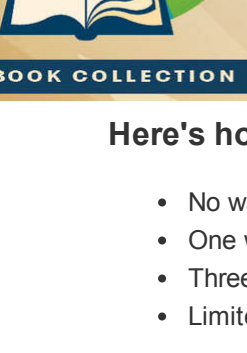




## Timberland Regional Library eNewsletter

- May 2019 Edition -



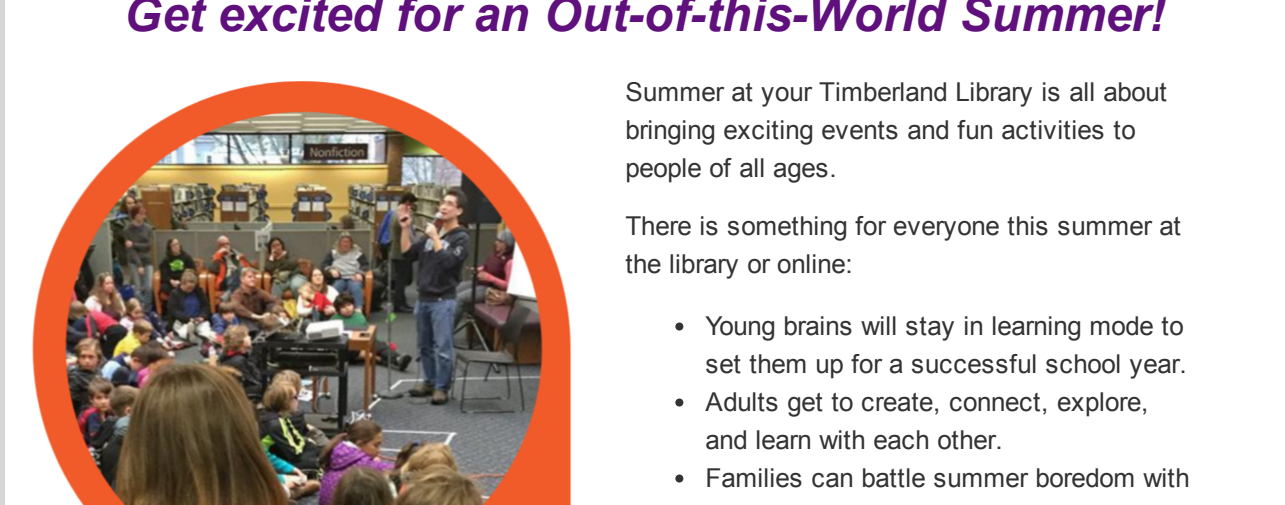
**Starting mid-May,  
the Lucky Day Collection  
expands to include Featured Films!**  
**First come, first served.**



### Here's how it works:

- No waiting. No holds. No renewals.
- One week checkout period for films.
- Three week checkout period for books.
- Limited to two books and two films per library card.

Visit your local library to see what is on the shelves today!



## Get excited for an Out-of-this-World Summer!

Summer at your Timberland Library is all about bringing exciting events and fun activities to people of all ages.

There is something for everyone this summer at the library or online:

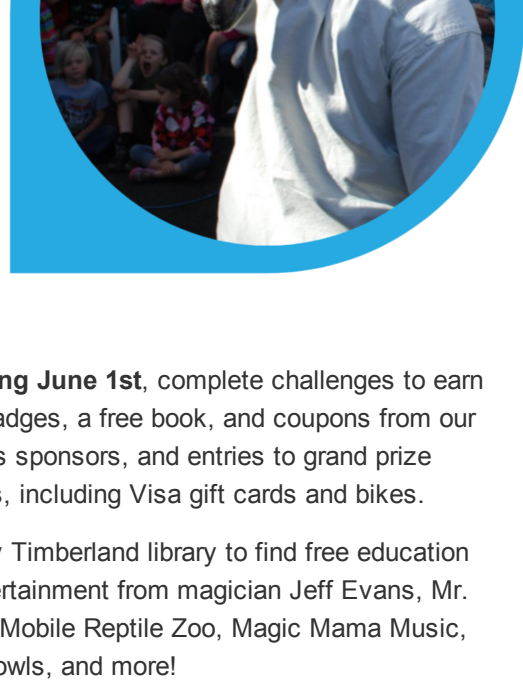
- Young brains will stay in learning mode to set them up for a successful school year.
- Adults get to create, connect, explore, and learn with each other.
- Families can battle summer boredom with loads of free activities and challenges.

