

Check it out...



A Monthly Publication of the Portland Library September 2017



Library closed Saturday
September 2nd and
Monday September 4th for Labor
Day!

Regular Saturday hours start September 9th
open 10:00a.m.-5:00p.m.



The Library will have a booth at
**Family Day (an annual Portland Youth
Services event) on Saturday September 9th!**
Drop by from 11am to 2pm and find fun free
things at our booth.

Read & Recycle



The Friends of the Portland Library's next intake date is
**Saturday, September 23rd from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00
noon.** The Friends of the Portland Library will
collect gently used books, DVDs, CDs, puzzles and
games. Thank you for your support.



Lunch and Learn Tuesday September 12, 2017 at 12 noon *The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah

With courage, grace and powerful insight, author
Kristin Hannah captures the epic panorama of
WWII and illuminates an intimate part of history
seldom seen: the women's war. This novel tells the
stories of two sisters, separated by years and
experience, by ideals, passion and circumstance,
each embarking on her own dangerous path toward
survival, love, and freedom in German-occupied,
war-torn France--a heartbreakingly beautiful novel
that celebrates the resilience of the human spirit and
the durability of women.

**Books will be available for borrowing prior to
the discussion. Bring a lunch if you like. Dessert
and beverages will be served.**

October 10th book: *Little Bee* by Chris Cleave

Portland Library's 2017 Adult Summer Reading Program: Build a Better World

28 participants read 89,575 pages and
contributed money for 375 books!
7 patrons read 5,000 or more pages and
2 patrons read over 10,000 pages!

Thank you for your love of books and reading!
(For every 250 pages the Adult Summer Reading
participants of Portland Library logged as a group,
the library donated money for 1 book to
Books For Africa's project in Eastern Congo
(<https://www.booksforafrica.org/>)

works with the local communities to put books into
the hands of more children and youth in Eastern
Congo, helping to provide them with a better quality
education.

Together we are building a better world!



*The summer reading program, summer
events & the donation are all made pos-
sible by the generous support of the
Friends of Portland Library!*

Tech Talks are back!
Wednesday September 27th
at 1:00 p.m.



Tech Talk with Kevin: Google Docs

Get to your documents anywhere, anytime:
Access, create, and edit your documents
wherever you go " from your phone, tablet,
or computer " even when there's no connection.
Let Kevin, our favorite Tech Guru, show you
how with Google Docs. **Registration requested!**

ART AT THE LIBRARY

Come see Jannie Des Rosiers-Berman's
collection commemorating the life of
Princess Di!



Brownstone Artists are coming in October!

Youth Services News and Events



Fall Storytimes

Registration for fall story times began on **Monday, August 28 at 10:00 a.m.** Story time sessions will begin the week of **September 11th** and will be divided up into the following age groups:

Story Garden (ages 3-5)

Children are invited to have some fun while sharing some of Miss Jenn's favorite stories, songs, and games every week.

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.: September 12, 19, 26 and October 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31

Stories for Twos (ages 24-36 months)

Laugh, create, and connect with new and old friends, while listening to stories and enjoying related activities with Miss Patty.

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.: September 13, 20, 27, October 4, 11, 18, 25 and November 1.

Bouncy Babies (ages 0-24 months)

This introduction to story time provides important bonding time and early literacy skills through stories, songs, games and playtime with new friends.

Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.: September 14, 21, 28, October 5, 12, 19, 26, and November 2.

Family Story Time

Come out and play with your child(ren) and enjoy a variety of *Language* and *Art Enrichment* activities for your family to share together. This program is open to all families with children in grades pre-K through 2nd grade. Younger siblings are always welcome. Family story time is held every **Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m.:**

September 13, 20, 27, October 4, 11, 18, 25 and November 1.

Registration for all of these story times is required. Go to www.portlandlibraryct.org or call 860-342-6770 to register.

TRICKS OR TREATS WITH PETE THE CAT

Wednesday, October 25th at 6:30 p.m.

Pete the Cat will be visiting the Portland Library for this very special evening story time featuring his picture books *Five Little Pumpkins* and *Trick or Pete!* In addition to themed stories, we will enjoy songs, rhymes, and much more fun. A Halloween craft and a meet-and-greet/photo op with Pete will wrap up the evening.

Registration is required.



BUILD A BETTER WORLD

SUMMER READING WRAPUP!

Thank you to everyone who participated in Portland Library's 2017 Summer Reading Challenge. The program ended on August 31, 2017, though you may still collect prizes until Friday, September 8.

Congratulations on the following!

228 active participants

206,165 minutes logged (that's 3,436 hours!)

301 challenges completed

\$225 donated to Books for Eastern Congo

Thank you to our 39 dedicated teen volunteers and to the Friends of the Portland Library for providing the funding for the incentives and fun, educational, family programs that keep everyone motivated and connected all summer long!
Thanks to the Friends of the Portland Library for funding our summer programming.

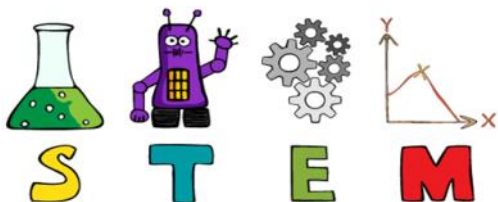
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Who Stole the Chocolate Cake?



