

What's Happening at the Vernonia Library

Upcoming Events

Summer Reading 2017!

For children birth through age 14. Sign up at the Library starting anytime between June 19 and July 15. Receive a free book, book bag, and Oregon State Fair tickets. Return your time log between July 25 and August 12 to enter prize drawings and earn free Oregon Zoo tickets.

Teens and Adults can participate in Summer Reading too by entering book reviews in a drawing. Chance to win a free drink card to the Black Bear or a \$25 gift card to R&S Market.

Knitting Workshop for Adults!

Saturday, June 3, 10 am - Noon
Free but limited to 10 participants. Materials provided. Classes taught by Caitlin Hunter. Contact boylandknitworks@gmail.com for more information.

Follow-up lessons and the start of our Knitting Group will be held Saturday, June 17. Knitting Group will be at the Library every 1st

and 3rd Saturday, 10 am.

Basics of Home Canning

Thursday, June 8, 6:30 – 8 pm
Join us for a conversation with Jenny Rudolph of the OSU Extension Service about safe methods of home canning. We will discuss when and how to use a pressure canner vs. a boiling water bath canner and other tips to successfully preserve your harvest. Bring your pressure canner gauge to be tested for FREE while you are here.

Readers Theater

Tuesday, June 20, 6:30 – 7:30 pm
Forest Grove's Young at Heart Readers Theater team returns with a new line-up. Readers Theater is a type of theater using props, scripts, and actors. For all ages.

Family Movie Night

Thursday, June 22, 6 pm
Featuring: *Lego Batman* (PG)
Relax and enjoy a free movie and popcorn at the library.

Warren Easley Author Night

Monday, June 26, 6:30 – 8 pm
Join author Warren Easley in a reading, Q & A and book signing. Author of the Cal Claxton Mysteries set in Oregon with a new release in June titled *Blood for Wine*. Hosted by the Friends of the Library and the Library's Book Discussion Group.

X-Stream Magic Show

Thursday, June 29, 6:30 – 7:30 pm
Join magician Jeff Evans in a blend of live demonstrations and helmet-cam video. See "extreme magic" including Jeff's escape from ropes, chains, and the Party Popper Vest of Death! Recommended for ages 5 and up.

Ongoing Programs

Writer's Group

Thursday, June 15, 6-7:30 pm
3rd Thursday of every month. For writers with all levels of experience.

Book Discussion Group

Monday, June 26, 5:00 pm*
Last Monday of every month, 5:30 pm. Book selection for June: Warren

Easley title, TBA

*Meeting early this month for the author visit to follow

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. *No storytime on Fridays June 23 and 30

Library Closures

Tuesday, July 4
for the Independence Day Holiday

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

Vernonia Study Club: 1925 – 2015

By Shannon Romtvedt

Before the Senior Center, Vernonia Cares, and other important organizations in the Vernonia community, there was a hardworking group of women who formed the Vernonia Study Club. According to a history written in the early 90s by member, Maude Wells, the Study Club was organized in 1925 for the purpose of "self-improvement and civic betterment."

The Vernonia Public Library recently added a memorial to the Vernonia Study Club in our meeting room area to

recognize the club's contributions to the community. When they disbanded in 2015, the Vernonia Study Club donated their final balance of funds to Vernonia Cares and the Friends of the Vernonia Public Library, a total of \$3,000. The memorial in the library recognizes the donation by providing the community with a condensed history of the Study Club, a picture of members active in the 90s and early 2000s, and an article from *The Independent*, May 2002, highlighting a Silver Tea, raising money for library books.

In ninety years of service, the

Study Club made quite an impact on Vernonia history. They sponsored the first Garden Club, organized a Community Chest to take care of needy families during the depression, gave money to families who lost their homes to fire, organized the Christmas basket program for several years, led War Bond drives, and rolled bandages and raised money for the Red Cross during World War II.

In 1969, the Club "spear-headed a community wide drive to build another Legion Hall when the first one collapsed." They raised money for the school, sponsoring projects that were later taken over by the PTA and High School Honor Society. The Club sponsored Girl Scouts for several years. Maude Well's history notes that the Study Club took up and sent a donation to Doernbecker Hospital when they found out Vernonia children could not be treated until a donation from the community was made.

Of ongoing concern to the Vernonia Study Club was the City Library. Along with advocating for the Library at City Council meetings, the Club "held annual rummage sales for several years for the benefit of the library. For more than fifty years, they cooperated with the Library Board in holding coffee hours or silver teas during Library Week in April. All the profits from these were given to

the library to buy books. They also held Book Drives to collect books from the community." Several of the members also served on the Library Board.

In more recent years, the Vernonia Study Club donated funds to buy books in memory of deceased members. When member Faith Reynolds passed away in 2015, the Study Club and a few other individuals donated money for books in her honor.

The club chose to disband in 2015 because there were only three members (others passed away or relocated), and most of the projects Study Club took on were no longer needed or taken over by other entities in the community.

Original Study Club members in 1925 were: Mrs. Vernon Douglas, president; Mrs. Scherwhorn, vice-president; Mrs. Mary Wilson, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Lindley, Mrs. McGee, Mrs. Space, Mrs. Emmott, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Greenman, Dr. Wight, Mrs. Shinn, and Mrs. Davis.

