

Church News and Events

By Mark Brown

Did you see it on the streets of Vernonia during Jamboree weekend? People everywhere, walking up and down the street, spending time with one another; young and old. Music was being played, songs were sung, games were played. People have been looking forward to this all year and our community came alive. Some will look at it as a form of fellowship; others might not go that far. Some of the campers said they have been coming to this event for 5, 10, 20, and even 30 years. I always enjoy watching the dynamics of community during things like this.

Whatever your opinion or position of this yearly event, I came away with some thoughts as I talked to God about it. It gave me a sense of sadness

and joy. There is the obvious concern about influence on our kids as they wait and watch mom and or dad either be responsible in their behavior or not! I witnessed people gathering together, strangers and friends: Enjoying one another's company.

It struck me again how people will spend hours together in a common interest, yet to develop relationships within faithful community is still one of greatest challenges of our day. If worship is defined, or at least can be measured, by the amount of time we invest in a person or thing, it is no less worship.

I want so much to understand this better from the community's perspective. Please speak your mind and hearts to me, that the faith based community might learn from you. Use the web-site or e-mail. I will honor your

trust if you do not want names given. I am asking for your help.

A BIG Thank You: To the Vernonia Christian Church! For allowing the Bike and Build group coming in on Tuesday to stay at the Youth and Family Center!

Pioneer Baptist Fellowship: Will be relocating to a different time and place. Beginning Sunday, June 24th, Pioneer Baptist will meet at 6:00 PM in the Vernonia Foursquare Church (850 Madison Ave.). This schedule will remain in place through the summer.

Men's Round Up: It's just around the corner. September 7, 8, 9th. Check out this link <http://www.mensroundup.com/>

Vernonia Community Church: New Web-site: vernoniacommunitychurch.org

Saturday Night Live: Saturday Evening alternative worship/meet-

ing 6:00PM
Vacation Bible School: August 13-17th 6-8:30 PM. Registration forms online at vernoniacommunitychurch.org

Questions: How can the churches in Vernonia help you? What are your views of the churches in Vernonia?

Contact us: www.christiannews.com or saltn_light@hotmail.com
Please contact me with any faith based news that the community might like to know of.

Philippians 4:8, 9

⁸ Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is [e]lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, [f]dwell on these things. ⁹ The things you have learned and received and heard and seen in me practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

Senior Center Activities

5-Area Luncheon: Monday, August 27 at the St. Helens Senior Center

Connie's Fabulous Breakfasts: Fabulous breakfasts are available to the public on Fridays for a cost of only \$3.50. The event happens at the Vernonia Senior Center (446 Bridge Street) from 7:30 to 9:00 AM each Friday. Meal price includes a beverage, too. Enter through the side, parking lot door. What a deal!

Week Day Lunches: The Vernonia Senior Center offers nutritious and tasty lunches each weekday for a \$4 donation for seniors over 60; cost is \$5 for anyone under 60. To-go meals are available for \$5. These are available to the public, not just Senior Citizens. (Mealtime is noon; late arrivals may not be served.) You can reserve your lunch by calling by 11:15 AM, or further in advance if possible, to assist the cooks as they prepare the day's meals. Meals on Wheels are available for a \$4 donations for seniors over 60. Please contact the Senior Center for an application.

Maple Bars available locally! Connie King, the cook at the Senior Center, is making maple bars each day. The maple bars are available to the public, too, and only cost \$1 each. Availability is subject to quantity on hand. You can assure yourself of a good supply by pre-ordering them directly from Connie by calling the Senior Center (503-429-3912) any week

day, from 7:00 AM-3:00 PM. Please allow one day lead time for larger orders. The Center's front door opens at 9:00, but the side parking lot door opens at 7:00. Ah, sweet treats!

