

Gospel singer will perform at Christian men's retreat

Widely acclaimed gospel singer Johnny Ray Watson will participate in the Columbia County Christian Men's Retreat, to be held at Larry Steele's Sports Camp in Vernonia on February 1 and 2.

Welcome Additions

Kale Lawrence Sullivan

Kale Lawrence Sullivan was born November 27, 2001, at St. Vincent Hospital in Portland, to Todd and Tamara Sullivan of Vernonia. He weighed 8 pounds, 7 ounces, and was 19-1/2 inches long.

He joins brothers Lane and Clay, and a sister, Meghan, at the family home in Vernonia.

Grandparents are Steve and Sue Minger of Vernonia and Larry and Sue Sullivan of Madras.

Great-grandparents are Charlie and Irene Minger of Salem and Roy and Dolores Thomas of Tigard.



All men are welcome. Early registration deadline for the retreat is January 1.

The theme for the weekend is "It's Time for Revival".

Pastor Grant Williams of Vernonia Community Church will be the featured speaker.

Watson was raised in Lorenzo, Texas, and accepted Jesus as his personal Lord and Savior at the age of 12. For the past 24 years he has sung in hundreds of churches, athletic sta-

diums, convention centers, schools and crusades.

Watson has also been featured by some of America's most well-known ministries, including the Billy Graham Crusades, the Professional Athletes Outreach, the America for Jesus rallies and Moody Bible Institute. Watson and his family live in Austin, Texas.

Retreat registration is \$40 per person. For more information, call 503-397-1561.

Health Notes

By Audeen Wagner

New Personnel

Two new employees have joined the ranks at Providence Family Medicine-Vernonia.

Jessie Johnston is the new Patient Relations Representative, joining Sue East at the front desk. She will be working about 20 hours per week. Jessie has lived all her life in this area, graduating from Vernonia Schools in 1984. She attended PCC-Rock Creek for a short while before getting married—she and husband Dean live in Birkenfeld with their three children: Joel, 16, Jake, 14 and Jalina, 11. All three kids are very active in sports, and this keeps them all very busy. Dad coaches at Jewell school (after completing his regular job!) and Mom is an avid fan and booster.

Jessie has worked as a school bus driver, and is still an on-call driver on the days she is not at the clinic. She has also worked as an Instructional Aide. She was a very busy lady following the famous "Flood of '96" when she spent many long days helping flood victims in the Mist area, working out of the Mist-Birkenfeld Fire Department office. She is also a fire department volunteer, works in Search and Rescue, and drives the ambulance.

Her hobbies are centered around her and her family's interests: sports, horses, and trips to the family cabin in eastern Oregon. Don't ask me how they find time for all that!

Jessie is excited about her job. "Providence is a great organization, and I really enjoy working with the great people here at the clinic."

Adding to patient care at Providence Family Medicine-Vernonia is Dawn Carr, M.A. She works part time, about three days a week, working with Jeanette and assisting with office routines. Dawn received her training in Arizona, graduating from Bryman School of Nursing in 1986, with a Certificate as a Medical Assistant. She has also had training in CPR, First Aid, and recently had training from OSHA, adding a certificate in industrial safety to her skills. Her work experience includes working as a Medical Assistant in Arizona, working for five doctors in family practice and obstetrics. She also worked at a Tuality medical clinic, and at Providence Tanasbourne.

Dawn and her husband, Tom, have lived in Vernonia for about eight years and have four children: Tiffany is a freshman at Arizona State University; Stephanie is in seventh grade, Tommy is in sixth grade, and Brianna is a third grader. The whole family is into riding, and keep their four horses busy with barrel racing and other competition—all have trophies and ribbons to show for their efforts. They also enjoy hunting and "anything outdoors."

"I really love my job, and it's so nice to be able to work in my field, so close to home. I think the staff at this clinic is unique in the way they all work together and get along so well."

Season's Greetings

Providence Family Medicine-Vernonia wishes everyone a very Merry Christmas. Clinic personnel are naturally concerned about safety during the holidays. Laura Nichols, P.A., emphasizes the importance of careful supervision at home: Toys that present a hazard to little ones. Fire safety concerns in decorating with lights and candles. And of course, taking care of our bodies by not overindulging in food and drink!

Church Directory

VERNONIA FOURSQUARE CHURCH

Pastor Paul Pastor
850 Madison Avenue
Vernonia, 503 429-1103

Sunday Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.
Children's Sunday School

Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.
Evening Service
Youth Ministry
Children's Ministry
Nursery Available

Men's Ministry 7:45 a.m.
3rd Saturday each month

VERNONIA COMMUNITY CHURCH

Grant Williams, Pastor
957 State Avenue
Vernonia, 503 429-6790

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, Wednesday 3:15 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m.
Men's Group, Thursday 7:30 p.m.

GRACE REFORMED BAPTIST CHURCH

D.J. Dickey, Pastor
Grant & North Streets
Vernonia, 503 429-1919

Sunday Services: Adult Prayer & Children's Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:15 a.m.
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday Service:
All Family Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Darwin Harvey, Pastor
662 Jefferson
Vernonia, 503 429-4615

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

Thursdays 7:00 p.m.
Family Night

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

John Cahill, Pastor
359 "A" Street
Vernonia, 503 429-1161

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

Evening Worship
Saturday, 6:00 p.m.

NEHALEM VALLEY BIBLE CHURCH

Jerry James, Pastor
500 California Ave
Vernonia, 503 429-5378

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Nursery available
Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastoral Associate
Juanita Dennis
960 Missouri Avenue
Vernonia, 503 429-8841

Mass Schedule
Sunday 12 Noon

Religious Education
Sunday 10:30 a.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

Lee Knowlton, Branch President
1350 E. Knott Street
Vernonia, 503 429-7151

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

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

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

Kevin Reiner, Pastor, 543-2254
2nd Ave. and Nehalem St.
Vernonia, 503 429-8301

Sabbath School 9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m.

ST. AUGUSTINE (CANTERBURY) EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Rev. Robert Grafe, Pastor
375 North St. (Vernonia Grange Hall)
Vernonia, 503 429-3700

Sunday Services 10:00 a.m.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Joel Stith, Pastor
410 North Street
Vernonia, 503 429-6522

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 11:00 a.m.

Every Wednesday:
Ladies' Bible Study 9:15 a.m.
Children's Choir 3:00 p.m.
Family Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Women's Fellowship, 2nd & 4th
Wednesdays, 1:30 p.m.



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