

Drama Classes Offered in Vernonia

Drama Classes are returning to Vernonia this fall for youth ages 6 all the way up to adults.

Classes will have a format similar to the initial summer classes that were recently completed and will be taught once again by Ali Kallis. Every student will have the opportunity to prepare a monologue and participate in

a scene, all customized to the students' abilities and experience. It is really fun to have a variety of ages all working together!

There are two classes to choose from on Thursdays: 3:30-5:00 pm or 6:30-8:00 pm, both at the Grange Hall.

Classes begin on September 15 and will go for 10 weeks, finishing

with two performances on Saturday, November 19.

Tuition for 17 and under is \$95, adult tuition is \$85, and can be broken into two payments. 10% discount for siblings or parent/ child students. Email ali.kallis@gmail.com for more information.

Oregon Health Plan Application Assistance

Public Health Foundation of Columbia County is providing assistance to individuals applying for health insurance in Columbia County.

There will be assisters weekly in Scappoose, St. Helens, Rainier and Vernonia. Please call (503) 397-4651

x2005 or (971)203-3995 for an appointment.

Information to bring to an application appointment for Oregon Health Plan:

A "household" is you, your children, and your spouse (or domestic partner if you have children together). You will need to know the Social Security Number and date of birth for each person on the application. Employer and income information for everyone in the household (even if they are not all applying for coverage) and verification of income: pay stubs, tax statements, profit and loss statement if you are self-employed, or a letter showing proof of no income. You will also need to know if any of the people on the application have health insurance and the plan name and policy numbers.

For more information contact Patricia Ortiz at the Public Health office (503) 397-4651 x2005, cell (971) 203-3995 or email at portiz@tphfcc.org.

Vernonia's 18th Annual Community Wide Garage Sale

Sponsored by Vernonia Area Chamber of Commerce
Saturday, August 27th, 2016
9am - 6pm

To be added to the map, visit our Facebook page at <https://facebook.com/vernoniacommunitygaragesale>

and fill out the form or visit the chamber office at 1001 Bridge Street, Vernonia, OR 97064 and sign up on the clip board.

Maps showing all sales locations will be available on the day of the sale near Vernonia Realty and the Chamber Office.

Upcoming Events

Vernonia Friendship Jamboree & Logging Show - Friday, August 5 thru Sunday, August 7.

Volleyball Skills Clinic for 6th-9th Graders - Monday thru Thursday, August 8th-11th from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm. Registrations can be picked up at R&S Market, Black Iron Grill and Subway, or by calling Teresa Willims (503) 799-3424.

Senior Picnic - Friday, August 19, noon at Anderson Park. Hot dogs, hamburgers provided, bring a side dish.

VHS and Oregon-American Alumni/Vernonia Society Picnic - Sunday, August 21 at Anderson Park. Registration begins at 10:00 am.

West Oregon Electric Co-op Annual Meeting - Saturday, August 27 at the Cabin in Vernonia. Registration starts at 10:00 am, meeting starts at 11:00 am.

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF BALLOT TITLE

Notice is hereby given that the ballot title for a measure referred by the Columbia County Board of Commissioners has been filed with the County Clerk of Columbia County on July 27, 2016.

The ballot title caption is **RENEWAL OF LOCAL OPTION LEVY FOR JAIL OPERATIONS- FOUR YEARS**

Caption

Renewal of Local Option Levy for Jail Operations- Four Years

Question

Shall Columbia County renew a levy of \$0.5797/\$1000.00 of assessed value for four years beginning in 2017-2018 for Jail operations? This measure renews current local option taxes.

Summary

In 2014, voters approved a three year levy for Jail operations which will expire in 2017. The three primary funding sources for the Jail are the County's General Fund, Federal bed rentals, and the existing Jail operating levy. Since the 2014 levy passed, the County General Fund support for the Jail has remained consistent. Federal bed rental revenue has also remained stable but is not a guaranteed revenue source. The County still cannot fully fund operation of the Jail without renewal of the levy. Prior to the 2014 levy, the County was required to reduce Jail beds for local inmates to 25, and anticipated a full closure of the Jail without the levy. The operating levy currently supports a total of 100 local beds, and funding for the constitutionally required food, clothing, management and health care for inmates. Renewal of the levy will pay for continued operation of the Jail through 2021. The estimated money raised will be \$2,635,299 in FY 2018, \$2,708,501 in FY 2019, \$2,783,737 in FY 2020, and \$2,861,063 in FY 2021, for an estimated total levy of \$10,988,600.

In accordance with ORS 250.195, any elector may file petition for review of this ballot title in the Columbia County Circuit Court no later than the seventh business day after the title was filed with the county clerk (5:00 p.m. August 5, 2016).

This notice published pursuant to ORS 250.175(5) by Elizabeth E. Huser, Columbia County Clerk

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF BALLOT TITLE

Notice is hereby given that the ballot title for a measure referred by the Columbia County Board of Commissioners has been filed with the County Clerk of Columbia County on July 27, 2016.

