One Day Flood Assistance Available

A group from the Foothills Baptist Church in Phoenix, Arizona, is coming to Vernonia to spend a day helping flood victims with home projects. The group is on a choir mission trip that will be performing in the Portland area and has decided to offer free labor to the Vernonia Community while in the area

"We will be in Vernonia on Monday, June 6," said Shanna Gallo, spokesperson for the group. "We are looking for people that need some help with smaller projects. We are especially looking for people that have not felt the need to ask or apply for help from the Flood Relief but could use some assistance with painting, cleaning, yard work, or other help around their homes. We are offering free labor for anyone who needs it.'

The group will be made up of about forty-five students and fifteen adults and is coordinating their visit with the Vernonia Baptist Church. They are planning a BBQ dinner and evening concert for local citizens after

Anyone interested in receiving assistance from this group should contact Robb Wilson at Columbia County Flood Relief at 503-429-4948.

Columbia Chorale of Oregon Presents Program

Columbia Chorale of Oregon will be presenting Mass No 9 in C major, Missa in tempore belli (Mass in a Time of War) by Franz Joseph

In this time in history when our country is engaged in multiple battles with our neighbors around the world, we are in greater need of some semblance of hope and peace than in the recent past. This particular work of Haydn is imbued with heart. His fierce conviction that peace is obtainable and that there is a need for hope illustrates the possibility that there is an end in sight. Let us find peace in a future that is secure in a more temperate global opinion.

Come join us as we raise our voices in song in the belief that we will instill in you the same sense of hope for a peaceful future. We, as human beings, need to believe there is peace in sight as part of our collective nature. The Columbia Chorale is enjoying the experience of this work and WE look forward to sharing that joy with each of you.

The concert will be held June 1, 2008, at 3:00 pm at the St Helens High School, Olmscheid Auditorium. Tickets are \$12 (\$10 in advance) for Adults, \$8 Students/seniors, and are available at the door or at St Helens Book Store, Houlton Bakery and Flowers 'N Fluff in Clatskanie.For more info call 503-366-3800

Once again Vernonia's Voice has a pair of tickets for this event. Be the first person to call 503-367-0098, and tell us you would like to attend Columbia Chorale presentation of Mass No 9.

Events Calendar

Make Vernonia Shine - May 10, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Help clean up your town and be proud. Register at Providence Medical Group.

Sharing our Successes - May 14 , 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. What: Vernonia Area Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year Award and civic organizations Where: Vernonia Middle School

Dinner is potluck style. Open network time from 6 to 6:30. Awards start at 6:45. The public is invited... don't forget your potluck dish if you want to eat. For further information call 503-429-6081.

Vernonia School Band Second Annual Garage Sale, May 17, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Where: VHS Cafeteria

All proceeds benefit the High school and Middle Band programs. to be used for festival entrance fees, new uniforms, and a spring trip in 2009. Everything is half price from 3-5pm! For more information or to donate items please contact Betsy Miller at 503-429-6049.

"Down By The Riverside Cleanup" - May 17, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Join the Upper Nehalem Watershed Council and SOLV Down by the Riverside for a watershed flood cleanup. Meet at the Vernonia High School parking lot. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy footwear and gloves. Snacks will be provided.

Oregon Trail Rally - May 17 and 18
Watch out for those race cars coming through town. Cedar Side Inn will host a party Saturday night for the participants of the race. For further information go to www.oregontrailrally.com

Plant Sale - May 24 and 25, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Organically grown vegetables, flower and herb starts, garden art and accessories. 11301 Fishhawk Rd, Birkenfeld, 503-755-0320. Hwy 202 to Fishhawk Rd., first big white Farmhouse on the right, barns with blue roofs.

"When AM Radio was King" - May 30, 7:00 p.m.
7th grade students from Vernonia Middle School will be presenting a play at the Washington Grade School gym. Tickets at the door or from any 7th grader Adults \$3.00, Students and Senior

Citizens \$2.00

Hazardous Waste Disposal - May 31, 8:00 a.m. to Noon Waste Transfer Station, St. Helens. Columbia County is offering free household hazardous waste disposal the last Saturday of each month at the waste transfer station in St. Helens (paints, cleaners, automotive chemicals (though not waste oil), pesticides, fluorescent lights, and many other items). If you have any questions about what is acceptable, call 503 397-1501.

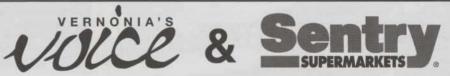
Open Air Market, June 6, 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm
At the VCLC Courtyard, 936 Bridge Street. Join us for fresh produce, crafts baked goods and more. Join your neighbors in supporting downtown, evening, activities in Vernonia.

First Friday - June 6
Join your friends and neighbors to celebrate the arts in Vernonia. Open Mic at the Grange Hall, 7:30 pm, and other evening activities will be planned.

Annual Blood Drive for the Red Cross - June 14, 10 a.m. -3 p.m. At Spencer Park in conjunction with Baseball fund raiser.

Visit www.vernoniasvoice.com/events for more info and pictures.





INVITE YOU TO ATTEND:

"MEET THE CANDIDATES"

An evening of Questions and Answers with Columbia County Candidates for County Commissioner and Sheriff.

THURSDAY, MAY 8TH @ 7 PM at the VERNONIA SCOUT CABIN

Vernonia's Voice wants to ensure that all citizens have the opportunity to be informed before Election Day on May 20. That's why we organized this evening with our local candidates. The format will include opening statements from all candidates, then questions from a panel of preselected Vernonia citizens. An open house where citizens can ask questions of the candidates in a more informal setting will follow.

Need more info? Contact Scott Laird at 503-367-0098 or scott@vernoniasvoice.com Special Thanks to VERNONIA SENTRY MARKET for sponsoring this event!