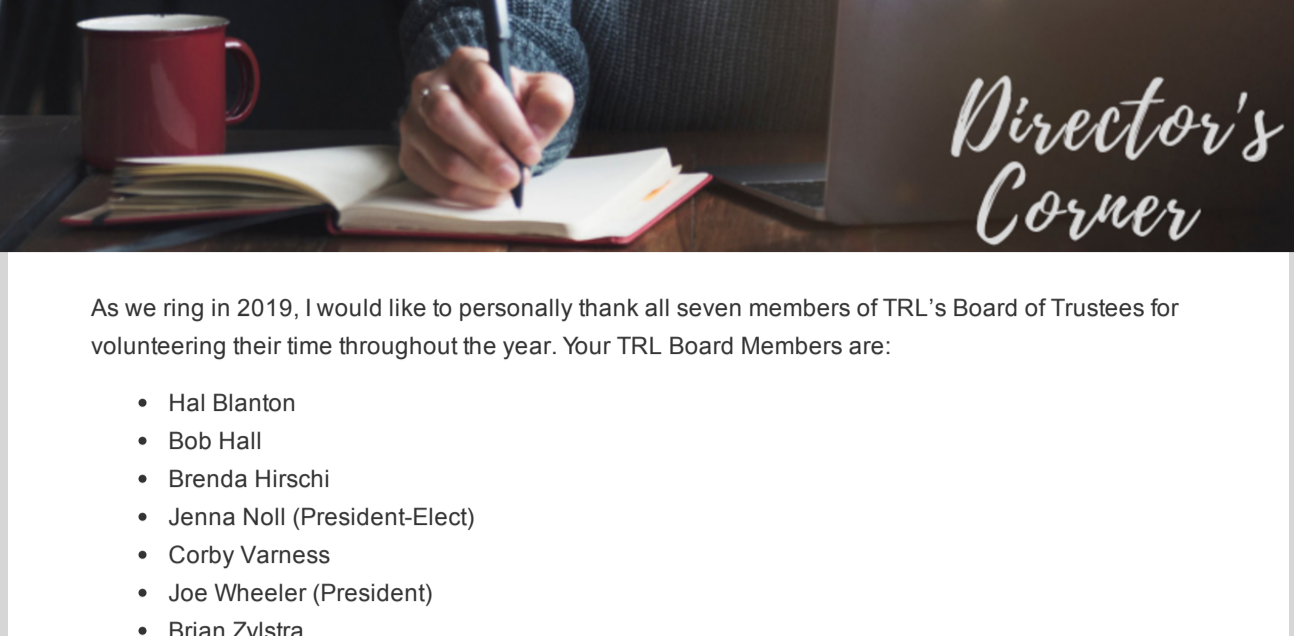




Timberland Regional Library eNewsletter

- January 2019 Edition -



As we ring in 2019, I would like to personally thank all seven members of TRL's Board of Trustees for volunteering their time throughout the year. Your TRL Board Members are:

- Hal Blanton
- Bob Hall
- Brenda Hirschi
- Jenna Noll (President-Elect)
- Corby Varness
- Joe Wheeler (President)
- Brian Zylstra

Their dedication and commitment to the mission of the library district is pivotal in serving the needs of residents in Grays Harbor, Lewis, Mason, Pacific, and Thurston counties.

Each year, the President of the Board rotates. In 2018, Lewis County Trustee Brian Zylstra served in that capacity and now as we begin 2019, this vital role will be held by Thurston County Trustee Joe Wheeler.

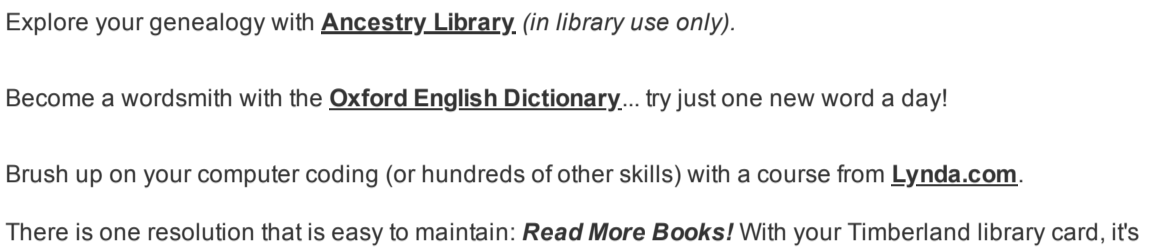
Learn more about your [TRL Board](#) online, including which county each trustee represents, and when [upcoming board meetings](#) will occur. You can even [watch a recording](#) of each board meeting.

