

Between the Bookends

By Charlene Bechen
Banks Library Volunteer

Last month's presentation on steam whistle logging in the Northwest was a great success. About 70 people attended. The Friends of the Library are considering making a logging program an annual event. Anyone with suggested topics relating to early logging is welcome to call the library. The Friends are also interested in borrowing any old photographs or memorabilia that could be used in a display. Call 324-1382 if you have ideas or mementos to share.

The Shady Evergreen Quilt is progressing nicely. Quilters are working on it most Thursday evenings at the old Banks City Hall. If you would like to quilt and chat with this group, please call Jami Masson at 681-9453 or Donna McCall at 324-3404 for dates and times. The completed quilt will be raffled off at the Banks Barbeque in August. Raffle tickets are on sale at the library for \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.

After several years of waiting, new computer software is scheduled for installation in the Washington County Library System this month. This upgrade will provide many advantages for librarians and patrons alike. Not only will the upgraded system offer improved search capabilities, it will allow enhanced cross-index searching and end user sorting of search results, as well. In order to load the

new program, our computer will be down from April 13 through April 17. Books can be checked in and out as usual during that time, but since there will be no courier, books will not be delivered from other branches.

The next Recycle Saturday is May 14 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the SWATCO Service Yard. SWATCO is located at 15945 NW Sellers Road, about one block south of the Sunset Highway. Magazines are now accepted, as well as glass, newspapers, corrugated cardboard (before 2 p.m.), aluminum, steel (tin) cans, brown paper bags, motor oil in screw top containers and milk, juice and water jugs. Volunteers are always welcome, Call Donna McCall at 324-3404 for more information

New at the library is the complete *Boxcar Children* series and *Second Nature*, Alice Hoffman's tenth novel. In this modern fairy tale Robin Moore rescues an innocent man mistaken for a beast. There, on a tiny island where all things are possible, where deer can weep, winter ice turns blood-red and roses bloom all at once, Robin begins to realize the intricacies of what it means to be human,

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activities for all ages and a bright future for those who come after us. One with a community spirit that says "Yes, we care!" and comes together to solve problems that arise—that is what Vernonia Pride is. It is not a club or organization, but a grass-roots movement of people of all ages and walks of life, meeting to work as a community on the problems Vernonia faces. It's a spirit of the people; an idea whose time has come.

April 30th is Spring Spirit Day in Vernonia. It is a day of work and play, beginning with a town "Spruce-up", followed by a spaghetti feed/pie social and auction to raise funds for community projects. Every-

one of us has something to contribute—manpower, equipment, auction items, etc. If you want to become part of the solution, please join your friends and neighbors on the 30th as we gather to help make Vernonia a town we can truly point to with pride. . . working together, there is no dream too big to come true.

Genny Fisher
Vernonia

Total agreement

To the Editor:

Re: R.D. Stevens' letter, *The INDEPENDENT* 3/9/94.

My response, Thanks and Amen!

Nelson Punttenney
New River, Ariz.

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A rug braider, wool gatherers and spinners demonstrated their skills at Banks Community Library last month. Shown here, from left to right, are Helen Hancock, Maryial Wilson, Laurellen Jabor, Sandy Sitzman, Nell Rand and Bonnie Schumaker. Not pictured were Charlene Bechen and Julie Lundy.



Friends of the Library work diligently on their annual fund raising quilt, to be raffled at the Banks Barbecue in August. Clockwise, they are lone Pilate, Joanne Guisinger, an unidentified onlooker, Karen Baker and Sheila Day.