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Library Presenting Traveling Exhibits of Political Cartoons from Pulitzer Prize-Winning Artist

*Three exhibitions of Herblock's award winning cartoons presented throughout Fort
Vancouver Regional Library District in early 2017*

VANCOUVER, Wash. – Three themed exhibitions displaying the work of two-time Pulitzer Prize winner and legendary *Washington Post* editorial cartoonist Herbert L. Block, famously known as “Herblock,” will be presented throughout Fort Vancouver Regional Library District branches in Clark County, beginning in early January and running through May.

Produced by The Herb Block Foundation, the goal of these exhibitions is to present Herblock’s effort to preserve American’s rights and freedoms through his political cartoons. In the spirit of the traveling exhibits themselves, each of the three exhibitions will visit multiple library locations, beginning with the exhibit “Presidents” coming to Battle Ground Community Library on January 5 through the end of February.

Herblock exhibits on display at FVRL branches in early 2017:

- **Presidents:** President–watching was part of the job of being a political cartoonist, and Herblock insisted that no president was “above caricature or comment.” From Herbert Hoover to George W. Bush, Herblock took every opportunity to let our presidents know he was right there with a keen eye and a bottle of ink. *“Presidents” will show at Battle Ground Community Library from January 5 to February 28; then at Vancouver Community Library from March 3 to April 11, and finally at Cascade Park Community Library from April 15 to May 20.*
- **Ever Green:** the latest addition to the Herblock Traveling Exhibitions displays Herblock’s powerful cartoons about the environment, a subject he began addressing during the Twenties and the Great Depression. His

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work on issues about wildlife, wilderness and natural resources are as relevant today, as they were in the past. *“Ever Green” will show at Vancouver Community Library from March 2 to April 11, then at Three Creeks Community Library from April 15 to May 20.*

- **School Bell:** Herblock believed that a strong democracy is dependent upon an informed electorate. He believed that a strong education is what gives people the opportunity to reach their highest potential, to become respectable leaders and to live as productive members of society. Herblock viewed teachers, students and their education as a top priority in the future of the nations. *“School Bell” will show at Cascade Park Community Library from March 3 to April 12, then at Three Creeks Community Library from April 15 to May 20.*

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About Fort Vancouver Regional Library District

Established in 1950, Fort Vancouver Regional Library District (FVRL) provides a vast range of information and cultural services to more than 464,000 Southwest and South Central Washington citizens in Clark, Skamania and Klickitat Counties, and the city of Woodland and Yale Valley Library District in Cowlitz County. FVRL provides a collection of more than 750,000 items, online library services at www.fvrl.org, two bookmobiles, telephone information services, 24/7 online help, outreach programs, and 15 public library locations: Community Libraries in Battle Ground, Cascade Park, Goldendale, La Center, North Bonneville, Ridgefield, Stevenson, Three Creeks, Vancouver, Washougal, White Salmon Valley and Woodland; The Mall Library Connection at Vancouver Mall; and Library Express facilities at Yacolt and Yale.

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