

Announcing the: Upper Nehalem Watershed Council Annual Meeting 10:00 AM Saturday, May 19th At the Vernonia Grange Hall 375 North St. Vernonia, OR

Our Mission: To foster stewardship and understanding of the natural resources of the Upper Nehalem Watershed among the stakeholders of the watershed communities in order to protect, conserve, restore and sustain the health and functions of the watershed.

Our Goal: A balanced ecosystem that supports a healthy watershed that provides for an economic base and viable watershed communities.

Please come to hear and see what we have accomplished in the watershed over the last year and let us know what you would like to see done in the future. We will be electing steering committee members and are looking for people who would like to help with:

Fund development (work with executive director to develop new sources of funding, grant writing, getting other organizations to contribute or "match" funds and maybe get involved in holding an annual fundraising event.)

Public relations and/or volunteer coordination (promoting our cause, doing the footwork on and involving people in events like the Salmon Festival etc.)

Partnerships (people who would represent organizations or groups that could provide viable partnership contributions such as City, County, Timber companies, State or Federal organizations, Business owners, etc.)

If you have a little free time and would like to be involved in making your watershed a better place for all, please step forward. There are 3 people up for reelection and we have an additional 4 spaces on the committee that we are seeking community representatives for.

Agenda:

- 10:00 Welcome and Introductions (Jason Busch – Chairman)
- 10:15 Annual Progress Report (Maggie Peyton – Executive Director) and 2012 – 14 Strategic Plan (Jo Zettler)
- 10:30 Introduction of Presenters (Maggie Peyton)
 - Steve Trask (Bio Surveys) Rapid Bio Assessment for 2009 through 2011 (summary of juvenile salmon presence survey findings)
 - Dr. Taylors (Western Oregon University) and students GIS (Geographical Information System) mapping of juvenile salmon presence in the upper Nehalem River Basin.
- 12:00 Lunch (Potluck) Please bring your favorite dish.
- 1:00 Business Meeting (public welcome)
 - Elections: Steering Committee positions are held for 2 years
- 2:00 Closing

For additional information please contact:

Maggie Peyton – UNWC Executive Director
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Background: UNWC is a functional 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization with a 16 year track record of achievement in watershed restoration and salmon population recovery; community building and youth development; and support of the local economy.

Linear Trail Brave Run is June 2nd

The Linear Trail Brave Run will be held on Saturday, June 2, 2012 in Banks, Oregon. The 5K/10K Run/Walk and Kids Dash starts at Banks High School Track, at 450 S. Main Street in Banks. The event continues out and back on the Linear Trail to finish at Banks High School Track. Most of the course runs along the paved, flat and scenic Linear Trail. Aid stations and traffic control are provided.

Starting times are as follows: 7:00 AM-- Check-in/Same day registration begins ; 8:30 AM-- Free Kids Dash (up to age 12); 9:00 AM-- 5k/10k Race begins

This 2nd annual event supports Banks Elementary school technology fund. Your support will make a huge difference for the school. The 2012 theme is "Lace'em up and Run Like a Rock Star"

– so make it fun and dress up!

Registration is on-line at www.signmeup.com by May 25, 2012 or mail-in postmarked by May 18, 2012 to: Brave Run, PO Box 15, Banks, OR 97106. The website is: banksbraverun.blogspot.com (find registration brochure on website).

Packet Pick-up will be Friday, June 1, 2012, Banks Elementary Cafeteria, 4-7PM

Fees are: Adult 5K/10K: \$20, Student 5K/10K: \$10, Kids Dash(12 and under): Free, Dri-Fit T-shirt (optional): \$10.

There will be awards, raffles, and booths.

For more information contact Race Director Leslie Peterson at 503-369-9090.



A Correction

Contrary to what we reported in our April 24, 2012 issue, Derek Handegard of Vernonia did run in and complete the Vernonia Half Marathon on Saturday April 21, 2012. Handegard finished 22nd overall out of 371 runners with a time of 1:34:30 and was 2nd in the Men's 40-44 category.

Our sincere apologies to Mr. Handegard and his family for this oversight.

On the Shelves - What's Happening at the Vernonia Library

On Saturday, May 12 at 1 p.m., there will be an informal gathering of anyone who is interested in growing and/or cooking with herbs. If you have grown and used herbs or if you just have a desire to learn about them, please come and share your knowledge or your questions in the meeting room of the Vernonia Public Library.



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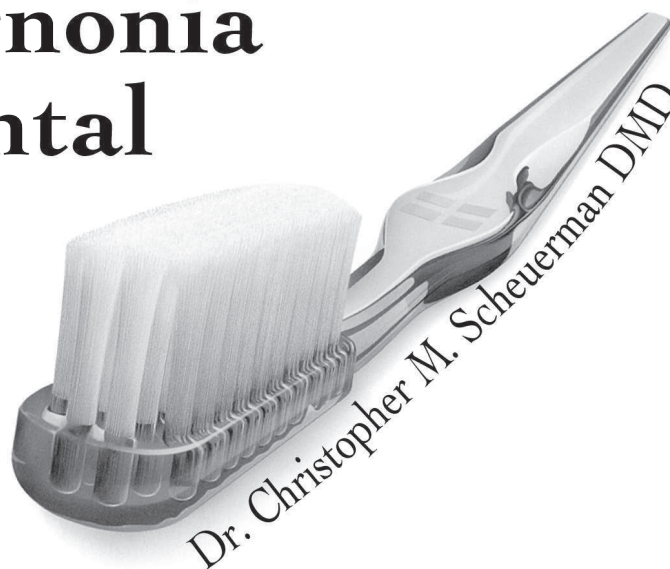
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