

Upcoming Events

Bingo – Saturday, May 21 & June 4, 6-9 pm at the American Legion Vernonia Post 119, 627 Adams Ave. First number called at 6:30.

South Columbia County Chamber of Commerce May Happy Hour Event – Thursday, May 26, 4 pm at Blue House Café, 919 Bridge St. Members RSVP via email: scc-chamber.org or call (503) 397-0685.

Junior Salmon & Art Auction – Thursday, May 26, 6:30 pm in the Vernonia Schools Commons

Memorial Day Service – Monday, May 30, 11 am at the Vernonia Memorial Cemetery, 2080 Bridge St.

A Midsummer Night’s Dream, a Presentation by the VHS Theatre Arts Class – Friday, June 3, 7 pm; Saturday, June 4, 2 pm.

VHS Graduation – Saturday, June 11

Free Summer Meals Program – June 21 - August 19, Mon-Fri at the Vernonia Schools building for kids 0-18

Annual Rubber Duck Race – Monday, July 4, 11 am at the Rock Creek bridge by Shay Park. Cash 1st place prize, and gift certificates to local businesses! \$5/duck. <https://vernoniasociety.org/duck-race/>

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 Worship Service: 10:00 am
Children’s Sunday School: 10:00 am
Adult Sunday School: After Worship Service
Grief Support Group: 2nd & 4th Sunday, 11:30 am
Greg “Mac” McCallum, Pastor
957 State Avenue 503-429-6790

Nehalem Valley Bible Church
Sunday School: 9:45 am
Sunday Worship Service: 10:45 am
Mark Organ, Senior Pastor
Gary Taylor, Associate Pastor
<https://www.nvbiblechurch.org>
500 North Street 503-429-5378

St. Mary’s Catholic Church
Sunday Mass: 12:00 pm
Fr. Joshua Clifton, Administrator
<https://www.facebook.com/StMarysOfVernonia>
960 Missouri Avenue 503-429-8841

Vernonia Christian Church
Sunday Worship Service in Youth & Family Center: 9:30 and 11:00 am
www.Vernonia.Church
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
Pastor Antonee Leo Aguilar
Email: antonee.aguilar@oc.npuc.org
<https://VernoniaOR.AdventistChurch.org/>
1294 Nehalem Street 269-697-3156

Vernonia Weather April 2022

DATE	HIGH	LOW	PRECIP
1	55	31	.05
2	56	37	0
3	53	37	1.15
4	49	32	.50
5	51	28	.15
6	63	28	0
7	79	30	.05
8	52	30	.20
9	48	33	.30
10	43	32	1.17
11	46	30	.29
12	42	32	.44
13	47	29	.07
14	46	28	.20
15	52	28	0
16	52	28	0
17	56	29	.05
18	48	34	.38
19	51	36	.03
20	52	38	.47
21	52	41	.12
22	59	34	T
23	64	35	0
24	69	36	T
25	56	34	.02
26	53	37	.06
27	52	36	.08
28	52	36	.05
29	56	42	.30
30	56	40	.05

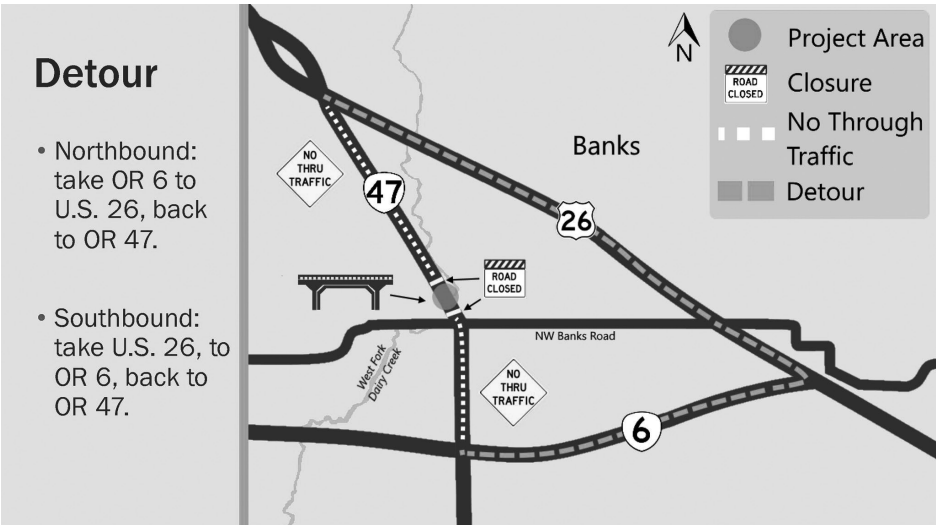
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Weather data is collected at the U.S. Weather Station at the Vernonia Water Plant

Highway 47 Closure Scheduled Near Banks

Highway 47 is closed in both directions, beginning May 16, north of Banks while ODOT replaces the 80 year old West Fork Dairy Creek Bridge. The project is expected to last through October.

