

Computerized accounting class offered

Classes in advanced QuickBooks Pro will be taught in Vernonia in February and March. Designed particularly for small businesses, the course will be given in four three-hour classes on February 26-27 and March 26-27. Class times will be either 1-4:00 p.m. or 6-9:00 p.m.

Some of the features that will be explored will be reconciliation of bank accounts, how to handle inventory, payroll problems, accounts payable and accounts receivable. Explanation of the various upgrades for the software will also be included. This class is not designed for entry-level bookkeeping skills or for those who are not using QuickBooks Pro.

Instructor Jane Gildner, who is with the Small Business Development Corporation in Astoria, is also offering one-on-one training.

Fifty percent of the \$100-per-person tuition is being underwritten with a grant obtained by the Vernonia Business Assistance Team. The special counseling, which will consist of 3-4 hours of one-on-one training, is an additional \$50, with 50-percent paid by the V-BAT grant.

The classes will be held in Management and Training Corporation's computer-equipped job training van. Each class is limited to seven students.

To register for the course and/or the personal training, see Kathy Morrison at Vernonia City Hall, 1001 Bridge Street, or call her at 503-429-5291.

Grant funds provide various after-school activities

A grant from the Columbia County Commission on Children and Families will provide a variety of after school activities for Vernonia students from kindergarten through sixth grade.

A Reading Enrichment program will be held Mondays at the Vernonia Public Library from 3:15 to 4:30 p.m., except on days when there is no school.

An Activity Club will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:15 to 4:30 p.m., beginning January 15, at the Vernonia Head Start building. Students will be involved in many interesting activities and creative

VHS inducts twelve into National Honor Society



New members of the National Honor Society are l-r in front row, Edith Nelson and Emily Suess; middle row, Rachael Bentsen, Holly Murphy and Alicia Jundt; back row, Stephanie Hein and Shiloh Stevens. Not shown are Carrick Flynn, Alex Hayes, Shawn Hillyer, Michael Jenkins and Eric Weller.

Vernonia High School revitalized their chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS) with the induction of 12 students this month. The nationwide organization recognizes high school students for excellence achieved in every field of endeavor. Vernonia's chapter had only three members, all seniors, because no new members were added last year.

To be eligible, students must maintain a grade point average of 3.25 or greater. They are additionally evaluated in each of four categories – scholarship, community service, leadership, and character – by school staff members. A faculty committee reviews the ratings and makes the final selection for induction into NHS.

Student nominees learned of their induction in a tapping ceremony at VHS on January 3. Current NHS members also read brief descriptions submitted by the nominees' parents, recalling a childhood trait or incident, and displayed a baby picture of each student. The induction ceremony was held that evening at the Scout Cabin, with dessert provided by NHS.

Current NHS members are Jennifer Bernardi, Megan Peura and Brass Sears. New inductees are Rachel Bentsen, Carrick Flynn, Alex Hayes, Stephanie Hein, Shawn Hillyer, Michael Jenkins, Alisha Jundt, Holly Murphy, Edith Nelson, Shilo Stevens, Emilee Suess and Eric Weller.

City needs committees for three special projects

The City of Vernonia and local organizations are currently working on three exciting projects that will greatly benefit the community. Interested and motivated volunteers are needed to serve on the following committees.

- Marketing Project committee will explore ways to enhance business and tourism in Vernonia;
- Learning Center committee will help establish a learning

center for small business and technology training in the old city hall.

- Smart Development committee will review and update City development codes.

Interested persons should submit a letter of interest to City Administrator Michael Sykes or Councilor Cindy Ball at City Hall, 1001 Bridge Street, Vernonia, OR 97064; or call 503-429-5291 for further information.

Columbia County BOC sets meeting dates

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners will hold their regularly scheduled Board meetings every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. and Work Sessions every on the second and fourth

Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. in Room 308 of the Columbia County Courthouse, in St. Helens. Any changes and/or cancellations to this schedule will be noticed.

projects.

Chess Club will meet on Wednesdays, beginning January 16, from 3:15 to 4:30 p.m., also at the Vernonia Head Start building.

Flyers have been distributed through the schools, with per-

mission slips included. Completed forms should be sent with the child(ren) when they attend their first day.

For more information, call Gina at Head Start, 503-429-9243.

Sunnyside Cafe



Our Breakfast Buffet will resume in Spring.

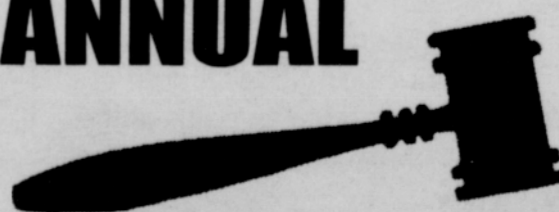
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