

Community Calendar

Plant Sale – Saturday, May 8, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm at the Spencer Park Play Shed. Sponsored by the Vernonia Community Garden.

Car Wash – May 22, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm in the Holce Logging parking lot behind the Bridge Street Mini-Mart. Cost is by donation. Benefits VHS students German language class trip to Germany in spring 2022.

Readers Lend Their Voices...

To the Editor,

The Free Wheelers are a group of caring people. When my cancer was serious they came to our house for the Best Christmas Ever! Recently a new Miracle happened for me involving the Freewheeler Joe Hammons. I had just come from Forest Grove, then I stopped to pick up a person to attend Youth Group at Grace Church. When I got there my car was smoking. Carl, the youth leader, opened my hood and smoke was pouring out. I asked what do I do. I was told to call Joe Hammons from the Freewheelers. I called,

he came by and said the cost for a new radiator was \$325-\$350. Of course I didn't have that amount. I prayed and a Man of God surprised me with a gift of \$400. I told Joe about this gift. When he came to my home, I said you will need to take me to the bank. He said, don't worry, it's been taken care of. I had tears and hugged him. And said THANK YOU, GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS TO US. THIS IS A GREAT GROUP. Blessings to YOU ALWAYS.

Gail Law
Vernonia

Head Start Recruiting Now

Local Head Start programs are now recruiting 3 and 4 year olds for the 2021-2022 school year. A large percentage of students will be selected in June. Staff suggests that parents apply now to have their family included in the first selection.

Heads Start offers a comprehensive preschool experience free of charge to qualifying families. A developmentally appropriate classroom curriculum taught by certified teachers offers all children the opportunity to be kindergarten ready.

The program offers parents opportunities to learn and grow along with their children; receive guidance to complete medical, dental, and nutritional assessments; get on the job training in the early childhood field; and learn about local opportunities for the whole family.

Children receive USDA approved lunch plus breakfast and/or afternoon snack on each day of class. (Head Start and USDA are both equal opportunity providers.)

For more information you may phone local centers: Vernonia/Mist area (503) 429-9243, St. Helens/Scappoose area (503) 397-4114, Clatskanie/Rainier area (503) 728-2940, Knappa/Astoria/Warrenton area (503) 861-9681.

Head Start is a Community Action agency.

KINDERGARTEN INFO NIGHT AND REGISTRATION 2021-2022



VERNONIA/MIST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Thursday, May 20th

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

To be held outside

**Please call Vernonia Elementary School Office
if you have questions.
(503) 429-1333**

Required for registration:

Immunization Records

&

Birth Certificate/Hospital Certificate

- Pick up registration packets
- Ask questions
- Transportation information
- School Nurse onsite

**In order to be eligible for Kinder Kamp in August,
registrations must be COMPLETE and turned in by
June 11, 2021**

The Mist-Birkenfeld RFPD

Board of Directors
will meet by teleconference
for their regular board meeting
Tuesday, May 18, 2021
at 7:00 pm.

Access Info:

Conference call-in access #
1-415-762-9988

Meeting ID: 985 6155 9833
Passcode: 281873

<http://www.mistbirkenfeld-rfpd.org>

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.

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Vernonia School District 47J, Columbia County, State of Oregon, on the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, will be held at 1000 Missouri Street, Vernonia Oregon.

The meeting will take place on April 22, 2021 at 6:00 PM

The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place.

An additional, separate meeting of the Budget Committee will be held to take public comment. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee. The meeting for public comment will be on:

Date: May 13, 2021 Time: 6:00 PM

Location: 1000 Missouri Street, Vernonia Oregon in the library upstairs

A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after April 22, 2021 at 1000 Missouri Street, Vernonia Oregon, school district office, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM

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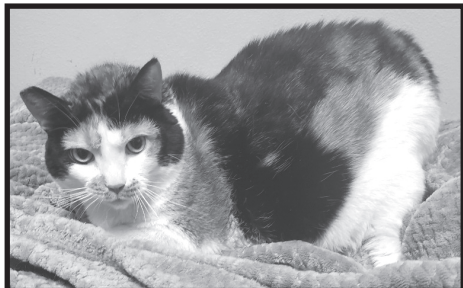
Due to restrictions related to COVID-19 this meeting will be conducted digitally and by phone. Details will be posted on the Vernonia School District website, vernoniak12.org, prior to the meeting date.



Columbia Humane Society



Purr-fect Pals



Kiwi is about 3 years old and has personality for days. She loves to talk and she loves to get brushed. She did well with kids in her previous home. There is a lot of this girl to love as she weighs in right around 22 lbs. We have had diagnostics done by our vet and determined that she just really, really likes to eat. In her previous home she was living with other cats and dogs and was always guarding all the food bowls. We believe that she is what we call a competition eater and will guard her food from other animals. The perfect home for Kiwi will be where she is the only animal. We are looking for a home that is committed to getting the weight off and continually working with her on exercise and a proper eating plan. Right now she is unable to groom herself, but there is nothing she loves more than to be brushed, so a family that is

committed to grooming her is preferred. If you are interested in meeting Kiwi we ask that you please email adoption@columbiahumane.org in order to obtain an adoption application. Once we have an approved application on file we will then schedule a time for you to come and meet her. Please note that due to our small staff and time constraints, phone calls regarding adoptions are not returned. Email is our best method of communication. Kiwi's adoption fee is \$125 which includes her spay, current vaccines, treatment for fleas and worms, and microchip. If you rent your home we will also be checking with landlords and will be asking for vet references that will be checked.

Featured Dog



Hashke is just a little over a year old and weighs about 70 lbs. He was in a home with his brother, seems to do well with

other dogs, and has lived with cats and kids. We are looking for a home that is going to be able to give him the room to run and play and be a goofy kid. A fenced yard is going to be a requirement. He does have some sensitive skin so we are suggesting that he get fed a sensitive skin/stomach diet. He is going to need a little work on his manners, however he is just a baby and is still learning. If you are interested in meeting Hashke please email adoption@columbiahumane.org in order to obtain an application. Appointments are only scheduled after there is a completed application on file. We ask that you please do not call regarding this dog as it makes things difficult with the limited resources we have. His adoption fee is \$250 which includes current vaccines, treatment for fleas and worms, neuter, and microchip.