



Sherwood Public Library

2017 Connections Report

Local partnerships & outreach. *Our partnerships and outreach into the community allows us to expand our offerings and services while building a stronger community.*

1. **Washington County Cooperative Library Services**—Member since 1976. County funds pay for 64% of the local operating budget. Patrons can access 1.7 million items through WCCLS, as well as e-books and databases. Local representation, including Chair & Vice-Chair positions, on WCCLS committees and groups.
2. **City of Sherwood**—Sherwood Public Library is part of the Community Services department for the City and receives 31% of our funding from the City. Specific partnership examples:
 - Open House for City Staff, Board & Commission members, and elected officials
 - Coordinate the Library Advisory Board meetings to review policies, strategic planning, and recommend appointments to the board
 - Joint programs with Sherwood Police Department and Sherwood Center for the Arts
 - Provide public access to City Planning documents for public review
 - Table at Music on the Green, Movies in the Park
 - Participate in intra-departmental Records Management Committee
 - Open staff trainings up to other City staff. Topics include: **NEW** Diversity awareness, **NEW** self-protection and handling difficult situations
3. **Oregon State Library**—Ready-to-Read grant for Summer Reading, databases, support
4. **Friends of the Sherwood Public Library**—advocacy, support, \$6000 in program funding, **NEW** co-sponsored participation in Spanish-language book buying at Guadalajara International Book Fair.
5. **Sherwood School District**
 - Family Resource / Share Center joint-programs: Storytime in the Park (founding sponsor of a bilingual storytime series at Stella Olsen)
 - Winter Reading Program, Books & Bricks, in partnership with schools (**NEW** this year, participation from Charter School)
 - Sherwood High School—Student Representative on the Library Advisory Board
 - Moderated Oregon Battle of the Books event at Archer Glen Elementary
 - **NEW:** National Honors Society, Junior National Honors Society and High School art students have adopted five bulletin boards in the Children’s area, where they post monthly displays
 - Site of SHS Chess Club summer series
 - Key Club volunteer projects for Youth Services
 - Tours for various classes
 - Hopkins Reading Night reader
 - Participant at Early Learning Fair
6. **Sherwood Center for the Arts**
 - Site of Summer Reading performances, Art of the Story, joint Robin Hood Festival events
 - Storytime in the Park activity tables
 - Library has been an Art Walk stop for every event
 - Cross-promote programs

7. **NEW: 503 Uncorked**
 - o Location of monthly Library Trivia @ 503 Uncorked program
8. **Chamber of Commerce**
 - o **NEW:** Business Forum participant
 - o The Great Onion Festival vendor table
 - o Chamber Breakfast Meetings attendee
 - o Cruisin' Sherwood raffle prize donor
9. **Sherwood Main Street**
 - o Halloween Trick-or-Treating participant
 - o St. Patrick's Day Celebration participant with Clancy's & Sherwood Main Street
 - o Main Street general meetings participant and presenter
10. **Robin Hood Festival**
 - o Knights of Veritas children & family program @ the Center.
 - o Maid Marion crowning ceremony
 - o Maid Marion storytimes
 - o Outreach table
 - o Winter Festival giveaways for kids' bags
 - o **NEW:** History of Robin Hood Festival display
11. **Sherwood Rotary**
 - o **NEW:** Two library staff are Rotary members and Rotary Peace Committee members.
 - o Partnership in Month of Peace, September, 2017 (2nd year). Peace Poll temporary installation in the 8 languages most checked out by Sherwood patrons; Janis Miglāvs: We All Have Five Fingers program; Kilong Ung: Golden Leaf, A Khmer Rouge Genocide Survivor; Peace rocks activity at Art Walk, stop on Peace Walk
12. **Oregon Library Association**
 - o **NEW:** Conference presentation by two staff
 - o Conference attendance at OLA and Support Staff Division
 - o **NEW:** Mentor for new librarians
 - o Advocacy
13. **YMCA:** Harvest Festival activity and Storytime in the Park founding partner
14. **Helping Hands**—Provided lunches at storytimes in the park, fliers distributed, collected food during annual Food for Fines
15. **MudPuddles Toys & Books**—Storytimes in the Park activity table and support
16. **Early Learning Washington County**—Team member, community outreach
17. **Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue Community Services Fair**—Vendor table
18. **Washington County Severe Weather Shelter**—Information site
19. **Voices for the Performing Arts**—Youth Strings concert, caroling
20. **Willowbrook Food Pantry**—Collected food during annual Food for Fines
21. **St. Francis Food Pantry**—Collected food during annual Food for Fines
22. **St. Francis School**—Summer Reading presentation
23. **Millie & Friends Preschool**—Storytime, tours
24. **Sherwood Montessori Preschool**—Storytime, tours
25. **Saturday Market**—Business vendor
26. **Robin Hood Garden Club**—Monthly floral arrangement display site

