

# Readers Lend Their Voices...

To the Vernonia Community,  
It is with the warmest appreciation and gratitude to the community of Vernonia, the school district and staff, and friends of Terry Schaumburg in surrounding areas, that the Schaumburg family wishes to express our thanks for your time,

consideration, thoughts, prayers and contributions. The Schaumburg family thanks you all deeply on behalf of Terry Schaumburg, loving husband, father, brother, uncle, and friend.

The Schaumburg Family

## 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](mailto:scott@vernoniasvoice.com) or mail to: Letters, PO Box 55, Vernonia, OR 97064.

# Upcoming AARP Smart Driver Classes

In January AARP presents its new "Smart Driver" program with new student guidebooks and videos. We will conduct two more classes in January. This is a great opportunity to complete a positive resolution to improve your safety on the road.

On Thursday, January 22 Don Hawley will be teaching at Lum's Auto, 1605 SE Ensign, Warrenton. This location is not ADA accessible. Call CCC 503-338-2408 to register.

On Thursday, January 29 Ron Bline will be teaching at the Bob Chisholm Center in Seaside at 1225 Avenue A. Call the Center at 503-738-7393 or CCC 503-338-2408 to register.

All of these classes will start at 9:00 AM and will complete at 4:00 PM. Come a little early to get your paper work done. Please register early so we

can guarantee you a space. We will break once in the morning and once in the afternoon and have 45 minutes for lunch. It's a full day but very worth while.

The course includes current rules of the road, defensive driving techniques, and how to operate your vehicle more safely in today's increasingly challenging driving environment. You will learn adjustments to accommodate for common age related changes in vision, hearing and reaction time. Information on aggressive drivers, air bags, seat restraints and new technologies is provided.

The cost is just \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members. Tuition is payable at the start of class with checks made payable to AARP.

These courses are designed for seniors 50 and older but anyone can attend. Pre-registration is required and seating is limited.

For most, Oregon State Law provides for a discount on your auto insurance premium for completing this course. Attendance at the entire class is required to receive your certificate of

# Upcoming Events

Open Air Market Potluck - Saturday, January 17, 1:00-4:00 PM at the Vernonia Grange, 375 North St. The Open Air Market is seeking public input. 503-429-0438

Upper Nehalem Watershed Council Meeting - Thursday, January 22, 6:30 PM at 1201 Texas Ave.

DEQ Informational Meeting on LNG pipeline permit process - Thursday,

January 29, 6:00 PM at the Cabin in Vernonia, 901 Park Dr. DEQ will also host a meeting in Warrenton on Tuesday, January 27.

Columbia County Chapter of Oregon Hunter's Assoc. Fundraiser - Saturday, February 28 at the Columbia County Fairgrounds, 588892 Saulser Rd, St. Helens. Doors open 5:00 PM, Dinner served 6:30 PM. 503-396-5265

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<http://www.vernoniasvoice.com>

## PUBLIC NOTICE

The Vernonia Police Department is currently accepting bids on two patrol vehicles. Both vehicles are equipped for law enforcement use. If the winning bid is not a law enforcement agency, all emergency equipment will be removed prior to delivery.

Vehicle #1  
2007 Ford Expedition 4x4  
Color: White  
Mileage: 77979  
Minimum Bid \$9000.00

Vehicle #2  
2006 Ford Crown Victoria  
Color: White  
Mileage: 93971  
Minimum Bid: \$3000.00

**NOTE:**  
This is a sealed bidding process. Please mail your sealed bids to the Vernonia Police Department (Attention: Angie Handegard), 1001 Bridge St, Vernonia, Oregon 97064. All bids must be received by February 13th, 2015 at 5:00 pm.

For information regarding these vehicles, please contact Chief Michael Conner (Vernonia Police Department) at 503-429-7335 ext. 110

## Vernonia Weather December 2014

DATE	HIGH	LOW	PRECIP
1	42	17	0
2	36	28	0
3	46	36	.10
4	43	36	.20
5	50	41	.67
6	55	37	T
7	51	37	0
8	54	35	.06
9	59	51	.68
10	59	39	.86
11	57	41	.33
12	48	34	0
13	43	34	0
14	50	33	T
15	49	37	T
16	47	35	.02
17	46	37	.01
18	49	41	.49
19	47	40	.55
20	54	45	1.65
21	54	44	.07
22	54	45	T
23	52	39	.73
24	45	36	.35
25	44	39	.05
26	46	37	.02
27	46	39	.45
28	44	34	.33
29	41	22	0
30	33	17	0
31	39	19	0
Ave/Tot	47.8	35.6	7.62

Weather data is collected at the U.S. Weather station at the Vernonia Water Plant

## Free Smoke Alarms and Installation to Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD Residents

Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD has teamed up with the Office of State Fire Marshal to bring our Fire District members the Smoke Alarm Installation Program. This program provides free, 10 year longevity smoke alarms and installation to residents in participating Fire Districts.

If you would like new, installed smoke alarms for your home please call or come in to the Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD Main Station at (503)755-2710 and we will sign you up for the program. Deadline for sign-up is January 30, 2015

## Need Help?

Call for meeting times and locations

**Columbia Community Mental Health**  
Call 503-397-5211 -or- 1-800-294-5211  
For after hours Crisis call: 1-866-866-1426  
<http://www.ccmh1.com/crisis.html>

**Narcotics Anonymous NW Region**  
503-345-9839  
<http://portlandna.com/>

**Alcohol Anonymous NW Region**  
503-366-0667  
<http://www.pdxaa.com/>

## Safe Kids Columbia County Car Seat Clinic

Saturday, March 14th  
11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Vernonia Fire Station  
555 E. Bridge Street  
For more info call:  
503-556-3736

## 2015 Medical Shuttle Schedule

The attached schedule is for Demand Response Services to medical appointments in Portland and Washington County for the 2015 year. If information is needed regarding cost, please call 503-366-0159.

**Please make appointments between 10:00 AM and 12 noon.**  
January 21  
February 4, February 18  
March 4, March 18  
April 8, April 22  
May 6, May 20  
June 3, June 17



## PUBLIC NOTICE

The Community Action Team, Inc. (CAT) Board of Directors is seeking community input for its 2015-2016 Community Services priorities. CAT is a non-profit corporation whose mission is to address the causes and conditions of poverty. Those interested in providing input are requested to attend a public meeting scheduled for 2:15 PM January 26, 2015 at Community Action Team's Family Resource Center Board Room, located at 125 N. 17th Street, St. Helens, OR 97051. Written input may also be submitted to Community Action Team, 125 N. 17th Street, St. Helens, OR 97051, or emailed [dadmin@cat-team.org](mailto:dadmin@cat-team.org). Both written and email communications should be submitted by January 26, 2015.