As part of the project ODOT will be:

- Removing and replacing the bridge
- Repaving the roadway
- Replacing the guardrail
- Installing new striping and traffic signs
- Realigning and enhancing the stream channel



Another Round of Dear Stranger

Dear Stranger is a recurring letter-exchange project that connects Oregonians through the mail to share experiences, beliefs, and ideas. Since 2014, more than 1,000 people have exchanged letters through the project. Everyone is invited to participate – whatever your age, your place of residence, or your circumstances, Dear Stranger wants to hear from you.

Here’s how to participate:

1. Write a letter. Address it “Dear Stranger.” Fill a page or two, or more if you feel inspired. If you’d like, feel free to include a photo or a drawing or a recipe – anything that will fit in an envelope. You can write about anything you like. Here’s a prompt to get you started:
For this Dear Stranger round, write about care. What do you care about, and why? Who do you care for, and who cares for you? Does this feel like a choice or a given? Where do you see care, and where do you notice its absence?
2. Complete the Dear Stranger release form, <http://oregonhumanities.org/programs/other-projects/dear-stranger/>. We cannot exchange letters without a release.
3. Mail your letter by **June 30, 2022**, to:

Dear Stranger c/o Oregon Humanities
610 SW Alder, Suite 1111
Portland, OR 97205

Be sure to write your name and return address on your envelope so we can match your letter with your release form.

When you write to Dear Stranger, your letter will be swapped with one from another writer. They will get your letter; you will get theirs. The exchange is anonymous, and you can share as little or as much information about yourself as you like. Please keep in mind that photos, even ones without people in them, may contain information that could be used to identify you.

Dear Stranger is open to everyone, though writers under the age of eighteen must have parental consent to participate. Letters are paired at random, though we do our best to match participants with someone outside of their ZIP code. Oregon Humanities staff read all letters before they are exchanged.

Return letters will be mailed to participants in early July 2022. If you have questions about Dear Stranger, contact programs@oregonhumanities.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.



Columbia Humane Society



Purr-fect Pals



He should be an indoor kitty only and should not live with FIV-negative cats. We think he might do well with a gentle dog or another FIV+ cat. After living in foster care for several months, Winston is ready to settle down in his forever home and be your best friend. He is currently living in a foster home in the Portland area. If you're interested in meeting Winston please email adoption@columbiahumane.org in order to obtain an application.

Winston is a sweetheart! He’s about 9 years old, and at 15 pounds has lots of love to give. He loves to be around people, and happily joins his foster mom at bedtime with snuggles and contented purring. During the day he has his favorite central comfy spot where he can nap and keep track of the household activity. He will chirp and trill to let you know what he wants – very cute! He’s an enthusiastic eater, so will need help with portion control. Winston also likes to play, loves head scratches, being combed, and some light petting on his face and neck. He is easily overstimulated, however, and can play rough; he should not be around young children. Winston is FIV-positive and is fully vetted.

Featured Dog



please communicate with us via email as we are unable to spend a lot of time in the office.

If energy for days is what you’re looking for then this is your dog. Please meet Lady Bird. Birdy came into the rescue at just 14 months old. In the short 14 months of her life she has had three other homes. She is going to need a committed owner who is willing to stick it out with her. She is a combination of two working breed dogs, a pointer and a poodle. Both these breeds are high drive and have a tendency to keep themselves busy if they are not allowed the proper outlets for their energy. Birdy has a foundation of obedience training and appears to be fully potty trained. We are told she does well with other dogs, has lived with chickens and didn’t seem to bother them, but has no experience with cats. We will not place her in a home with another female dog, but think she would do fine with a male. She has lived with kids and did well with them. Birdy thinks a game of chase is a great time, as her recall is not solid. A family that understands her breeds and is willing to work on obedience training is going to be a must. She weighs about 55 lbs, but is tall and skinny right now. We anticipate after she fills out she will probably weigh around 60-65 lbs. Her adoption fee is \$350 which includes her spay, treatment for fleas and worms, and microchip. If you are interested in meeting Birdy please email adoption@columbiahumane.org in order to obtain an application. Once you have an approved application on file we will then schedule a time for you to meet with her. We ask that you