### Participating is easy!

**Starting May 15th**, you can check out [trl.beanstack.org](http://trl.beanstack.org) or download the Beanstack app (available for Android and iOS) and experience our new, easy-to-use online portal!

Register online with Beanstack or sign up with staff in any one of our 27 library locations, as well as schools, farmer's markets, and many other locations in our communities where your local library staff visit.

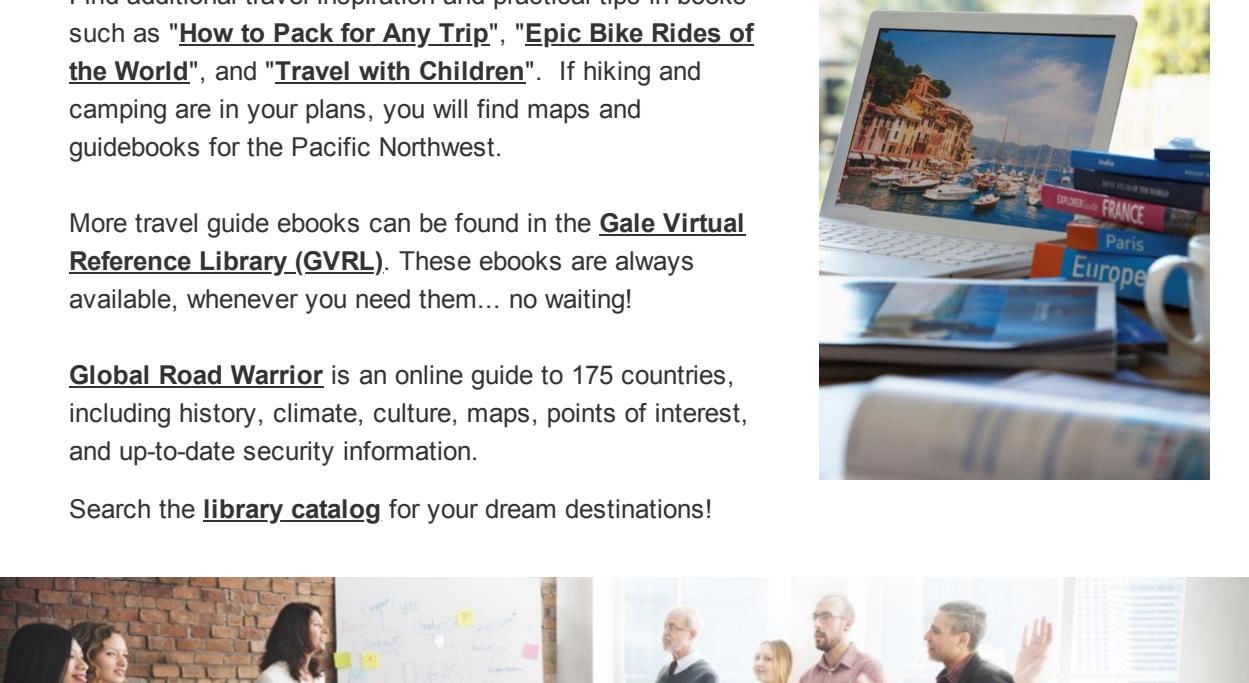
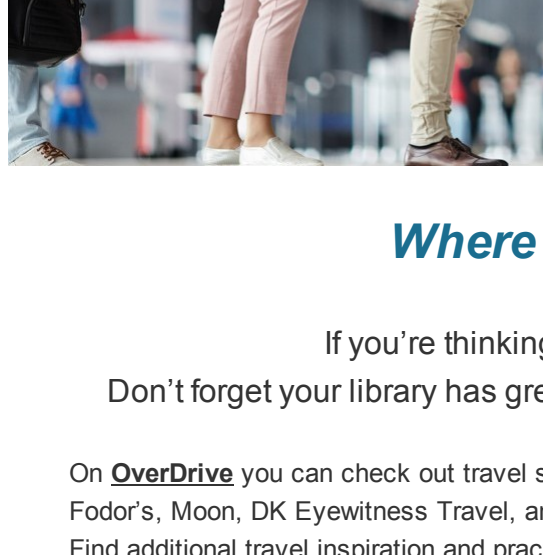
Pick up a calendar of events and an activity log to track all of your accomplishments!



**Beginning June 1st**, complete challenges to earn digital badges, a free book, and coupons from our generous sponsors, and entries to grand prize drawings, including Visa gift cards and bikes.