2019 will be a year where your ideas and comments will be sought and discussed. Together, we will create a 2020-2022 Strategic Plan to better serve the diverse needs of our communities in new and exciting ways.

Best wishes,

Cheryl Heywood

Cheryl Heywood
Timberland Regional Library Director



Ditch Those Resolutions!

When New Year's resolutions seem doomed to failure, why not pick a learning path instead? Since over 80% of good intentions statistically fail by February, this year try something that you can stick with! Your Timberland library has you covered:

Continue your learning with [Universal Class](#), including courses in business, health, careers, history, and hobbies.

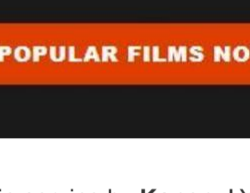
Perfect a new language with [Pronunciator](#), there are over 80 to choose from!

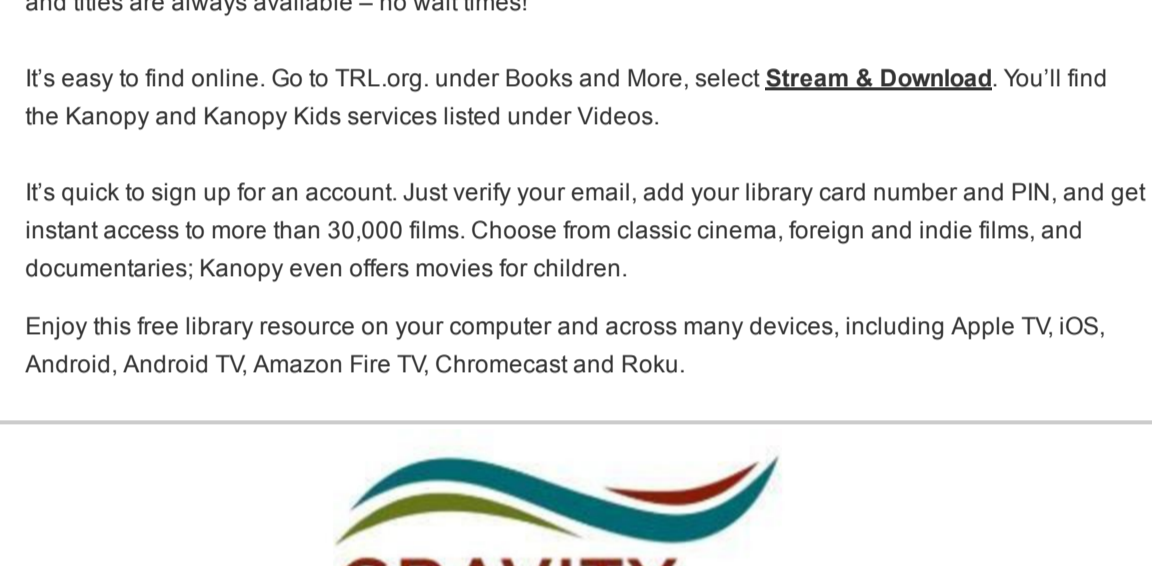
Explore your genealogy with [Ancestry Library](#) (in library use only).

Become a wordsmith with the [Oxford English Dictionary](#)... try just one new word a day!

Brush up on your computer coding (or hundreds of other skills) with a course from [Lynda.com](#).

There is one resolution that is easy to maintain: **Read More Books!** With your Timberland library card, it's easy and free to get back into reading with [Overdrive eBooks & audiobooks](#).

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KANOPY'S BIGGEST HITS

As 2018 comes to a close, we're celebrating an amazing year of movies by highlighting the ten most popular films that we welcomed to Kanopy this year! From historical dramas, to heartwarming indies, to artistic documentaries, these films reflect the diverse viewpoints that are represented here at Kanopy. We're sure there's something in this list for everyone!

All of us here at Kanopy thank you for helping make this a great year in streaming thoughtful entertainment. Until next year, please enjoy 2018's most-watched films below!