The memorial now in the Library includes pictures of members in 2001: Pauline King, Barbara Sturdevant, Ethel Blackburn, Doreen Buchan, Cozy Tatman, Irene Christensen, Dixie Polvorosa, Faith Reynolds, Nancy Burch, Louise Hamnett, Frances Lentz, Maude Wells, Ruth Proctor, and Barbara Bergerson. Other members not pictured who were members of the Vernonia Study Club over the last few decades include: Pat Styles, Fran Hendrix, Patricia Wheeler, Barbara Ward, and Sylvia Kaufman.

While looking at the photos in the library, Ralph Sturdevant, husband of member Barbara Sturdevant, commented "that was a fine bunch of ladies. They worked hard. They don't make them quite like that anymore."

Thank you to Nancy Burch, Rachel Langmaid, and Eileen McRoberts for contributing to the Vernonia Study Club memorial in the Library. Thank you to the Vernonia Study Club for ninety years of service to the Vernonia Community.

FORM LB-1 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

A public meeting of the Mist Birkenfeld RFPD will be held on June 20, 2017 at 7 pm at 12525 Hwy 202, Mist, Oregon 97016. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 as approved by the Mist Birkenfeld Budget Committee. A summary of the budget is presented below. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained at Mist Birkenfeld RFPD Main Station @ 12525 Hwy 202, Mist, OR 97016 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. or online at Mistbirkenfeldrfd.org. This budget is for an annual budget period. This budget was prepared on a basis of accounting that is the same as the preceding year.

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY - RESOURCES			
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS	Actual Amount 2015-16	Adopted Budget This Year 2016-17	Approved Budget Next Year 2017-18
Beginning Fund Balance/Net Working Capital	\$359,380.12	\$495,500.00	\$806,000.00
Fees, Licenses, Permits, Fines, Assessments & Other Service Charges	\$43,937.91	\$34,500.00	\$34,700.00
Federal, State and all Other Grants, Gifts, Allocations and Donations	\$57,111.49	\$58,000.00	\$58,000.00
Revenue from Bonds and Other Debt	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Interfund Transfers / Internal Service Reimbursements	\$0.00	\$70,000.00	\$38,049.00
All Other Resources Except Current Year Property Taxes	\$55,333.01	\$34,500.00	\$36,110.00
Current Year Property Taxes Estimated to be Received	\$374,034.35	\$395,620.00	\$414,000.00
Total Resources	\$1,089,776.88	\$1,091,120.00	\$1,186,859.00

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - REQUIREMENTS BY OBJECT CLASSIFICATION			
	Actual Amount 2015-16	Adopted Budget This Year 2016-17	Approved Budget Next Year 2017-18
Personnel Services	\$267,300.84	\$338,301.00	\$400,000.00
Materials and Services	\$131,909.07	\$176,519.00	\$166,150.00
Capital Outlay	\$47,043.21	\$302,300.00	\$373,849.00
Debt Service	\$29,445.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,810.00
Interfund Transfers	\$106,849.00	\$70,000.00	\$38,049.00
Contingencies	\$0.00	\$174,000.00	\$174,000.00
Special Payments	\$582,547.10	\$1,091,120.00	\$1,182,859.00
Unappropriated Ending Balance and Reserved for Future Expenditure	\$0.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
Total Requirements	\$582,547.10	\$1,095,120.00	\$1,186,859.00

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - REQUIREMENTS AND FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEES (FTE) BY ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT OR PROGRAM			
Name of Organizational Unit or Program FTE for that unit or program	Actual Amount 2015-16	Adopted Budget This Year 2016-17	Approved Budget Next Year 2017-18
Fire Services			
4.05 FTE	\$247,607.43	\$255,000.00	\$320,000.00
FTE			
FTE			
FTE			
FTE			
Not Allocated to Organizational Unit or Program			
FTE			
Total Requirements	\$247,607.43	\$255,000.00	\$320,000.00
Total FTE	3.05	3.05	4.05

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ACTIVITIES AND SOURCES OF FINANCING			

PROPERTY TAX LEVIES			
	Rate or Amount Imposed 2015-16	Rate or Amount Imposed This Year 2016-17	Rate or Amount Approved Next Year 2017-18
Permanent Rate Levy (rate limit .0020875 per \$1,000)	2.09	2.09	2.09
Local Option Levy	0.00	0.00	0.00
Levy For General Obligation Bonds	0.00	0.00	0.00

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS		
LONG TERM DEBT	Estimated Debt Outstanding on July 1.	Estimated Debt Authorized, But Not Incurred on July 1
General Obligation Bonds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Bonds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Borrowings	\$30,810.00	\$0.00
Total	\$30,810.00	\$0.00

Upper Nehalem Watershed Council Annual Meeting

Thursday, June 22
at the Vernonia Grange Hall

Free seedling give away!

6:00 pm Dessert potluck

6:30 pm Public elections of board members

6:45 pm Slideshow presented by Maggie, showing aerial photos of watershed and recent project photos

7:45 pm Business meeting