

MOMS Club is especially for stay-at-home moms

MOMS Club is reaching out to all stay-at-home moms to form a chapter in Vernonia.

Boundaries are, loosely, the area of Vernonia School District 47J. The nearest clubs are Hillsboro, Forest Grove and Banks.

Once established, MOMS of

Vernonia will offer a calendar of events and activities for members to attend with their children that are free or low cost. There will also be an internet email loop, monthly newsletter, once a month mom's night out, once a month business social

with a craft, guest speaker and presentation, or an open discussion on a planned topic; two community service projects a year, benefiting children, moms and/or families.

For more information, call Camrin Eyrrick, 503-429-0470.

Bits & Bites

By Jacqueline Ramsay



Re-member everything you read here started two weeks before it appears in the paper. With that in mind, on the 27th, had the occasion to be in Clatskanie, went on down to Westport. Crossed the Columbia on the Ferry. It brought back memory of years back when you ferried to Puget Island and drove across it only to get on another ferry to get into Washington. Now, it's connected by a bridge from island to shore.

I'm asking - How do you say goodbye to a faithful furry friend when they just don't come in for breakfast one morning? She, "Christie" by name, was a Russian breed, having very thick under-layer of fur for outdoor life. She couldn't stand indoors. She was, by human count, 115 years, so I should have expected it. Right? Well, she's been gone since July 28 and I still expect her at the back door waiting for breakfast.

Oh, what a lovely sound, RAIN, it surely did green up the

weeds in my lawn.

Did any one other than myself see the piece of nostalgia drive thru town the 8th of September around 9:15 a.m.? I'm guessing it was a Ford, age about mid-1920s or a bit earlier. Just a chassis on skinny wheels. No doors, windows or bug screen. Behind the wheel a gent in white duster, skull cap and full eye goggles. His passenger was a young man. They were toolin' along about 25 to 30 miles per hour, past the lake and over the green bridge to open country. Neat - oh yes.

Did you hear or see on TV the mess the St. Helens school bussing system is in? Ho, Ho, they must have forgot they didn't have ColCo to transport kids to and from school.

Please remember the date September 22, 7:00 p.m., Scout Cabin - That's the town hall meeting to iron out (hopefully) problems within our city, understanding law and order within our town, day-to-day and on special occasions. Your thoughts count. Bring your voice where you can get answers.

It's something like voting. If you don't, you shouldn't gripe.

On a clear day, you can't see forever, but at 5,000 feet above sea level, you can see 96 miles.

World War II Japanese attacks on Oregon will be topic of program

"Japanese Attacks on Oregon in World War II" will be the subject of a presentation by Rick Francona on Tuesday, September 23, at 7:00 p.m. at the Vernonia Public Library. Francona is a retired U.S. Air Force intelligence officer and vice president of the Port Orford Heritage Society.

In the summer of 1942, the Japanese Navy submarine I-25 attacked the Oregon coast on several occasions. In June, it fired on Fort Stevens; in September it launched two aerial bombing attacks on Curry

County - one near Brookings and the other near Port Orford.

The attacks, made possible by Japan's unique submarine-launched aircraft capabilities, were meant to force the United States Navy to withdraw the Pacific Fleet closer to the coast, relieving pressure on the Japanese fleet in the Pacific. Today such events would be reported instantly, but at that time, secrecy and poor communications left them largely unknown.

Mr. Francona will bring this piece of Oregon history to life with this lecture and discussion about a well-planned and executed Japanese military operation that, ultimately, failed.

This presentation is sponsored by the Vernonia Library, in conjunction with the Friends of the Library. It is one in a series of Oregon Chautauqua programs are made possible by funding from the Oregon Council for the Humanities.

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