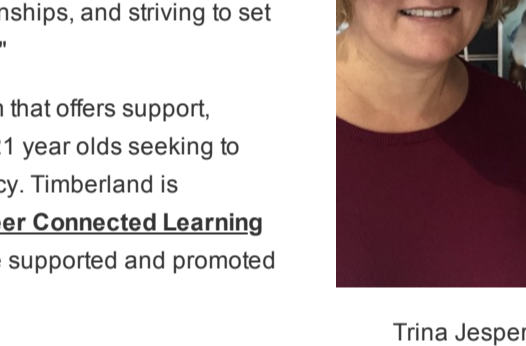
WATCH KANOPY'S MOST POPULAR FILMS NOW

Check out our new streaming movie service by [Kanopy!](#) You can stream up to 5 films per month for free and titles are always available – no wait times!

It's easy to find online. Go to [TRL.org](#), under Books and More, select [Stream & Download](#). You'll find the Kanopy and Kanopy Kids services listed under Videos.

It's quick to sign up for an account. Just verify your email, add your library card number and PIN, and get instant access to more than 30,000 films. Choose from classic cinema, foreign and indie films, and documentaries; Kanopy even offers movies for children.

Enjoy this free library resource on your computer and across many devices, including Apple TV, iOS, Android, Android TV, Amazon Fire TV, Chromecast and Roku.

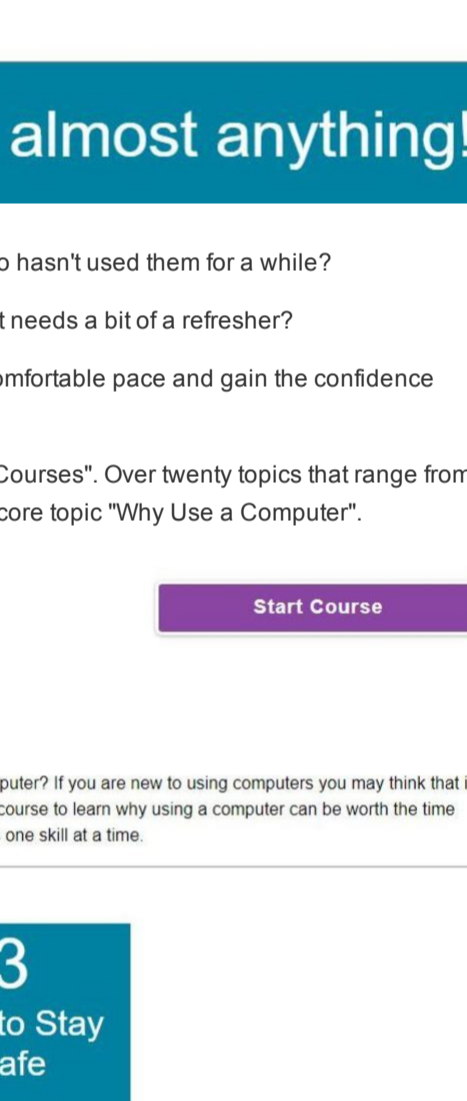


GED+ Re-engagement Alternative Vocational Individualized Training for Youth.

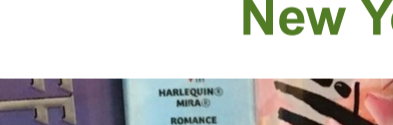
The GRAVITY program focuses on re-engagement for those who are significantly behind in credits in earning a high school diploma or left school before graduation. They treat students with respect, supporting the whole person and working with them to move forward in their education and their lives. To offer educational, training, and job opportunities to their rural students, GRAVITY drop-in sessions are available on Mondays in the Raymond, Salkum, and Yelm Timberland Libraries (days when those libraries are normally closed to the public).

"Some of our students come from as far as Ashford, located just 6 miles from the entrance to Mt. Rainier National Park; while others live in and around Yelm and traveling to Lacey or Olympia was a significant barrier." Yelm Library Manager Nicole Thode explains, "In Yelm, the GRAVITY instructor is Trina Jespersen, and I have the pleasure of seeing her every week, building relationships, and striving to set the students up for success."

