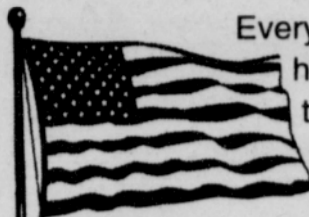


Confirmations needed for Avenue of Flags



Everyone who has contributed to the Avenue of Flags at Vernonia Memorial Cemetery, is being asked to check the life-sized proof of the stone memorial that will be erected to accompa-

ny the flags. The proof is on display at City Hall.

In addition to seeing whether names that have been paid for are on the list, contributors are also asked to check carefully for correct spelling, and sign off on the proof if it is correct. Errors should be reported either to City Hall, phone 503-429-

5291, or to cemetery caretaker Synda Allen.

Once the granite has been engraved, Allen reminds contributors, it won't be changed. Even if you have checked the previously approved list, she urges you to double check the proof at City Hall.

Kids turn out in record numbers for Jamboree Fishing Derby



Cordan Munda, 4, of Banks, was happy to talk about catching this yellow perch in the Jamboree Fishing Derby.

The 2002 Jamboree Fishing Derby was the largest ever, with 104 participants.

The longest fish, a 10 inch perch, was caught by Allie Stromberg of Portland. Chris Loveless of Vernonia caught the most fish, 14.

Other winners, by age group, are as follows:

- 5 and under
- 1st - Daniel Smith, Vernonia
- 2nd - Seth Schultz, Vernonia

3rd - Cordan Munda, Banks
6 - 9 years

1st - Josh Butcher, Vernonia
2nd - Kala Loveless, Vernonia

3rd - Eli Miller, Vernonia
10 - 14 years

1st - Joey Ferguson, Vernonia
2nd - Tara Ostrander, Vernonia

3rd - Nick Mohn, Vernonia

The Nehalem Valley Chapter of the Izaak Walton League sponsors the annual kids' fishing derby, with assistance from Bridge Street Bait & Tackle and *The INDEPENDENT*.

Banks School Board meeting is very brief

Banks School District Board of Directors met briefly July 22 to approve an extensive consent agenda and discuss the superintendent and board evaluations. The evaluations were approved and will be adopted at the next meeting.

The board designated: The Forest Grove News-Times as its official newspaper, Nancy Hungerford/John Peterson as district attorneys, Waltz, Sheridan & Crawford as Insurance Agents of Record, Jones & Roth as district auditors.

There is no board meeting in August.

Vernonia School District Upcoming Events

- September 19 - Vernonia High School Open House
- September 25 - Lincoln Grade School Open House
- September 26 - Washington Grade School Open House
- October 3 - Mist Grade School Open House
- October 15-19 - Homecoming Week
- October 24 - Certificate of Initial Mastery Recognition Night



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