

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE CAMAS PUBLIC LIBRARY

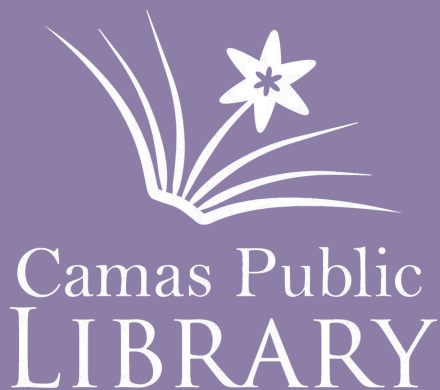


AUGUST NEWS

SUMMER READING PROGRAM

FRIENDS & FOUNDATION

NEW REVIEWS



A DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF CAMAS

Summer Readers

Autumn is nearly upon us, but we still have time to reflect on August, when the sun was shining and kids were reading, just for the fun of it. They even followed Ellen Miles, our Programming and Outreach Coordinator, around to our different City parks for storytime each week. To honor the summer reading program, and those kids and teens who dedicated at least a bit of their summer to books, here are the Library's Top Ten Readers (10 kids, 10 teens). These are the participants who logged the most hours reading over the summer.

Abby Camisa - 240 hours
Addy Curzon - 162 hours
Beckham Serhan - 75.2 hours
Braden Tricola - 302 hours
Chao-Yu Lin - 163.6 hours
Cindy Lai - 114 hours
Dani Pullin - 178 hours
Evan Wood - 92.5 hours
Hailey Dinger - 123.6 hours
Hunter Dixon - 186.25 hours
James Beck - 117 hours

Jorge Jenkins - 140 hours
Kiara Hansen - 145 hours
Lilly Zarzana - 101 hours
Maddie Mazemke - 96 hours
Maia Lipsky - 92.1 hours
Nicole Mitchell - 88 hours
Owen Becker-Nunley - 100 hours
Taylor Farmer - 75 hours
Willow White - 155 hours

Congratulations!

Connie Urquhart

Connie Urquhart, Library Director





Clockwise from top: A crowd gathers in Crown Park for storytime; storytime participants shimmy under the big parachute; Music Bonanza allows children to test out different musical instruments.

'Libraries Rock' a hit

Libraries Rock was this year's summer reading theme. The Summer Reading Program planning team incorporated the theme in several ways, from the movies featured (singalong versions of *Frozen*, and others) to the programs like *Music Bonanza* and *Craft, Rattle and Roll*. Other popular musical events were Bollywood dancing and Mo Phillips.

In the end, the most well-attended event featured neither music nor dancing but creepy, crawly, scaly animals. Creature Feature met a packed house for a back-to-back double show in July. BJ the Clown was also a favorite, as always.

Thanks to the generosity of our sponsors, we were able to give two bikes in our grand prize raffle, \$10 Barnes & Noble gift cards to each of our Top Ten Reader winners, and many other raffle prizes to kids, teens, and adults.

Most importantly, the children and teens who read over the summer won't start out behind in school this fall. Reading rocks! Thanks for a great summer.



Staff Happenings



On August 12, Library Associate Karen Nicholson marked her fifth year as a regular employee with the Library; the next day, Circulation Services Specialist John Goaring celebrated his 15th year. In true Karen fashion, she made John a pie. This month we also said good luck but not goodbye to Library Page Julia Watson. She won't be a permanent employee any longer, but we will still see her at the Library when she comes back to substitute. She's also doing her Senior Project here at the Library.



Karen Nicholson



John Goaring



Julia Watson

professional development

12 Ways to More Effective Marketing,
Connie Urquhart

Best Practices for Promoting Development Birth to Age 3,
Karen Nicholson

The Care and Feeding of Authors,
Judy Wile,
Connie Scott

Getting Unstuck: Help Your Board, Staff, and Town Talk about Library Funding,
Connie Urquhart



The Care and Feeding of Authors

Graphic Design for Libraries, Judy Wile

How Emotional Intelligence Drives Candid Conversation and Improved Performance,
Judy Wile

How To Do Big Marketing on a Shoestring Budget, Ellen Miles

Springtime DIY: New Crafts Titles in Print & Audio, Judy Wile

Best Practices for Promoting Development Birth to Age 3



what are you reading?