National & International Programming *(chronological order)*

1. **Edge Assessment**—Our second year participating. **NEW** this year we joined a select national cohort of small & rural libraries to focus on improving our public-facing technology services and programs
2. **US Tax Forms** `distribution site

3. **Teen Tech Week**—A campaign of the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) to engage teens.
4. **National Library Week**—A week-long American Library Association (ALA) campaign to highlight what libraries do
5. **Money Smart Week**—An initiative of ALA and the Federal Reserve Bank
6. **National Poetry Month**—The largest literary celebration in the world. We celebrated with our fourth annual “6 Word Story”, Poem in Your Pocket Day, and displays.
7. **Pride / GLBT Book Month**—An initiative of the ALA Office for Diversity, Literacy and Outreach Services, as well as the ALA Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Round Table.
8. **Banned Books Week**—A week-long ALA campaign to raise awareness of censorship
9. **Teen Read Week**—A campaign of YALSA, with support from WCCLS, to provide free popular paperbacks to teens.
10. **International Games Day**—Joined with 1,620 world-wide participating libraries, organized by American Library Association.
11. **National Friends of Library Week**—An initiative from United for Libraries

Donors & Grants. *Without these generous gifts, we would not be able to offer the level of year-round programming and events for all ages that we are proud to provide to this community. **This year we received support valued at over \$33,000—which tripled our programming budget.***

1. **Friends of the Sherwood Public Library**—\$6000 in program funding, staff support, book sales, co-sponsor of Guadalajara International Book Fair participation (with ALA)
2. **NEW: Novelist & LibraryAware Grant**, Engaging Readers at Your Public Library grant recipient for \$5000 to create a Book Match @ Sherwood Public Library readers advisory service
3. **Oregon State Library Ready to Read**—\$3203 grant recipient, funded distribution of free books to all youth who registered for Summer Reading
4. **Community Enhancement Program**--\$2965 grant recipient for Phase 2 of the house kiosk in our Children’s Area to purchase four more interactive panels and 12 more magnetic gears
5. **Helping Hands**—Donated approximately 450 lunches for Storytime in the Park
6. **Menchie’s Frozen Yogurt**—Donated 1500+ yogurt coupons for Summer Reading Finisher prizes
7. **NEW: American Library Association**—Co-sponsored Guadalajara International Book Fair fees
8. **Sherwood Ice Arena**—Youth Summer Reading donor, \$900 value of in-kind prizes
9. **Cultural Coalition of Washington County**—\$2000 grant recipient to purchase a glass display case and accessories for displays of art and artifacts of local and regional interest
10. **Stan & Diana Stanley**—\$350 private donation to provide a Chinese Lion Dance program
11. **Vista Hot Air Balloon Adventures**—Adult Summer Reading donor of \$250 value in-kind prize
12. **NEW: 503 Uncorked**—Trivia night prizes, including wine, coupons, and merchandise. ~\$240.
13. **Read-to-the-Dogs**—Ongoing programs with three therapy dogs and their handlers
14. **Early Learning Washington County**—Donor for parenting workshops
15. **Oregon Humanities**—Conversation Project recipient for The Space Between Us & In Good Faith
16. **Richard B. Schneider**—Estate planning workshops
17. **OSU Extension Services**—Master Gardener classes
18. **LDS Missionaries**—Presenters/readers for Spanish sections of Bilingual Storytime in the Park
19. **NEW: Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge**—Storytime in the Park activities
20. **Sherwood Modern Dentistry & Orthodontics**—Storytime in the Park activity tables
21. **Escape to Yoga**—Adult Summer Reading donor
22. **McMenamins** —Adult Summer Reading donor
23. **MudPuddles Toys & Books**— Youth Summer Reading donor
24. **NEW: Builder Materials Resource.** Wood donor for DIY Craftshop.

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