

## Next Museum Talk announced

Summer hours are now in place at the Vernonia Pioneer Museum. Hours are from 1:00-4:00 p.m. on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from June through mid-September (Quilt Fair Weekend). Visitors are welcome during those hours; special tours can also be arranged by calling the Museum at 503-429-3713.

The museum could use more volunteers to help as hosts during open hours. If you can spare just three hours per month, you can be on the roster of museum hosts. Hosts don't need to be experts in local history; the main duty of a museum host is to open the building and greet guests. And if it's a quiet day, you can just relax and enjoy the artifacts at leisure, read a book or catch up on your correspondence!

The next Museum Talk, "Pioneer Women of the Nehalem

Valley," will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 29. Stella Bellingham Satern and Nancy Stauffer Rattey (Jewell pioneer descendants) are the featured speakers.

The Vernonia Pioneer Museum Association Board thanks WOEC and Bill Sword for removing the tree facing the Museum parking lot. It had been dropping good sized branches, had a fungus growing out of places on the trunk and had grown above the power lines. With limited funds available from the city and county, these volunteers helped remove it safely. The Vernonia Garden Club has kindly offered to help replace this tree with some new ornamentals.

**Watch out for kids when driving - now that school is out, kids are out and about more!**

## 50 Years Ago This Month

The June 26, 1958, issue of the *Vernonia Eagle* included the following news story on the front page:

The job of moving the shay engine to the permanent display location at First and Bridge streets was completed Sunday evening by the crew of men who had worked for two days to complete the job. The men who volunteered their help, along with equipment provided by West Oregon Electric and the International Paper company made the move possible.

The engine, given to the city of Vernonia by the Long-Bell Division of International Paper, is the start of a logging museum planned for the two lots at First and Bridge. The lots were cleared, filled and graveled earlier this month in preparation for placing the engine.

Of interest to those who wish to know the history and specifications of the shay will be the following data about the locomotive:

Type – two-truck, Shay patent, geared steam locomotive;

Builder – Lima Locomotive Works, Lima, Ohio. Builder's No.

## TVQG has more quilts – call now

The Tualatin Valley Quilt Guild (TVQG) has generously donated an additional thirty-two quilts of many sizes to Vernonia flood survivors. They donated over sixty in December. With TVQG's encouragement, two of the quilts will be raffled at First Friday events in July and August; half of the proceeds will go to Vernonia Cares Food Bank and the other half to the Vernonia Hands on Art Summer Youth Music & Arts Camp.

If you were affected by the flood and did not get one of these or other donated quilts, call Tobie Finzel at 503-705-2173. The supply is limited.

## Bits & Bites

By Jacqueline Ramsay



Hardy Family Singers program on the Green on May 31. It should have been more advertised though. Hands on Art is giving local talent a place in the sun.

Did you miss the Foothill Baptist Church High School Team of 45-plus when they were here (from Phoenix, Arizona)? They travel each year to help communities in stress and to send the message that there is a better way of life through giving and helping. The Bar-B-Q was good. The program of music, song and skits was very uplifting.

Are you as irked as I am lately? The Powers That Be say – Save, pay your bills on

feet 8-1/2 inches; height, approximately 12 feet 10 inches; width about 9 feet; wheelbase 27 feet 2 inches; weight in working order, 87,000 pounds; tractive power 16,900 pounds; wheel diameter

time, don't charge just to keep up with the Jones, cut your interest rates and on and on. Then there's – borrow, borrow, get caught up, get out of debt. Then you get your bills and what's all that stuffing – join this, buy that new item on time, win big, when you sign up for another money saving card. How much money could companies save if they let you just pay for services rendered? My garbage can wouldn't be so full of trash paper if the "mailers" were never mailed out as "Snag someone into buying anything, even if they can't pay for it now or ever."

Sorry, I'm in such a rut but somehow I caught someone's "bug" Sunday and I've been house-bound for four days. Can I mail it to you? You'll save on food and sleep a lot. Your lights won't burn and your bed will keep you warm if you're not chilling out.

Maybe this is the end of the Winter Blaaahs? Maybe! Anyhow, you sure won't feel like spending money you don't have.

29-1/2 inches.

A resolution expressing the appreciation of the city of Vernonia to those who worked on the project appears elsewhere in this issue of *The Eagle*.



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