

# Ledding Library News

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## LIBRARY HOURS

MON - THURS:

10AM - 9PM

FRI & SAT:

10AM - 6PM

SUN:

12PM - 6PM

## LIBRARY

**CLOSING AT 5PM**

DECEMBER 24TH

## LIBRARY CLOSED

DECEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup> &

JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>

## LIBRARY

**CLOSING AT 6PM**

DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup>

## FRIENDS OF THE LEDDING

LIBRARY POND

HOUSE USED

BOOK STORE

FRI & SAT:

11AM - 4PM

## It's Our 50th Birthday



50 years ago this month, Ledding Library opened its doors. Though Milwaukie has had a library in various forms for 125 years, 1964 marked the beginning of a public library in a building designed specifically for that purpose.

The generous donation of the property on which the library now stands by Herman and Florence Ledding made this possible and gave the library its name. To celebrate Ledding Library's first five decades, we are planning a birthday party on Tuesday, December 16. All Ledding Library patrons, friends and fans are invited. The all-day festivities include a trivia game in the adult library, a scavenger hunt and birthday crown craft in the children's library, several 1960's displays, and a video of historic library photos. Join in the fun any time between 10am-8pm, or simply come to the cake cutting at 2pm. Hope to see you there!

## Kim Stafford Reading

The Ledding Library's Poetry Series welcomes Kim Stafford to read his poetry on Wednesday, December 10th at 7pm at the Ledding Library Pond House, 2215 SE Harrison St. Milwaukie, OR 97222.

Kim Stafford grew up in Oregon, Iowa, Indiana, California, and Alaska, following his parents as they taught and traveled through the West. Stafford is the founding director of the Northwest Writing Institute at Lewis & Clark College, and author of a dozen books of poetry and prose. His most recent books are *100 Tricks Every Boy Can Do: How My Brother Disappeared*, and *Wind on the Waves: Stories from the Oregon Coast*.

## Toy & Food Drive

It's that time of year again when the Ledding Library partners with local charities and the North Clackamas School District to help local families in need give gifts to their children. If you are interested in donating to this cause, please drop off a new unwrapped toy at the front desk of Ledding Library before December 18th. The most popular presents are dolls, cars, Legos, board games and gifts related to arts and crafts. Any and all gifts, however, will be greatly appreciated.



Whether or not it is the holiday season, the Ledding Library is your place to donate non-perishable food year round to the Oregon Food Bank. The need for food is great no matter the time of year. For more information about either of these opportunities please contact Library Circulation Supervisor Nancy Wittig at 503-786-7582.

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**50TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION:** TUES, DEC 16TH - ALL DAY OPEN HOUSE - CAKE CEREMONY AT 2PM AN ALL AGES EVENT

**PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS**

**KNIT NITE:** THURSDAYS, FROM 6:30PM - 8PM  
FICTION ROOM

**LIBRARY2GO HELP:** MON, DEC 1<sup>ST</sup>, 8<sup>TH</sup>, 15<sup>TH</sup> & 29<sup>TH</sup>, BY APPOINTMENT FROM 6PM - 8:30PM  
CALL (503) 786-7546

**1ST SATURDAY MUSIC - ELLEN WHYTE TRIO:** SAT, DEC 6<sup>TH</sup> AT 2PM

**POETRY READING - KIM STAFFORD:** WED, DEC 10<sup>TH</sup> AT 7PM - POND HOUSE

**TRIVIA NIGHT WITH "THE LIBRARIAN":** THURS, DEC 11<sup>TH</sup> AT 7PM - GAMEROOM, 1926 SE SCOTT ST.

**BOOK CLUB:** WED, DEC 17<sup>TH</sup> AT 7PM  
FICTION ROOM - READ *LET THE GREAT WORLD SPIN* BY COLUM MCCANN

**FOREIGN FILM NIGHT - XXY:** THURS, DEC 18<sup>TH</sup> AT 7PM - POND HOUSE

**PROGRAMS FOR KIDS, TEENS & PARENTS**

**BOOK BABIES:** MONDAYS AT 1PM.  
AGES BIRTH -18 MONTHS (THROUGH DEC 15<sup>TH</sup>)

**TODDLER STORYTIME:** MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS AT 10:30AM. AGES 1-3 (THROUGH DEC 17<sup>TH</sup>)

**PRESCHOOL STORYTIME:** TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS AT 10:30AM. AGES 3-5 (THROUGH DEC 18<sup>TH</sup>)