Visit any Timberland library to find free education and entertainment from magician Jeff Evans, Mr. Lizard's Mobile Reptile Zoo, Magic Mama Music, real life owls, and more!

We look forward to sharing a *Universe of Stories* with you!



## Where Will You Go?

If you're thinking about summer vacations...

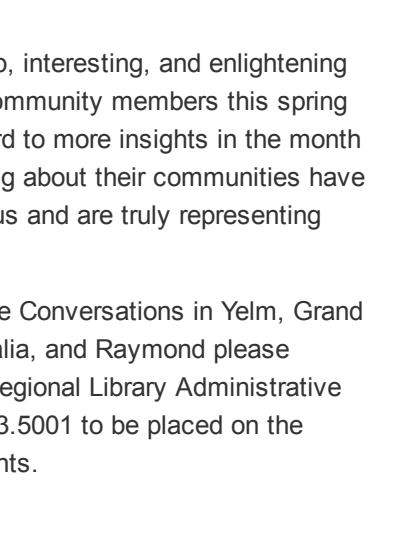
Don't forget your library has great resources to help your planning process!

On **OverDrive** you can check out travel series such as Fodor's, Moon, DK Eyewitness Travel, and Lonely Planet. Find additional travel inspiration and practical tips in books such as "**How to Pack for Any Trip**", "**Epic Bike Rides of the World**", and "**Travel with Children**". If hiking and camping are in your plans, you will find maps and guidebooks for the Pacific Northwest.

More travel guide ebooks can be found in the **Gale Virtual Reference Library (GVRL)**. These ebooks are always available, whenever you need them... no waiting!

**Global Road Warrior** is an online guide to 175 countries, including history, climate, culture, maps, points of interest, and up-to-date security information.

Search the **library catalog** for your dream destinations!



## COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS



TRL staff are having deep, interesting, and enlightening conversations with our community members this spring and we are looking forward to more insights in the month of May. The folks speaking about their communities have shared a great deal with us and are truly representing their communities well.

If you are interested in the Conversations in Yelm, Grand Mound/Rochester, Centralia, and Raymond please contact the Timberland Regional Library Administrative Service Center at 360.943.5001 to be placed on the contact list for those events.

### Community Conversations for May:

- **Steamboat Island** area (Olympia), Thursday 5/02/19 from 6-8pm
- **North Olympia**, Saturday 5/04/19 from 10am-12pm
- **Chinook**, Tuesday 5/07/19 from 6-8pm
- **Pacific Beach**, Saturday 5/11/19 from 10am-12pm
- **Humtulsips**, Thursday 5/16/19 from 6-8pm
- **McCleary**, Saturday 5/18/19 from 6-8pm
- **Aberdeen**, Monday 5/20/19 from 6-8pm
- **Long Beach**, Thursday 5/23/19 from 6-8pm
- **Yelm**, Tuesday 5/28/19 from 6-8pm

[Please note that these Community Conversation meetings will not be held at library buildings.]

After all of these conversations have concluded, the information will be passed on to our Strategic Planning Committee to help inform the beginning work of our 2020-2022 Strategic Plan. As the committee sifts through this information and works on a draft strategic plan, we will be revisiting our communities with two rounds of Community Check-ins to have community members look at our work and make sure that what we are working on matches the needs of our communities.



## Helping Community Youth Organizations Connect Children and Teens with Books

**Youth Connect Boxes** are tubs filled with 55-70 books which are available for loan to community centers, health care agencies, before and after school programs, Head Start locations, preschools, daycare centers, day camps, and anyone who works directly with youth groups.

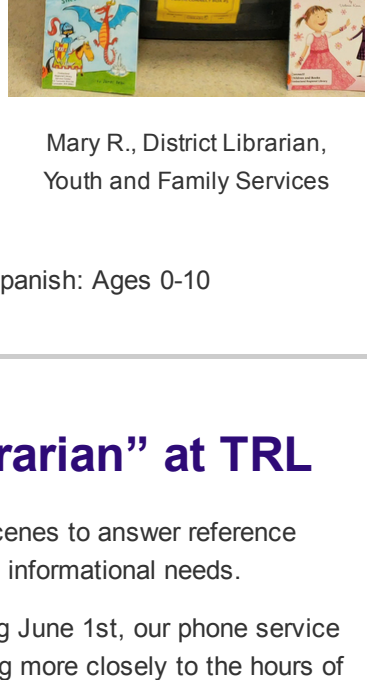
**No Fines. No Fees. It's completely free.**

