Ledding Library News

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Bridge Stories: An All-Ages Program



A fire-breathing dragon bridge. A bridge that chimes like a flute when walked over. Bridges made of ancient tree roots. A steel bridge that rolls up like a pill bug, and a bridge made up of red ants, real red ants. Bridges designed for bungee jumpers and as cover for Volkswagen-clutching trolls. The world's oldest, longest, and widest bridges, many of the latter right here in the Portland and Vancouver area. Author and former Oregon Chautauqua scholar Sharon Wood Wortman visits rare bridgescapes, gathering images out of the ordinary. Climb to the top of the longest tied arch bridge in North America with her in this breathtaking all-ages TED-like talk and slide show that begins with the story of how she came to earn her nickname, "The Bridge Lady," and ends with why our corner of the Pacific Northwest is unique bridge country. Join us on October 15th from 2pm to 3pm at the Library's Pond House for this free, one hour mixed-media program!

The Movie Maven Presents: "That's Fronkensteen!": A Tribute to Gene Wilder

Library Renovation News

The City of Milwaukie has selected the firm Shiels Obletz Johnsen (SOI) to be the Project Manager of the renovation/expansion of the Ledding Library. SOJ will coordinate the full project, starting with assembling a design team, architect and construction firm; facilitating the public input process; integrating improvements such as electrical, plumbing, heating & cooling, seismic upgrades into the existing structure and coordinating opening day.

Check this space for monthly updates!

2016 has definitely been a hard year for losing our icons, and another great one left us on Aug. 29th when the talented actor, writer, and director Gene Wilder passed away. Wilder made his screen debut playing a panic-stricken undertaker abducted by the famous duo in Bonnie and Clyde (1967). He began his illustrious collaboration with director Mel Brooks portraying the eccentric Leo Bloom alongside Zero Mostel in *The* Producers (1967), a role that garnished him a Best Supporting Actor nomination. From there his career gained momentum leaving us with a great body of work to enjoy for generations.

Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory (1971): In his most famous role, Wilder plays the title character, a recluse who opens his factory to five fortunate winners of golden tickets. Charlie, a poor but lucky child, competes with four abhorrent youths for the grand prize of a lifetime supply of chocolate. Screenplay by Roald Dahl based on his beloved children's book.

Everything You Always Wanted to Know about Sex* But Were Afraid to ask (1972): Wilder had a short but unforgettable part in Woody Allen's parody of David Reuben's popular manual as a doctor who becomes enamored with a sheep. Yes, a sheep.

Blazing Saddles (1974): In this hilarious western spoof, the evil railroad baron Hedley Lamarr (Harvey Korman) greases the palm of the corrupt governor (Mel Brooks) to steal land to build his railroad. But with the help of his sidekick, the Waco Kid (Wilder), Bart fights back to save the town.

Young Frankenstein (1974): The American grandson of the infamous Dr. Frankenstein has always disassociated himself from his ancestor, even changing the pronunciation of his name. When he inherits his grandfather's castle in Transylvania, he finds himself drawn to the old man's research and starts a re-animation project of his own. Wilder is at his frenzied best as the young doctor and the sets and black and white filming are true to the original production.

Silver Streak (1976): Author George Caldwell (Gene Wilder) hopes for a relaxing ride from L.A. to Chicago. This prospect is thwarted when he witnesses a man being thrown from the train. With the help of an unlikely partner, Grover Muldoon (Richard Pryor), he tries to protect his life and that of a new found love interest, Hilly (Jill Clayburgh).

See No Evil, Hear No Evil (1989): The final and funniest of the partnership between Richard Pryor and Gene Wilder, this film has them witnessing a murder. The only problem is Dave (Wilder) is deaf and Wally (Pryor) is blind. The police feel that they are the killers, so they must prove their innocence while evading the authorities and the actual murderers.

We are definitely going to miss you, Gene. Nobody could do hysteria and neurosis as well as you. Check out a true comedy genius. Check out a Gene Wilder movie from your library today.

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Programs for Adults

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For Children's Programs visit: www.milwaukieoregon.gov/library

Every Monday - Crafty Writers and Readers - 7pm in the Fiction Room. Once a week we study, critique, write, and share.

