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The Scratching Post

Greetings Gentle Reader,

Pray, step into our sanctuary of knowledge, for this month it is my distinct privilege as your resident library feline to shine a lantern upon two of our most grand endeavors: our Library of Things and our Fiber Arts Exchange. Our Library of Things is a veritable cabinet of modern marvels, assembled for the edification and amusement of our esteemed patrons. Within this splendid repository, one may borrow portable computing contraptions, or "laptops," as the modern scholar calls them, alongside official passes to our grand State Parks, engaging parlor games, curious instructional kits, digital drawing slates, mechanical sewing apparatuses, and sturdy tools for the cultivation of your gardens. Parallel to this wondrous collection rests our Fiber Arts Exchange, dedicated entirely to the glorious pursuits of the needle and loom. Whether your passion inclines toward crochet, knitting, fine sewing, intricate quilting, or the ancient craft of weaving, this bureau is designed to support your industrious hands. Should your workbasket lack a necessary spool or skein, you are cordially invited to partake of our store. Conversely, should your parlor overflow with a surplus of materials, pray bring your excess to the exchange so that a fellow artisan might craft it into something magnificent.

To conclude our monthly discourse, allow me to present this month's literary recommendation: the enchanting volume Kitten's First Full Moon by the most agreeable gentleman, Mr. Kevin Henkes. I must confide a secret of no small consequence, dear reader: Mr. Henkes wrote this wondrous story about ME! Yes, indeed, we shared a most delightful tea service complete with dainty treats one fine afternoon, during which I poured out the dramatic, heart-stirring chronicle of my life. Deeply moved by my retelling, he set quill to parchment in solemn honor of the brave, moon-seeking kitten I once was.

You may now return to your reading. Pray, remember to turn the pages softly.

Behind the Desk

Staff Spotlight:

Aimee Munford

Aimee is our Circulation Lead. Her family lives, works, and goes to school in Port Orford. Come on in and say hi.

What Aimee is reading now:

Ninth Street women : Lee Krasner, Elaine de Kooning, Grace Hartigan, Joan Mitchell, and Helen Frankenthaler : five painters and the movement that changed modern art / by Gabriel, Mary,

THE NIGHTSTAND

So many books, so little time!

Find your next great read:

"Daughter of Egypt"

by Marie Benedict

As a young woman, Evelyn was fascinated by the story of Hatshepsut, a woman who had to assume the guise of a man in order to rule Egypt. Although she brought peace and prosperity to Egypt, her male successors ruthlessly and thoroughly erased her name from history..

"We Chase Shadows"

by Richard Osman

At sunrise, high in the Italian hills, a body is found on the steps of a beautiful private villa. On the body is a threatening note, signed by a mystery man. Back at We Solve Murders HQ, Amy, Rosie, and Steve leap at the chance to take on their first proper case. So what if their new client seems to have his own reasons for avoiding the police? All they need to do is uncover who left the note, and then find them. Simple.

"The Witches of Cambridge"

by Alice Hoffman

Once upon a time, women were drowned in the river and the only witnesses were the crows in the trees. The Puritans blamed Eve for the sins of the world. That was when we began to meet in the name of Lilith, Adam's first wife—banished for refusing to do as she was told.

all reviews by Goodreads

Little Chapters



Get Ready for .....
TURKEY IN DISGUISE!
November 3rd - 21st
Pick up your Turkey and disguise him! Turkeys will be numbered and votes will be voted. Winners and prizes will be announced on December 3rd.

Books to Read this Month:
"Turkey in Disguise" by Cynthia Platt
Follow along as a group of kids get crafty and decide to save some Turkeys by coming up with disguises.

"Friendsgiving" by Nancy Siscoe
When old friends and new friends get together to celebrate the bounty of the season a new tradition is born.

"Apple Cake" by Dawn Casey
Go on a walk with a young girl gathering ingredients for a delicious cake and celebrate all the things the natural world brings us.

Other Titles you might like:
"The Hybrid Prince" vol. 16
by Tui Sutherland
Umber follows the clan marks on the trees until there are words that send a chill through Umber's scales.....

Warriors "Chasing Shadows"
by Erin Hunter
Moonpaw confesses that her dead sister is torturing her in her mind and the Clan rallies around her. Is she a danger to the Clan? Are they better off without her?

The Next chapter



"Sisters in the Wind"
by Angeline Boulley
Ever since Lucy Smith's father died five years ago, "home" has been more of an idea than a place. She knows being on the run is better than anything waiting for her as a "ward of the state." But when the sharp-eyed and kind Mr. Jameson with an interest in her case comes looking for her, Lucy wonders if hiding from her past will ever truly keep her safe.

"When the Bones Sing"
By Ginny Myers Sain
The past three years have been tough for Lucifer's Creek, Arkansas, a small town quietly tucked away in the Ozark mountains. More than two dozen people have disappeared on the local hiking trails; there one moment, gone the next, not a trace left behind, until their buried bodies are discovered. [Goodreads]

"We can never leave: a novel
by H.E Edgmon
Every day, all across the world, inhuman creatures are waking up with no memory of who they are or where they came from–and the Caravan exists to help them. The traveling community is made up of these very creatures and their families who've acclimated to this new existence by finding refuge in each other. That is, until the morning five teenage travelers wake to find their community has disappeared around them overnight.

Beyond the Books



What's Happening at the Library

The Friends of the Library
meet the 1st Tuesday of the month at 11am. This group helps raise funds supporting the Library.

Department of Human Services
Tuesday and Friday from 10 - 3 is here to help you with OHP, EBT SNAP, and connecting with community resources.

Southern Coos Hospital and Health Center
Medicare specialist the first Wednesday of the Month to provide help navigating the changes in the Medicare System.

Folk Dance
meets Wednesday at 6pm

Dungeons & Dragons
meets Saturday at 3pm

No Club Book Club
Runs from Sept. 1st - Nov. 30th

Library will be CLOSED on
Veterans Day
November 11th
&
Thanksgiving
November 26th & 27th

Don't forget to visit our
Story walk in the Courtyard