### How Can You Get a Youth Connect Box?

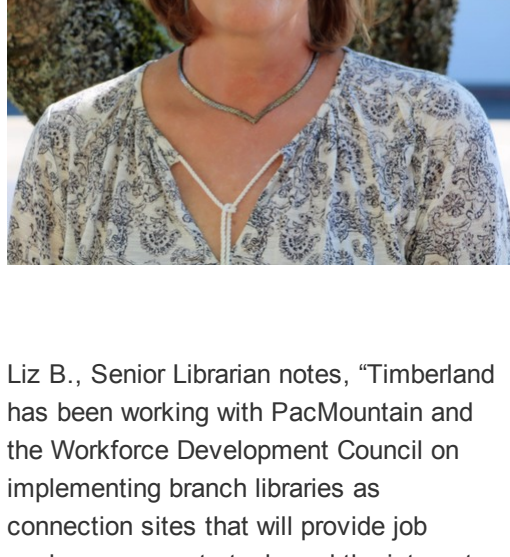
1. Sign up for a TRL library card.
2. Go to [TRL.org](http://TRL.org), search "Youth Connect Boxes," fill out the online request form, or call your local library.

### Targeted Age Ranges

- **Pre-Readers** - Ages 0-6
- **Beginning Readers** - Ages 6-8
- **Middle Readers** - Ages 8-13
- **Teen Readers** - Ages 13-18
- **Bilingual Pre-Readers/Beginning Readers** - English & Spanish: Ages 0-10



Mary R., District Librarian,  
Youth and Family Services

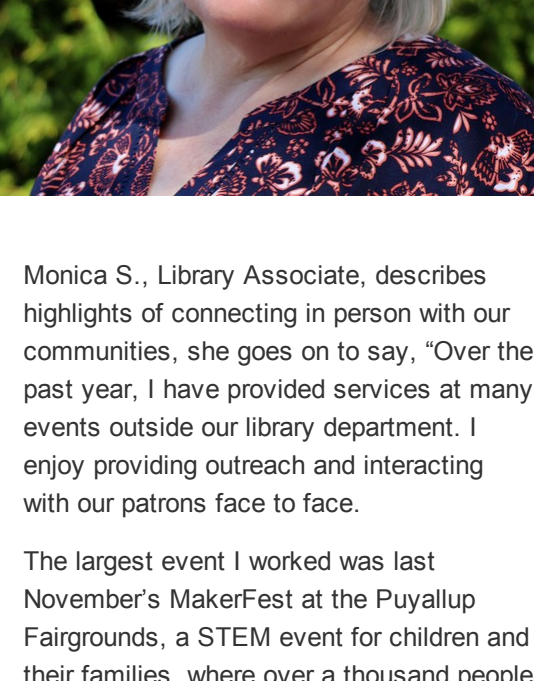


Liz B., Senior Librarian notes, "Timberland has been working with PacMountain and the Workforce Development Council on implementing branch libraries as connection sites that will provide job seekers access to tools and the internet access they need. I will be focusing on how Timberland can expand upon what we've already started."

In addition, "Ask a Librarian" staff have represented Timberland Regional Library system at various community events throughout the district.

Heather K., Senior Librarian, reflects on her experience at Timberland. "I've worked in this department since its inception in 2001, from a small room at the Aberdeen Library to the offices we have at the Service Center... it has been quite a ride!

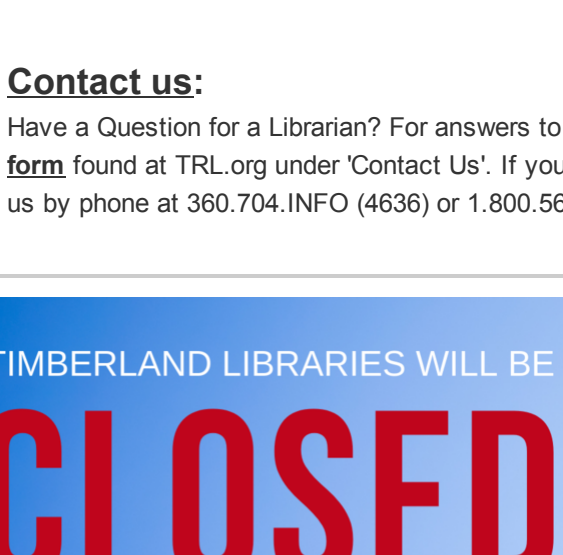
She continues, "This year I am working on the Timberland Reads Together (TRT) workgroup and our theme for this year is Native Voices." She goes on to say, "It's great to work on a project that originally intended to cover two months and see it transition into a long-term commitment to inclusiveness."



