

Scholarship awards announced

The following 2007 Vernonia High School graduates received local scholarships:

Vernonia Lions' Club (\$1000 each); Kevin Johnston, Amber Abney, Brittney Lindauer.

Natal Grange (\$500); Danielle Robb.

Micky Bruers Memorial (\$300); Amber Abney.

Vernonia Boosters (\$500 each); Brent Thompson, Brittny Lindauer, Kevin Johnson, Danielle Robb.

PEO (\$500 each); Brittney

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Wauna scholarship goes to Gerhke

Each year Wauna Federal Credit Union awards a number of members with college funds. It is an honor for Wauna Federal Credit Union to be such an integral part of each community it serves. The board of directors has given five (5) \$1,000 college scholarships.

Congratulations to this year's recipients and to all the Wauna Federal Credit Union members who are graduating from schools, colleges and universities. Here are this year's scholarship winners:

Erin Gehrke from Vernonia High School plans to attend Linfield College.

Audrey Dove of Warrenton

High School; Christine Hulegaard of Clatskanie High School; Alexis Mehlhoff of St. Helens High School and Cheryl Steppe of Astoria High School.



Congratulations, Emily McGaugh



Emily Ann McGaugh graduated from Yosemite High School, in Oakhurst, California, on June 13, 2007. She will be attending California State University at Sonoma, in the fall.

McGaugh is the daughter of Steve McGaugh of Clovis, Calif., and Gail McGaugh of Coarsegold, Calif. She is the granddaughter of Noni Andersen of Vernonia.

Between the Bookends

By Nancy Burch, Librarian
Vernonia Public Library



June at the library means that plans have been made for the upcoming Summer Reading Program. This year's theme of "Get a clue@ Your Library offers the opportunity for scavenger hunts, following clues, guessing items and smells, mystery movies, scary stories, fingerprinting, a marionette show, and reading for fun and prizes. Linda Johnston and Camrin Eyrrick have some great activities ready for Tuesday, June 26 at 11 a.m., and each of the following Tuesdays through July. At 7:00 p.m. on the evening of June 26, there will also be a marionette show presented by Celeste Rose, entitled "Goldie-dread-locks and the Three Jamaica Bears." This will be a 45 minute program encouraging audience participation which will entertain the whole family. On each of these Tuesdays, youngsters from preschool through age twelve will be participating in age-appropriate activities with the possibility of some activities especially for teens. All of the activities will take place at the library at 11 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Registration sheets, schedules and reading records are now available. Join your friends and "Get a Clue @ the Library" this summer.

Book discussion will be Monday, June 25 at 5:30, with topics being the works of George Byron Wright, *Baker City 1948* and *Tillamook 1952*.

The Friends of the Library are encouraging people to leave books during library hours, from now through the end of July, for their August Book Sale at the library. The sale this August 4th (Saturday of Jamboree) will be held at the library from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and will feature books, videos, and audio tapes at very reasonable prices, with all proceeds supplementing library programs and materials. The purchase of two folding tables; passes to OMSI, the Japanese Gardens, and the Children's Museum, as well as supplies/snacks for summer reading are some of the ways in which The Friends of the Library are currently helping the library.

Camping and relaxing at East Lake this past week has given me the opportunity to read and recommend three of the newest additions to the library's book collection. Michael Connelly's 13th

Harry Bosch novel, *The Overlook*, finds Bosch breaking in a new partner, rookie Iggy Ferras, as they are called to look into the execution of physicist Stanley Kent, and the theft of radioactive material from the hospital where Kent worked. When the FBI arrives and tries to usurp his case, Bosch refuses to back down as he and Iggy scramble to investigate threats to national security and find Kent's murderer. *Dead Center* by David Rosenfelt, brings lawyer Andy Carpenter to the defense of a special domestic violence victim, Reggie, a golden retriever alleged to have bitten its owner. Rosenfelt manages to combine humor, compassion, and suspense as Reggie helps Andy in clearing his previous owner (not the one he allegedly bit) of murder and identifying the real villains. The third recommendation, *A Thousand Splendid Suns*, by Afghan-American novelist Khaled Hosseini (*The Kite Runner*), is another epic of Afghanistan in turmoil, covering three decades of anti-Soviet jihad, civil war and Taliban tyranny as depicted through the lives of two women. Mariam, the scorned illegitimate daughter of a wealthy businessman, who was forced at age 15 to marry 40-year-old Rasheed, and Laila (eighteen years later), who has no options but to also become a wife to Rasheed. This is a powerful tale of these two women who become allies to survive in a patriarchal despotism where women are completely dependent on males.

Other new books include *Too Late to Say Goodbye* by Ann Rule, *Spare Change* by Robert Parker, *Divisadero* by Michael Ondaatje, *The Good Guy* by Dean Koontz, *Bad Luck and Trouble* by Lee Child, *Invisible Prey* by John Sandford. Some very nice books for youngsters have been added to the library's collection, as well as several new books in CD format for adults.

Remember that the library is air-conditioned and is a great place to keep cool on those really warm days while reading a magazine or newspaper, choosing a book from the library's collection, or using a computer. The library really is a cool place. Come see for yourself.

Vernonia Public Library: 701 Weed Ave.
Hours: Mon., Wed., Fri. 10 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Tues., Thur. 1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Sat. 10 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Preschool Story Time: Mondays, 10:30 a.m., when school is in session.
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Small and Large Animals



Keep Oregon Green is offering new youth program

The Keep Oregon Green Association (KOG) is introducing a new youth program entitled, "KOG Rangers."

Children visiting the forests this year may receive a pocket-sized field book from forest officers patrolling the forests. The booklets contain activities about safe campfires, match and lighter safety, and Smokey Bear.

By using KOG's website at

www.keeporegongreen.org children ages 8-12 years will learn through games, puzzles, word searches, etc. Activities teach the values of Oregon's forests, the types of human behaviors that cause wildfires, and ways the kids can help prevent these wildfires. The activities are pre- and post-tested for evaluation purposes.

Teachers, youth-group leaders, home schooled, etc., will

find a section of nine lesson plans giving an overview of the lesson, objectives to be met, materials needed for the lesson, and background information. Ranger Pages are provided for completion of the lessons.

A Steering Committee of members from Keep Oregon Green, the Oregon Department of Forestry, Oregon Forest Re-

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