

Vernonia Oldtimers' reunion picnic slated

The annual Picnic of the Vernonia Society and "Old Grads" will be held August 17 at Anderson Park in Vernonia. Registration begins at 10:00 a.m.

Hot dogs and drinks will be on sale, or bring a picnic lunch. Coffee and cups will be provided.

All former Vernonians and their families are welcome.

Welcome Additions

Robert Nicholas Costley

Robert Nicholas Costley was born July 26, 2003, at St. Vincent's Hospital, to Penny and Brett Costley of Vernonia. He weighed 7 pounds, 15 ounces and was 20.5 inches long.

He will join his sister at the family home.

Grandparents are Mike and Sandra Costley of Covington, Georgia, and John and Penny Palinkas of Porter, Texas.

Cookin' with Debbie

By Debbie Johnston



Summer's warm evenings are even more inviting with easy, tasty summer specialties like these.

EASY REFRIGERATOR PICKLES

6 cups thinly sliced cucumbers
2 small onions, sliced 2 tbs salt
1 medium carrot, thinly sliced
1 tbs chopped fresh or 1 tsp dried dill weed
1-3/4 cups sugar 1 cup white or cider vinegar
Layer cucumbers, onions and carrot in 2-1/2 or 3 quart glass container. Mix remaining ingredients until sugar is dissolved; pour over vegetables.

Cover and refrigerate at least 24 hours but no longer than 2 weeks.

Yields 6 cups pickles

MARINATED VEGETABLE SALAD

1 lg zucchini 1 lg yellow summer squash
1 carrot, peeled 1/4 cup red onion
4 radishes 2/3 cup purchased Greek vinaigrette salad dressing

Very thinly slice all vegetables. In a large bowl, toss all ingredients to combine. Cover and refrigerate 4 hours or overnight before serving.

Yields 10 - 1/2 cup servings

LEMONADE ICED TEA

3 cups water 4 tea bags
1 - 12 oz can frozen lemonade concentrate 2 cups cold water
8 thin slices lemon 8 cups ice cubes

Bring 3 cups water to a boil in large saucepan. Remove from heat; add tea bags. Let stand 10 minutes to steep.

Remove and discard tea bags. Add lemonade concentrate and cold water; stir to blend. Pour into serving pitcher; add ice cubes and lemon slices.

Yields 8 cups

TARRAGON POTATO SALAD

Tarragon Dressing:

1/3 cup tarragon vinegar 1/4 cup olive or vegetable oil
1 tbs chopped fresh or 1 tsp sugar
2 tsp dried tarragon leaves 1/2 tsp salt
1/2 tsp ground mustard 1/4 tsp coarsely ground pepper
1 clove garlic, finely chopped

Shake all ingredients in tightly covered container.

3/4 lb green beans 10 to 12 new potatoes (1-1/2 lbs)
1/4 cup water cut into fourths
1/4 cup chopped red onion 1 small yellow bell pepper, coarsely chopped (1/2 cup)

Cut beans in half, if desired. Place beans, potatoes and water in 2 quart microwavable casserole. Cover and microwave on High 10 to 12 minutes, rotating casserole 1/2 turn every 4 minutes, until potatoes are tender; drain.

Toss potatoes, beans and dressing in large glass or plastic bowl. Add onion and bell pepper; toss. Cover and refrigerate 1 to 2 hours or until chilled.

Yields 8 servings

SMOKED CHEDDAR-RED PEPPER LOAVES

4 oz smoked Cheddar cheese, 1/2 cup mayonnaise
2 tbs diced pimientos Dash hot pepper sauce
1 lb loaf sourdough French bread, cut in half lengthwise

Heat grill. In medium bowl, combine all ingredients except bread; mix well.

When ready to grill, place bread halves, cut side down, on gas grill over medium heat or on charcoal grill 4 to 6 inches from medium coals. Cook 5 to 6 minutes or until lightly toasted.

Remove bread from grill. Spread cheese mixture evenly on cut sides of bread. Return to grill, cheese mixture side up; cook an additional 6 to 7 minutes or until cheese mixture bubbles around edges and center is hot.

Yields 16 servings

CRAB PASTA SALAD

Sesame Dressing:

1/4 cup rice vinegar or 2 tbs water
white wine vinegar 2 tbs olive or vegetable oil
1/2 tsp salt 1/2 tsp sesame oil
1 clove garlic, finely chopped

Shake all ingredients in tightly covered container.

1-1/2 cups uncooked spiral 1/4 cup chopped ripe olives, macaroni if desired
1 lg tomato, chopped 1/2 med cucumber, chopped
1 small bell pepper, chopped 3 med green onions, chopped
8 oz salad-style imitation crabmeat (even better with fresh crab meat)

Cook and drain macaroni as directed on package. Rinse with cold water; drain.

Prepare Sesame Dressing. Toss dressing, macaroni and remaining ingredients in large bowl.

Cover and refrigerate about 30 minutes or until chilled.

Church Directory

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| 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 | 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. Bible Study, Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Youth & Kids, Thursday 7:00 p.m. | CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS Jeff Cheney, 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. |
| 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 Sunday 6:00-7:30 p.m. Jr. & Sr. High, AWANA, Adult Study Nursery provided Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study, Thurs. 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. | 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. |
| 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. | 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. 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. |
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