**PRESCHOOL DROP-IN CRAFTS:** TUESDAYS FROM 6-7PM. AGES 3-5 (THROUGH DEC 16<sup>TH</sup>)

**FAMILY STORYTIME:** WEDNESDAYS AT 6:30PM. ALL AGES (THROUGH DEC 17<sup>TH</sup>)

**HOMESCHOOLERS' DESIGN WORKSHOP:** THUR, DEC 4<sup>TH</sup> & 18<sup>TH</sup> AT 1:30PM. AGES 5 & UP

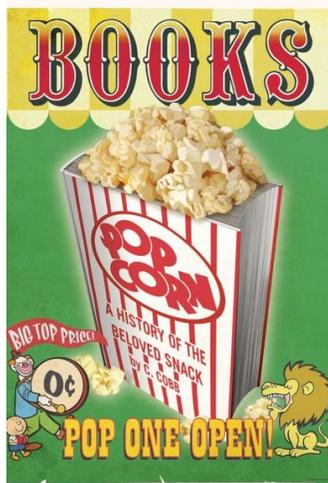
**GAME NIGHT:** WED, DEC 10<sup>TH</sup> AT 6:00PM  
IN THE YOUNG ADULT AREA

**WINTER ARTS & CRAFTS:** SAT, DEC 13<sup>TH</sup> & 20<sup>TH</sup> AT 2PM. AGES 5 & UP

**BOOK BUDDIES:** TUES, DEC 16<sup>TH</sup> AT 4PM - A BOOK GROUP FOR AGES 7-9. WE'LL READ BOOKS NOMINATED FOR THIS YEAR'S BEVERLY CLEARY CHILDREN'S CHOICE AWARD. READ *LETTERS TO LEO*, BY AMY HEST, FOR DECEMBER.

**TALK BACK TO BOOKS:** TUES, DEC 23<sup>RD</sup> AT 4:30PM - A BOOK GROUP FOR YOUNG TEENS. AGES 10 & UP. READ *THE LIGHTNING THIEF*, BY RICK RIORDAN .

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*"If my books can help children become readers, then I feel I have accomplished something important."*

~ Ronald Dahl

**The Movie Maven Presents: Films of 1964**

In 1964 the Beatles were introduced to America on The Ed Sullivan Show, the Saint Louis Cardinals won the World Series, *Peyton Place* became the first prime time soap opera and most of us were watching it on our brand new color TVs. On December 16th, 1964, The Ledding Library opened its doors for the first time. Here are few of the films on the big screen that year:

**Dr. Strangelove or: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Bomb:** Stanley Kubrick's brilliant anti-war satire stars Peter Sellers as an insane general who triggers a path to a nuclear holocaust.  
**My Fair Lady:** The winner of the Best Picture and Best Director (George Cukor) Oscars, this musical portrayal of George Bernard Shaw's *Pygmalion* won audiences' hearts worldwide. Audrey Hepburn was luminous as Eliza Doolittle and Rex Harrison

took home the best actor statuette for his portrayal of Henry Higgins.  
**Zorba the Greek:** Anthony Quinn was larger than life playing the exuberant Alexis Zorba who teaches an uptight English writer what it means to live life to its fullest.  
**Goldfinger:** In arguably the best James Bond film of the 60s, our suave hero attempts to foil a plot to contaminate the Fort Knox gold reserve. The gilded beauty scene will stay with you forever.  
**Mary Poppins:** A technical wonder for its time, this delightful musical gave a mostly unknown Broadway performer, Julie Andrews, her only Best Actress Oscar playing the beloved nanny who brings her magic to an unhappy London family.  
**The Pawnbroker:** Rod Steiger gives his most heartbreaking performance as a Holocaust survivor in New York who has

lost everything.  
**A Hard Day's Night:** The aforementioned leaders of the British invasion show us a "typical day" in the lives of The Beatles. This film is filled with great humor and music throughout.  
**A Fistful of Dollars:** Director Sergio Leone teamed up with Clint Eastwood in the first of their many "spaghetti westerns." Eastwood is the anonymous drifter who profits from a town obsessed with greed and revenge.  
**Band of Outsiders:** Director Jean-Luc Godard, a forerunner of the French New Wave cinema, reimagines the gangster genre in this clever film. Two young men enlist the help of a pretty language student to commit a robbery at the home of her benefactor.  
This is only a small sampling of entertaining films released in 1964. Check out a DVD tonight!

~ Amelia Heint