

from the editor....

Any idea what's with the weather? Some say it's global warming -- if so, then why are we freezing? Robb Wilson said that we haven't had this much snow since 1979...or was it 1980? Regardless, we've had enough. Spring can begin any day now -- and we're ready! That darn groundhog needs to get a backbone already and climb out of his hole.

Seriously though, First Friday's are back, along with the annual St. Mary's Rummage sale and several volunteer cleanup activities signaling the first signs of Spring in Vernonia.

There's also a special volunteer project coming up soon for those of you who are handy with a chainsaw...Vernonia should have quite the turnout for this event! This Saturday, April 5, and again on April 19, volunteers are needed to cut logs to be used as firewood for flood victims. (read more about it on page 5)

And I couldn't agree more with Councilman Parrow [see this month's Letter to the Editor], we are a community that survives (and benefits) on the selfless service of volunteers. If everyone steps up and does their part it will make for a more informed and stronger community.

"Vernonia in 2020" meetings kicked off this month. I attended my first one and strongly recommend them. It was informative and great fun sitting around a table getting to know citizens I had not yet met. The next meeting is April 5.

This past month my son also realized a childhood dream. He is taking training as I write to become a volunteer Fireman for the City of Vernonia. Yay Chad! And more are needed...any takers?

Lastly, please mark your calendars now for May 10, the annual "Make Vernonia Shine Day," the day we set aside to shock and amaze the outside world on our ability to come together as a community to give our town a good spring cleaning.

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