

The Scuttlebutt - News From Around Our Town

Where Do You Read the Voice? (right and below)-Tobie Finzel just returned from a wonderful 19 day trip to China and Tibet. And of course, she took along a copy of her *Vernonia's Voice*. Tobie visited Beijing, Xian, Chengdu, Guilin, Hangzhou, Shanghai and spent four days in Lhasa. Here is Tobie at Tiananmen Square with Forbidden City (and Chairman Mao) in background; at the Great Wall of China but, as Tobie said, you'd never know it due to the fog and rain; and in Lhasa, Tibet, in front of Potala Palace, the abode of the Dalai Lama until the 14th Dalai Lama fled to India during the 1959 Tibetan uprising. Thanks Tobie for sharing these photos with us!



Salmon Festival (right and below)-The weather sure cooperated on October 5th for the 11th Annual Vernonia Salmon Festival. This family friendly event once again featured activities for kids and adults, including pumpkin carving, scarecrow making, great food and education about the natural world, especially about the life cycle of the salmon. Held on the first Saturday in October each year the Salmon Fest is a great way to celebrate our community and where we live! Photos courtesy of Josette and Casy Mitchell.



Where Do You Read the Voice? (below)-Natalie, Grace, and Austin Groshong taking their cousin Eleanor Kintz to the pumpkin patch for the first time at Davis Family Farm in Corvallis. They had to take the Voice along to share!



Swing Set Installation (right)-The kids at the Vernonia Schools now have a new place to play, thanks to the hard work of some local volunteers. On Saturday, October 12, a large group gathered at the school site and spent the day digging holes, moving dirt and setting up the new swing set at the school. Photos courtesy of Bill Langmaid.

Cash for Candy!



hey all you kids!

Bring in your left over candy and we'll give you a \$1 per pound for all that sugary stuff! We'll then take that candy and send it to the troops overseas. Stop by and draw a picture or write a letter to go with the care packages to the soldiers!

Candy collection times:
The first 2 weeks of November,
Mondays & Wednesdays, from 2pm-5pm

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