

Community

Senior News

The Vernonia Senior Citizens board of directors, at their May meeting, approved their advisory board's recommendation to institute a Bingo game as a joint venture in partnership with Vernonia Pride.

The partnership, capitalized jointly by the participants, will share the profits. The seniors share will help pay the cost of operating the Senior Center; Vernonia Pride will use funds for a community center.

Advisory committee member Lori Foster, who researched the venture, will be the manager, keeping financial records independent of both groups.

The games will begin Wednesday, June 1, at Crazy Charlie's restaurant, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Volunteers from both organizations will operate the games. Cash

prizes will be based on a percentage of the receipts. The games will be held every Wednesday after the June 1 start.

If the program is successful, it will mean the discontinuation of the seniors' labor-intensive "paper rolling", which has been one of their prime fund-raising efforts over the years. It will also free up a lot of space for social activities to be enjoyed by the members. There will be more details in the May 25 issue of *The INDEPENDENT*.

Colco Transportation has installed a new radio transmitter and receiver system, according to Bill Yeo, Colco dispatcher. The equipment replaces an older system which had a range of about five miles. The new transmitter reaches all of the senior citizens' centers in Columbia County as well as mobile

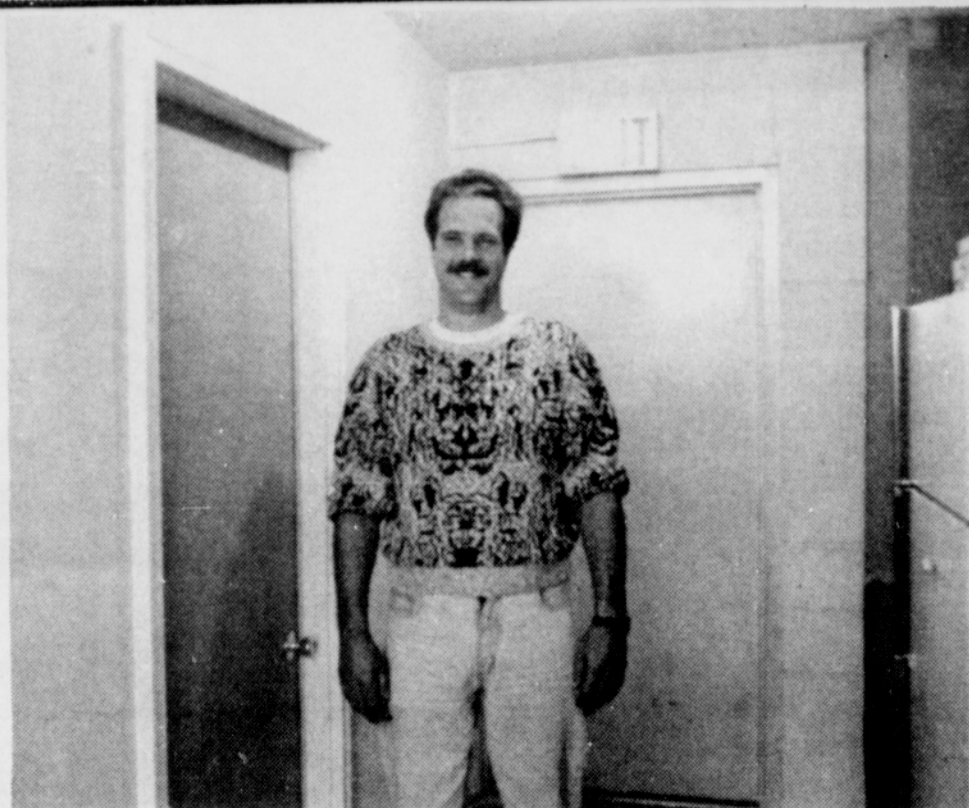
units in a fifty mile radius.

Volunteers have pitched in and created a separate storage facility at the rear of the center's dining area because the state Fire Marshal ordered that certain storage units, unrelated to dining, be removed. Labor was donated by Don Foster and Steve and Diane Ignatovich. Vernonia Hardware donated some of the supplies and provided other materials at cost.

More than 30 guests attended a meeting of the Columbia County Coalition of Social and Human Service Providers that was held at the center on April 28th.

The annual adult health screening program provided by St. Vincent Hospital and the foot care nurse will be at the center on May 12.

On the 13th, the seniors will visit Cannon Beach and, on the 14th, there will be a wedding reception for newlyweds Henry and Eunice Hudson. The Hudsons say all friends are welcome, but ask



Steve Ignatovich

that no gifts be brought.

On the 21st, the seniors will take a trip to Ilwaco by way of the Westport ferry, returning via Astoria, Seaside and Cannon Beach. On the 23rd they will travel to the Rainier Senior Center to lunch with Five Area seniors.

Seniors on vacation have depleted the work force at the center, Nellie Tipton reports. Among those vacationing

have been Julie Dickey, in Arizona; Tessie Aldrich in Mississippi; Scotty Weimer and Bernice Frey in California; Alexandra Higginbotham, to Estonia; Floyd Ragner to Florida.