GRAVITY is a GED program that offers support, tutoring, and testing for 16-21 year olds seeking to earn high school equivalency. Timberland is partnering through the **Career Connected Learning Grant**, a state-wide initiative supported and promoted by Governor Inslee.



Trina Jespersen & Nicole Thode



Use a computer to do almost anything!

Do you know someone new to computers, or someone who hasn't used them for a while?

Maybe someone who is little unsure, uncomfortable, or just needs a bit of a refresher?

DigitalLearn has the tools to help tackle technology at a comfortable pace and gain the confidence needed to succeed.

Find this resource on [TRL.org](#) under "Learn" then "Online Courses". Over twenty topics that range from 5-22 minutes to explore! Below is a sneak peek at the first core topic "Why Use a Computer".

3 Activities
15 Minutes
+ Beginner

Contributed by Mary Beth Faccioli, Kikali
Topics: Core

Do you ever wonder why you should take the time and effort to learn to use a computer? If you are new to using computers you may think that it is too hard, too expensive, or not for people like you. You are not alone. Take this course to learn why using a computer can be worth the time and effort, and to take a closer look at what steps you can take to learn computers one skill at a time.

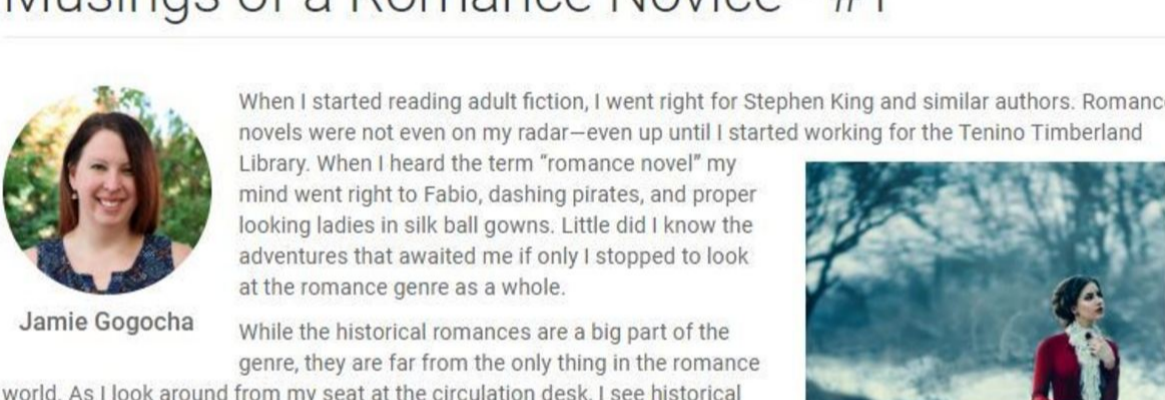
Activities in This Course

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Computers Are Not for Me
06:00

2
I'm Overwhelmed!
05:00

3
How to Stay Safe
04:00

New Year... New Stickers!



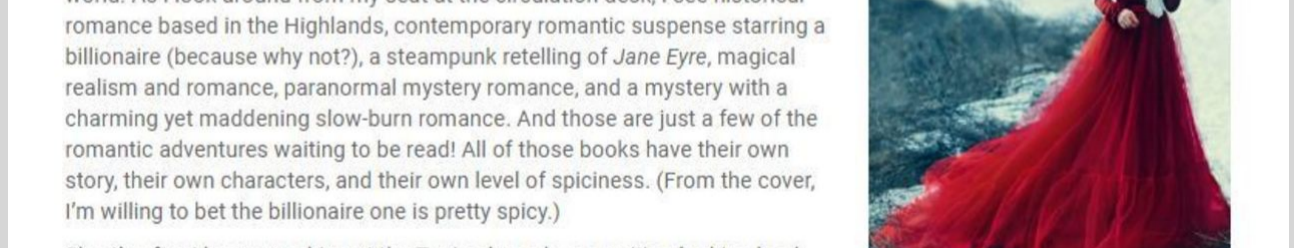
Starting January 2, you will notice changes to how items are shelved in your library.

We will be:

- Creating sections for our most popular genres, including the addition of a new section for Romance (AFIC-ROM).
- Combining Science Fiction and Fantasy into its own section – SCIFI-FAN.
- Using NEW item labels so you can find the newest items fast.

