

Community

Halaas picked for chaplaincy at Tuality Hospital

Dick Halaas is the new chaplain for Tuality Healthcare, replacing Ray Holder who has retired after 16 years as Tuality chaplain.

Chaplain Halaas had already become well acquainted with Tuality while completing an internship toward his recent certification with Hospital Chaplains of America.

He comes to Tuality with more than 30 years of experience as a pastor. He also has experience as a volunteer chaplain and an emergency medical technician (EMT), and he has served as president of volunteer chaplains associations.

He and his wife Dee are

native Oregonians and have spent most of their lives and ministry in the state. They recently moved to Hillsboro from Vernonia, where he ministered with the First Christian

Church and was very involved in assisting people recover from the 1996 flood.

Chaplain Halaas speaks English, Spanish -- and "Donald Duck" for the kids.

United Way readies next campaign

United Way of Columbia County has set a goal of \$230,000 for the 1997 campaign, a 4.5% increase over last year's goal of \$220,000.

"Our volunteer committee feels this is a realistic goal for our 1997 United Way Campaign," noted campaign chair Sandy Goff. "Not only is the overall economy strong but there also continues to be

great need, some of which is the result of the terrible toll the floods and storms took on our county earlier this year. We have a lot of caring volunteers and employers who are motivated to do more for those in need in our communities," explained Goff.

The campaign will begin September 3 and continue through November 22.

Fire District offers copies of flood video

The Vernonia Fire Dept. Flood Video of '96 will continue to be for sale at the Fire Hall for those who would still like to purchase one.

Members of the department would like to thank all of you who have supported their equipment fund, by purchasing these videos.

In the Service

Michael B. Crawford

Air Force Airman Michael B. Crawford has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Crawford is the son of Leon G. and Michele A. Crawford of Vernonia. He is a 1994 graduate of Nehalem Christian Academy, Birkenfeld.

A dress that zips up the back will bring a husband and wife together.



Royce and Ruby Newton

Newtons observe 50th anniversary

Royce and Ruby Newton celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary, July 28, at the home of Keith and Kathy Brunquist, in Wasilla, Alaska.

The Newtons married August 10, 1946, in Vancouver, Washington. They met on a blind date while Royce was in the Navy and Ruby was working in Portland. They lived their first 5 years of marriage in Vernonia, where Ruby was raised. Mr. Newton's family also lived in Vernonia at the time.

The couple moved to Alaska in 1952. They owned and operated R & R Plumbing in

Anchorage for many years. They are now retired and reside in Chickaloon, Alaska.

A daughter, Darlene Whaley, and son, Rob, also reside in Chickaloon. Another son, Donald, died in 1981. They have two grandchildren and one great-grandson.

CARDS OF THANKS

We would like to thank the Jack Wendling family for the lovely floral piece they placed at the base of our new Service Memorial.

Thanks, from the People of Vernonia.

An Invitation to the Community

We extend a warm invitation for you to come and join us on *Sunday evenings at 6:00 p.m. for five weeks commencing Sunday, September 15th*, as we seek to open up to you the reason that man is alienated from God and how it is that we become His friends.

If you're fed up with an empty meaningless life, this is a series of messages tailor-made for you. Please come and join others from the community who are seeking answers to life's plaguing questions but who have not been able to come up with any satisfying answers. We sincerely urge our fellow Vernonians to set these five Sunday evenings aside and come and join us.



Grace Reformed Baptist Church
500 North Street, Vernonia
Pastor DJ Dickey (429-1919)

PS: We promise! No pressure to join, no plea for your money, no embarrassing questions asked. Five Sunday evenings that could make a great difference in your *life!* This time be bold enough to come and join others who have some of the same questions you have *about God, about life, and about death.* You won't be disappointed if you come with a sincere desire to know God and how He relates to you. There is a Nursery provided for children 3 years of age and under. *We hope to see many of you on Sunday, September 15th, at 6:00 p.m.*



Upon his death, the family of Jack Wendling placed this flag-shaped floral piece at the new Vernonia Service Memorial. Mr. Wendling was the first veteran to die since the memorial was installed.

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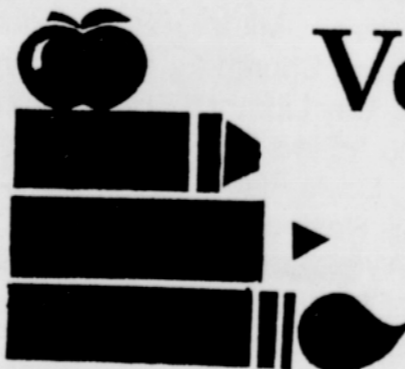
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Ages 3 - 5 (Must be 3-yrs. old by Sept. 1, 1996)

Come get acquainted and see what we have to offer. Bring the kids, too.

Tuition: \$45/month. Classes two days weekly, 9-11:30 a.m.
For further information call Dawn Carr: 429-4900

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