Debbie Chevron
The Great Alone, Kristin Hannah
Sisters Like Us, Susan Mallery

John Goaring
True Fiction, Lee Goldberg
Goliath, Scott Westerfeld

Christopher Knipes
The Final Hour, Taylor Caldwell
Writer's Digest, October 2018

Rebel Martin
Our Revolution: A Future to Believe In,
Bernie Sanders

Karen Nicholson
Us Against You, Fredrik Backman
Cormoran Strike series, Robert Galbraith

Connie Scott
Winter Glass, Lexa Hillyer
Shadow Run, Adrienne Strickland and Michael Miller

Danielle Reynolds
The Wife Between Us,
Greer Hendricks
Tangerine, Christine Mangan

Connie Urquhart
Final Girls, Riley Sager
Educated, Tara Westover

Denise Warner
Blood and Ivy: The 1849 Murder that Scandalized Harvard,
Paul Collins
Shipwreck Hunter: A Lifetime of Extraordinary Discoveries on the Ocean Floor, David L. Mearns

Julia Watson
Divergent, Veronica Roth
The Prince in Disguise,
Stephanie Kate Strohm

July Wile
Us Against You, Fredrik Backman
Paper Ghosts, Julia Heaberlin

Friends & Foundation of the Camas Library

We need your talent

The Friends & Foundation of the Camas Library (FFCL) will be holding their annual elections at their next meeting on September 18 at 5:30pm. This is an excellent time to become a board member, as there are current vacancies.

What kind of volunteer opportunities are there?

Anything, really! If you are good at recruiting new members, we need that. Fundraising? We need that too. Know how to throw a great party? Join us. Want to skip the gym and carry some heavy boxes? Bring those muscles our way.

What if I don't want to be a full-fledged board member?

No problem. Board members head up committees, which can include volunteers. Maybe that's more your style. We'd be thrilled to have you as a volunteer!

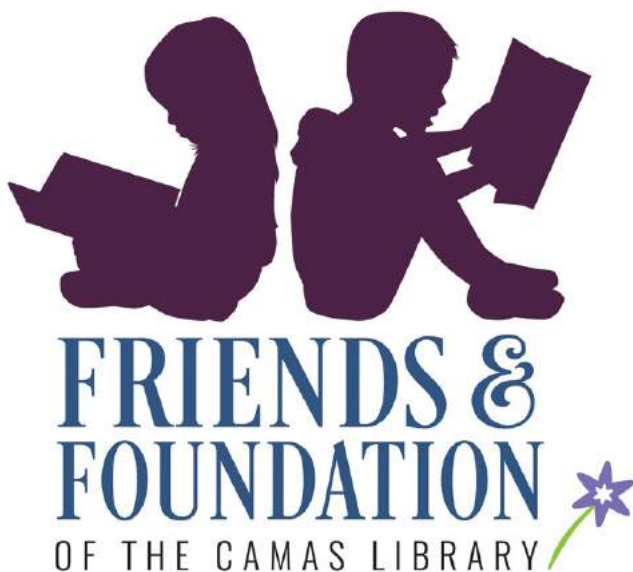
Who do I contact with more questions?

James Callan, President, at president@camaslibraryfriends.org.



Above:
The FFCL funds all Library events, including the summer reading program. The book sale is a major contributor to the annual grant given to the Library from the FFCL each year.

Right: The new FFCL logo was created by a former board member, who is a graphic designer.



looking ahead

A sampling of Library events in the coming month. For a full listing and descriptions of our programs, visit www.camaslibrary.org.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Bee Club
10:30am

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Teen Zine
4-5:30pm

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Craft-o-Rama
10am

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Party
Invite only for graduates of the program
2pm

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Forever Young Book Group
6-7:30pm at Starbuck on 192nd

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Repair Cafe
10am-3pm



TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Friends and Foundation meeting
5:30pm

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

LEGO Club
4pm

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

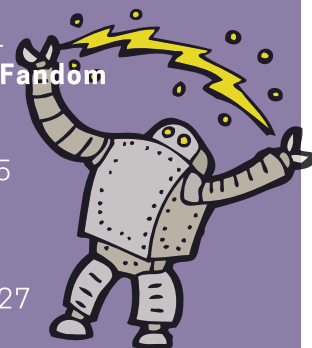
Game Night for Adults
6:30pm

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Galactic Alliance: Teen Fandom
4pm

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Teen Make Me
4-5:30pm



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Book 2 Art Club
6:30pm

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4

Library Board of Trustees meeting
6:30pm

online reviews

FROM FACEBOOK, GOOGLE, TRIP ADVISOR, AND YELP



mushbigdog
Camas,
Washington
 113  15

 Reviewed 1 week ago

Beautiful small town library

This is a wonderful small town library, that the city of Camas is rightly proud of. The first part of this library was built in the 1930's, and then much later a large modern addition was added, but so seamlessly, that you can't tell where the old ends and the new begins. Of course it's got books, and computers like all libraries, but it also has comfortable, nooks where you can sit and read in nice chairs, and it also has several community rooms that are often used for art exhibitions, and various community meetings. If you live in this area, you should make use of this great public facility.



danielN4142ES
Camas,
Washington
 20  5

 Reviewed 4 weeks ago  via mobile

Wonderful

Quiet, good internet and helpful staff so what is not to like? Upstairs gallery has artwork that changes monthly and there are frequent book sales with awesome deals.

