

# Chautauqua on American protest songs

The next in the very popular Chautauqua programs at Vernonia Public Library is scheduled for March 15 at 7:00 p.m.

Twilo Scofield will be presenting *American Songs of Protest*. Scofield grew up in Foster, a small logging/farming community, and is the great-granddaughter of an Oregon homesteader. She has been a teacher in Oregon public schools for over 30 years and has had a life-long interest in music and oral history.

Though most typically identified with the social unrest and Civil Rights movement of the 1960s, protest songs have a

long and venerable history in America that dates back to pre-Revolutionary times. American protest songs often sprang up spontaneously in a crisis and then vanished from oral tradition once the need for action had passed. But the best of them became part of our culture. Scofield will explore the incredible range of these songs, tying each to a moment and place in our country's history.

The Chautauqua programs are brought to Vernonia by the Friends of the Library and a grant from the Oregon Council for the Humanities.



Twilo Scofield

## Make Vernonia Shine Day scheduled for April 22

Earth Day, April 22, will be the date for the annual Vernonia community "Make Vernonia Shine" cleanup day.

SOLV, Vernonia Pride and the City of Vernonia are partnering in the effort to recruit vol-

unteers to make this the best cleanup day yet.

All individuals, groups, and organizations are invited to sign up early and join the fun. Sign up now to get the project you want.

If you have a pickup and can haul debris, call Sally Harrison at 503-429-8425.

Call Genny Fisher at 503-429-4019 for more information or to sign up.

## Microchips and dog licenses offered at clinic March 4

A clinic to get your dog a microchip at a reduced price and to license your dog on site will be held March 4, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Vernonia Schools covered play area.

The Columbia County Animal Control Officer and Staff

will be at the covered area offering reduced price microchipping (\$15.00) and penalty free dog licensing at the clinic.

Those obtaining licenses will be given a grace period in which to obtain rabies vaccinations. License costs are \$12.00

for a spayed or neutered dog, \$30.00 for an unfixed dog, \$5.00 for a senior citizen's spayed or neutered dog, and \$15.00 for a senior's unfixed dog.

## Bits & Bites

By Jacqueline Ramsay



goes, whatever.

If you missed the Donkey ball game, you missed a real crowd pleaser. A three year old little miss sang the national anthem on key. It was a pleasant experience.

Instead of saying Hello, someone sneezed on me – needless to say, I've been in bed for two days, coughing,

chilling, sneezing and sleeping. Dining on V8 juice and chicken based soups.

Around the town there seems to be a lot of remodeling going on. One house I saw was down to the slats. Interesting how they used to build a house. For those folk brave enough to go to the lake, I've seen a few real happy fishermen, ask them, "you going to bake or smoke your catch?" The answer is "smoke."

Only thing I noticed different out of town is – gas is 10 to 25 cents cheaper per gallon.

It's time to sneeze, cough and blow again, so until next time.

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