded the Oregon Library Association's Lampman Award. Find more information on page 4.

## Budget Process Continues

The 2014-2015 budget season continues. The Budget Committee met on April 7 and approved next year's budget proposal.

The next step will be a public budget hearing. The budget hearing is scheduled for Monday, May 19, in the Second Floor Jury Room at the Pendleton City Hall. It will begin at 5:15 pm.

The Board is scheduled to vote on adopting the '14-'15 budget at their June 19 Board Meeting.

A copy of the proposed '14-'15 budget is available for review at the UCSLD Administrative Office in Pendleton.

## Ukiah: Lampman Award

Lee Farren, a volunteer at the Ukiah School/Public Library, was awarded the Lampman Award at the annual Oregon Library Association conference on April 18 in Salem.

Lee reads to all the elementary students every Tuesday afternoon. She helps them find books and teaches them to use the SageCat, the library catalog, on the internet to help them find books. Lee is very patient and she has been volunteering for years.

The Evelyn Sibley Lampman Award was established in 1982 to honor a living Oregon author, librarian, or educator who has made a significant contribution to Oregon in the fields of children's literature and library services.

### UCSLD's MISSION:

*Umatilla County Special Library District's mission is to ensure the continuation and growth of public libraries in Umatilla County; by supporting our libraries' ability to provide services, programs and continuing education opportunities for all. We believe libraries strengthen communities through individual, family, economic and community development.*

### UCSLD's VISION:

*Libraries are integral parts of the infrastructure and critical to the livability and economic development of the region. The District is an essential partner with local governments to ensure the libraries of Umatilla County provide 21<sup>st</sup> century programs and services to their communities.*

**Do you have friends or family who would be interested in receiving the UCSLD Newsletter? We would like to send them a copy. Ask them to send their email to: [dan@ucslid.com](mailto:dan@ucslid.com)**

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