

On the Shelves

By Shannon Romtvedt

After receiving more survey responses distributed through the utility bill, the Library received 135 surveys. Thank you again to everyone who participated. A summary of survey results will be presented at the City Council meeting on March 6. A summary will also be available at the library for anyone interested in seeing the results.

Thank you to Jim Buxton and CiCi Bell for an excellent presentation on the *Total Solar Eclipse, August 21, 2017*. The presentation was held on Thursday, February 2 with 20 attendees. We have extra copies at the library of a resource list if anyone is interested in doing their own research. The library will also be receiving free eclipse viewers to distribute through the Space Science Institute (SSI). According to SSI, over 1,700 libraries across the nation have registered to host an eclipse event and distribute eclipse viewers!

Coming up for children, *Get Rhythm at the Library*, a music series in April funded by the Columbia County Cultural Coalition, Friends of the Vernonia Library, Vernonia Lions Club, and individual sponsors. Featuring a performance on Tuesday,

April 4, 6:30 pm Andy Ferguson of Red Yarn – Folk Music and Puppetry and an Oregon Symphony Storytime on Friday, April 14, 10:30 am with percussionist Gordon Rencher. More program details coming soon.

Upcoming Events

Author Visit: Willy Vlautin

Tuesday, February 21, 6:30 pm Willy Vlautin is a nationally recognized author of four novels including *Lean on Pete* and *The Free*. He founded the band *Richmond Fontaine* in 1994 and put out a debut album in 2014 with his new band, *The Delines*. He currently lives in Scappoose, Oregon. His Vernonia visit will focus on the book *Lean on Pete*, with a Q&A about his novel and song writing. He will be bringing his guitar and books to sign.

Beginning Knitting for Kids

Tuesdays, 4 -5 pm February 28, March 14, March 28 Free and all materials provided for children age 8-17. Classes taught by Caitlin Hunter. Contact boylandknitworks@gmail.com for information.

Family Movie Night

Thursday, February 23, 6 pm (Family Movie): Showing new release *Storks!* Relax and enjoy a movie and popcorn

at the library. Call or visit the library for movie titles.

Third Annual Dr. Seuss Celebration!

Thursday, March 2, 6-7 pm Dr. Seuss story read by the Cat in the Hat. Birthday cake, door prizes, Seussish crafts and activities. Join the party! Sponsored by the Friends of the Vernonia Public Library.

Mind the Gaps: How Gender Shapes Our Lives

Thursday, March 23, 6:30 pm Oregon Humanities Conversation Project program led by Willamette University professor, Jade Aguilar. Sponsored by the Friends of the Vernonia Library.

Ongoing Programs

Book Discussion Group

Last Monday of every month, 5:30 pm Selection for February 27: *Friday Night Knitting Club* by Kate Jacobs

Writer's Group

Thursday, February 16, 6-7:30 pm Third Thursday of the month. For all levels of writing experience. New members always welcome.

Baby and Toddler Time

Mondays, 10:30 – 11:15 am

Songs, short stories, toys, and bubbles for 0 – 3. Older siblings welcome.

Preschool Storytime

Fridays, 10:30 – 11:15 am Stories and a craft/activity for up to age 5.

Did You Know? Library Board Meetings

The Library Board meets once a month, 1st Wednesday, 6 pm at the Library. Although I generally post about the Library Board to recruit new members, I thought I would also remind everyone that meetings are open to the public. If interested in attending a meeting, you are more than welcome. There is a place in the agenda for Public Comment so that could be a time to introduce yourself, make a suggestion, share a concern, or bring up an idea.


Hours & Contact Info

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