Why are we doing this? We want to improve the experience for people browsing by:

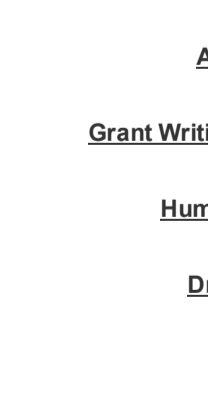
- Making spine labels clear and easy to read.
- Putting popular genres in their own sections rather than interfiling them.
- Adding fewer stickers so we can process new books quickly, allowing us to get popular, high-demand items out to you (and to your branch) as soon as possible.



Have you experienced our ["Voices of Timberland"](#) Blog yet?

Check out the new blog by our Romance novice, Jamie!

Musings of a Romance Novice - #1

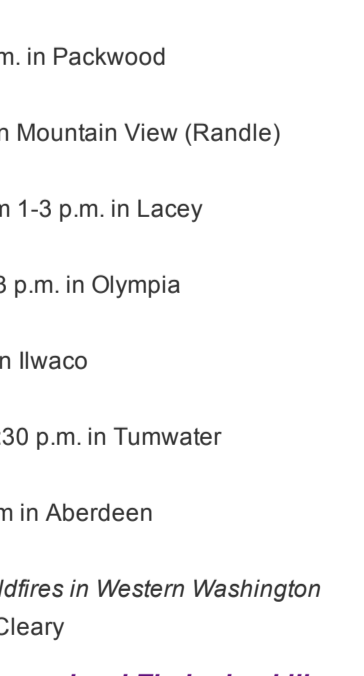


Jamie Gogocho

When I started reading adult fiction, I went right for Stephen King and similar authors. Romance novels were not even on my radar—even up until I started working for the Tenino Timberland Library. When I heard the term "romance novel" my mind went right to Fabio, dashing pirates, and proper looking ladies in silk gowns. Little did I know the adventures that awaited me if only I stopped to look at the romance genre as a whole.

While the historical romances are a big part of the genre, they are far from the only thing in the romance world. As I look around from the Highlands, contemporary romantic suspense starring a billionaire (because why not?), a steampunk retelling of *Jane Eyre*, magical realism and romance, paranormal mystery romance, and a mystery with a charming yet maddening slow-burn romance. And those are just a few of the romantic adventures waiting to be read! All of those books have their own story, their own characters, and their own level of spiciness. (From the cover, I'm willing to bet the billionaire one is pretty spicy.)

Shortly after I began working at the Tenino branch, an exciting looking book crossed my path. However, it indicated a strong romantic element. While I



Click the image above to read the whole blog... it's excellent!



- Emergency Preparedness: Gas and Electric Safety** - Saturday, January 5 at 2 p.m. in Centralia
- A Writer's Perspective** - Wednesday, January 9 at 5 p.m. in Packwood
- Grant Writing 101** - Saturday, January 12 from 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m. in Mountain View (Randle)
- Human Trafficking Awareness** - Saturday, January 12 from 1-3 p.m. in Lacey
- Drop-In Genealogy Help** - Thursday, January 17 from 1-3 p.m. in Olympia
- Rock Painting** - Saturday, January 19 at 2 p.m. in Ilwaco
- Identity Theft Prevention** - Tuesday, January 22 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in Tumwater
- Cardboard Cat Houses** - Saturday, January 26 at 2 p.m. in Aberdeen
- Science Cafe: The Under-Appreciated Potential for Large, Severe Wildfires in Western Washington** - Thursday, January 31 from 6-7:30 p.m. in McCleary
- Check out our [Events calendar](#) for what's happening at your local Timberland library!

ALL TIMBERLAND LIBRARIES WILL BE

CLOSED

Monday, January 21, 2019
in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Libraries will resume regular schedules on Tuesday, January 22.

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Timberland Regional Library district provides for the entertainment, information, and lifelong learning needs of Grays Harbor, Lewis, Mason, Pacific, and Thurston county residents at 27 community public libraries and seven library service partner locations. The library system is funded mainly by local property taxes, timber tax, fundraising efforts of TRL Friends of the Library, and generous donations by individual supporters. Anyone needing special accommodations to participate in a library's programs may contact the library one week in advance. All Timberland programs are free and open to the public. For more information visit [TRL.org](#)