



Footnotes — the newsletter of the Friends of the Estacada Public Library

From the Friends' President:

To All Our Members!

In our third full year of library support we have:

- Become a qualified non-profit eligible to benefit from the Oregon Cultural Trust state tax credit program. You can also benefit from the program; go to www.culturaltrust.org for more details.
- Completed a successful memorial brick sale in June, raising over \$1,000.
- Provided grants to the library for: picture books distributed at a family resource fair, a badge/button maker for youth services, poinsettias, lights and holiday tree for the library.
- Hosted opening night receptions for two "Art in the Library" exhibits
- Hosted three library programs about Oregon State Parks history and "Owls of Oregon." Also: presented the Ellen Whyte Trio Christmas concert, Cider in the Stacks and provided refreshments for a Civics for Adults program.
- Continued to reach out for new members.

We formed in November 2013 with the goal of supporting the library in any way we can. To learn more about our organization, please explore and bookmark our Web site at: www.FriendsoftheEstacadaLibrary.org and Like us on our Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/friendsoftheestacadalibrary.org>

None of our activities would be possible without the support of you, our members.

At the back of this newsletter we have included our membership/renewal form for 2017. Please consider renewing your membership. We need your support!

Have a wonderful year!

Dave Bugni, President
Friends of the Estacada Public Library Board

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has a link on amazon**smile**
<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/46-4761595>

Use our link when shopping at amazon and the Friends will
receive a percentage of the sale.

Thank you for supporting your Estacada Library!

Library News from Michele Kinnamon, Library Director

Dear Library Friends,

In last year's newsletter I wrote about the library purchasing the property next-door. In 2016 the house on the property was moved, other structures demolished, a well decommissioned, and the site filled in to prepare for construction of a parking lot. Iselin Architects of Oregon City drew up a plan for the lot, that will increase parking from 42 to 95 spaces. A civil engineer has been chosen for the project and so far we are on track to begin when the weather improves with the goal of a late spring completion.

Another big project coming up this year is implementation of RFID (radio-frequency identification). All circulating materials will be tagged with a small radio antenna that makes it possible to check in and check out items. RFID will make patron check out faster than the long-serving barcode scanning system LINCC now uses and allow staff to track and sort items more accurately. All Clackamas County libraries will use RFID and we think patrons will appreciate this upgrade in library services. Look for this to happen in late Spring this year.

We are again offering an adult winter reading program beginning January 9. Adult services librarian, Leslie Pearson, has planned events to go along with our reading promotion. Watch our web site and Facebook page for specific details and times. We appreciate all the local businesses that donated prizes, including TrueValue Hardware for a \$50 grand prize.

Contact me if you have questions or suggestions for the library. Happy 2017! Michele

Library Staff Picks: Favorite Books of 2016

Michele, Director: *Trouble Boys: the true adventures of The Replacements* by Bob Mehr

Deborah, Youth Services Librarian: *The Raven King* by Maggie Stiefvater

Leslie, Adult Services Librarian: *Gold, Fame, Citrus* by Claire Watkins

Patrons' Top Checkouts of the Year

Fiction

Commonwealth by Ann Patchett

The Underground Railroad by Colson Whitehead

My Name is Lucy Barton by Elizabeth Strout

NonFiction

Hillbilly Elegy: a memoir of a family & culture in crisis by J.D. Vance

When Breath Becomes Air by Paul Kalanithi

Evicted: poverty and profit in the American city by Matthew Desmond

Find all of these at your Library

A Retrospective of the New Estacada Public Library

By

David Bugni

Part 3 of 6

From 2004 through 2005, as chairman of the Estacada Public Library Foundation, I wrote a series of six articles for the Estacada News describing the need for a new library, and then the progress of the new library's construction once we had secured the necessary funding to construct and furnish it. Over the years since then, folks have asked about the history of how our new library came to be. To help address those questions, I am presenting excerpts from these six articles, which will be presented in this and future newsletters. I hope you will find this information of interest and also please take the time to reflect upon the extreme generosity of so many community members, some of who are no longer with us, that helped to make this wonderful building a reality.

Take yourself back to October 2004:

The total budget for the new library as recommended by the Library Building Task Force and accepted by the Estacada City Council and the Estacada Public Library Foundation is about \$3.5 million dollars. This includes acquisition of the property (which is already complete), site development, building costs, furnishing and equipping the new library, funds for studies, design, permits, and a construction contingency for unforeseen circumstances. The property has already been purchased and a number of feasibility studies already performed.

How will this project be financed? A three pronged approach is being implemented: 1) Community (Local) Funds/Donations (21% of total or about \$745,000), 2) Grants from Foundations (25% of total or about \$900,000) and 3) Measure 3-153 Bond Levy (54% of total or about \$1,900,000).

The bond levy will appear on this November's [2004] general election ballot (as Measure 3-153) and will cost the property tax payer about \$0.16 per \$1,000 of assessed property value, or about \$32.00 per year (\$2.67 per month) for a \$200,000 home. The bond has a term of 20 years. Within Oregon since 1998, 11 bond measures have passed to build libraries. The lowest levy rate was \$0.08 per \$1,000, the highest levy rate was \$0.44 per \$1,000 and the median rate was \$0.28 per \$1,000. The projected Estacada Public Library bond levy rate is well below the median levy rate for this type of public project, primarily because we are implementing other methods of financing to augment the bond levy.

How will the new library project be managed? The Estacada Public Library Foundation is responsible for raising the funds necessary to complete the project and to advocate for the agreed upon method and amounts of public financing.

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Why Should a New Public Library be Built?

