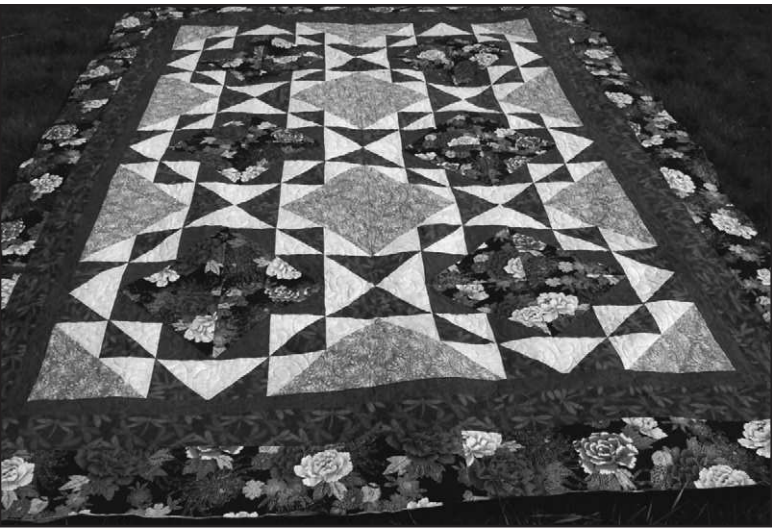


Jewell Smorgasbord on May 20 with food and prizes



This quilt, entitled "Through the Looking Glass," will be raffled off on May 20 at the 27th annual Jewell Memorial Scholarship Fund Smorgasbord. The evening includes an oral auction, door prizes, and raffles in addition to the quilt raffle.

The Jewell Memorial Scholarship Fund 27th annual Smorgasbord will be held May 20, at Jewell School.

Dinner begins at 5:00 p.m. and an oral auction will start at 8:00 p.m. In between, there will be door prizes, raffles and a quilt raffle.

Dinner prices are \$5 for seniors (55 and up), \$7.50 for adults, \$3.00 for kids 7-12, and kids 6 and under eat free.

The quilt this year is "Through the Looking Glass" and is 121x89 inches. It was made by Judy Layman and Loretta Hale. Raffle tickets are 50¢ each or three for \$1.00.

Proceeds go towards scholarships for graduating seniors of Jewell School.

May 21 Museum Talk cancelled

Students from Mist School had a special tour of the museum on Friday, May 12, followed by a walk around Vernonia Lake, the former mill pond of Oregon-American Lumber Co. There will be another special tour, May 31 at 1:30 p.m., for Clark County (WA) Senior Citizens.

The archaeological work in the former OA Mill "Negro Colony" near the mouth of Rock Creek has been suspended until the final plans for the wastewater facility project are complete. The museum

did, however, benefit from the work done to date, receiving copies of articles and the interviews of long-time residents regarding the ethnic colonies that housed mill workers from the 1920s to the 1950s.

The planned Museum Talk for May 21 has been cancelled due to illness; look for an announcement next month with details of the June talk.

A camera was left at the Museum on May 5. Please call 503-429-3713 and leave a message describing the camera if it belongs to you.

Submit your art

The Gallery at Columbia Center is inviting photographers to display and sell their work during June and July.

Everything from snapshots of the kids to National-Geographic-worthy nature shots are welcome. Photographs employed in other media are encouraged as well, such as photo quilts and collage and computer enhanced photographs. All work should be framed and ready to display.

The Art Committee will be accepting work for this show on Thursday, June 1, from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. at Columbia Center, 375 S 18th Street in St Helens. Artists may also leave with the receptionist at the Columbia Technology Center in the same building.

For more information call Art Committee chairman, Chris Kaleta at 503-397-3707 or email phkadel@yahoo.com.

Ridge Riders schedule play-day

All equestrians are invited to a Vernonia Ridge Riders play-day, weather permitting, on Saturday, May 27. Bring yourself, your horse, your kids and their horses to Anderson Park in Vernonia for a day of fun. Enjoy some friendly, good natured rider and horse competitions for all age groups, peewees to

seniors. Registration is from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., competition starts at noon. \$5.00 per member or \$10.00 per non-member.

For more information, call Deloris Bellingham at 503-429-9523.

Public invited to poetry workshop

The public is invited to a free poetry workshop presented by Jeanne Drake and Jessica Streeter, Vernonia High School English teachers, at VHS from 10:00 a.m. to noon on Saturday, June 3. Come try your hand at poetry with creative writing techniques.

This is a continuation of the Hands-on Art Spring Workshop series.

Bits & Bites

By Jacqueline Ramsay



Hill, oncoming traffic, is it a car? No. Motorcycle? No. It's a fool teenager on a skateboard in traffic lane – free wheeling – whoa – it's a good thing you can't pull a wheelie there.

Listen up when you walk the lake. Keep your eyes open and you'll see lots of things. Maybe a glimpse of mom and her ducklings; at present there are three sets. Big Bill says that catfish are coming up to the top so also are the Bass – even the Blue gill. I noticed one of the weedwhackers finally trimmed the grass from around the two trees, also exposed the concrete block Janice and I used to care for – But – we (the walkers) still need two more benches on the back side of the lake. You could name them Bird Watcher Perches and maybe the fisher-persons would allow a walker a place to stop. It's not really nice to butt in on a group you don't know.

Something else noted – I know you have to concentrate on fishing but when your young children are swinging on the branches of the flowering trees...

And for you folks that live in the trees – if you're not sure what time of year it is, the winged termites and sugar ants are out and about – Whoopee – kill, kill, kill.

Alert: The Scotch Broom is beginning to bloom at the lake – Achoooo.

The lake was a busy place on the weekend of the 6th; empty pop cans, spools of fish-line, wads of tangled line, dropped hooks, etc. Even a 10" nail in the roadway. It must have come from old lumber of the mill. Yes, I'm complaining, but the right people don't read this so why mention it? Perhaps you that do read this will pass the word when you see abuse of the lake. Years ago someone told me I was God's sandpaper – irritating, isn't it?

I hope you all had Happy memories of Mother's Day.

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