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from Oregon Department of Education's required instructional hours for the District's alternative education program. Miller told the Board the District has 10 students enrolled in the program, and those students do not meet the required hours due to the format of the program.

Board Approves Extending Employee Contract – After meeting in Executive Session under ORS 192.660(2)(i) "To review and evaluate the performance of... any employee or staff member..." the Board approved Resolution 1819-05 and extended the contract of licensed employees as presented with a 5-1 vote, Steve Whiteman voting no.

Superintendent's Report – Superintendent Aaron Miller told the Board 15 volunteers attended a meeting for the adult

Hall Monitor program. He said volunteers have been given a training schedule and said two have completed the training. He said he expects to have a certified crew soon.

Miller said he is exploring the possibility of adding as many as 20-25 students and another teacher to the Mist School to create two full classes of K-2 and 3-5 grades.

Miller said the new Clay Target team has chosen a logo and will begin practice soon.

Miller said he is working on a draft calendar for next year that would include 1-hour late start on ALL Wednesdays in the 2019-20 school year. He said the calendar committee will be reviewing proposals and will provide recom-

mendations for the final calendar at the March School Board meeting.

Principal Reports – Vice Principal Michelle Eagleson provided a report on the Elementary School. She said data is showing improvements in reading comprehension and phonics. She told the Board staff members have been visiting other schools to view reading curriculums in use and said staff has made a choice to update the curriculum to be used in Vernonia. Eagleson told the Board "Bring Your Family to School Week" was a big success.

Middle/High School Principal Nate Underwood told the Board Resource Officer Abby Hanson has been helpful with several issues on campus that required law enforcement advice

and will begin working with families on truancy issues, noting the schools still have an issue with Chronically Absent students. Underwood said this year's Prom will be held at Camp 18. He said Unity Student Leaders are planning school-wide activities to promote tolerance and empathy, and Michele Wilson from SAFE of Columbia County is teaching weekly lessons to all 6th and 7th graders on empathy, self-regulation, and healthy relationships.

Student Reports – Students from Mrs. Campbell's 5th grade class made a presentation with visual aids to show the Board the different ways they are learning to add and subtract fractions.

Vernonia School Board Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month. The next School Board Meeting is scheduled for March 14 at 6:00 pm in the Schools Library.

VERNONIA COMMUNITY ANNUAL FATHER & DAUGHTER



COUNTRY BALL

Dads dust off your best country duds and Daughters dress up like the princesses you are and come for a fun filled, magical memory making evening of dancing. There will be Sweets for the sweeties and drinks as well as crafts tables and more.

When: Saturday March 9, 2019 6PM to 8PM

Where: Vernonia Schools (Commons)

1000 Missouri Ave, Vernonia, OR

Cost: \$5 Per couple

For more information contact

Mark Brown 971-297-6403

Visit our Facebook page @Fatherdaughtercountryball

This dance was created so that our little or maybe not so little anymore girls can celebrate for one night with the most important man in their lives whether it is Dad, Grandpa, or any significant male.

A daughter is a gift from God, cherish the moments you hold her hand, and dance with her every chance you get.

Bridge Street Bits

By Karen Miller

Looking at my phone's weather forecast recently there has been a lot of snowflake symbols. My grandkids sure did enjoy SNOW ON THE BEACH at Cannon Beach. It was a real delight to see such a sight.

BUT THINGS WERE HOT at our Senior Board meeting as we progress towards our new building. Again we wish to thank City Administrator Josette Mitchell and the Vernonia City Council in many areas as they have provided us a place to operate our Senior Thrift Store, and helping us get our future place of operation off the ground this year. Read this column for progressing details.

WE STILL RECEIVE inquiries about free tax help for seniors, a service that has been provided in the past at our former building. Please call the Scappoose Community Center at (503) 543-2047 for help with your tax needs.

BARGAINS ON BRIDGE STREET THRIFT STORE – Check out these great deals:

MONDAYS: Children's Clothing bag sale

TUESDAYS: \$1 Tuesday - Clothes \$1 unless marked.

WEDNESDAYS: Shoes ½ off - yes that's 50% off

THURSDAYS: Books and VHS tapes Bag Sale

FRIDAYS and SATURDAYS: Mosey in to see what sales are going on SENIOR DISCOUNT EVERYDAY - 10% off

MILITARY DISCOUNT EVERYDAY (Military ID Required) - 10% off

GIFT CERTIFICATES NOW AVAILABLE! Makes gift giving simple!

See store manager Theresa.

379 MEALS served for the month of January. Thank you volunteers, we couldn't do it without you!

NEXT MEETING: March 8, 10:00 AM

SENIOR SIGN OFF: Age is an issue of mind over matter: If you don't mind it doesn't matter.

See ya' around town ...

Vernonia Senior Center

939 Bridge Street • (503) 429-3912

Church Directory

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

Sunday Schedule:
Sacrament Meeting: 10:00 am
Sunday School & Primary: 11:20 am
Relief Society, Priesthood and Young Women: 12:10 pm
Roger Cook, Branch President
1350 E. Knott Street
503-429-7151

Grace Family Fellowship

Sunday School: 9:00 am
Worship Service: 10:30 am
Thursday Prayer: 6:00 pm

Greg "Mac" McCallum, Pastor
957 State Avenue
503-429-6790

Nehalem Valley Bible Church

Sunday School: 9:45 am
Worship Service: 10:45 am
Tues. Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 am
Wednesday Service: 7:00 pm
Sat. Men's Prayer Meeting: 6:30 am
Gary Taylor, Pastor
500 North Street
503-429-5378

Open Door Gathering Place

Service: Sunday 6:00 pm
Grant Williams, Pastor
375 North Street
503-702-3553

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Sunday Mass: 12:00 pm
Fr. Josh Clifton, Administrator
960 Missouri Avenue
503-429-8841

Vernonia Christian Church

Sunday School: 9:45 am
Worship Service in Youth &

Family Center: 11:00 AM
www.VernoniaChristianChurch.org
Sam Hough, Pastor
410 North Street
503-429-6522

Vernonia Seventh-day Adventist Church

Sabbath (Saturday) Services
Sabbath School: 9:30 am
Worship Service: 11:00 am
www.VernoniaSDAC.org
Larry Gibson, Pastor
2nd Avenue and Nehalem Street
503-429-8301