5. A dedicated area for study and reading for teens,
6. A business center with space for a scanner, fax machine, color copier, and work counter,
7. A reference area providing dedicated space for a librarian to offer help to patrons to find materials, without having to wait in the checkout line,
8. Hispanic patrons will find a space for access to a computer with bilingual instructions and will find more materials in Spanish,
9. More checkout stations will reduce wait times,
10. More amenities for the public including: more bathrooms, public phones, a community room, and ample parking.

The current library is about 2,800 square feet and cannot possibly offer the benefits mentioned above due to size restrictions. Based upon library standards, the minimum recommended size of a library for our community's population is about 13,350 square feet, with a 3,000 square foot planned expansion. The expansion will be needed to accommodate projected growth in the community over the next 20 years. In the new library, our community has requested through various town hall meetings the following, which has been programmed into the conceptual design by the architect:

1. A larger children's area
2. An area for teens
3. A multicultural area, featuring books & materials from other countries
4. A periodicals area, where one can conveniently browse magazines
5. A technology area, providing greater access to computers and the Internet. (As an underserved rural community, the existing library was eligible for five Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation public access computer stations, but was able to accept only two as there was simply nowhere to place them all.)
6. An expanded reference section
7. A business area featuring relevant, timely information about our economy
8. Larger fiction and nonfiction areas
9. A quiet study area
10. A larger area to house the audio/visual collection
11. A community meeting room. This will allow for the development of more children's, adult and senior citizen programs.

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The City of Estacada will act as the public agency responsible for the disbursement of public funds to insure that all legal requirements for the design and construction of the library are met and to operate the completed facility. This relationship has been defined in depth in the "Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Estacada and the Estacada Public Library Foundation," which was passed by the Estacada City Council on November 10, 2003.

What is the anticipated overall schedule for this project? Fund raising within our community to build the new library has been ongoing for several years and is expected to be complete, or essentially complete, by this fall. Assuming that the bond levy is successful in November [2004], the larger foundations will be solicited immediately thereafter. We should know by the late winter or spring of 2005 what the total funds available for construction will be, and at that time the architect will be commissioned to design the structure. Construction is scheduled to be complete by the summer of 2006, with a grand opening shortly thereafter.

There will be another library-related measure on the November ballot. Clackamas County will put a local option levy on the ballot (Measure 3-152) to fund county-wide library operations for the next five years. That funding currently comes from the County's general fund. Estacada area's share of that money is based upon the size of its service area population and the number of books checked out. The county's levy is anticipated to cost every property tax payer in the county about \$0.29/\$1000 of assessed property value. If this operations levy fails, libraries would need to scale back services somewhat (operational funding for 2005 is anticipated to be about 80% of the 2004 level with a failed levy), perhaps leading to a reduction in hours served. The Foundation encourages all voters to consider this local option levy to preserve, and enhance, current levels of library service. [2016 note: This county-wide ballot measure did fail in November 2004.]

In the fourth article of this series I will present the fund raising aspects of the project.

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About Estacada Library

12,600 square feet full of library materials and room to read. Our collection contains more than 56,000 books, DVDs, CDs, audio books, magazines, video games, large print books, puzzles and more!

Free public programs for all ages

Public computers (24) and Wi-Fi.
Printer and copier available

Cultural Passes to such area attractions as the Portland Art Museum, Japanese Garden and Children's Museum. Free or discounted entry.

Library2Go downloadable eBooks

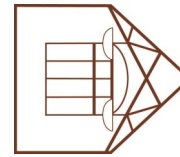
Borrowing power from 12 other libraries in Clackamas County and via interlibrary loan from libraries across North America.

For more information:

*Contact the Friends of the Estacada
Public Library at 503-630-8273*

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*Visit us on the Web at
www.friendsoftheestacadalibrary.org*



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It's inexpensive and easy!
Just fill out the form on the
back, include a check for your
dues (or use your PayPal
account), and mail it or drop
it off at the
Estacada Public Library

Read on to learn about the
benefits of being a Friend.



What does a Friends of the Library group do?

Friends support the Library in any way we can.

Friends groups:

- Fundraise for extras that add to the enjoyment of our library
- Sponsor programs that enhance the cultural life of the community
- Create awareness and public support for our library
- Advocate for our library and its services within the community and to elected officials
- Have FUN by contributing time, talent and creativity to enhance our library services.

Don't have time to volunteer? Your tax-deductible membership still helps!

Join us and your contribution goes to fund future initiatives such as capital improvements, library collections, programming, technology and more. When you give, all library users benefit!

What's in it for You?

Do you value your Public Library? Do you want to enrich your community? Do you have a skill or talent to offer others? Do you believe you can make a difference? When we give we enrich our own lives and the lives of others. These are all ways that being a Friend of the Estacada Public Library benefit YOU!

Libraries Need Friends.
Join us!



Friends of the Estacada Public Library has already begun adding value to our library by sponsoring author events and hosting a holiday reception for patrons. Help us do more.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

☐ Student \$5.00 ☐ Adult \$10.00 ☐ Immediate Family \$15.00 ☐ Club, Association or Business \$20.00 ☐ Sustaining \$35.00

I would like to add a donation in the amount of \$ _____

I can help with (optional): ☐ Chapter Two Bookstore ☐ Friends' Board ☐ Membership Committee
☐ Volunteer Committee ☐ Publicity Committee ☐ Events Committee

Membership valid through December 31, 2017

Please make check payable to the Friends of Estacada Public Library and mail to:

Friends of the Estacada Public Library, 825 NW Wade St., Estacada, OR 97023

Or drop it off at the Library at the address above anytime on Mon-Thurs 10-7, Friday 10-5, Sat-Sun 11-5

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