

ASOTIN COUNTY LIBRARY

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Message from Jennifer Ashby, Director



291 people enjoyed the Family
Christmas Craft Workshop at
ACL on the evening
of December 3rd

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Upcoming events for December

Mondays

Career Catalyst Center 2pm
Family Christmas Craft Workshop, 12/3 6pm

Tuesdays

Play & Learn 9:30
Career Catalyst Center 1pm
Color Me Happy 12/11 6:30pm

Wednesdays

(Heights) Play & Learn 9:30
Career Catalyst Center 2pm

Thursdays

Career Catalyst Center 1pm
Music in the Stacks, 12/20, 3pm
Writers Group, 12/6, 20 7pm

Fridays

Saturdays

Tech Help 12/15, 22, 29 10am

Spotlight on Success

Meet **John Fadick**, Janitor/maintenance extraordinaire!!! John has been with the library for about four years and says he really enjoys the work here, especially the maintenance and outside work. John was a crucial component in the library's recent move back to the library after completion of the remodeling project this year. John was especially helpful in moving and relocating all of the shelving. Getting the shelving upstairs was just one of the hurdles that he and Robert handled with ease. John credits the many volunteers who helped with the move and also acknowledges that Jennifer and her staff were most accommodating and helpful, always willing to help do whatever needed done. One of the things John would like folks to understand about the library is the helpful

and positive attitude displayed here at the library from the director down. The staff members are most willing to help anyone with anything they need. And they do it willingly and with a smile. He encourages people to stop by, meet the staff, and explore the many different resources available to the public. On a personal note, John and his wife Jacqueline enjoy living in the valley. They have one son, daughter-in-law and granddaughter who live in Denver. The granddaughter is now two and one-half so they make as many trips to Denver as possible to spend time with her. They are also actively involved with their church and bible studies; they enjoy taking motorcycle rides and doing a little traveling. Plans for the future include a trip to Denver to visit

the granddaughter, spending time with his wife and just enjoying life in the valley. Come explore the library – you just might be surprised at what you find.

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“A library outranks any other one thing a community can do to benefit its’ people. It is a never failing spring in the desert.”
Andrew Carnegie

Book Night

Book Night is an adult book discussion group that meets on the fourth Thursday of each month from 7 – 8pm except in November and December. Reading selections are mostly fiction with a sprinkling of non-fiction and classics, and chosen to appeal to varied reading tastes with an emphasis on books with interesting points of discussion. Pre-registration is not required and all adults are welcome! Find print or CD audio copies available for loan at www.valnet.org, or digital copies at www.valnet.overdrive.com or www.anytime.overdrive.com. The line-up through June 2019:

January 24	The Weight of Ink by Rachel Kadish
February 28	A Piece of the World by Christina Baker Kline
March 28	Before We Were Yours by Lisa Wingate
April 25	Last Bus to Wisdom by Ivan Doig
May 23	Educated by Tara Westover
June 27	News of the World by Paulette Jiles

Career Catalyst Center



Beverly Rhoades

Looking for a job? Need help creating or updating your resume? Or filling out an online application?

We can help!!!

Stop by the Career Catalyst Center at the Asotin County Library for help with:

- Job Search
- On-line application
- Resume
- Cover letter

- Explore new careers
- Strengthen your technology skills
- Or just someone to talk with about your job search.

For individuals wanting to practice for the GED test, recent grads or anyone needing a little practice before taking college entrance tests, occupation

exams, or other licensing exams, ACL offers practice tests in many areas. Stop by and check it out!! No appointments needed And best of all it's **FREE!!**

Bev is located in the Conference Room 2nd Floor,

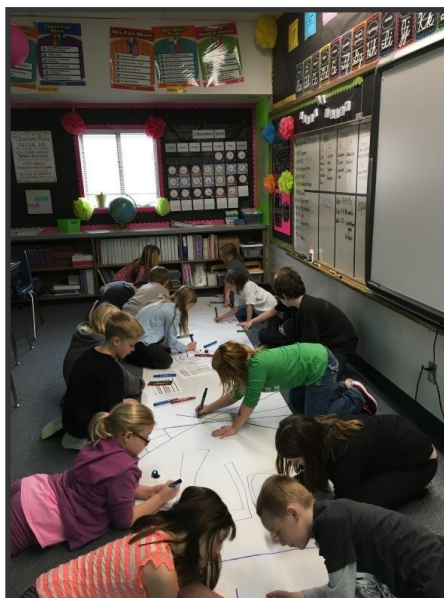
M/W 2-5pm & T/Th 1-4pm

Kids Programs, Literacy Tips and More

By Mary Neuman, Assistant Director/Youth Services Librarian

Ozobots Come to Clarkston

Thanks to the Washington State Library, fourth graders at Grantham Elementary School and Holy Family School got to spend some time learning how to use Ozobots. Ozobots are tiny, round robots that are programmed to follow a black line and execute different maneuvers according to a series of colored squares. The State Library has invested in a number of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) kits that they loan to libraries around the state. This is a wonderful opportunity for us because we are able to offer special activities several times a year, such as Ozobots, Snap Circuits and LEGO Mindstorm Robots. Keep an eye on this space to find out when our next STEM workshops will be held.



