

The Book Buggy visits Pumpkin Festival

The Book Buggy was on hand at the annual Central Oregon Pumpkin Festival on Saturday, October 21st. Deschutes Public Library's bookmobile's provides library services and library programs to children, teens, child care providers and parents around Deschutes County that can not easily visit one of the library branches.

I drove the bookmobile to the festive, since I had never gone before. What a great event! I had the pleasure of meeting and greeting over 800 children and adults that stopped by the bookmobile. I visited with many of my friends from the bookmobile stops. The folks I visited with told me how much they loved and are so proud of the Deschutes Public Library! My *Book Buggy* friends were especially thrilled to have the chance to show their parents around the bookmobile.

A big thanks to Bend Metro Park & Recreation District for the invitation, especially Chris Zerger/BMPRD's Special Events Coordinator and Kaia Seiffer/BMPRD's District Volunteer Coordinator. And an especially big thanks and hello to everyone I met at the Pumpkin Festival—I had wonderful time meeting all of you! If you need more information about the Deschutes Public Library's bookmobile please contact me at (541) 312.1036 or joc@dpls.us

*Josephine Caisse
Outreach Services Manager*



Even Library Staff Continues Learning

On Monday October 16th the Deschutes Public Library was closed for a staff development day. This once a year event is an exciting opportunity for DPL staff and Board members to come together to share ideas and learn new skills. DPL's annual library conference targets not only Central Oregon libraries and school media specialists, but those from other areas across the state.

This year, we were honored to have representatives from the Oregon State Library, the Oregon Library Association, and the Eugene Public Library join in the conference. Other conference attendees included representatives from Jefferson County Public Library, Crook County Public Library, and media specialists from the Bend-La Pine, Sisters and Crook County school districts. We had more than 140 attendees and 12 speakers from across the United States.

We were extremely fortunate to have some exceptional national speakers, for example, Michelle Jeske from the Denver Public Library talking about her library's innovations in technology, Nancy Tessman, the director for the Salt Lake City Public Library (which was awarded Library Journal's Library of the Year award for 2006), Michael Porter from Ontario, California talking about social software, and Salvador Avila from Las Vegas/Clark County Public Library speaking about library services to Spanish speakers.

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La Pine

The La Pine Public Library is busier than ever! We reached a major milestone in October, surpassing 10,000 visitors to the library in one month, with 10,080 people passing through our doors. This is our highest attendance ever, and the first time we broke the 10,000 mark. Thanks for keeping the staff busy and on their toes—and stop by to discover what your vibrant, community-centered library has to offer!

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