

WGS Honor Roll announced for second quarter

The following Washington Grade School seventh and eighth grade students were named to the academic Honor Roll for the 2001-02 second quarter:

Principal's Honors, 4.0 Grade Point Average – Ben Schorzman, Jessica Short, Jessica Tarrence, Joreigh Landers, Kizzie Peirce, Laura Brookins, Timothy Hein.

High Honors, 3.50-3.99 GPA – Akeshia Maldonado, Anna Naspini, B. J. Linville, Brittanie Roberts, Brittney Lindauer, Heather Maller, Jacob Rice.

Jessica Long, John Fitch, Kevin Johnston, Kristin Cota, Kristin Kelly, Melissa Chelby, Nicole Frantz, Sam Thornton,

Zachary Serafin.

Honors, 3.25-3.49 GPA – Alex Bittinger, Amber Abney, Brent Thompson, Colton DeWitt, Danielle Robb, Devon Cowles, Heather Hennessey.

Jessica Shaw, Jonathan Kintz, Kristina Lamping, Mackenzie Bassett, Marisol Borquez, Nandi VanMeter, Russell Lende, Stephanie Carr, Travis Baker.

Honorable Mention, 3.00-3.24 GPA – Aaron Taylor, Bryan Budge, Cassandra Gunter, Christina Sohler, Erin Gehrke, Jeffrey Paleck, Katie Roberts.

Kristel Norby, Theresa Due, Larinda Botchie, Luke Johnston, Nicholas Mohn, Paul Ogden, Skyler Hoyt, Terry Jacobs.

Progressive Honors, raised GPA by .5 or more – Adrian Garrett, Amanda Mathews, Brandon Cota, Brent Thompson, Bryan Budge, Chris Hovey, Dylan Burch.

Eric Lawhead, Jacob Witham, Janelle Bashaw, Jessica Shaw, John Howley, Luke Johnston, Nicholas Mohn, Paul Ogden, Skyler Hoyt, Timothy Hein.

Donations are wanted for VHS Grad party

Organizing is underway for the Vernonia High School Class of 2002 Drug and Alcohol Free Graduation Party, to be held June 9, 2002.

For the past 19 years, parents of VHS seniors have provided the all-night party for graduates after the graduation ceremony. The tradition began to provide a safe, fun environment to celebrate on graduation night, and in those 19 years, there has never been an injury to a VHS graduate.

One goal is to provide each student with a souvenir that will serve as a reminder of a memorable evening. Donations are needed in the form of merchandise, service coupons, gift certificates, T-shirts, sweatshirts, hats or cash. Cash donations will be used to purchase additional prizes and to offset the cost of the party.

For more information, call Susan Robertson at 503-429-4901; Phyllis Busch at 503-755-2452; or Juanita Dennis at 503-429-8092.

Checks made payable to VHS Grad Night Party may be sent to: Susan Robertson c/o Vernonia High School, 299 Bridge Street, Vernonia, OR 97064.

EFSP. Volunteer board members represent the American Red Cross, City of Rainier, VFW, City of Vernonia, Homeless, Salvation Army, Veterans, Columbia County Emergency Services, PGE and the Rainier Methodist Church.

VHS second quarter Honor Roll

The following Vernonia High School students were named to the academic Honor Roll for the 2001-02 second quarter:

4.00 Grade Point Average – Seniors: Alexandria Hayes, Alisha Jundt, Megan Pattison, Rebekka Peller, Veronika Svobodova.

Juniors: Rachael Bentsen, Lacey Schilling.

Sophomores: Carrick Flynn, Benjamin Brookins, Katherine Traylor.

Freshmen: Royd Johansen, Kyle Suess.

3.50-3.99 GPA – Seniors: Jennifer Bernardi, Katreasa Brown, Antonio Cebola, Nicole Gwin, Bobby Lokken, Antonia

Montanus, Edith Nelson.

Sarah Pantoja, Megan Peura, Adelaide Schmitt, Brass Sears, Chris Serafin, Liana Traylor, Ivica Wirghova.

Juniors: Stephanie Hein, Shawn Hillyer, Brittany Kerns, Jennifer Kinney, Emilee Suess, Jessica Thornburg.

Sophomores: Justin Baer, Taryn Braseth, Waylon Buchan, Melissa Grebenc, Kortni Hyde.

Marshall King, James Maller, Alex Moeller, Kala Rondo, Helena Shafer, Katy Taylor.

Freshmen: Gina Cropp, Tiffany Cutright, Holly Hillyer, Natalie Rombach, Tiffany Snook, Amanda Watts.

Tickets to Work will provide many with chance to enter workforce

The U.S. Government will begin mailing "tickets to work" to the first of more than 85,000 Oregonians with disabilities later this month.

"In an effort to encourage and assist people with disabilities to enter the workforce, the Social Security Administration (SSA) is funding a new work-incentive program called Ticket-To-Work," said Bobby Simpson, vocational rehabilitation services administrator with the Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS).

Employment training, support services and placement assistance through an expanded array of SSA-approved providers can be accessed with these tickets, which are being

sent to most people with disabilities who are between the ages of 18 and 64 and who currently receive Supplemental Security Income and/or Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) cash benefits.

Along with the ticket, the mailings include a cover letter, instructions and contact information for employment networks in Oregon. Mailings will be conducted in four phases throughout 2002. The February mailing will go to about 8,500 Oregonians. The program is voluntary.

The TTW program was authorized under the Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvements Act of 1999.

Emergency food, shelter \$\$ allocated

The Columbia County Emergency Food and Shelter Program has announced the allocation of \$32,094 in federal funds to community agencies that provide services to Columbia County residents.

Five agencies applied for a total of \$49,512 this year, but Columbia County received five percent less than last year. One applying agency was not funded.

The \$32,094 was distributed as follows:

Women's Resource Center, \$7,500 to help defray the cost of shelter for homeless women and children.

Community Action Team, \$6,900 for emergency homeless assistance.

Columbia Pacific Food Bank, \$12,794 to purchase

high protein and emergency food products and \$300 to replace a pallet jack.

Turning Point Community Center, \$4,600 for emergency homeless assistance.

The money will be distributed directly from the national EFSP to each agency in two equal payments during 2002.

United Way of Columbia County has local jurisdiction for



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Plans underway for annual Luau

Pacific University's Hawaiian Club's 42nd annual Luau will be held Saturday, April 13. This year's theme, *A'ohe hana nui ka alu 'ia*, means "No Task is Too Big When Done Together". The evening will feature traditional Polynesian dance, music and entertainment, as well as an authentic luau menu.

The Luau meal – featuring Kalua pig, chicken long rice, teriyaki chicken, poi, haupia, coconut cake and luau punch – will start at 4:30 p.m. in the University Center on campus. The show will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the Pacific Athletic Center (PAC). Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for the show.

A Hawaiian General Store will feature specialties flown in from the Islands. Fresh pineapples, cookies, chocolate covered macadamia nuts, leis, jams, jellies and other treats will be available at 10:00 a.m. Saturday and before the evening show.

Tickets are available at the Pacific University Bookstore. Reserved seating is \$19 for the meal and show, \$13 for the

show only. Reserved seating for senior citizens (60 and older) and children (10 and younger) is \$17 for the meal and show, and \$11 for the show only. General admission tickets are \$15 for the meal and show and \$9 for the show only. General admission for senior citizens and children is \$13 for the meal and show and \$6 for the show only.

For more information, call Edna Gehring, 503-359-2107, e-mail gehringe@pacificu.edu or go to www.pacificu.edu/studentlife

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