

Community



Participants in the 4th Annual Senior Spelling Bee, standing from left; Tobie Finzel (reader), Coni Hodgson (3rd place), and Russ Taylor (2nd Place). Seated are judges, Carol Sawyer and Bob Wagner. The first place winner, Betty Flora of Rainier, was unable to stay for photos.

Senior Center seeks volunteers

The Vernonia Senior Center would like help setting up a Community Volunteer Service.

This Service needs people who may need help; and ones who would be willing to help. The service would be local only; food, Vernonia Clinic. No chores.

The Center is willing to open

its doors to anyone without heat.

Vernonia has always been a wonderful "help your neighbor" community. Let's come together to provide these services.

To sign up, call the Senior Center at 503-429-3912, Dave and Rosie at 503-429-4230 or Necia at 503-429-5932.

Book fines will be waived during Library Week

How many overdue library books or videos do you have tucked away? Now is the time to start searching for them.

Due to the large number of books out of circulation, the Vernonia Public Library will offer an amnesty period during National Library Week, April 18 - 24. During this period books, and other library materials, can be returned and all fines accrued will be waived.

So, search your house for those overdue items, and turn them in to the library next week so others can enjoy them. It won't cost you a thing!

Poems to be read on April 17

Bring your favorite poem and join others at the "Read Your Favorite Poem" event on Saturday, April 17, at 2:30 p.m. at the Vernonia Public Library.

The event is being sponsored by Hands On Art and the Academy of American Poets.

Senior News

By Karen Miller



To our own Russ Taylor, a member of the Vernonia Senior Center, congrat-

ulations for his second place win at the 4th Annual Spelling Bee held here April 2. Beside being a good dancer and a good kitchen dishwasher, he can spell...G-O-O-D J-O-B! Thanks, Audeen Wagner, you had a great turnout!

We had a great time with a great crowd enjoying a great lunch with great music here April 9 at our annual Easter lunch. We appreciated Romanna's super dessert, Rosie's handmade decorations, Jaimie's as always delicious meal, Bill's auctioneering, and all those who participated in our Easter bonnet/hat contest. People's Choice Winner was Necia DeWitt and Art Isakson. The Judge's Choice Winner was Berniece Frey.

Our April 30 footcare date is filled up. Next up: May 28. Call for an appointment.

Do you know a senior 60 and over in need of respite care or housekeeping, or needing to have Meals-on-Wheels delivered? Call our office to see if you qualify.

Remember: Storewide 1/2 OFF sale the last Friday of every month. Also, come in and check out our new free giveaway items list.

Come join us April 28 for the Golden Oldies Band and sundaes! Ladies from the Grove Assisted Living in Forest Grove

will be here, bringing all the toppings with them!

Our modest lunch price for under 60 is still the best meal for the money! We serve lunches daily here at the Center for only \$2.50 for those under 60 and for seniors sixty and over on a donation basis. ALL AGES welcome. Join us for good food at good prices.

A NEW SERVICE: If you have a donation the Center can't normally accept (ex., washer, dryer, building materials, plants), we will put your name on a continually updated donation list with your phone number. People can come in and search for items of interest. Please, don't bring these donations to the Center! Call us or come in to be a part of this new service.

REMEMBER:

- Pastries and bread Wednesday and Saturday a.m.
- Bingo, Monday at lunch.
- Music with the Golden Oldies on Wednesdays.
- Games on Thursdays.
- Willoughby Hearing every second Friday at 11 a.m.
- Sign language class Monday, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
- Free blood pressure checks the first and third Fridays in the mornings.

If you know of a senior who would like a visit from the Senior Advocate or has any senior needs and concerns, call our office.

INFORMATION NUMBERS

Senior Advocate... 429-9112
Senior Center..... 429-3912
Transportation..... 429-4304


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