We need YOUR HELP to figure it out! Come celebrate **National Library Card Signup Month** throughout September by visiting the library and helping us to solve a mystery. Pick up a witness lineup at either the reference or the circulation desk and then follow clues around the library to eliminate suspects until only one employee is left. Everyone who participates will be given a small prize when they hand in their completed form.

While you're here, make sure your library card is up to date! They do expire every three years. Encourage a friend who does not have a library card to come in and discover all the library has to offer—commercial free and at no cost!



Fun with STEM

Thursdays from 3:30-4:30 p.m.
September 21, 28, October 5 and 12

Students in grades 3-5, are you up for a challenge?

Join us each week as we tackle various STEM themes. We will work in teams to create bridges, towers, boats and more! Be prepared because there will be some surprise challenges along the way.

Registration is required. Space is limited.



You Are Invited....

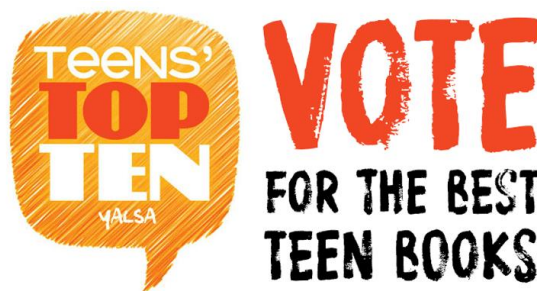
If you are entering **grades 6 and up**, you are invited to be part of the Portland Library's Teen Advisory Board. Our board members meet monthly on **Monday afternoons from 3:30-4:30** and help us in selecting materials for purchase, brainstorming and running programs for teens and children, and having a lot of fun while making a difference in our community. If this is something that interests you, please contact Jennifer Renk or Patty Ballou at 860-342-6770 or jrenk@portlandct.org.

Upcoming meeting dates:

October 16, November 13, December 11

Teens' Top 10: Vote Now!

The Teens' Top Ten is a "teen choice" list, where teens nominate and choose their favorite books of the previous year! Readers ages 12 to 18 vote online between August 15 and Teen Read Week™ (October 8-14, 2017) at <http://www.ala.org/yalsa/teenstopten>; the winners will be announced the week after [Teen Read Week](#). Visit the library or for a complete list of nominees or visit the Book Lists section of the teens area of our website at www.portlandlibraryct.org.



**Portland Library
Youth Services
Department**

More News...

Monthly Book Discussions



All are welcome to attend the adult book discussion held one Thursday each month at 6:30 p.m. Titles are available to borrow; no reservations are necessary.

Thursday, September 7th at 6:30 p.m.

***A Map of the World* by Jane Hamilton.**

Well educated, urban-raised Howard and Alice Goodwin have chosen to raise their two daughters on a dairy farm in Wisconsin, though not openly welcomed by the community. Their peaceful lives are shattered when a neighbor's two-year-old daughter drowns in the Goodwin's pond while under Alice's care. Alice descends even further into darkness when she is accused of sexually abusing a student at the elementary school where she is a nurse. Soon, Alice is arrested, incarcerated, and as good as convicted in the eyes of a suspicious community.

Thursday, October 5th at 6:30 p.m.

***How It All Began* by Penelope Lively**

The mugging of a retired schoolteacher on a London street has unexpected repercussions for her friends and neighbors when it inadvertently reveals an illicit love affair, leads to a business partnership, and helps an immigrant to reinvent his life.



Movies in the Afternoon

Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.

Showing: *Megan Leavey*

Starring: Kate Mara, Edie Falco, Ramon Rodriguez, Will Patton & Bradley Whitford. **Director:** Gabriela Cowperthwaite.

116 minutes, PG-13, 2017. While deployed in Iraq, Marine Corporal Megan Leavey lets the pressures of military life get to her head. After one of her many disciplinary hearings, she is ordered to clean out the regiment's K9 unit. While working on her assigned tasks, Leavey identifies with one extremely energetic dog in the unit, named Rex, who soon becomes Leavey's closest companion.

Movies in the Evening

Monday, September 25, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

Showing: *Going in Style*

Starring: Ann-Margret, Christopher Lloyd, Joey King, Matt Dillon, Michael Caine & Morgan Freeman. **Director:** Zach Braff. 96 minutes, PG-13, 2017. What do you do when your hard earned pension becomes a corporate casualty? You have bills to pay and your family is counting on you; what do you do? Three men who have been friends nearly their entire lives will find out when it happens to them. They've done the right thing their entire lives but, they're coming out of retirement to go after the bank that took off with their money.

No reservations necessary! The Friends of Portland Library supports the Library's DVD collection.

Thank You

Recent Donations

Book Donations:

Carolyn Freeman: 3 books

Nancy Sawyer

Tuesday September 26th at 2:00 p.m.

Mysteries-through-the-Decades Book Club

1980s: ***The Ritual Bath* by Faye Kellerman**

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September 2nd & Monday
September 4th for Labor Day**

Library Hours:

Monday - Thursday 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Friday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturdays starting 9/9 10a.m. -5:00p.m.

Library Meetings:

Library Board of Directors:

Thursday, September 14th at 7 p.m.

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During the month of September the Library will be featuring

CDs of Operas & DVD titles that start with the letter X, Y & Z.



Books on Display

In September the Library will have book displays of newly arrived items, Banned Books & favorite cookbooks.