# Check It Out

### Zion Mennonite Church Library

## Recent Arrivals

Sailing Acts by Linford Stutzman. Between May 2004 and August 2005 Linford and his wife Janet sailed the routes of Paul in the Mediterranean visiting every site mentioned in the book of Acts. This is their story of that adventure.

Lucy of the Trail of Tears is a novel by James Yoder presenting an accurate picture of the tragedy of the removal of Cherokees to Oklahoma which included Lucy Drake and her injured mother.

A Clearing in the Wild by Jane Kirkpatrick is the story of a young heroine who helps create life in the wilderness at Willapa Bay with the Keil colony who later settled in Aurora. This is the first in the Change and Cherish series. The second book A Tendering in the Storm is due out in April.

Smoke Jumping on the Western Fire Line by Mark Matthews tells of conscientious objectors in WWII who volunteered for Civilian Public Service with the U.S. Forest Service smoke jumpers in Montana.

*Under His Wings* by Robert Bitner. The author recounts experiences of believers who have sought to understand and meet the needs of the mentally disabled.

In Their Hearts: Inspirational Alzheimers Stories. This is about another group of people that are often overlooked. The author, Mary Yearwood, a chaplain on a Special Care Alzheimer's unit in Atlanta shares her experiences in discovering the gold mine of spirituality in persons with Alzheimer's diagnosis. She says: "Alzheimer's may steal your brain cells but not your soul."

Simply in Season - Children's Cookbook was inspired by the Simply in Season cookbook and the recipes tested by children and their parents. It is colorful and chockfull-of-photos for children to think and cook in season.

Parenting With Love and Logic by Cline and Fay. In this book parents learn the win-win approach to parenting that will help raise children to be self confident, motivated, responsible and ready for the real world.

Love and Logic for Early Child-hood by Fay and Fay is a guide to practical parenting from birth to six years and having fun doing it while seeing the children grow into responsible teens and adults.

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# Overdue/ Missing Books—New Policy Coming

The library staff will be making some changes related to overdue and missing books.

In the past fines have not been imposed. However, in light of the increased cost of replacing books, we feel it is necessary to change this practice.

Information will be distributed prior to implementation of a new policy.

# From the Library Staff

#### Attention Parents:

We would like to remind parents of young children to monitor and assist your child with the proper check out procedure when library staff are not there to help.

- Please use first and last names on the check out card to make it easier to identify persons when notifying of overdue books.
- If you have long overdue books, videos or tapes at home, please make an effort to locate and return them so others can also enjoy them.



### **Inventory Volunteers Needed!**

Due to other priorities last summer the inventory noted in the last newsletter was postponed. We are planning to do this sometime in March. We need at least four volunteers--ladies, gentlemen or youth-- to help. Watch for more information in the bulletin.

#### **Volunteer during Mennonite Women's Meeting**

There will be opportunity for ladies to volunteer some time in the library the day of Women's Meeting. If you do not sew but would like to be involved in a service project and join the group for fellowship and lunch this is an opportunity for you. Watch for further notice.

# **Book Review**

Fighting for David: An Inspiring True Story of Stubborn Love, Faith, and Hope Beyond Reason

In this book Leone Nunley relates the legal, financial, emotional and spiritual trials that she endured in her struggle to find ways of dealing with the seeming hopelessness of her son's severe head injuries following a horrific motorcycle crash. Medical professionals who described his condition as a persistent vegetative state were ready to give up hope. But Leone was not ready to give up hope and sought ways of helping to stimulate his damaged brain hoping to recover at least some of its function.

After approximately a year and a half of constant stimulation to the best of her ability a friend introduced Leone to the patterning technique. She came from their home in Washington to the Woodburn Northwest Neurodevelopmental Training Center for an evaluation of David where she learned the techniques that helped to rehabilitate him. There was strong support from friends and neighbors who gave many hours to patterning David. Even-

tually he regained the ability to live a meaningful life and able to move into a duplex with the help of a caregiver.

The foreword and afterword in the book bring up some of the questions that can be faced in these kinds of situations as technology makes prolonging life an option.

If you've wondered whether faith and persistence can be more powerful than a doctor's diagnosis, read this book.