

SILETZ VALLEY FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Siletz Public Library is OPEN!

Submitted by Carol Rasmussen Schramm

On March 2nd we opened for limited browsing Tuesday-Friday from 10-4. We ask that you don't bring the whole family at this point -- we can currently only have 10 people in the library at a time, so this gives more people a chance to browse. Social distancing and face covers are required. If you can't wear a mask, we will continue curbside service upon request! Browsing sessions are limited to 30 minutes per person, once per day. We can't wait to see you!

We are thrilled to get our books, movies, magazines, and music CDs into the hands of our local users. Currently, we have the following at the library (approximate numbers): 15,400 books, including adult, young adult, and youth and children's fiction and non-fiction; 2000 DVDs and VHS tapes for adults and children; subscriptions to 30 magazines which are available for checkout;

two regular newspapers which are for in-library use; and a Native American collection which contains roughly 450 books.

Besides these materials which reside at the Siletz Library, we have access to many, many more from the other libraries in the Chinook Library Network. Our courier makes the rounds between libraries several times a week delivering items requested by our local patrons. In addition, there are digital resources available at our catalog website- www.chinooklibraries.org. You can find databases with research articles, audio and ebooks, and helpful resources like *Mango Languages* and the genealogy site *Heritage Quest*. For more information about how to access any of these resources and services, please call the library at 541-444-2855 during our open hours (Tues-Fri from 10-4).

Siletz Library Wish List 2021

In February, we normally have a papier mâché birthday cake with "wish candles" for things the library needs -- patrons would buy these gifts and leave them at the library. This year, our library still has a list (see below) and will be happy to receive gifts during the next months.

- ♥ Cleaning Supplies (window cleaner, Simple Green concentrate, toilet cleaner, Clorox wipes)
- ♥ Rolls of paper towels
- ♥ Toilet paper
- ♥ PPE (disposable masks and hand sanitizer)
- ♥ Printer paper (20 lb)
- ♥ Printer cartridges (HP 952 black and colors)
- ♥ Post-it notes
- ♥ Sharpies



Virtual Cake with Wish Candles

If you can help with computer monitors or cash donations to put toward a new public computer system, please call the library (541-444-2855) and ask to speak to Carol.

Fun Facts about our Board Treasurer

An interview with Rose Esbenschade by karen carlson



Rose Esbenschade

RE: I was born in Toledo, Oregon, and grew up in eastern Lincoln County near Elk City. I was home-schooled in the first grade before attending a one-room country school through sixth grade.

I attended junior high and high school in Toledo and graduated in 1952. I worked for National Security Bank and then

worked for Bank of the West, retiring in 1996. I became a Siletz Valley Friends of the Library board member in 2002 and was also elected to the Treasurer position which I have continued to hold.

kc: What is your pet's name?

RE: I do not have a pet but do enjoy watching the deer and elk that come into our field and yard.

kc: What's your favorite tool in the kitchen or garden
(continued next column, *Rose Esbenschade*)

Siletz Public Library Events Calendar

Carol Schramm, Siletz Library Manager
Phone: 541-444-2855

Limited Browsing & Curbside Service

Tuesdays: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Wednesdays: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Thursdays: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Fridays: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Closed: Saturday, Sunday, & Monday



SVFOL Board Meetings

SVFOL members and members of the general public are welcome to attend our Board meetings. The next Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 18th, 2021, 5:30 to 6:30 PM. Meetings are held on-line and by phone. Contact Sunshine Keck for instructions on how to join the teleconference:

Email: sunart@peak.org or call 541-444-7424.

Rose Esbenschade, continued

or where you are most creative?

RE: My favorite tool is probably my KitchenAid mixer although I don't do as much cooking and baking as I used to. When the children were all home, all the kitchen appliances were my favorite.

kc: What food can't you live without?

RE: My favorite food is potatoes fixed any way. I think potato salad is great!

kc: What is the most organized part of your life?

RE: Now that I am retired, I am not very organized but take each day as it comes and hope to get everything done that is necessary.

kc: Where is your special place to be zen-like?

RE: I am most zen-like in my recliner with a good book or taking a nap.

kc: Can you share something we don't know about you?

RE: I can't think of anything that most of my friends don't know about me.

kc: What is your favorite accomplishment?

RE: I think my greatest accomplishment is the raising of my four children. They have all been good, responsible people and have raised good families. I now have nine grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

kc: If COVID would let you travel, where would you go?

RE: When Covid 19 is under control, I will be glad to be able to visit family and friends without having to wear a mask.

kc: Thank you, Rose!



February was LOVE your SILETZ LIBRARY Month! (Party later)

Many years ago, the City of Siletz issued a proclamation that February would be known as "Love our Siletz Library" month. February has traditionally been the month we have a birthday party for our library and patrons because the Siletz Library was first opened in February of 1954, 67 years ago. The new Siletz Public Library building opened 1/6/2007, 14 years ago.

Due to COVID, we could not schedule our library birthday party in February but we hope to celebrate in early summer.

A Trip Down Memory Lane: 2004

The excited talk of the night on June 17th, 2004, at the Siletz Valley Friends of the Library annual membership meeting was the \$100,000 pledge from the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians toward our Siletz Public Library Building fund!

