

Enjoy good seafood at Seaside Chowder Cook-Off

The 7th Annual Seaside Invitational Chowder Cook-Off, will be June 9 from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Seaside Convention Center. This popular family gathering will feature chefs from Oregon and Washington who believe they cook the best chowder around.

The Wet Dog Cafe & Pacific Rim Brewing Company is making a special brew just for the Chowder Festival Cook-Off called Razor Clam Red and

Oregon wineries will be selling their finest from valley vineyards.

Entertainment will include the Portland band "Bluesmaster" and a coastal band, "Old Growth," plus oyster shucking competitions and cooking demos, door prizes and a children's area with a Seaside Aquarium display.

Tickets for adults are \$2.00; children and senior citizens are just a \$1.00 donation to the

Women's Center. Boyds Coffee Company sponsors the event annually with the proceeds going to benefit the Women's Resource Center in Astoria.

For more information, call JoLonna Blessinger at 1-503-598-8806.

Music school passes requirements

Twelve students in Madeleine's Music School successfully completed the requirements for their levels, as determined by the Oregon Music Teachers Association (OMTA), and are ready to go on to the next level.

OMTA sends an adjudicator to Vernonia to test the students; after presenting their repertoire and musicianship skills, participants receive a page of critique and a certificate.

Well-prepared students may also be selected to perform in an honor recital in Portland. In the last four years, six students from Madeleine's Music School

have been selected.

"This is a very good motivator for the students as well as for the teachers," said school director Madeleine Gendron, "I am very proud to bring such quality instruction to Vernonia." Teachers also receive comments on their teaching.

With the OMTA syllabus, Gendron explained, students are assured that their teacher is committed and that they are receiving adequate and complete training.

The older you get, the tougher it is to lose weight, because your body and your fat have become friends.

Sheriff's Report

Apr. 6 - Burglary reported at Mist Store; beer possibly stolen.

Apr. 7 - 16 year-old female runaway located at Adams Road residence; released to parents.

Apr. 16 - Thomas Richard Lee, 46, Nehalem Hwy. S., reported truck stolen from his property.

Apr. 26 - Kristina Lynn Bartholomew, 29, Vernonia, in single car MVA on Timber Road; transported to Emanuel Hospital by Life Flight. 1986 Toyota Corolla 4 door, belonging to Sharon Kay Taylor, 48, Vernonia, was totaled. No citations were issued.

April 27 - Break-in reported at Natal Grange; keys for basement and electrical box missing.

May 7 - Assisted SCF with investigation of sex abuse in Vernonia area; investigation ongoing.

May 9 - Break-in reported at Birkenfeld Store; alcohol and cigarettes taken.

Yard of the Month nominees wanted

"Wow, what a response!" was all Vernonia Pride volunteers could say about initiating a Yard of the Month contest.

Winners of the "Yard of the Month" for June are Frank and Liz Serafin, at 258 Bridge Street, next to Napa Auto Parts.

A "Golden Rose Award" sign

will be posted in their yard. Each winner will have this sign in their yard, plus a plaque with a picture of their yard at Vernonia City Hall.

Nominations for next month are due by June 28. Call 503-429-5201, or drop off your vote at the box at city hall.

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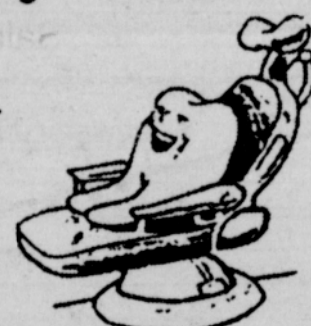
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