Birthdays coming up in June are: 9th, Nora Keith; 16th, Isabel Anderegg and Juanita Berndt; 17th, Dessie King; 23rd, Frank Enyart and Martha Weigant.

Conference slated at local church

"Godly Communication" will be the topic of Grace Reformed Baptist Church' annual Spring Conference, Pastor DJ Dickey announced. The conference will start Thursday, May 12, and run through Sunday, May 15th.

Pastor David Chanski from Providence Reformed Baptist Church in Minneapolis, Minn., will be the featured speaker.

Services will be at 7:00

p.m. Thursday through Saturday evenings, and at 9:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Sunday. Nursery for children 3 years and under will be provided for all services.

"The community is invited to join with us for this time of fellowship and preaching," Pastor Dickey said. The church is located at 500 North Street, Vernonia.

Benefit barbecue for Foster family

A benefit barbecue will be held Friday, May 13, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Jewell School cafeteria, to raise funds for local resident Tim Foster. An ironworker, Foster received head injuries in a fall and is hospitalized at Oregon Health Sciences University. Funds raised will help Foster, his wife and two children.

Hamburgers, hotdogs and

beans will be provided. Attendees are being asked to bring salads and desserts. There is no set admission fee but donations will be taken at the door. Donations may also be sent to the Jewell School office.

For more information, call Sylvia Borders at 755-2702, Maureen Jaworski at 755-9312, or April Wood at 755-9326.

Barker/Bales plan July ceremony

The betrothal of Carlene Barker and David Bales was announced recently by Lyle and Carol Barker of Vernonia, parents of the bride-elect.

Bales is employed by Tu-

alatin Valley Building Supply, at their Scappoose store. He is the son of Betty Owens of Gilroy, Calif., and John Bales of Salem. He is a graduate of McMinnville High School.

Miss Barker graduated from Vernonia High School in 1988 and is employed by Supply One in Hillsboro.

The couple are planning a July wedding at the Evangelical Bible Church in Vernonia.

Welcome Additions

Kaynan E. Fields

Kaynan Edward Fields was born May 3, 1994, to Rhonda May Hill and Jason Edward Fields. He weighed 6 pounds, 8 ounces, and was 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Robert and Linda Hill of Vernonia, Jane Hughes of Bandon and Alvin Fields of Vancouver, Wash.

Great-grandparents are Dorothy Hogg of Winston, Nona Barrekoff of Bandon and June Fields of Collinsville, Okla.

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Church Directory

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

Bob E. Holbrook, Branch President
1350 E. Knott Street
Vernonia, 429-7151

Sacrament Meeting, Sunday 10 a.m.
Sunday School & Primary 11:20 a.m.

Relief Society, Priesthood and Young Women, Sunday 12:10 p.m.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Michael Jackson, Pastor
662 Jefferson
Vernonia, 429-6353

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:30 p.m.

Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m.

ST. AUGUSTINE (CANTERBURY) EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Rev. Robert Grafe, Vicar
700 Adams Ave.

Vernonia 429-1860

Sunday Services, 10:00 a.m.

FOURSQUARE CHURCH

Chris Brush, Pastor
850 Madison Avenue
Vernonia, 429-1103

Sunday Services
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Meeting
Evening Bible Study, 6:45 p.m.

GRACE REFORMED BAPTIST CHURCH

D.J. Dickey, Pastor
Grant & North Streets
Vernonia, 429-1919 or 429-8720

Sunday School, All Ages 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

John Cahill, Pastor
952 Washington Avenue
Vernonia, 429-2521

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

Visitation, Monday 7:00 p.m.
Bible Study, Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

VERNONIA EVANGELICAL BIBLE CHURCH

Grant Williams, Pastor
957 State Avenue
Vernonia, 429-6790

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Children's Church w/Nursery
Evening Fellowship 6:00 p.m.
Nursery Care

AWANA Clubs, Wed. 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:30 p.m.
Daytime Adult Bible Studies

The Churches of Vernonia Welcome You

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Ted Bjorem, Pastor
410 North Street
Vernonia, 429-6522

Sunday School 9:40 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Children's and Junior Church
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.

Ladies' Bible Study, Mon. 7:30 p.m.
Women's Fellowship, 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 1:30 p.m.
Every Wednesday:
Ladies' Bible Study, 9:15 a.m.
Evening Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.
Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastoral Administrator Joan Dotter
Ass't. Administrator Lani Vandehey
960 Missouri Avenue
Vernonia, 429-8841

St. Vincent dePaul Society
Irish Bruers, 429-7201

Mass Schedule
2nd & 4th Sundays

Word & Communion Services
1st & 3rd Sundays at 10:00 a.m.
Holy Day Services 7:00 p.m.
Sacrament of Penance
Schedule by Appointment
Before or After Mass

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

Roger Kruger, Pastor, 397-6883
2nd Ave. and Nehalem St.
Vernonia, 429-1941

Sabbath School 9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday Prayer, 7:00 p.m.