

Readers Lend Their Voices...

To the Editor

The Vernonia Lions Club would like to thank the entire staff at Sentry Market for their help with our food drive on Sunday (Feb. 11th, 2012). We were able to raise \$168 and 50 pounds of high quality protein and shelf stable milk items to benefit Vernonia Cares Food Bank. We would also like to thank the wonderful citizens of Vernonia, who's generosity always is amazing!!

Thank You All!
Vernonia Lions Club

To the Editor

We would like to thank everyone who sent cards and flowers and everyone who came to Derl's Celebration of Life. Thank you to Glenda Delemos for all the wonderful meals and help with everything at the Scout Cabin. Thanks to Daughter-in-law Connie Roberts, Grand daughters Kelly Busch, Katie Delemos, Laura Roberts and Kaci Budge for all the extra help and also Dr. Carol McIntyre for all the house calls. A special thank you to Derl's dear friend Bill Wilcoxon for all the things he did for Derl and the family over the last few years.

The Family of Derl Roberts

HOW TO SEND LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Vernonia's Voice welcomes and requests your thoughts, opinions and ideas. Please include your name, address and phone number, limit your letters to 300 words or less. Vernonia's Voice reserves the right to edit, omit, respond or ask for a response to letters submitted. We will print letters space permitting. Deadline is the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month. Email: scott@vernoniasvoice.com or mail to: Letters, PO Box 55, Vernonia, OR 97064.

Help Get Ready for the Columbia County Fair

Workshop and Work Parties
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Meet at 8:30 AM at the Fair Office

Free Small Business Financial Planning Workshops

Micro Enterprise Services of Oregon, a non-profit small business development and support agency working in partnership with Columbia County Economic Team since July of 2011, is sponsoring a "Financial Planning" workshop. Topics will include: budgeting, managing credit and debt, investments, tax, banking, insurance, savings and asset growth, etc. Training is mandatory for all IDA participants but open to small business owners or others interested in learning how to better manage financial resources. Workshop dates are: 3/7 & 3/14 from 6:30 to 8:30 PM in the upper conference room of St. Helens City Hall. Seating is limited--if interested contact Felicia (felicia@mesopdx.org) or Sanford (smaddox@mesopdx.org) to register.

Upcoming Events

Wellness Lecture, March 5, 7:00 PM at the Vernonia Grange, 375 North Street, with Dr. Carol McIntyre. This lecture addresses reading food labels and balancing food groups. Everyone is welcome. Lectures are free with a suggested donation of \$7. This lecture series will continue on the first Monday of each month.

Alumni Basketball, March 10, 6:00 PM at the Logger Dome. Alumni vs. VHS Boys and Girls Varsity Teams. This will be the last game in the Logger Dome before it comes down--stop by and take a trip down memory lane!

AARP Tax Aid, March 14, 10:00 AM-3:00 PM at the Vernonia Senior Center. Qualified tax preparers will be available to assist low and middle income citizens this tax season. This service is free. To schedule an appointment call 503-429-3912. Space is limited.


St. Patrick's Day Parade, March 17, 1:00 PM. Gather at State and Bridge Street. All are welcome.

Notice of Budget Committee Meeting

A public meeting of the Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District, Columbia County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013, will be held at the Vernonia Fire Station, 555 E. Bridge Street, Vernonia, OR. The meeting will take place on March 13, 2012 at 6:00 PM. The purpose of this meeting to hear the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after March 13, 2012 at the Vernonia Fire Station, 555 E. Bridge Street, Vernonia, OR between the hours of 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM.

This is a public meeting where deliberations of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee.

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