

Upcoming Events

Dog Park Yard Sale - Saturday, May 19, 9:00 am-6:00 pm at Creatures Pet Store. Benefit for Ivy Street Dog Park.

Jr. Salmon Auction - Thursday, May 24, 6:30 pm in the Schools Commons. Benefits Vernonia Schools Arts and Vernonia Hands On Art programs.

Vernonia High School Graduation - Saturday, June 2, 1:00 pm in the Gym

Columbia Century Challenge Bike Ride - Saturday, June 16. Two course options starting in Scappoose. Visit www.cyclecolumbiacounty.com

Great American Bash - Wednesday, July 4, 5:00 Parade, 5:30 Concert at Hawkins Park, Fireworks at Spencer Park at dusk.

TOPS Group (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meet Fridays at the Mist-Birkenfeld Fire Dept. 8:30 am weigh in, 9:00 am meeting. Men and women invited to join. (503) 429-7505

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 or mail to: Letters, PO Box 55, Vernonia, OR 97064.

Vernonia Weather April 2018

DATE	HIGH	LOW	PRECIP
1	47	30	.3
2	51	28	0
3	51	28	.05
4	56	40	T
5	52	42	.2
6	61	51	.21
7	54	44	1.58
8	53	37	.08
9	67	37	.05
10	60	50	.02
11	51	32	.34
12	53	33	.4
13	53	47	.12
14	55	44	T
15	49	38	.49
16	47	34	.42
17	51	35	T
18	60	32	0
19	63	31	0
20	60	30	0
21	57	31	0
22	61	29	0
23	73	29	0
24	79	37	0
25	84	27	0
26	85	48	0
27	54	43	.07
28	55	40	.21
29	57	43	.09
30	55	46	T

Ave/Tot 58.5 37.5 4.63

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

Readers Lend Their Voices...

To the Editor,

I would like to thank Vernonia city employee and resident James McMahon for the work he has put into Airport Park, especially this year. He is currently the resident host, and has put in hundreds of hours to clean up and improve the park. It looks better than ever!

However, use of the park seems to be dwindling. Last summer, most days saw few visitors.

When I talk to other area residents, I hear stories about Airport Park from years past. Group camps, crawdad catching, fishing, looking for agates, etc. With a great swimming hole, a golf course nearby, and the ability to watch small planes take off and land – a day of family fun is easy

to find at the park! Camp overnight and enjoy a getaway that feels a lot further away than a few miles from town.

I encourage all Vernonians to check out Airport Park this year. The day-use fee (\$5) is waived for city residents with a city sticker (available at City Hall). The camping fees help support our great network of parks, which few towns our size can boast having. If we see even a few more campers each week this summer, we will increase the revenue stream for our parks in a meaningful way.

Let's support a local gem...Airport Park.

Randy Ward
Vernonia

Member Meeting – Rate Change Tuesday, May 29th at 6:00 pm Vernonia Rural Fire Dept. 555 Bridge Street Vernonia, Oregon

Attention West Oregon Electric Cooperative Members: West Oregon Electric Cooperative, Inc. (WOEC) will hold a Members Meeting to announce a proposed rate increase that will begin on July 1, 2018. WOEC's Board is proposing the rate change due to an increase in operating costs. All WOEC members are invited to attend and discuss the rate proposal with the Board of Directors and Management. Please see our website at www.westoregon.org for more information.

The public is invited to come honor those who have served, given their lives, or are still missing

21st Annual Memorial Day Service



Monday, May 28
11:00 AM

at Vernonia Memorial Cemetery
2080 Bridge Street

with Pastor Greg "Mac" McCallum
from Grace Family Fellowship

Speaker
Sally Harrison
"Humble Heroes"

Music Vernonia High School Choir
Colors Presented By Aloha Post #104

• **Plan to arrive early! Limited seating available!** •

VEF Wants You to be Heard!

Vernonia Education Foundation is hosting a special event to hear input on what extra programming our students of Vernonia need and deserve.

Tuesday, May 22, 2018

6- 7 pm

Vernonia Schools Library

Light refreshments will be served.

Upper Nehalem Watershed Council Meeting

**5:30 pm on Thursday
May 31, 2018**

at the UNWC office 1201 Texas Ave. Suite A. Entrance is around the back of the building



For more info call
(503) 396-2046
or email
maggie@nehalem.org

Auction Notice

Storage Too

58645 Nehalem Hwy. S.
Vernonia, Oregon 97064
503-429-7867

C2 - 5x10 - H. Hanchett

**Auction will be held
Noon, Tuesday
June 5, 2018**

*Please call prior
to confirm the auction*

Cash or certified check only

Vernonia's Voice is published twice each month on the 1st and 3rd Thursday. Look for our next issue on June 7.

AA Meetings

Open Meetings
Mondays & Thursdays
6:30-7:30 pm
Vernonia Christian Church
410 North Street

Women's Meeting
Tuesdays 6:30-7:30 pm
Vernonia Christian Church
410 North Street