Mrs. McLachlan's 4th graders, Grantham Elementary School, drawing pathways for the Ozobots to follow.

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promotes a
prosperous
community, a
literate society,
and lifelong
learning for
people of all
ages.*

Friends of the Asotin County Library

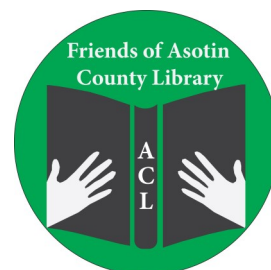
The Friends of the Asotin County Library support the library by purchasing equipment and materials, facilitating the library book sale and other events.

Steve Martin, President
Betty Lou Gano, Vice President
Jerry Hendrickson, Treasurer

Jean Hendrickson, Secretary
The Friends are looking for new members who want to become involved with such things as reading programs, keeping book sections in order, raising money for youth reading programs and more. The Family Christmas Craft Workshop is an especially fun time to volunteer to help make the

evening enjoyable. Ask any of the library staff for information and about signing up.

Now accepting donations for the fall Book Sale. (up to 2 boxes a week). Drop off during regular library hours or call 758-5454 for pick up.



Featured Resources

Mary Neuman, Assistant Director/Youth Services Librarian

Creation Space

Have you always wanted to try sewing? Painting with acrylics? Making your own cards and wall art? We have a dedicated space for you to explore your creative side! It's the Creation Space in the southeast corner of the mezzanine, next to the Conference Room.

In this space we have a Brother sewing machine, a Cricut Maker, and lots of art supplies. If you know how to sew but don't have a machine, come use ours. A staff member will show you the basics of the machine by appointment, and then you're free to use the machine during our open hours. We supply scissors, pins, rotary cutter and mat—you just need to bring your own fabric and pattern. We do have a limited supply of fabric for you to practice sewing with if you're not quite ready to start a bigger project. If you would like an in-depth session to learn the basics of sewing, please leave your name, phone number and email so we can contact you when we schedule a class.

The Cricut Maker is a marvelous machine that will cut paper, cardstock, vinyl, fabric, leather and balsa wood. It's easy to use but we require you to schedule an intro session with one of our staff members. You'll have access to thousands of fonts, images, and patterns, plus you can upload your own designs. We have a wide choice of scrapbook paper, cardstock and vinyl. If you have something specific in mind, it's better for you to bring your own materials, but while you're getting used to the machine feel free to use ours.

Art supplies are also stocked in the space. Inquire of a staff member about the availability of those materials. Occasional classes will be held in the Creation Space. These will be announced in the newsletter, social media and on flyers posted in the library and community.

Adult supervision is required in the Creation Space for anyone younger than 13.



Creation Space

Adult Services, Programs & Events

by Erin Kolb, adult services librarian

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Volunteers are a welcome and integral part of our library. They help us to offer the very best services to our community. The Volunteer Program at the Asotin County Library includes senior citizens, students, and professional people. All you need to join is time, interest, and enthusiasm!

We are currently looking for volunteers to help us with shelving library materials and maintaining shelf orderliness. If you're interested or want to learn more, please contact me at ekolb@aclib.org or 509-758-5454.

Shelvers

You'll work with the circulation supervisor and staff to assist with the shelving of all library materials including books, CDs, and DVDs; organize magazines and newspapers; assist with upkeep/order of shelves; help retrieve items for hold requests. Your attention to detail and love for organization is appreciated in this position! Requires a moderate level of physical activity including standing, walking, bending, kneeling, reaching and pushing a book cart.

Adopt-a-Shelf Volunteer

In this position, you'll monitor a section of the Library's shelving to keep books, CDs, DVDs, or magazines in order. This is a vital part of making the materials readily available for patron requests. The only skills required are an attention to detail and some simple housekeeping skills. This is the ideal job for a volunteer who cannot commit to a set schedule and needs extremely flexible volunteer hours.



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Erin is reading to "Washington Black" by Esi Edugyan

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Clarkston, WA 99403
509-758-4601

Asotin Branch
215 Second Street
Asotin, WA 99402
509-243-6010

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The mission of the Asotin County Library Foundation is to support a vibrant, modern library system that serves the diverse needs of everyone in our community in perpetuity. The Foundation has been very busy this year in planning for the future. Future Projects include:

- Expansion of the Heights Branch
- Creation of a branch building in the City of Asotin
- Build the Foundation endowment to achieve sustainability for the library's future.

To learn more about how you can become involved with the work of the foundation, stop by the library.



Mikey strikes a pose!!!

