

Check It Out

Charity Kropf Memorial Library

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Reminders:

- ☺ When checking out books remember to use BOTH names and a complete date.

Example:

Date Due	Borrower's Name
11/25/07	Algernon Biddleweiss

- ☺ Parents, please remind your younger children of the above and help them if one of the library staff is not available to help.
- ☺ Remember the new library policy? "After 6 months of being lost or misplaced we suggest a \$5 replacement charge per book." This is noted on any overdue book reminder.
- ☺ There are books still missing that need to be returned. Please check your books at home and help us find them. We need them for others to enjoy as well.
- ☺ Do you have the following book lurking in some hidden corner? *Church History in Plain Language* by Bruce Shelley has been checked out with only a due date and no borrower's name on the card. Please let us know if you have it.
- ☺ Have you read a good book that deserves a review? Would you like to encourage others to read it? We invite you to volunteer to review that book for our next newsletter. Put the review on the desk in the Library Workroom or email to zionmc@canby.com.

From the Library Staff

Hello from the Charity Kropf Memorial Library staff. It is time again to think about getting a book or two to read during the long winter evenings. There are some new ones to check out as well as many older ones well worth your time. But first we have some reminders for you—see the left column. Happy reading!

Some new books for children

- *My First Little House Books* - Six of Laura Ingalls Wilder's stories adapted for 4-8 year olds from her Little House series.
- *Eight Hands Round* is a delightful alphabet book using the names of early American patch-work patterns that includes pictures of those designs.
- *Violet Comes to Stay* is an enchanting tale about trust, faith and family by well known author Jan Karon.
- *The Little Farm* -- another 'Little' book by Lois Lenski.

Our library has a new name!

The library has been named "Charity Kropf Memorial Library" in honor of Charity's accomplishments in building up the library during her many years of service. We are indebted to her for making the library a place to find good reading, historical material and inspiration.

Other New Books

- *The Journey West* is #1 in the California Pioneer Series by Elaine Schulte.
- *The Proposal* by Lori Wick is #1 in her English Garden series
- *Upstairs the Peasants Are Revolting*. Here are more captivating vignettes by Dorcas Smucker as she finds lessons in the daily lives of a family of six children. If you read her book *Ordinary Days* you will find this an equally delightful read by this natural storyteller.
- *Stories: How Mennonites Came to Be* by John D. Roth. This is a straight forward, contemporary introduction to the Mennonite story that also serves as a compact digest of the church's history.
- *The Fortunate Years: An Amish Life*. Author Aaron S. Glick brings his folksy reminiscences to the reader about his life as a 20th century Amish man.
- *Embodying the Way of Jesus: Anabaptist Convictions for the 21st Century* by Ted Grimsrud traces origins of Anabaptist faith and suggest ways Anabaptist convictions speak to our contemporary world.
- *Anabaptist World USA*. In this book Donald Kraybill and C. Nelson Hostetler have assembled all pieces of the Anabaptist puzzle in the United States.
- *Both Sides of the Ocean* by J. Virgil Miller traces the movement of Amish Mennonites from Switzerland to America.
- *The Peacemaker*. This is a biblical guide to resolving personal conflict by Ken Sande, a lawyer and full-time conciliator. His wisdom is both biblical and practical. Examples of his own personal and professional use of strategies to resolve conflict make this book a useful tool in making peace in the home or church. It lends itself well to small group study.

Knowledge is of no value
unless you put it into practice.

—Heber J. Grant

Word Scramble

Can you identify these authors by unscrambling the letters?

drawlil straweyl
clehime breeghserrh
neeg ratnostr ropert
hojn wordha edyro
enaj pickkrtrika
vaidd greasbruug
torlhace noterb
slio silken
usailo aym tolcta
oldand libryalk

A Vocabulary Test

Do you take time to check the dictionary for words new to you while reading? I found the following words in the biography of John Knox, a leader in the Reformation. I had little clue to their meaning and had to look them up. It was fun to expand my vocabulary.

Can you define these?

amanuensis traduced
orotund peroration

Book Review

***Never Walk Away* by Crawford W. Lorrits, Jr.**

Dads, this is for you if you want to learn how to make a difference in your home and family. It is a book of "lessons on integrity from a father who lived it."

I found this book in the biography section and also found a wealth of real life, practical lessons shared by one who inherited a rich legacy from his father. He mixes timely biblical truths and personal experiences of modeling ways to build family values. And does it in a way that will grip your heart and equip you to be a better man, husband and father.

This is an easy to read book and contains highlighted quotes such as: "The core of a fool is a rebellious heart." "The respect issue needs to be a core value in our homes." "I am responsible for what I do. Nobody else is." Some of the issues Mr. Lorrits deals with are respect, accountability, identity and responsibility.

Each chapter closes with questions and applications to challenge the reader to put into practice the values presented in that chapter. I highly recommend this book especially for you fathers, but you mothers may want to take advantage of this excellent book as well.

Teachers open the door, but you must enter by yourself.

—Chinese Proverb