

LDS congregation spends day sprucing up Pioneer Cemetery

Pioneer Cemetery in Vernonia received some major sprucing up from members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. In conjunction with an area-wide Humanitarian Day, about 35 LDS members from Vernonia and Forest Grove spent an entire morning working on the resting place of many Vernonia

settlers.

"They did an excellent job," said Ralph Keasey, who has been spearheading the effort to improve the old cemetery on State Avenue/Keasey Road. The City of Vernonia has not been able to fund work needed at Pioneer Cemetery and must, therefore, rely on the efforts of vol-

unteers.

Work accomplished included replacing 180 feet of fence, cleaning out overgrown bushes and weeds, and raking leaves. The feeling of accomplishment inspired many of the participants to offer their help again when the opportunity arises.



Ralph Keasey, left, installed new fence posts at Pioneer Cemetery with the aid of Ben Goodman and other members of the LDS Church congregation.

Christian men plan fellowship

Columbia County Christian Men will sponsor an evening of food, fellowship and worship at the St. Helens Community Bible Church, 35031 Millard Road, March 16 at 6:00 p.m. Pastor Max Snook will be share a message from God's Word.

Men and their wives or guests are invited to enjoy salad, pizza and beverages. The cost is \$5 per individual or \$7 per couple.

Call Grant Williams at 503-429-6790 or Mike Carroll at 503-397-1561 to make a reservation, no later than March 14.

Library "Friends" form organization

Friends of the Vernonia Public Library has been formed to help make the library meet the needs of more people.

People are needed who can help with membership, fund raising, publicity and public relations, library services, financial/legal affairs, book sales and endowments.

Membership fees are: \$1.00 plus a minimum of two hours of work in the library; \$5.00 per individual, or; \$10.00 per family.

ODF&W will stock Vernonia Lake

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife will be stocking Vernonia Lake with rainbow trout again this year.

The stocking is not done on a specific day, but sometime during the week on the following schedule (number of fish

for that week is in parentheses):

March 5 (2,000)
March 26 (3000)
April 9 (2000)
April 30 (1500)
May 14 (2000)

Remember to vote for School Board and Fire District Board by March 13th.

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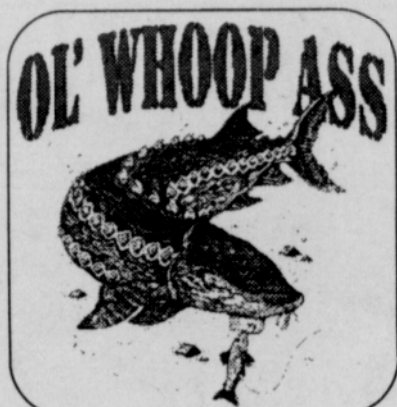
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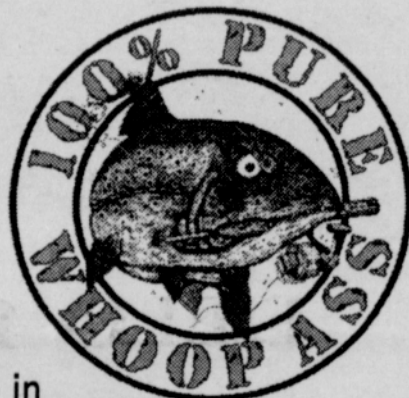
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Community Calendar

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VERNONIA

Al-Anon	Mondays	6:30 p.m., Head Start Bldg.
Alcoholics Anonymous	Mondays	6:30 p.m., Head Start Bldg.
Alcoholics Anonymous	Saturdays	7:00 p.m., Head Start Bldg.
Arts & Crafts Society	2nd Thursday	2:00 p.m., City Library
Boosters	2nd Wednesday	7:30 p.m., VHS Library
Boy Scout Troop 201	Tuesdays	7:00 p.m., Head Start Bldg.
Boy Scout Troop 860	Wednesdays	7:00 p.m., LDS Church
Cemetery Beautification Comm.	2nd Thursday	7:00 p.m., City Library
Chamber of Commerce	2nd Wednesday	Noon, Lew's Place
Doll Club	4th Tuesday	1:00 p.m., Senior Center
Girl Scouts	Thursdays	6:30-8 p.m., Christian Church
Izaak Walton League	3rd Thursday	For location call 429-7193
Lions Club	1st & 3rd Tuesdays	6:30 p.m., Lew's Place
Narcotics Anonymous	Thursdays	6:00 p.m., Head Start Bldg.
Nehalem Valley Car Club		For Info Call 429-4074
Preschool Story Hour	Mondays	10:30 a.m., City Library
Upr Nehalem Watershed Council	4th Thursday	For location call 429-2401
Vernonia Airport Committee	3rd Wednesday	7:00 p.m., City Library
Vernonia Cares Directors	1st Thursday	For location call 429-1414
Vernonia City Council	1st & 3rd Mondays	6:30 p.m., City Hall
Vernonia Comm. Dev. Corp.	2nd Tuesday	Noon, City Hall
Vernonia Grange	2nd Friday	7:00 p.m., Grange Hall
Vernonia Health Center	2nd Thursday	6:00 p.m., 510 Bridge St.
Vernonia Planning Comm.	1st Thursday	7:00 p.m., City Hall
Vernonia Pride		For Info Call, 429-5201
Vernonia Ridge Riders	Last Thursday	7:00 p.m., City Library
Vernonia RFPD Board	2nd Tuesday	7:00 p.m., Fire Station
Vernonia School Board	2nd Thursday	8:00 p.m., District Office
Vernonia Sr. Center Board	1st Friday	1:00 p.m., Senior Center
Vernonia Volunteer Firefighters	2nd Monday	7:00 p.m., Fire Station
WOEC Directors	3rd Tuesday	7:00 p.m., WOEC

MIST-BIRKENFELD

M-BRFPD Board	2nd & 4th Tuesday	7:30 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-B Ambulance Assoc.	1st & 2nd Thurs.	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-B Firefighters Assoc.	1st & 2nd Wed.	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-B Rescue	3rd Wednesday	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
T.O.P.S.	Sundays	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station

BANKS

Alcoholics Anonymous	Fridays	8:00 p.m., Methodist Church
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.
Chamber of Commerce	1st Thursday	12:30 p.m., Brown Derby
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 Wednesday	7:00 p.m., Methodist Church
Sunset Park Assoc.	3rd Wednesday	8:00 p.m., Gun Club
T.O.P.S.	Wednesdays	7:00 p.m., Administration Bldg.
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 Monday	7:00 p.m., Fairgrounds 4-H Bldg.
County Parks Commission	3rd Monday	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

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.