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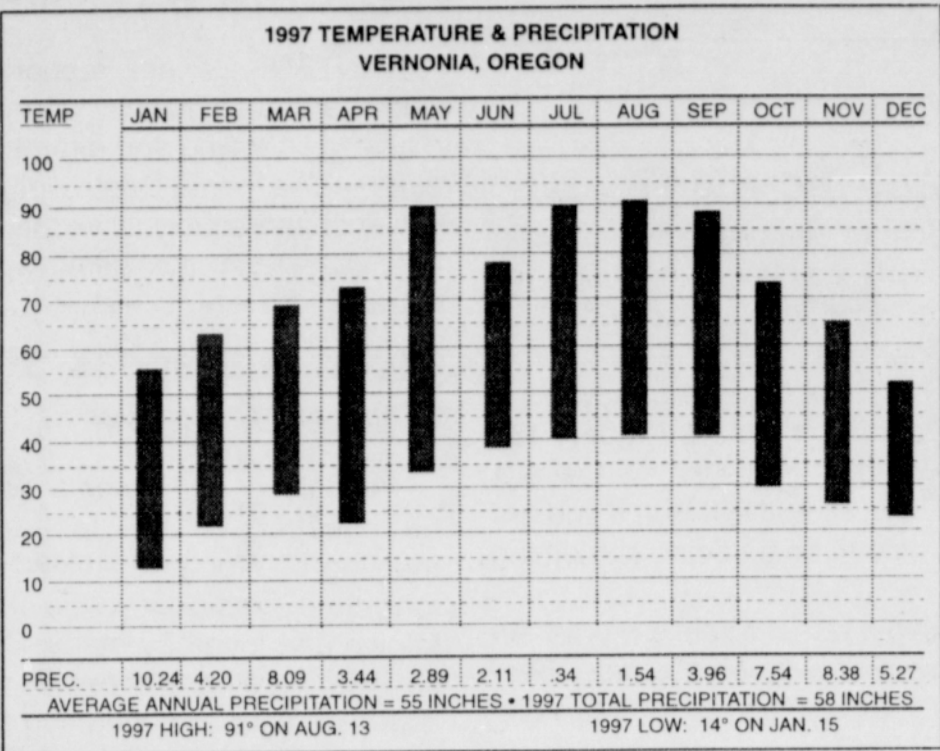


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**WEATHER REPORT
DECEMBER 1997**

DATE	TEMPERATURE		PRECIP. AMT.
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1	47	39	--
2	48	28	--
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4	47	26	--
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27	35	28	.16
28	44	32	.07
29	48	40	--
30	48	36	--
31	46	31	--

Temperature and precipitation amounts are from the official U.S. weather station at the Vernonia water plant. Precipitation in December totalled 5.27 inches.

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VERNONIA

Boosters	2nd Wednesday	7:30 p.m., VHS Library
Boy Scouts	Wednesdays	7:00 p.m., LDS Church
Cemetery Beautification Comm.	2nd Thursday	7:00 p.m., Crazy Charlie's
Chamber of Commerce	2nd Wed.	7:30 a.m., City Library
Cub Scouts	Tuesdays	7:00 p.m., WGS Gym
Doll Club	3rd Wednesday	1:00 p.m., Senior Center
Elem. Schools Site Council	1st Tuesday	3:15 p.m., WGS Library
Girl Scouts	Thursdays	6:30-8 p.m., Christian Church
Izaak Walton League	3rd Thursday	429-7193, Call for location
Jamboree Committee		For Info Call 429-4006
Lions Club	1st & 3rd Tuesdays	6:30 p.m., Lew's Place
Nehalem Valley Car Club		For Info Call 429-4074
Parent-Teacher Assoc. (PTA)	3rd Tuesday (bi-monthly)	7:00 p.m., WGS Library
Preschool Story Hour	Wednesdays	10:30 a.m., City Library
Senior Center Directors	1st Friday	1:00 p.m., Senior Center
Society of Arts & Crafts	2nd Thursday	1:30 p.m., New China Rest.
VHS Site Council	1st Monday	3:15 p.m., VHS Library
Vernonia Airport Committee	3rd Wednesday	7:00 p.m., City Library
Vernonia Cares Directors	Quarterly	627 Adams, 429-1414 for info.
Vernonia City Council	1st & 3rd Mondays	6:30 p.m., City Library
Vernonia Grange	2nd Friday	7:00 p.m., Grange Hall
Vernonia Health Center	2nd Wednesday	6:00 p.m., 854 Grant Ave.
Vernonia Preschool Directors	1st Tuesday	7:00 p.m., 627 Adams
Vernonia Planning Comm.	1st & 3rd Thursdays	7:00 p.m., City Library
Vernonia Pride	4th Thursday	7:00 p.m., VHS Library
Vernonia Ridge Riders	Last Thursday	7:00 p.m., WGS Library
Vernonia RFPD Board	2nd Tuesday	7:00 p.m., Fire Station
Vernonia School Board	2nd Thursday	8:00 p.m., District Office
Vernonia Volunteer Firefighters	2nd Monday	7:00 p.m., Fire Station
WOEC Directors	3rd Tuesday	7:00 p.m., WOEC
Women's Aglow	3rd Tuesday	7:00 p.m., Senior Center

MIST-BIRKENFELD

M-BRFPD Board	2nd Tuesday	7:30 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-B Ambulance Assoc.	1st, 2nd & 3rd Thurs.	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-B Firefighters Assoc.	1st, 2nd & 3rd Wed.	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-B Helping Circle	2nd Wednesday	10:00 am, 755-2346 for info.
Natal Grange	2nd Wednesday	7:30 p.m., Grange Hall

BANKS

Alcoholics Anonymous	Fridays	8:00 p.m., Methodist Church
Banks Area Merchants Assoc.	1st Thursday	7:00 a.m., Brown Derby
Banks City Council	2nd Tuesday	7:30 p.m., City Hall
Banks Planning Commission	Last Tuesday	7:00 p.m., City Hall
Banks School Board	2nd Monday	7:30 p.m., Jr. High Library
Banks Youth Group	Sundays, Wednesdays	7:00 p.m., UMC Youth Bldg.
Citizen Participation Org.	3rd Monday, odd months	7:15 p.m., City Hall
Friends of the Library	1st Saturday	10:00 a.m., City Library
Lions Club	1st & 3rd Wednesdays	7:00 p.m., Methodist Church
Sunset Park Assoc.	3rd Wednesday	8:00 p.m., Gun Club
TOPS	Wednesdays	7:00 p.m., Jr. High Library
Tri-City RFPD Board	2nd Wednesday	7:00 p.m., Station 13

COLUMBIA COUNTY (All meet in St. Helens unless otherwise noted.)

Board of Commissioners	Wednesdays	10 a.m., Courthouse
Citizens for Senior Justice	2nd Tuesday	7:00 p.m., Sunset Park Church
COLCO Transportation	2nd Friday	10:30 a.m., Courthouse
County Council of Seniors	2nd Friday	1:00 p.m., Courthouse
County Fair Board	2nd & 4th Mondays	7:00 p.m., Fairgrounds
County Parks Commission	3rd Thursday	6:00 p.m., 1054 Oregon St.
Emergency Comm. Dist. (9-1-1)	3rd Tuesday	7:00 p.m., Courthouse
Historical Society	4th Wednesday	Noon, location call 429-3713
Traffic Safety Commission	1st Wednesday	7:00 a.m., Village Inn

Organizations and meeting dates not listed may be included by calling 429-9410, or by mail to The INDEPENDENT, 725 Bridge Street, Vernonia, OR 97064.