

# Liberty Lake Municipal Library

@ the Library (They can do that?)

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## Liberty Lake Considering Vote on New Library & Community Center

Since 2006, Liberty Lake Municipal Library has engaged in an extensive outreach effort to identify and prioritize needs of the citizens of Liberty Lake. That input has proven invaluable in developing a proposal to meet those needs over the next several decades.



**We learned a lot about what our community values and the important role the library plays in the lives of everyone we serve.**

People told us that libraries make lifelong learning available to everyone and provide essential educational resources to help children succeed, businesses grow, and individuals thrive.

You told us that our summer reading program for children, story times, and live homework help for students are highly valued resources. We learned that our friendly and professional service is appreciated.

**Meeting the growing needs of our patrons and the community is of first priority because the library is one of Liberty Lake's key resources.**

We were not surprised to learn that you expect LLML to continue operating as a cost-effective, efficient facility that meets your current needs and the long-term needs of the community.

**Our current library is located in leased spaces that is inadequate in size to meet an adopted level of service for libraries in Spokane County.**

In Liberty Lake, our residents have come to expect a higher level of service with enhanced programs. The city has developed plans for a new facility it believes will address these desires and the community's expressed need for a larger library and a community-gathering place

Based on this information, the City Council is considering a bond measure that could appear on the April 22nd ballot. The bond would seek

voter approval to collect funds to:

**\* BUILD MORE THAN 12,000 SF OF COMMUNITY SPACE FOR MEETINGS, EDUCATION, AND RECREATION,**

**\* BUILD A 10,700 SF LIBRARY THAT WOULD INCREASE SPACE FOR A WIDER SELECTION OF MATERIALS AND PROGRAMS,**

**\* CREATE AN ENHANCED INFRASTRUCTURE FOR NEW TECHNOLOGY,**

**\* INCREASED PARKING.**

The citizens of Liberty Lake will have the opportunity to vote for or against a new community center and library as it has been defined through an extended public process. The vote will determine if the facility and cost matches the expectations of the community and whether there is a willingness to invest in a facility that will provide a higher level of services than is currently available.

More information about the proposed community center and library project can be found on the city's Web site at [www.libertylakewa.gov](http://www.libertylakewa.gov) or is available by calling 755-6700.

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### LIBERTY LAKE

#### MUNICIPAL LIBRARY

As a public, municipal facility, the library's mission is to provide library services to the city of Liberty Lake and the surrounding community. We are located in the Liberty Square Building on Meadowwood Lane, off Appleway or Mission, behind the Albertson's shopping plaza.

#### LIBRARY HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Friday: 10-6

Wednesday & Thursday: 12-8

Saturday: 10-2

## New Year's Changes @ the Library

Here's what we've been up to!

**Change 1: Friends' of LLML Used Book Store and Silent Auction** is now located in the Allstate/Children's Library foyer. Books, magazines & videos from .25–\$5.

**Change 2: We've dissolved the Sci-Fi/Fantasy collection.** All those books are now shelved with general Fiction. Fear not! They still have their Sci-Fi/Fantasy stickers on the spines to make them easy to find.

**Change 3: The Mystery collection is sporting new stickers** and is now housed along the rear right side wall and on the low shelves where the Sci-Fi used to be.

**Change 4: We've moved our circulation and office spaces** a few feet east to make room for our Cataloger's cubicle. Now you will see our smiling faces as soon as you enter.

**Change 5: We'll soon have laptop computers!** Soon you will have a choice of checking out one of our PC computers or a laptop.

**Change 6: We can now offer patrons a receipt** showing all items checked out on a card. We will still stamp the books, and "My Account" is still the best way of keeping track of what you have out, but you may now request a receipt as well.

## Use "My Account" to Avoid Fines/Know What's Out

LLML's website is designed to make managing your library account as easy as possible. Click on "My Account," found at the bottom left in the middle column of the catalog website. A new screen will appear asking for your entire library card barcode and PIN, which is the last 4 numbers of the code unless you have changed it to your own password. Click "Submit" and your personal account page will appear.



Here you can see your personal information, a summary of what you have out

on your card, and any fines or fees you may owe. Below the summary is a list of titles checked out on your card and when they are due. If you need to renew any, check in the box to the left of the title and then click "Renew this item." A new due date will appear or a message that alerts you that the item cannot be renewed. Remember, items may only be renewed once and not at all if someone else has requested them.