The ballot title caption is **IMPOSES COUNTY TAX ON THE RETAIL SALE OF MARIJUANA ITEMS**

Caption

Imposes County Tax on the Retail Sale of Marijuana Items

Question

Shall Columbia County impose a three percent (3%) tax on the retail sale of marijuana items in unincorporated Columbia County?

Summary

Under state law, a county governing body may adopt an ordinance to be referred to the voters imposing up to a three percent tax or fee on the retail sale of marijuana items in unincorporated areas of the county by a state licensed marijuana retailer.

If this measure is adopted, it would approve Columbia County Ordinance No. 2016-3, which imposes a three percent (3%) tax on the retail sale of marijuana items in the unincorporated area of the county by a state licensed marijuana retailer. The marijuana retailer will collect the tax at the point of sale and remit the tax collected to the County. The ordinance also provides for the collection, administration and enforcement of the tax. If the measure is adopted, the ordinance will be effective January 1, 2017.

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NOTICE OF MEASURE ELECTION AND RECEIPT OF BALLOT TITLE

Filed in the Office of County Clerk 7/28/2016

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a ballot title for a measure referred by Vernonia School District 47J has been filed with the Columbia County Clerk on July 28, 2016.

The ballot title caption is: **Campus Completion, Facility Enhancements, Technology Upgrades and Construction Debt.**

Caption

Campus Completion, Facility Enhancements, Technology Upgrades and Construction Debt.

Question

Shall Vernonia Schools enhance facilities and refinance debt by issuing \$6,800,000 in bonds, receiving up to \$2,700,000 matching State grant? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Summary

Up to \$2,700,000 in matching State grants are awarded to the District if voters approve this measure. If rejected, grants will be diverted to another district. A major portion of the bonds will refinance existing debt, thereby freeing up resources for general operations.

Bond and grant proceeds are also expected to fund:

Construction:

- Four classrooms; one for art
- welding/metals shop building
- playground equipment at Mist and Vernonia Schools
- additional solar panels
- football field, track, stadium and parking area
- lighting of baseball/softball fields
- cross-country/fitness/nature trail
- Indoor walking track in gym

Upgrades:

- Mist interior and exterior: roof, gutters, siding, gym floor and classrooms
- security/surveillance systems at Mist and Vernonia
- mechanical systems at Mist
- improved technology
- install well and irrigation
- enhanced lighting systems
- site improvements, furnishing and equipping of projects and bond issuance costs

Bonds would mature in not to exceed 26 years. The estimated incremental tax rate is approximately \$0.24 per \$1,000 of assessed property value above November 2016 levels. Actual rates may differ based upon interest rates incurred and growth in assessed value.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a measure election conducted by mail will be held on Tuesday, November 8 2016.

An elector may file a petition for review of this ballot title in the Columbia County Circuit Court no later than 5:00 p.m. August 8th, 2016 (which is the 7th business day after receipt.) ORS 255.155

This notice is published pursuant to ORS 255.145(5) by Elizabeth E. Huser, Columbia County Clerk.

AUCTION NOTICE

at Storage, Too
58605 Nehalem Hwy. South
Vernonia, OR
(503) 429-7867

CC26 - 10x20 J. Christie
CC27 - 10x20 J. Christie
C23 - 10x20 T. Baker
G9 - 10x20 M. Clough

Auction will be held
Wednesday, August 24
12:00 pm

Cash or certified check only

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Providing a Homestead)
Exemption for Surviving Spouses of) NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Certain Public Safety Officers)

The Board of County Commissioners for Columbia County, Oregon, will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, August 31, 2016, at or after 10:00 a.m. in the Board of County Commissioners' Meeting Room, Room 308, 230 Strand Street, St. Helens, Oregon.

The purpose of this hearing is to consider a resolution to provide a homestead exemption for surviving spouses of public safety officers specified in SB 1513 (2016) or as specified in such law as hereafter amended.

The proposed resolution will become available for viewing one week before the hearing on the Columbia County Board of Commissioners website at <http://www.co.columbia.or.us/departments/board-of-commissioners/board-of-commissioners-board-meetings> or copies may be obtained at the Columbia County Board of Commissioners' Office at a reasonable cost.

This is a public hearing. Interested persons may appear and be heard. Columbia County does not discriminate on the basis of disability and will provide reasonable accommodations in accordance with the County's ADA Policy. To request accommodations or to review the County's ADA Policy, please contact the Board of Commissioners' Office at 503-397-4322.

Dated this 29th day of July, 2016.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: 
Anthony Hyde, Chair



STAND•DOWN

Veteran Stand Down

Columbia County Fairgrounds Pavilion
58892 Salser Rd., St Helens, OR
September 16, 2016 9-2pm

If you are a Veteran with questions that you need answers to, come talk with service providers. (Both VA and non-VA) They can assist with:
Homelessness Mental Health Job Placement
Compensation Education

There will also be Veteran groups that work with and do events for Veterans and Veteran organizations to get involved in. Representatives from programs that provide activities for children and youth of active military and veterans will also be present All Veterans will receive a computerized eye exam courtesy of the St. Helens Lions Club

Come meet other Veterans, have a good meal, find out what is new and available for you in our veteran community

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