



Lori Richards helps Lindsay Schaub take aim at the Special Olympics.

Vernonia hosts special games

Over a hundred eager young people participated in the Special Olympics meet at the Vernonia High School gym on Wednesday, January 21.

Participants from six Columbia County communities and from Riverside Training, gathered for competition in three basketball activities: Target Passing, Spot Shooting and Ten Metre Basketball Dribble.

The games were organized by Columbia County Area Coordinator Ruth Cox, assisted locally by Jack and Kristi Davis and Sue Cavinee. Vernonia High School staff members and students helped organized and supervise the activities. Other

students and staff constructed the 1.3 metre high basketball hoops.



A young athlete takes a shot at the basket in Special Olympics competition.

Constitution and policy discussion

The Bill of Rights, separation of powers, checks and balances, these are some of the issues that come to mind when we think of the U.S. Constitution and its impact on our national political life. Yet, celebrating the Constitution's bicentennial would not be complete if we ignored what the Founding Fathers also had in store for the United States as a player in the international arena.

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Sock hop will aid preschool

A Sock-Hop Valentine's Dance will be held at Washington Grade School gym on Saturday, February 14 from 8 p.m. until midnight.

The activity, sponsored by the Vernonia Pre-school, will feature A.J. the D.J. spinning the platters. A special feature of the evening will be a dancing contest with prizes for outstanding performances. There will also be a lip-sync contest and a drawing for a door prize.

Admission will be limited to adults (18 and over). Tickets are \$3 per person and are available at the door or from Pre-school parents.



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