## What's New? : YA Librarian on Board!

In this new year of 2008, we invite the Liberty Lake community to join us in welcoming Tracy Rebstock, our new Young Adult Services Librarian. Tracy comes to us

from Cincinnati, Ohio, where she earned her Masters degree in Information and Library Science and went on to manage

a branch of the Cincinnati Public Library. Along with the manager's hat,

Tracy also was in charge of the Young Adult and Adult Services departments where she brought energy and creativity

to bear in transforming those departments into popular community destinations.

**Tracy Rebstock, our new YA librarian, will be at the library Wednesdays—Saturdays!**

Here at LLML, Tracy will be out talking to YAs about what they want in resources @ "their place" in the library and suggesting ways that LLML can meet their needs. Fun and exciting programs, new collections, and expertise in what's out there for teens is Tracy's specialty, so please come by to meet her at the library!

**Read Tracy's column on page 4!**

## What You Didn't Know About Libraries...

(Excerpted from *Libraries* by D. L. Nashton)

The New York Public Library is the world's largest PUBLIC library. Its collection of more than 6.6 million volumes grows by nearly 10,000 items EACH WEEK! The city's library system is comprised of four research libraries and 85 branches, which combine to serve an astonishing 1.86 million cardholding patrons.



The magnificent marble lions flanking the entrance to the Library are familiar and beloved icons for New Yorkers and visitors to the city alike. Carved from pink marble in 1911, they have had many names, but the ones which stuck are Patience and Fortitude, given them by Mayor La Guardia in the 1930s. Now, they are the

subject of their own book, *Top Cats: The Life and Times of the New York Public Library Lions* by Susan G. Larkin.

**Did you know ... which is history's most famous library?** The Library of Alexandria, Egypt, founded in the 3rd century B.C. during the reign of Ptolemy I, was renowned throughout the ancient world. It was completely destroyed by the end of the 4th century A.D.

## Free Web vs Library & Library Information Sites: Round 2

The internet sure is fast. No sooner does something happen and it's on the web! But the question must be asked: how do you know that you are getting the best facts or even the truth from your search? Who is checking and verifying the content? Just whose "truth" is being promoted at these free sites?

Many people think that if it is on the internet it HAS to be true and up to date. Well, no, it doesn't! No one enforces important standards like authority, impartiality, and objectivity before something is thrown up on the web.

Writing for [Library Journal](#), a columnist observed, "When anyone can add unfiltered, unvetted, and unattributed informa-

tion to...sites some people rely on for news or research, we have a dangerous dumbing-down of culture and a world where truth is hard to differentiate from falsehood." Who has the time to find out how reliable a site is, especially if the information is needed RIGHT NOW, as is often the case? Clearly: Searcher beware!

Some popular free sites like Wikipedia claim to be "self-correcting," but that won't help you if you've used its information before someone happens along to correct it—and then the "correction" may later be found to be wrong! And how many times have you found a site from

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*In two words: Searcher Beware!*

your free search that sounds perfect, only open on a dead link?

The subscription-based information

sites at the library's webpage are offered by companies with proven track records in the information business. Most are the online descendants of reference books with long histories of authority and reliability. Teamed with powerful internal search engines, they get you what you need fast without wading through thousands of dubious results. Best of all, at the LLML website & with your library card, they're FREE!

## Let's Read, Liberty Lake: Marley & Me, April 2008

**Marley & Me** by John Grogan was chosen as Let's Read, Liberty Lake's first community-wide read.



Grogan's book about living with a head-strong, rambunctious yellow Labrador was chosen for its popularity with readers of all ages and be-

cause it is available in a wide variety of forms: from picture books—**Bad Dog, Marley**—and chapter books—**Marley, A Dog Like No Other**—for juvenile readers, to large print and audio book formats.

"The whole community, toddlers to senior citizens, can enjoy reading or hearing about Marley" said Library Director Pamela Mogen. "We couldn't have found a better book to inaugurate this program and meet our goal of bringing Liberty Lake together through sharing books."

