

Vernonia Approves School Bond *continued from front page*

Oregon.”

Gallagher, of The Ford Family Foundation, who invest resources in rural Oregon communities, had praise for Vernonia and its residents. “I go all over the state and I meet communities, and I will tell you in all honesty, Vernonia is a community that stands out. We brag about you, a lot, because of your resilience after the flood.”

School Superintendent Ken Cox helped close the celebration with a flag ceremony, as a student from each of Vernonia’s three schools marched out and stood with a local representative. “These students represent the future of Vernonia. This school that will eventually stand behind me is currently just a vision. The community of Vernonia has voiced their opinion that they think these schools should go forward. We appreciate their vote.”

The second rally, held later in the high school gym, included students with balloons, a mark across the stage that showed the high water mark from 2007 three feet above the floor, and the oohs and aahs of stu-



Students released balloons to signify “Up and away to new schools”.

dents as Superintendent Ken Cox showed PowerPoint slides of the new school design.

At the regularly scheduled School Board

Meeting on November 12th, about one hundred residents turned out to mostly show their support for the Bond Measure passage. Seven residents spoke to congratulate the School Board and thank the School Bond Committee. Attendees also heard an update from new school Project Manager Steve Effros, and from John Donovan from Met Group, a fundraising consulting firm, who will be running the capital campaign for the school district. “There is certainly a tremendous amount of goodwill, spirit and ability here in this community,” said Donovan. “And it was reflected when you voted for the Bond Measure on November 3rd. It was your down payment on, not only your future, but the future of this community. We have a lot of good work to do together.”

A Town Hall Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 3, at 7:00 P.M. at the VHS/Middle School Cafeteria that will include updates on new school construction and fundraising.

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Santa to Visit WOEC

Santa Claus is coming to West Oregon Electric Cooperative to help raise funds for their “Care to Share” energy assistance program. He will be available for keepsake photographs on December 9th from noon to 2:00 PM and December 16th from 3:00-5:00 PM at the WOEC office. There is a minimum donation of \$5 per person with a family discount rate available. All proceeds go to help families in the West Oregon Community. These special photographs will make great gifts, too!

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- December 2nd
- January 6th
- February 3rd
- March 3rd
- April 7th
- May 5th
- June 2nd

Open to the public, input is welcome.

Be a piece of the puzzle.

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