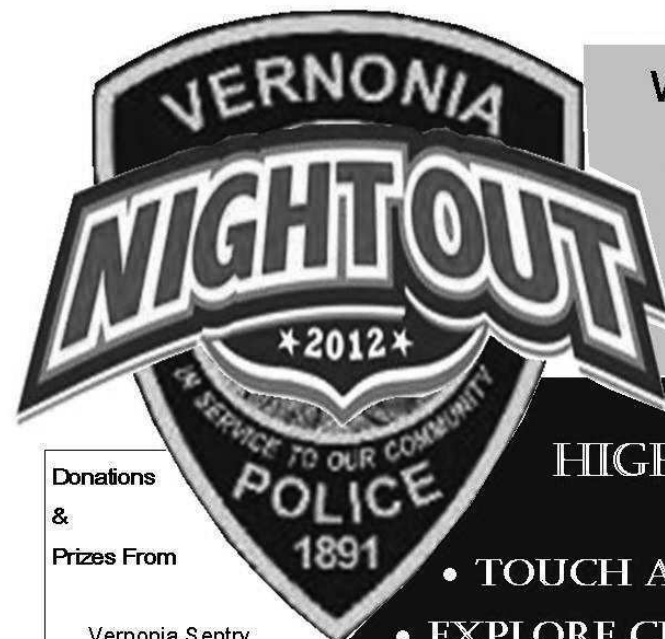
Thrift Store: Bargain prices can be found in Vernonia's Senior Center in their Thrift Store. The retail store is open Monday through Friday, from 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM. The Thrift Store provides funds for the Senior Center's facility and its many activities. Donations can also be dropped off during those same hours, and donated clothes need to be clean and in good condition so they are "sales ready". We are offering half off during the first week of each month. Buy locally and support your local Senior Center.

For after hours drop-offs please contact Pauline 503-429-5810.

Special Days: On the last Wednesday of the month Wauna Credit Union will be serving ice cream. On the last Friday of the month we will serve birthday cake and ice cream to celebrate that month's birthdays.

Membership Dues: Another way to support Vernonia's Senior Center is to pay the \$15 annual membership dues. Checks may be mailed or dropped off at the Senior Center. Anyone 50 and older may join.

Questions? Call: (503) 429-3912



Wednesday
August 22nd
Starting @
5:30p.m.

- Donations & Prizes From**
- Vernonia Sentry
 - Vernonia Prevention Coalition
 - Vernonia Lion's Club
 - Local Business
 - Volunteers Like You!
- Thank You!*

HIGHLIGHTS

- TOUCH A TRUCK
- EXPLORE CIVIC OPPORTUNITIES
- DEMONSTRATIONS
- FAMILY FUN ACTIVITIES
- B.B.Q. BY THE LIONS
- RAFFLE

LOCATION: ANDERSON PARK, VERNONIA OREGON

Contact person:
Brent Thompson, Vernonia Police Officer
(503) 429-5291

Church Directory (in alphabetical order)

Assembly of God
Sunday School: 9:45 AM
Morning Worship: 11:00 AM
Wayne Marr, Pastor
662 Jefferson Avenue
503-429-0307

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
Sunday Schedule:
Sacrament Meeting: 10:00 AM
Sunday School & Primary: 11:20 AM
Relief Society, Priesthood and Young Women: 12:10 PM
Marc Farmer, Branch President
1350 E. Knott Street
503-429-7151

Covenant Church Vernonia
Sunday School: 9:45 AM
Worship Service: 11:00 AM

Wednesday Prayer Meeting: 7:00 PM
John D, Murray, Pastor
359 "A" Street
503-860-3860

Nehalem Valley Bible Church
Sunday School: 9:45 AM
Worship Service: 10:45 AM
Wed. Ladies Bible Study: 10:00 AM
Wednesday Service: 7:00 PM
Sat. Men's Prayer Meeting: 6:30 AM
Gary Taylor, Pastor
Grant & North Streets
503-429-5378

Pioneer Baptist Fellowship
Worship Service: 6:00 PM
www.pbflive.com
John Cahill, Pastor
850 Madison Ave.
503-429-1161

St. Mary's Catholic Church
Sun. Religious Education: 10:30 AM
Sunday Mass: 12:00 PM
Rev. Luan Tran, Administrator
960 Missouri Avenue
503-429-8841

Vernonia Christian Church
Sunday School: 9:45 AM
Worship Service in Youth & Family Center: 11:00 AM
www.VernoniaChristianChurch.org
Sam Hough, Pastor
410 North Street
503-429-6522

Vernonia Community Church
Sunday School: 9:00 AM
Worship Service: 10:30 AM
Wednesday Prayer: 6:30 PM
Ralph Young, Interim Pastor

957 State Avenue
503-429-6790

Vernonia Foursquare Church
Sunday Worship Service: 10:30 AM
Children's Sunday School
Carl Pense, Pastor
850 Madison Avenue
503-429-1103

Vernonia Seventh-day Adventist Church
Sabbath (Saturday) Services
Sabbath School: 9:30 AM
Worship Service: 11:00 AM
www.VernoniaSDAC.org
Larry Gibson, Pastor
2nd Ave. and Nehalem St.
503-429-8301