Mondays by appointment - Library2Go & 3M Help - Use your laptop, tablet, eReader or smart phone to access digital books. To schedule an appointment, contact Robert at 503-786-7546 or lanxonr@milwaukieoregon.gov.

Every Thursday - Knit Nite 6:30pm in the Fiction Room. Knitters and crocheters of all skill levels are welcome.

Sundays through October -

Friends' Book Booth - 9am to 2pm at City Hall. During the Milwaukie Farmers Market the Friends sell lightly used books, magazines, DVDs and CDs.

October 1st – First Saturday Music Series: Ronnie Robbins – 2pm to 3pm at the Library. Presented by the Friends of Ledding Library.

October 2nd – Adults Who Color – 1pm at the Library. Unleash your creative side with coloring. Join this informal group of artistic folks at an adult coloring hour at the library.

October 6th – Ledding Cultural Forum: Brian Doyle reading from his body of work, 7pm to 8pm at the Pond House.

October 7th – First Friday Friends' Book Booth – 5pm to 8pm at City Hall. During the Milwaukie First Fridays, the Friends of the Ledding Library will sell lightly used books, magazines, DVDs and CDs.

October 7th – Milwaukie Poetry Series First Friday Open Mic, hosted by the Milwaukie Poetry Series and St. John the Evangelist, featuring a local community group at the beginning of the evening and finishing with a public open mic. - 6pm to 7:30pm in the meeting room at St. John the Evangelist Church, 2036 SE Jefferson St, Milwaukie, OR 97222.

October 8th - Indie Author Day in the Fiction room from 1pm to 3pm. Some resources of interest to indie authors have been supplied by Self-E, the major sponsor of Indie Author Day.

October 10th - LIBRARY CLOSED

October 12th - Milwaukie Poetry Series Monthly Reading: Darlene Pagan – 7pm to 8pm at the Pond House. Darlene is the author of a chapbook of poems Blue Ghosts (Finishing Line Press 2011) and a fulllength collection, Setting the Fires (Airlie Press 2015). Her poems and essays have appeared in many journals, including Field Magazine, Calyx, Hiram Poetry Review, and Literal Latté, and earned national awards and nominations for Pushcart Prizes and Best of the Net.

October 13th – Timberline Review Reading – 7pm to 8pm at the Pond House. Poets will read their work from the Winter 2016 issue of The Timberline Review, a publication of Willamette Writers, the largest writing organization in the Pacific Northwest. For more information see their web site at www.timberlinereview.com

October 15th – Portland Bridges: A Storytelling Slide Show: Sharon Wood Wortman – 2pm to 3pm at the Pond House. Free and open to the public, the one-hour mixed-media show is suitable for all ages. See amazing big river bridges from all over the world (including the iconic bridges of the Willamette and Columbia rivers), learn about the major causes of bridge collapse, and ascend through the arch ribs of the Fremont Bridge, to stand at flagpole level. Along the way, we hear a story about how a relative's gephyrophobia contributed to one Oregonian's later-in-life development.

October 19th – Milwaukie/Sellwood Book Club – 7pm to 8pm in the Library's Fiction Room. This book club serves the Milwaukie area, and is led by community volunteer Patricia Cronin. Email her to join the club at MilSellBookClub@gmail.com, or message her on Facebook to join the Facebook group: https://www.facebook.com/ groups/524187287706485/.

October 20th - Foreign & Indie Film Night: showing the Italian film Days and Clouds in Italian with English subtitles -6:30pm at the Ledding Library Pond House.

October 22th & 23rd - Christmas in October Jumble Sale has been rescheduled for January 7th and is now the After Christmas Sale. See you then!

October 26th – Ledding Library Book Club – 7pm to 8pm in the Library's Fiction Room. This month we will read The Oregon Trail: A New American Journey, by Rinker Buck. Join this fun group of book lovers for an interesting hour of book discussion and review.

Pond House Update

At 2:00 pm, Thursday, September 1st, a car crashed into the Friends Book Store at the Pond House, doing considerable damage.

The good news is that the driver was not harmed, nor was there anyone in the Pond House at the time. Programs scheduled for the Pond House were temporarily moved to the Library until the damage was



assessed. As of now, the Book Store will be closed indefinitely until repairs are made; however, programs in the main part of the Pond House will resume 7:00 pm, Thursday, October 6th, with Brian Doyle's talk for the Ledding Cultural Forum.