[Ask danielN4142ES about Camas Public Library](#)



Peter C
Camas,
Washington
 13  10

 Reviewed 2 weeks ago

Excellent library

WE in Camas are lucky to have such a first-rate library. Excellent stock and very good and knowledgeable staff.

[Ask Peter C about Camas Public Library](#)

 1 Thank Peter C

 Respond 

online reviews

FROM FACEBOOK, GOOGLE, TRIP ADVISOR, AND YELP

J

James Christianson

1 review

 3 weeks ago

This is the best library of anywhere I have lived. So glad to have it nearby. We live in Washougal and used to use the library there but have used Camas library for several years. Do not plan to change when the deliveries stop. Our family is loyal to this library.



Emilia Brasier

Local Guide · 43 reviews · 171 photos

 3 weeks ago

We love this library and all of the events they have for families and people of all ages. They are a wonderful resource. We love the outdoor courtyard for having a snack and enjoying a nice garden area.

M

Makayla Johnson

3 reviews

 4 weeks ago

Love coming here for story hour! It is so much fun. The librarians do a great job of getting the kids to move and get the wiggles out. We love it here so much even though we live in Washougal it is worth the drive.



Nathan N.

Chassell, MI

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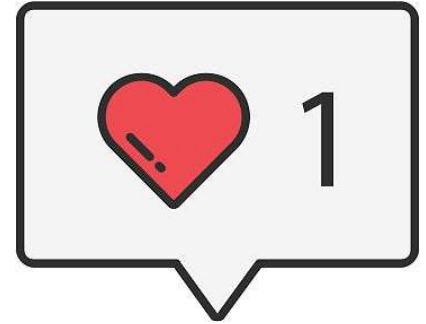
 6 reviews

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This is my happy place. I don't live in Camas, but I came here one time randomly to study, and now I come here whenever I'm nearby to hangout and chill. The building is magnificent on the outside and charming on the inside. The atmosphere is perfect for reading, writing, studying, listening to music and drinking tea or coffee, building the puzzles they have out, and looking for great books and movies. The people at the front desk are sweet and helpful. This is my favorite library, but as you can tell it is more than just a library for me:)

social media #shoutouts

MENTIONABLE MENTIONS FROM OUR ONLINE COMMUNITY



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darlene_darling 짧은 다리가 매력적인 그 남자.. 이성 앞에 경건한 그 남자.. 스토리타임 갈때마다 집중력 터지는 그 남자.. 쌤한테 사랑받는 그 남자.. 넌 내꼬양♥
#koreanstorytime #storytime

darlene_darling #럽스타그램 #육아스타그램 #육아소통 #담띠맘 #미국맘 #미국육아 #맘스타그램 #도치맘 #육아말일상 #baby #세젤귀 #애스타그램 #아들맘 #인스타베이비 #instababy #9개월아기

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moonchulhwan6575 여기오면 매력발산을 위해 최선을 다하는듯ㅋㅋㅋ 매너 경정 눈빛 몸가짐 각잡기ㅋㅋ

darlene_darling @na.r.a.e 뒷모습 너무 귀여오 뒷통수에 뽀뽀 너무해서 저녁되면 침범



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kaylab24 Walking into library time like a big girl!



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angi_fay This guy took his first steps by himself today at story time! So happy dad was able to be there to see it! #10monthsold
inmyrightmind1 What a doll!!!

angi_fay @inmyrightmind1 thank you!

littlemommabear Awe!!!! That's so cool!👍❤️

tay_trotter Gosh he's so cute!

angi_fay @tay_trotter 🥰🥰🥰🥰

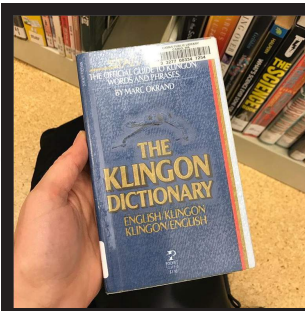
jennhughesphoto His cuteness is unstoppable!

renaforshee Little ham



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summer.wick This Ray of sunshine. Enjoying the library while we can. Last weeks of summer. #summerlife #camaslibrary
gen1955 Love her!



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indiekixx Thank God I finally found it! I have been searching for years. #trekieforlife🙌🙌🙌

robotgirl77 Omg this is amazing! 🥰🥰🥰

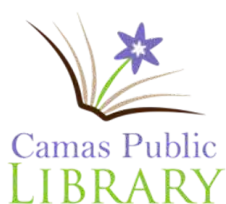
stock595 Wow!

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photos from recent events



Clockwise from top left: Local Author Meet-n-Greet; Origami for Adults and Teens; All Ages Bollywood dancing and henna; BJ the Clown; Author Tiffany Lovelace reading her new picture book to a packed house; Preschool storytime craft: dinosaur eggs.



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