Christmas Dinner In Vernonia

Join us in celebrating the Spirit of giving this Christmas season at the Annual Christmas Dinner. Dinner will be served from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM on Tuesday, December 25th at the Vernonia Senior Center.

Dinner is Free to families and friends in Vernonia. No gratuities or donations are required. Dinner will include turkey and dressing, ham, cranberries, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetable, bread, choice of dessert, and beverage. Dinners to go available.

For more information contact Bill James at 503-429-2072.



The Vernonia Dickens Carolers spent the day of December 1, 2012 wandering the streets of Vernonia and performing as part of "The Spirit of Christmas in Vernonia" celebration. To see a video of these carolers performing a song about Vernonia go to the Vernonia's Voice Facebook page.

Readers Lend Their Voices...

Letter the Editor,

I want to take a moment to reflect on the event, "The Spirit of Christmas in Vernonia." This event is so still so young, but yet has become what I would consider a success. Yes, there are things to add, change or improve on, however given it's in only its third year, I would say "Yeah! We did it!!"

Like most events volunteers are hard to come by. My hope is that in

the future those that do find value in the event and would like to see it continue will step forward to help. There are so many ideas out there, but they need to be shared in order to come to fruition. I have no doubt that many of you know this is true and have ideas even as you read this. My vision for this event is to eventually bring in people from neighboring cities that would like to see a small town Christmas, and what better

place to do that than here in Vernonia!

With so many who did help it's hard to compile a complete list, and as I make the following thank you please know that if I miss you, I truly appreciate you and everything you did to help make this event great.

First, thank you to the Vernonia Chamber of Commerce for taking this event under its wing this year.

My Committee: Randy Carlton, Sharon and Randy Parrow, Katie and Matt Poetter, Allison McLeod, Sharon Bernal, Sandy Nims, Scott Laird, Deanna Pearl, Nick Welch and Kathy Larson.

My Decorators: Randy and Becky Carlton, Scott Rethwell, Allison Mcleod, Lance and Kara Kemper, Brooke Morrison, Amy Ceiloha, Bill and Henry Langmaid and the Free Wheelers

To everyone that helped with the Chili Cookoff, Christmas Cookie

Contest, The Nativity, the Story Tellers, the Parade, the Face Painting, and the Lighted House Contest.

To West Oregon Electric for the Best Lighted House Prizes.

To the businesses that housed the stories: Subway, True Value, Clever Cricket, Creatures, Sentry and the All In Pub.

Thank you to those who joined our event adding additional activities to the list: the Ballet, Spaghetti Dinner and Auction and the Grey Dawn Gallery Winter Show.

To everyone who took the time to decorate your car, truck, trailer or golf cart for the parade.

Thank you to everyone who came out took part and enjoyed the day!

Let's make year four even better!

Nicole Larke Vernonia

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The Christmas Tree...

A lasting tradition and part of the warmth and joy of the holiday season for all of us.



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Senator Betsy Johnson



