

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday Shop Columbia County Campaign - Saturday, April 8

Last year Clatskanie merchants started a Downtown Market, an idea spearheaded by Ellen Spaulding, owner of The Junque Trunque. Participating businesses placed white balloons outside their doors and created a vendor area in the parking lot at Discounts & Deals and Clatskanie River Inn to promote the 2nd Saturday Downtown Market. Cross promoting at the Clatskanie Farmers Market helped everyone to increase foot traffic for both events.

It worked so well that now the group is collaborating with Keep it Local Columbia County to promote a 2nd Saturday Shop Across Columbia County!

The event is set to take place on the 2nd Saturday of each month (hence the name). Spaulding decided to promote across Columbia County because, "I think that this will generate more customers by promoting each other, working together and letting people know of all the great shopping and eating places we offer in Columbia County. By encouraging people to

visit our neck of the woods, they will spend the day exploring everything we have to offer."

Keep it Local Columbia County website helps to promote all businesses across Columbia County. The goal is to promote local cities and the county as a whole by encouraging visitors to come out for specials and events on 2nd Saturday Shop Across Columbia County. Using grass-roots methods and social media, particularly Facebook, to reach shoppers is a powerful tool when business owners work together to promote and engage more people.

April 8 marks the launch of the first 2nd Saturday Shop local campaign across Columbia County with the Downtown Market specializing in antiques, art, handmade and vintage and will put out white balloons. The 2nd Saturday campaign is also promoting down-

town markets and farmers market in Scappoose, Clatskanie, Vernonia and Goble, many of which will stay open later during May and June. Other restaurants and businesses are encouraged to participate as well by listing events on the Keep It Local Columbia County Add Events page.

It is easy for business owners to join in the fun by promoting antiques, arts, handmade, vintage and more, local restaurants and special offers for the day. Join in the fun of "Over the River and Through the Woods" 2nd Saturday Shop featuring a Downtown Market.

Get Involved! #shopsmall #hereincc #2ndSaturdayCC.

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## What's Happening at the Vernonia Library

### Upcoming Events

#### Get Rhythm at the Library

Music Program Series sponsored by the Columbia County Cultural Coalition supported by the Oregon Cultural Trust, Friends of the Library, Vernonia Lions Club, and John and Randal Harvey

#### Featuring

#### Oregon Symphony Storytime (Percussion)

Friday, April 14, 10:30 am  
Stories read to percussion by Oregon Symphony Percussionist, Gordon Rencher, followed by an opportunity to play drums and percussion instruments. Ideal for children Pre-K through Grade 2.

#### Rutabaga Rhythm Workshop

with Joe Seamons and Tina Dietz  
Wednesday, April 26-VES, all day  
Thursday, April 27-10 am Workshop for Homeschoolers at the Library, Pre-Register at Library.

2 pm Performance at the School (Homeschoolers Welcome)  
7 pm Timberbound Performance at the Vernonia Grange. All ages welcome, Free Admission.

#### Beginning Knitting for Kids

Classes Extended through April!  
Tuesdays, 4-5 pm, April 11, 25  
Free and all materials provided for children ages 8 - 17. Classes taught by Caitlin Hunter. Contact [boylandknitworks@gmail.com](mailto:boylandknitworks@gmail.com) for more information. Watch for Free Adult Classes in May.

#### Movie Night

Tuesday, April 18, 6 pm  
Relax and enjoy a free movie and popcorn at the library. Movie title TBA

### Ongoing Programs

#### Writer's Group

Thursday, April 20, 6-7:30 pm  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month. For writers with all levels of experience.

#### Book Discussion Group

Monday, April 24, 5:30 pm  
Last Monday of every month, 5:30 pm. Book selection for April: *The Light Between Oceans* by M.L. Stedman

#### Storytimes

**Baby and Toddler Time**  
Mondays, 10:30 - 11:15 am  
Songs, rhymes, books, toys, and bubbles! For ages 0 - 3. Older siblings welcome.

#### Preschool Storytime

Fridays, 10:30 - 11:15 am  
Stories and a craft/activity for children up through age 6. All Storytimes in April will feature Music, Rhythm Activities, and Instruments for Get Rhythm at the Library.

#### Library Closure

Saturday, April 22 for a **Library Clean Up Event**. If interested in volunteering, contact Shannon Romtvedt at the library or email [shannonr@vernonia-or.gov](mailto:shannonr@vernonia-or.gov).

#### Library Hours & Contact

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 10 - 5  
Tuesday, Thursday: 1 - 7  
Saturday: 10 - 4  
Closed Sundays

Phone: (503) 429-1818

E-mail: [library@vernonia-or.gov](mailto:library@vernonia-or.gov)

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the infrastructure for development was initially installed. The City's position remains that they did not accept the development and that the developers are responsible for bringing the streets up to current City code.

Mitchell told the Council demolition has begun on the Photo Solutions building.

Mitchell told Council that property owners on Hwy 47 near Knicker-son Creek have been given permission to remove downed trees that are in the

creek and causing local flooding.

Mitchell said she is working with local residents to create a memorial tree program at Spencer Park and anyone interested in buying a tree should contact City Hall.

Mitchell asked for, and received approval from Council to write a letter of support for Columbia County Parks for improvements to the CZ Trail. The request came from county parks employee Lori Baker who is working on a grant application for the work.

### NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the City of Vernonia, Columbia County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, will be held at the Cabin in Vernonia 901 Park Drive, Vernonia OR 97064. The meeting will take place on April 11th, 2017 at 6:30pm

The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message, the Budget Document and to establish the agenda for future meetings. No deliberation will take place at this meeting.

An additional, separate meeting of the Budget Committee will be held to take public comment. Any person may appear at that meeting to discuss to proposed programs with the Budget Committee.

The meeting for public comment will be on:

Date: April 18th, 2017 Time: 6:30 pm Location: Cabin in Vernonia

A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after April 11th, 2017 at City Hall

1001 Bridge St, between the hours of 9am - 5pm Monday - Friday

### NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Vernonia Rural Fire, Columbia, State of Oregon, to

discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, will be held at Vernonia Fire Station  
555 E Bridge Street, Vernonia OR The meeting will take place on 4/11/2017 at 6  a.m.  p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget.

This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee.

A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after 3/15/2017 at Vernonia Fire Station

between the hours of 9  a.m.  p.m. and 4  a.m.  p.m.

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