Monica S., Library Associate, describes highlights of connecting in person with our communities, she goes on to say, "Over the past year, I have provided services at many events outside our library department. I enjoy providing outreach and interacting with our patrons face to face.

The largest event I worked was last November's MakerEvent at the Puyallup Fairgrounds, a STEM event for children and their families, where over a thousand people attended!

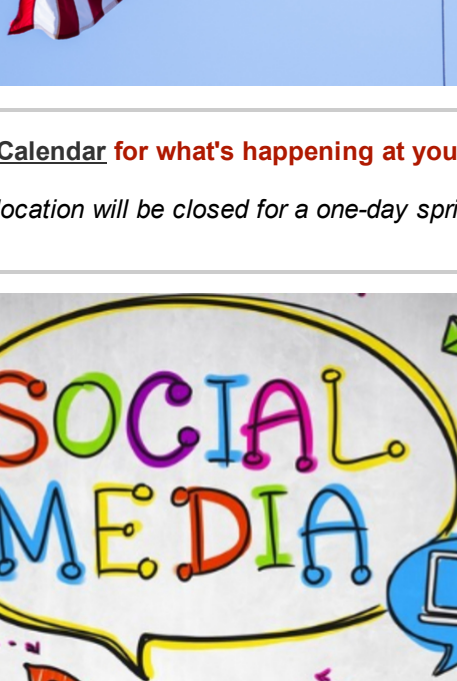
Our department has plans to increase the amount of outreach we provide in the future, and I am so excited."



### Contact us:

Have a Question for a Librarian? For answers to factual questions, submit the **email question form** found at [TRL.org](http://TRL.org) under 'Contact Us'. If you need more immediate assistance, reach out to us by phone at 360.704.INFO (4636) or 1.800.562.6022 (outside Thurston County).

TIMBERLAND LIBRARIES WILL BE  
**CLOSED**  
Monday, May 27, 2019  
in honor of Memorial Day

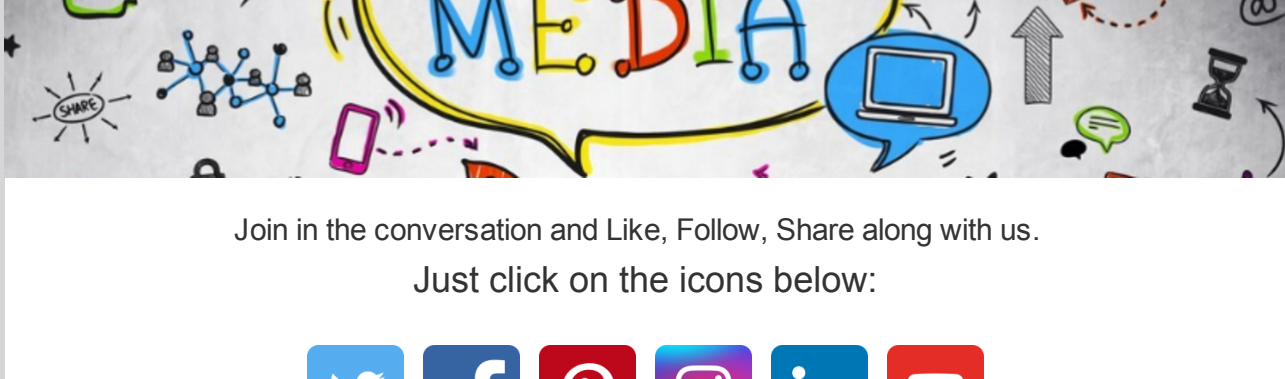


Expanded Access at the  
McCleary Library is still  
available on May 27.

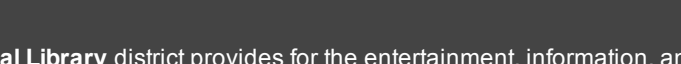
All other Libraries will  
resume regular schedules  
on Tuesday, May 28.

Check out our [Online Events Calendar](#) for what's happening at your local Timberland library!

Reminder that each branch location will be closed for a one-day spring staff training in May.



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