

Senior, disabled property tax deferrals

The Oregon Department of Revenue reminds taxpayers that April 15 is the filing deadline for the Disabled Citizen Property Tax Deferral Program and the Senior Citizen Property Tax Deferral Program. Applications and information are available by calling the local county assessor's office.

Both deferral programs allow qualified taxpayers to defer payment of property taxes on their homes. The state pays the taxes to the county, maintains the account and charges six percent simple interest, which is also deferred. Taxes become due when the taxpayer receiving the deferral dies, sells the property, ceases to live perma-

nently on the property, or the property changes ownership.

To qualify for either program, the taxpayer must live on the property that is the taxpayer's principle residence and must have a deed or recorded sales contract. Total household income must be less than \$32,000 for the year before application. Participants may remain on either program as long as their federal adjusted gross income does not exceed \$32,000. If a participant's income exceeds the \$32,000 limit, part of the taxes still may be deferred. Participants can come in and out of the programs if their income changes.

In addition to meeting the income limitation and property ownership requirement, disabled persons must be receiving federal Social Security Disability benefits to qualify for the Disabled Citizen Property Tax Deferral Program; senior citi-

zens must be 62 years old or older by April 15 to qualify for the Senior Citizen Property Tax Deferral Program.

For more information, call the Department of Revenue's Tax Services line at 503-378-4988 or 1-800-356-4222. Spanish speakers may call 503-945-8618. For TTY (hearing or speech impaired only), the toll-free number within Oregon is 1-800-886-7204. The TTY number is answered by machine only; a representative will return the call.

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Vernonia Federal
Credit Union
503-429-8031**

Church Bulletin Bloopers

This being Easter Sunday, we will ask Mrs. Lewis to come forward and lay an egg on the altar.

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.

Men's Study, Tuesday 10:30 a.m.
Women's Study, Wednesday 1:30 p.m.
Youth & Kids, Thursday 7:00 p.m.

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

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.
Morning 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.

Health Notes

By Audeen Wagner

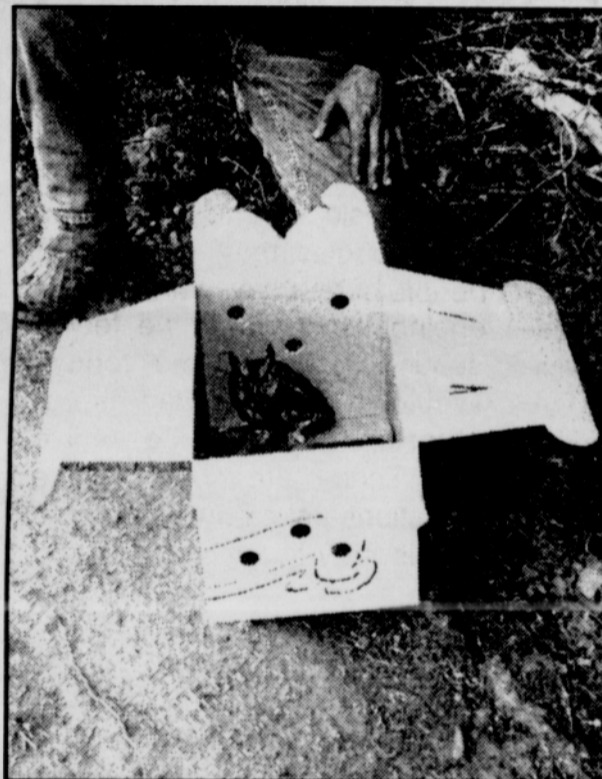


Sue or Jessie at 503-429-9191.

Scheduling note: If your primary care physician is not at the local clinic, but you'd like to be seen here, the first step is to contact your regular physician, explain the situation, and ask if a referral is needed in order to be seen at Providence-Vernonia. This is imperative for some insurance carriers — many of them won't cover the call unless it's pre-approved. Questions? Talk to Sue or Jessie at 503-429-9191.

Mammovan change: For this month only, the mammovan will be in Vernonia on Tuesday (instead of the usual Wednesday). The date is next Tuesday, March 26, and Sue reports that there are a couple of openings left. Next mammovan date is Wednesday, April 17. We've heard many positive comments about the convenience of having that service here. You may call the local clinic to schedule a mammogram.

Rescued by loggers, injured owl is healthy and back in the wild



This little screech owl is being returned to the forest after a lengthy stay at the Portland Audubon Society shelter.

The dazed and unresponsive owl was found in late November by Mike Pihl, on the fender of a truck at a logging site on Old St. Helens Road. Pihl brought it to his office in Vernonia, then Grant Rand took it to the Audubon Society.

Three months later, the owl was healthy enough to return to the wild, so Rand brought it back to Vernonia and released it near where it had been found. After checking out the situation for a few minutes, the owl flew into the underbrush, then headed for the trees.



A mid-March snowfall made this bird house inhospitable.