

# Civil War topic of next Chautauqua



William and Carla Coleman of Cold Comfort Productions will be in Vernonia on June 28 at the Vernonia Public Library.

The Haunting War: An American Tragedy Revisited is the ti-

## Meeting set for day camp adults

June 27, at 7:00 p.m., is the date to mark on your calendar for the Echoing Evergreens Day Camp meeting for adult volunteers at Anderson Park.

Learn what the camp is about, how you can volunteer, and prepare yourself for a wonderful week of outdoor fun.

Bring ideas, new or old, to share with the group. They are looking for people with interesting hobbies, crafts, and talents who would enjoy sharing them with our communities' youth.

If you would like to make a positive impact on the youth of Vernonia, or have questions about the day camp program, contact Katie Poetter at 503-429-0700 or mkpoetter@verizon.net, or Robin Dennis at 503-429-8041.

### CORRECTION

An ad on page 9 of The Independent's June 1 issue had an incorrect phone number for registration for the Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament. The correct phone number is 503-429-7601.

Public Library on June 28, at 7:00 p.m.

U.S. Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., thrice wounded in the Civil War, wrote, "The generation that carried on the war has been set apart by its experience...in our youth our hearts were touched with fire." For many nineteenth-century Americans, the intensity of the Civil War left scars that remained long after the fever of battle had died away. Those who survived the horrific fighting and those who struggled on the forever-changed home front bore witness to the terrible cost of a nation at war with itself.

The Haunting War tells the stories of these men and women in a series of vignettes bound together by period and original music.

Nationally recognized Civil War educators William and Carla Coleman of Cold Comfort Productions bring this program to Vernonia with sponsorship from the Oregon Council for the Humanities, the Friends of the Vernonia Library and the Library Board.

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## Tiffney to speak at Museum Talk

Vernonia Pioneer Museum had visits from several school groups during May and June. Mist Grade School students spent part of a day at the museum and Vernonia Lake. On May 26, Pat Lloyd gave a talk to Vernonia students on the geology of the area and showed them the museum's rock collection. In early June, two separate groups of VHS seniors visited; the video of the 1996 flood was especially interesting to them as they were grade

school students at the time and remembered it well.

The next Museum Talk will be presented Sunday, June 25 at 2:00 p.m., by Kathleen Tiffney. She will discuss the Lolley family (her parents) and their time in Vernonia.

The museum's summer schedule is now in effect, open 1-4:00 p.m. on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays with the exception of June 18, which is Fathers' Day.

## Bits & Bites

By Jacqueline Ramsay



into another. Perhaps I need less to keep me awake at night. Cats, dogs, wind, rain, late night car radios, etc. Funny, when it's quiet how sounds travel.

Of late I've found folk think I'm the answer person on what's going on in town with the powers that be at City Hall - Huh? How come? I've been asked of late - Oh! Are they starting on the Senior Center? Answer, No. Well, they've bulldozed the ruts and land at the lake? Answer, I think that's the parking lot. Where's the Senior Center? Answer, lost in the trees yet. What's the burner base for if not the Senior Center? Answer, I believe it's to be an information type building site. Oh, what are they doing with the big building at the lake? Answer, duh - Have you noticed the information plaque in front of it? Answer, no, I've not noticed it - but what are they doing on Bridge? Side-

walks? or What? Answer, at present I think bicycle paths and then sidewalks after the bridge is replaced. Oh, when's that going to happen?

Please, City Planning Commission, write an article, put it on the front page of *The Independent*, let folks know what you are doing or keep me posted on all the correct answers to pass on. Ho, ho...

Now, on to the bric-a-brac and la de da. More information for those folks interested in learning more about Vernonia Cares 10K Bear Creek run on August 16, 2006. A new race with a new face. Go to signmeup.com/53362, abouttown@quixnet.net, or call Terry Grosnick at 503-429-0506 or Vernonia Cares at 429-1414, or stop by and pick up the information at Vernonia Cares. If you don't run, you can be a sponsor. Think about it. More later...

One more thing. Remember the Chicken BBQ last July sponsored by Vernonia Cares at the Senior Center? It's repeat time - July 29, 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., last year we were raising funds for our Christmas baskets. This year, however, we are still trying to recoup from our loss of funds. We do sincerely appreciate your help in all of our efforts to help those who need a helping hand.

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