The article below was originally published in our October 2004 newsletter. The Tribe's pledge was an important turning point for our library fundraising efforts. At the June 2004 membership meeting, Karen Carlson explained that we needed to have \$500,000 in commitments by December, 2004, as a condition of a Collins Foundation grant. The Tribe's pledge met 20% of that requirement but it also showed other foundations that we had the community behind us. With the Tribe's demonstrated support, we were able to secure additional grants from the Ford Family Foundation, Meyer Memorial Trust, Paul G Allen Family Foundation and Oregon Community Foundation. We met our \$500,000 goal!



From left to right: Jane John, Reggie Butler, Lillie Butler, David Hatch, Sally Jennings, Bud Lane, Claudia Hatmaker, Alice McCain, Amy Gibson, Rosemary Landis, Jessie Davis, and Delores Pigsley.

Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians Donates \$100,000 to Siletz Library Building Fund

Siletz Tribal Council announced their pledge of \$100,000 toward the building of a new library in a June 18th ceremony. In her letter to **SVFOL** President Sally Jennings, Tribal Chairman Delores Pigsley said "The Confederated Tribes of Siletz recognizes the importance of a library to all community members, and understands the urgent need of the foundation to raise funds to replace the current building." Chairman Pigsley also stated that she hoped **SVFOL** could use this pledge to leverage additional resources.

The Siletz Tribe has been continuously supportive of **SVFOL** efforts to help our local library. The CTSI Charitable Contributions Board has awarded grants for an outside book drop which is currently installed at the existing library and can be moved to the new library when it is built; funds to cover the cost of liability insurance; and funds to purchase large print books for the library. In addition, Tina Retasket, Assistant General Manager for the Tribe, has generously shared her grant-writing expertise with **SVFOL**'s grant committee members.

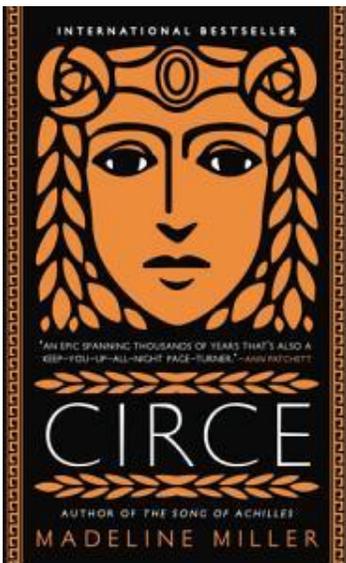
Chairman Pigsley's hope that the Siletz Tribal pledge could be leveraged has already been realized: The Ford Family Foundation matched the Tribal pledge with a \$100,000 commitment in early July.

In an email to **SVFOL** members, President Sally Jennings said, "I am overwhelmed with happiness. I believe the support of the Tribe will open the way for the rest of the funding of the library project to come together."

Thank you, Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians.

Siletz Public Library Notes

-- Carol Rasmussen Schramm



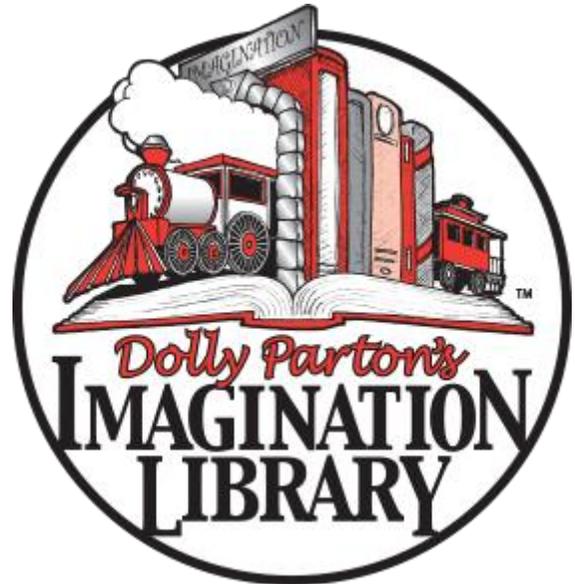
The Siletz Library community is invited to participate in **Lincoln County Reads** (formerly Newport Reads) this spring.

Everyone will be reading the same book -- **Circe** -- by Madeline Miller. An author event will be announced when the details are decided.

SVFOL donated \$250 to the project on behalf of Siletz Public Library.

Siletz Public Library has a New Website

www.siletzpubliclibrary.org is the new website which also has a page for SVFOL (Siletz Valley Friends of the Library).



Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is a book gifting program that gives free books to children from birth to age five. The idea behind the program is to foster a love of reading among preschool children and their families. It's simple to sign up -- either call the library and ask for a registration form or visit <https://imaginationlibrary.com/> to sign up.

Your child will receive a top quality, age-appropriate book in the mail each month. This is a wonderful way to build a library of outstanding books for your child.

STCCF Grant Awarded for Library's New Blinds

Great news and a huge "thank you" to grant writer Karen Carlson. We have been awarded \$1294 from **Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund (STCCF)**.

We will add our grant award to the \$2000 donated by our patrons. Karen and Carol have ordered the new blinds to replace the worn out ones in our library's large and small meeting rooms.

Congratulations, Karen, and thank you, **STCCF**.

-- Sally Jennings

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Many Thanks for your Donations!

Due to pandemic restrictions, SVFOL had to cancel its annual Pow Wow fundraiser last August and delayed our annual February Library Birthday Party and fundraiser this year. We asked for donations to help replace the blinds in our large and small meeting rooms and many of you responded.

We received over \$2,000 which allowed us to offer matching funds for a grant request to **STCCF** for the blinds and we got the grant! THANK YOU!

Tax-deductible donations can be mailed to:
SVFOL, PO Box 130, Siletz OR 97380-0130