

There are many ongoing projects and services available at Lower Umpqua Library District (LULD).

The library now has over 100 active magazine/periodical subscriptions available about a variety of



topics, such as news (both foreign and domestic), genealogy, outdoor recreation, Oregon/local interest, travel, science, history, boating, comics, business, literature, and many more. While books are restricted to 25 checkouts at a time per person, magazine borrowing is unlimited. These subscriptions were either funded by grants or donated (by individual patrons or by groups such as the Friends of the Library and the Lower Umpqua Gem & Lapidary Society).

The library recently used grant funds to purchase bicycle locks, which are available for borrowing. These join other nontraditional objects that LULD has available for borrowing, which include trekking poles, compasses, umbrellas, pedometers, Wi-Fi hotspots, solar chargers, a keyboard, computer mice, a Blu-ray drive, and Wi-Fi extenders. In addition to these items that are available for checkout, USB flash drives may be purchased for \$3.00 apiece.

LULD has upcoming events throughout the months of May and June. These include:

- Pre-school Storytime will be held at LULD every Wednesday at 11 am
- Knit and Crochet Group will meet at LULD every Wednesday at 4 pm
- A presentation by Kameryn Brown at LULD regarding foraging and growing mushrooms at 10 am on May 18th. Please bring your own food safe containers
- A presentation by Carolena Pierce at LULD about vermiculture composting with worms at 10 am on May 25th
- A planetarium experience at the Reedsport Community Center (451 Winchester Ave), which will be held in cooperation between LULD, Southwestern Community College and the Reedsport Community Center. It will be held on June 01st from 9 am until 12 pm.
- LULD's Summer Reading Program will begin on June 15th and continue until August 21st. Children and teenagers are invited to read during the summer for the chance to win prizes. A similar program for adults is also in the works and more details will be announced in next month's article.
- A presentation by Cindy Farber at LULD on dealing with garden predators and disease and summertime succession planting at 10 am on June 15th
- The kick-off party and parking lot barbecue for the Summer Reading Program will be held at LULD on June 19th.

LULD received a grant to pay a teen intern to work at the library over the summer. The intern would focus on a project, which would be determined based on the needs and interests of both the library and the intern. Applicants for both this and for a substitute library assistant position are encouraged to apply by submitting applications to the library. Additional volunteers would also be most welcome. Many ongoing projects could use the help of volunteers.

Please call or visit the library for more information or if you have questions. LULD is open 10 am to 6 pm Tuesday through Friday and 10 am to 4 pm on Saturday.

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