

## Readers Lend Their Voices...

To the Editor,

I prefer not to speak of those I do not know. So let me say something about someone I do know. Dale Webb, for several years now, has been a loyal servant of the community, and a champion for the public good. Dale has served as a member of the Public Works Committee for years, and on the Budget Committee as of late. He has been a financial hawk; protecting your tax and utility dollars. He has championed street, water and sewer projects, while keeping a vigilant eye on your money. Dale has been sceptical, unswayed by conjecture, and only convinced by the facts. Qualities we want and need in our leaders. He has at the same time frustrated and

inspired me in my role as a public servant. The result thereof has always led me down the better path.

Dale is a lifelong Vernonian, with an appreciation of our past and a realist vision of our future. There's no more qualified or experienced candidate on the ballot than Dale. Do yourself, and the community a favor... vote Dale Webb for City Council.

Ben Fousek  
Vernonia

### The Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD Board of Directors is accepting applications for Board Director position #1,

previously held by Larry Boxman who resigned, effective September 19, 2018. This term will run thru June 30, 2019. Any interested, qualified person wishing to serve the remainder of the term must submit a letter of intent and a Board application that can be found at [www.mistbirkenfeldrfd.org](http://www.mistbirkenfeldrfd.org) (Board Members page) by 4:00 pm, October 12, 2018. Please address the letter to Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD Attention: Board Secretary Barbara Smith, 12525 HWY 202, Mist, Oregon 97016.



## Halloween Events

**Graveyard Dash 3k/6k Run/Walk** - Saturday, October 27, 9:00 - 12:00. Start and Finish at the Memorial Cemetery. This is a COSTUME party! Cash prizes for best costumes! Music, Awards, and Snacks! Register at [runsignup.com](http://runsignup.com). Students - use coupon code "Student" for a \$10 reduction in price. Younger folk? - 10 and under register for free!

**Library Halloween Party** - Saturday, October 27, 2:00 pm. Featuring the short film *It's the Great Pumpkin Charlie Brown* followed by spooky cookie decorating with Jack's Hobo Bakery, crafts, and a goodie bag for participants. Costumes encouraged!

**Halloween Costume Sidewalk Parade** - Wednesday, October 31, 4:30 pm starts at City Hall

**32nd Annual Fall Carnival** - Wednesday, October 31 at Vernonia Christian Church, 410 North St. 6:30-7:00 pm for Special Needs children & their families, 7:00-8:30 for Everyone!

The Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD Board of Directors will meet for their regular board meeting Tuesday, October 16, 2018 at 7:00 pm at the Main Station, 12525 Highway 202, Mist, OR.



## Auction Notice

### Storage Too

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

C1 - 5 x 10 - Gary Roberson

**Auction will be held  
Noon, Tuesday  
November 6, 2018**

*Please call prior to auction*  
Cash or certified check only

## Upcoming Events

Upper Nehalem Watershed Council Annual Meeting - Saturday, October 6, 2:00 pm at the Cabin in Vernonia, 901 Park Dr.

Salmon Festival - Saturday, October 6, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm at Hawkins Park

Brice & The Jackrabbits Concert - Saturday, October 6, 7:00 - 9:00 pm at the Vernonia Grange, 375 North St. \$5/ person. Benefit for the Vernonia Grange.

Meet the Candidates - Wednesday, October 10, 7:00 pm at the Cabin in Vernonia. Candidates for Columbia County Sheriff.

Meet the Candidates - Thursday, October 11, 7:00 pm at the Cabin in Vernonia. Candidates for Vernonia City Mayor and Vernonia City Council.

Scappoose Bay Watershed Council Nursery Fall Native Plant Sale - Saturday, October 13, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm behind Scappoose High School

Big Leaf Maple Syrup in Oregon Workshop - Saturday, October 13, 9:00 am at the OSU Extension Service Classroom, 505 N. Columbia River Highway, St. Helens. Free class for beginners on big leaf maple syrup making with Joe McGilvra. Call (503) 397-3462 to register.

Grace Fall Extravaganza - Saturday, October 13, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm at Grace Family Fellowship, 967 State Ave. Rummage sale, artisan sales, Youth Group BBQ.

Beekeeping Workshop: Carpentry & Varroa Mites - Monday, October 15, 6:00 pm at the OSU Extension Service, St. Helens. Free class will cover beekeeper carpentry for building your own bee houses, and a demonstration on using oxalic acid to help manage Varroa mites.

Mycology 101 in Columbia County - Wednesday, October 24, 6:30 pm at the OSU Extension Service. Free class providing local history, intro to mushroom taxonomy, identifying, collecting, uses, cooking, stories, and low-tech cultivating with Jordan Weiss. Call (503) 397-3462 to register.

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

### Upper Nehalem Watershed Council Annual Board Meeting

**Saturday  
October 6<sup>th</sup> during  
Salmon Festival at  
the Scout Cabin**

**Agenda**

2:00 pm - Maggie Peyton Opening Presentation  
2:30 pm - Leave *it to Beavers* video by NATURE

3:30 pm - Jim Buxton reading on beavers  
4:00 pm - Business Meeting, Potluck and refreshments throughout. Come see us at Salmon Festival for Claudia Chinook, kids' scavenger hunt, and water table fun!



### 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.

## 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

## Columbia Humane Society

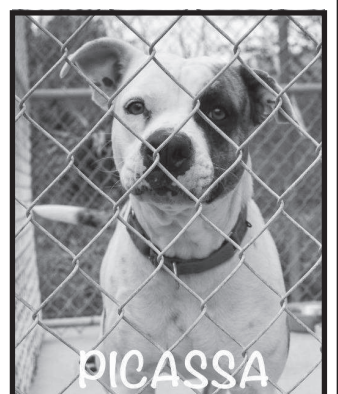
### Purr-fect Pals



Binx, Binx the wonder cat! This kid will be sure to make your heart smile. Binx came to us when he couldn't find a place to go, he had what we thought at the time was an upper respiratory infection. After several different antibiotics and some pretty expensive testing, he has basically what is called a chronic cold. The vets think he is not infectious and there is a chance he will grow out of it, he just has times when his eyes water and he sneezes a lot. Binx is also part of our great CatPawsitive training program so we are teaching him to do all kinds of neat tricks like jump through a hoop and give a high five when asked.

### Featured Dog

This special little lady deserves to be loved to the moon and back. She came to the shelter via one of our shelter partners and so far in her two years she's had a pretty tough life. She gets along with other dogs, however we would not recommend that she be placed with female dogs or little dogs. We would recommend her match be at least 45-50 lbs as she is a substantial girl and doesn't really recognize her size. It is unknown at this time how she is going to do with cats or kids. Her adopters are going to have to be understanding and come and visit her a few times prior to going home.



At CHS the health and welfare of the animals in our care is our number one priority. We are dedicated to helping our adoptive families find that one perfect fit that will complete their family. Please email or call so that we can talk to you about your needs and wants in a new family member prior to just arriving at the kennels.