## On the Shelves

#### **By Shannon Romtvedt**

This month the Library featured a display called "We Love Our Library." Patrons were encouraged to write what they love about the Vernonia Library on a heart and attach the note to the display. This activity was particularly popular with children and families. Thank you for all of your heartwarming words. We are happy to see you at the Library and we will keep doing and making available the things you love!

What do Vernonia Library patrons love? Playing with blocks and making crafts, books, movies, Library festivities, staff, friendly smiles, Dr. Seuss's Birthday Party, playing with friends, kids area, art and craft table, having a place to come hangout and have fun, quiet and cozy, dinosaur books, reading with mama, and more.

If it's been a while or you've never been to the Library in Vernonia, here are a few reasons to come: We have a craft table with a rotating craft always available for something fun. A kid's area filled with books, toys, building blocks, puzzles, Legos, magnets, and a giant bear. We have public computers, a printer, service for faxing, copying, laminating, and scanning. We have books for all ages, audiobooks, dvds, blu-rays, board games for check-out, and graphic novels for kids. Call the Library and you can reserve a pass to visit OMSI, Shute Park Aquatic Center, Rice Rock Museum, or the Oregon Historical Society.

The Library is a great place to connect to Wi-Fi, tutor, meet in a small group, knit in a comfy corner, or read to children, a place to meet friends at a storytime or event. We are coming up on a busy time of year, so follow event listings in the newspaper, website, or Facebook page to see what's coming up for the community at the Library. Thank you for the love, Vernonia!

#### **Upcoming Events**

#### **Food for Fines**

Tuesday, February 19 - February 28 Bring non-perishable food or personal care items to the library and \$1 in fines or lost/damaged fees will be forgiven from your account in exchange for each item. All donations, including money paid on fines during this time period, will be donated to Vernonia Cares.

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Dr. Seuss Birthday Celebration!

Saturday, March 2, 2 pm Celebrate Read Across America Day in honor of Dr. Seuss's Birthday. Story read by our special visitor, The Cat in the Hat, followed by pictures with the Cat, birthday cake, face painting, a craft, activities, scavenger hunt, and Seussish goodie bags.

#### Remembering Ring of Fire

Thursday, March 14, 6:30 pm Join Tobie Finzel from the Vernonia Pioneer Museum and locals who remember or were part of the filming of *Ring of Fire*. Watch clips of the film with crowd shots and scenes of Vernonia, and learn about the filming and impact of the community. This event is open both to individuals who want to share their knowledge of *Ring of Fire* in Vernonia and to everyone interested in learning about the history.

## **Book Group Event: Author Cathy Lamb**

Monday, March 18, 5:30 pm Join a special book discussion group meeting with Oregon fiction and romance author, Cathy Lamb. Meet the author, learn about her books and writing process, Q & A, and book signing.

#### **Ongoing Programs**

#### Writer's Group

Thursday, February 21, 6 - 7:30 pm 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month. For writers with all levels of experience.

#### **Book Discussion Group**

Last Monday of every month,

5:30 pm. Selection for February 25: Worthy Brown's Daughter by Phillip Margolin

#### **Storytimes**

#### **Baby and Toddler Time**

Mondays, 10:30 - 11:15 am Songs, short stories, toys, and bubbles for 0-3.

#### **Preschool Storytime**

Fridays, 10:30 - 11:15 am Stories and a craft/activity for up to age 5. Older siblings welcome!

#### **Did You Know? Tax Forms**

A reminder about the availability of tax forms at the Library. While many file for free online, the Library does receive paper Federal Tax forms (no State forms). The Library now has paper 1040 form and instruction booklets available. For tax year 2018, the tax format has changed. There is no longer a 1040EZ, 1040A, 1040 to choose from, just a single Form 1040 with schedules. If looking for a place to file taxes online and/or print forms, the Library has five public computers, printer (\$.10 per page B&W), fax (\$1.00 plus \$.25 per page), and a scanner.

#### Featured Titles at the Library: Books by Cathy Lamb

Romantic fiction author Cathy Lamb is visiting the Library on Monday, March 18, 5:30 pm, so please take this opportunity to try out one of her books. The Library has most of Cathy Lamb's titles available for check-out. Her latest novel, published in October 2018, *The Man She Married*, is set in Portland, Oregon. Cathy Lamb's stories are about marriage, family, history, uncovering secrets, healing, and reevaluating life and love.

#### **Hours & Contact Info**

Mon, Wed, Fri 10 am - 5 pm Tues & Thurs 1 pm - 7pm Sat 10 am - 4 pm Closed Sundays

Phone: (503) 429-1818 E-mail: library@vernonia-or.gov

### Small Woodlands Tree Sale

On Saturday, March 9, Columbia County Small Woodlands Association will hold its 21st annual tree sale. The sale begins at 8:30 am at the Lawrence Oil (Pacific Pride) parking lot in St. Helens on Hwy 30. The Address is 845 N Columbia River Hwy. 22 different species of deciduous and conifer trees will be available for purchase. Prices range from \$1.50 to \$6. Cash and checks will be accepted for payment. As always, buyers are advised to come early for best selection.

The selections for this sale are mostly bare root with ornamental trees being selected for colorful fall foliage, flowers, and or fragrance. Species include the following: elite Douglas fir (limit 5 bags), noble fir, western red cedar, giant sequoia, Kentucky coffee tree, cork bark fir, mimosa, grand fir, flowering dogwood, paper bark maple, quaking aspen, bloodgood London planetree, mountain ash, Japanese tree lilac, English oak, Turkish fir, green ash, tulip tree, scarlet oak, red maple, dawn redwood, shadblow service berry. Many of the species are small and desirable for small properties.

Columbia County Small Woodlands Association is a nonprofit organization dedicated to responsible forest stewardship and clean water. Over the past 20 years the association has provided well over a million seedlings, most of which have been planted within the county, to members and the public. The organization has a number of activities throughout the year, such as a summer tree farm tour, dinner meetings, guest speakers, panels, and clinics on forestry issues. For additional information on the sale contact Lynn Baker at (503) 708-9066.

#### **Tree Sale- Rain or Shine**

Saturday, March 9, 2019

Hours: 8:30 am - 1:30 pm

Where: Lawrence Oil (Pacific Pride)

Hwy 30, St. Helens, OR

Columbia County Small Woodlands

Association

22 different species of deciduous & conifer trees and shrubs available. Douglas fir (limit 5 bags), red cedar, dawn redwood, flowering dogwood, mimosa, and 17 others. 1,000s of seedlings available.

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