**The Kick-off for Let's Read, Liberty Lake! Is Saturday, March 29th, from**

**10–2 at the Library. All who come will be eligible to register for a drawing to go on a training outing with the dogs of Mountain West Search & Rescue!**

Activities for all ages will take place throughout April. Information about events, and the art, story, and video contests for kids in K-12th grade can be found out the **Let's Read Website** link on the Library's webpage. **Liberty Lakers can also post their own short stories and pictures of beloved pets to the website.**

**Copies of the books will be available from the Safeway Grocery Store in Liberty Lake and area bookstores.** The Library will also have multiple copies of all the editions for cardholders on a first-come-first-served basis.

Watch for further news about **Let's Read, Liberty Lake!** in the *Splash* and *Liberty Lake Link*, at the City & Library websites and at the Library.

**If you'd like to help out, let us know! We'd love more hands to lighten the load or experts on pets to share their expertise!**

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**MARCH 29 : KICK-OFF @ LIBRARY 11-2/ PREVIEW WHAT'S COMING – TALK TO A DOG TEMPERMENT EXPERT—REGISTER TO WIN A SEARCH & RESCUE OUTING**

**APRIL 3 & 17: SIGN UP TO READ TO MOLLY THE LIBRARY DOG**

**APRIL 5: PUPPIES OF PROMISE/ RAISING SEEING EYE PUPPIES @ GUARDIAN ANGELS ACTIVITY ROOM**

**APRIL 10: K-9 UNIT @ LL WATER & SEWER BLDG. 6:30 PM**

**APRIL 19: MOUNTAIN WEST SEARCH AND RESCUE @ PAVILLION PARK**

**APRIL 26: SPOKANE DOG TRAINERS SHOW HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DOG @ PAVILLION PARK**

**DISCUSSION GROUPS :**

**APRIL 21—ADULTS 7 PM @ STARBUCKS  
APRIL 22— TEENS 7 PM @ STARBUCKS  
APRIL 24 —JUNIORS 7 PM @ LIBRARY**

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## Study & Win! With Tutor.com

Are you in 4th–12th grade and needing some extra help with homework? Use your Library Card to check out Tutor.com at the Library's website for free, live, online help from 3–10 pm, 7 days a week. Then enter our contest!



1. **Link to Live Homework Help (Tutor.com) through the LLML website: [www.youseemore.com/libertylake](http://www.youseemore.com/libertylake)**
2. **Choose your grade and subject to connect to a tutor.**
3. **Print out your completed tutoring session.**
4. **Bring the printout to the library to enter our drawing for great prizes!**
5. **All entries must be submitted by March 24th, 2008. Entrants must be students in grades 4 through 12. Prizes will be awarded March 27th.**
6. **Prizes will include: Gift cards/ items from a variety of your favorite stores!**

## Hello! From Tracy, the Young Adult (Teen) Librarian

Are you between the ages of 12-18?

Do you have a teen between those ages?

Are you/they looking for something to do?

Hello, I am the new Teen Librarian, and I have just started here at the Liberty Lake Municipal Library. My name is Tracy Rebstock, and I moved here from Cincinnati, OH. I am here to help with reading, research, and finding activities that are both fun and educational.

Researching anything from the latest technology to something for that school project using any of the library's great tools is something I really enjoy doing.

I am a reader as well, and love to introduce people to some of the best reads out there.

Of course, I think of myself as fun...so I have a lot of things that I am able to do or teach others to do...some of these things include but are not limited to jewelry making, yoga, anime, drawing, origami, makeup, hair styling, gaming, cooking, gardening, volunteering, photography, orienteering, camping, hiking, movies, creative writing, and the list goes on.

Here are a couple upcoming events that I would like to make you aware of.

### After School Crafts will be starting in February ...ages 6 and up.

The times and dates may vary until we find a time that works well for everyone. Our first one is Wednesday Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> and we will be making Valentine's Day cards...and for the older kids, you can make Anti-Valentine's Day cards. The craft will start at 3:30pm, but you can come at any time between 3:30pm

and when we close at 8pm. The second craft will be held on Thursday Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm and the theme will be Black History Month. Hope to see you there!!

**Teen Tech Week is March 2-8, 2008 and the theme is TUNE IN @ your Library.** In honor of this week I am looking for teens to create a 1-3 minute promotional video for the library to put on YouTube. If you need help or ideas, come and see me. I will be taking submissions from now until March 2. The top three submissions will be awarded iTunes cards. Also, if you are interested in web design, I am looking for help in making the Teen Page for the Library website.