



**Wilsonville Public Library
Monthly Report to Council
November 2017**

Collaboration with West Linn Public Library to serve the WLWV School District

Students and teachers at the three local primary schools can now return their books by dropping them in bins at their schools. The bins were installed in late October and will be serviced by Library Youth Services staff. Not only does this make returning books easier, but creates an opportunity for Library staff to interact with school staff and kids on a regular basis. This is just the latest incremental service addition that has come from the collaboration between the West Linn Library and Wilsonville Library to serve the school district. Additionally, a joint newsletter is being distributed to parents and teachers to highlight programs for kids and promote great new books.

Library Renovation

Bids are due on November 16th for the Library improvements project. City staff are planning to select a contractor and ask for approval of the contract at the December 6th Council meeting. Construction should take place between January and June 2018.

The Library is creating plans to stay open during construction, and plans to work with the contractor to phase construction to limit service interruptions. Library staff is also exploring remote locations to continue to provide programming for the community. Meeting room reservations will cease during construction, however, so that rooms may be used for storage or other purposes as needed.

The renovation will focus on replacing the library's interior carpet and repainting, upgrading the library HVAC in key areas, remodeling bathrooms by the non-fiction collection to make them ADA accessible, creating a larger Youth Services area in the Northwest corner of the building, and removing existing service desks and opening up the central area of the library for display, seating and discovery.

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

Lots going on in the State of Oregon. DPIL is expanding its reach. Starting in January, the West Linn Public Library Foundation will begin soliciting support to join Wilsonville to create an Imagination Library program to serve the entire West Linn Wilsonville School District. Additionally, supporters in Oregon City, Estacada, and Stayton are beginning to explore forming programs in their cities. And just the other day with the support of the Oregon Trail Electrical

Co-op, programs were announced to serve the entire counties of Union, Harney, Baker and Grant. Thirty-four hundred kids in those counties will have access to Imagination Library books.

Wilsonville-Boones Ferry Historical Society update

The Historical Society is applying for a grant from the Clackamas County Cultural Coalition to begin the process to evaluate and catalog the historical artifacts in the Library's attic. The grant will pay for an archivist to examine the material and create a plan to select and preserve the highest value items. The Historical Society is also sponsoring a contest to find the City's oldest buildings. The contest challenges citizens to identify and date historic buildings and submit them.

Foundation Wine Tasting

The Wilsonville Public Library Foundation held it's A Toast to Imagination wine tasting on November 4th. Approximately 140 local residents and wine lovers attended the event, and tasted wines from 6 local wineries. The Foundation appreciates the support of local businesses including OrePac Building Products, Umpqua Bank, Moss Adams LLP, US Bank, and Wilsonville Subaru.

Next Library Board meeting: December 6th at 6:30pm in the library