

## Volunteers urgently needed for Jamboree committee

The 48th annual Vernonia Friendship Jamboree will be held August 6-8, 2004, and volunteer help is needed!

During the February meeting, the positions of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer were vacated and there was no interest by any of the attendees in serving in

these capacities.

If the positions are not filled at the March meeting, the decision to dissolve the Jamboree Committee will be made according to the by-laws, and the existing funds will be donated to non-profit charities.

The Jamboree Committee meets on the second Thursday

of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Washington Grade Library. The next meeting will be March 11. Groups or individuals planning an event during Jamboree, please attend a meeting soon so your event can be included in advertising and event publications.

In addition to the executive positions that need to be filled, the following committees must be named; Grand Marshall and Citizen of the Year, Advertising, Parade, Waste Management, T-shirt Sales, Vendors, and Childrens' Games. Now is the time to volunteer. All the information is available for a smooth transition and the outgoing officers are more than willing to act as mentors and advisors.

After last year's Jamboree, there were approximately 180 individuals at the Town Hall meeting indicating a willing-

ness to help make Vernonia and the Jamboree better. Now is the time to put words into action.

The Jamboree Theme Contest is starting. This year the Jamboree Committee has decided the theme should incorporate "Mill Town" in the title. Please mail suggestions to Vernonia Jamboree Committee, P.O. Box 244, Vernonia, OR 97064. The winning entry will receive a \$50.00 savings bond from U.S. Bank. The deadline is April 1. The winning theme will be announced in the April 15 issue of *The Independent*.

After the theme contest, there will be a T-shirt design contest with the winner receiving a \$50.00 savings bond. It is acceptable to submit both a theme and a T-shirt design by the April 1 deadline.

## NW Natural slates gas storage meet

NW Natural has scheduled a public meeting on Tuesday, March 2, to discuss the company's upcoming plans for storage development at Mist. The public is invited to meet the storage development team, listen to a presentation, and ask questions.

The meeting will be held at the Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Department's main station on Hwy. 202 between Mist and Birkenfeld, starting at 5:30 p.m. The presentation will be at 6:00 p.m., followed by a question and answer period. Refreshments will be served.

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# Community Calendar

| FEBRUARY |    |    |    |    |    |    | MARCH |    |    |    |    |    |    | APRIL |    |    |    |    |    |    |   |    |
|----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|-------|----|----|----|----|----|----|-------|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|----|
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| 8        | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 7     | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 4     | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 |   |    |
| 15       | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 14    | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 11    | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |   |    |
| 22       | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 21    | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 18    | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |   |    |
| 29       |    |    |    |    |    |    | 28    | 29 | 30 | 31 |    |    |    | 25    | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |    |   |    |

### VERNONIA

|                                  |                    |                                |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| Alcoholics Anonymous             | Mondays            | 6:30 p.m., Head Start Bldg.    |
| Alcoholics Anonymous             | Saturdays          | 7:00 p.m., Head Start Bldg.    |
| American Legion Post #119        | 2nd Thursday       | 627 Adams Ave./ 503-429-4000   |
| Arts & Crafts Society            | 2nd Thursday       | 2:00 p.m., City Library        |
| Boosters                         | 2nd Wednesday      | 7:30 p.m., VHS Library         |
| Boy Scout Troop 201              | Tuesdays           | 7:00 p.m., Scout Cabin         |
| Boy Scout Troop 860              | Wednesdays         | 7:00 p.m., LDS Church          |
| Cemetery Beautification Comm.    | 2nd Thursday       | 7:00 p.m., Leonetti's Grill    |
| Chamber of Commerce              | 2nd Wednesday      | Noon, Lew's Place              |
| Cub Scout Pack 201               | Scout Cabin        | For Info Call 503-429-0188     |
| Doll Club                        | 4th Tuesday        | 1:00 p.m., Senior Center       |
| Friends of the Library           | 1st Tuesday        | 7:00 p.m., Vernonia Library    |
| Hands On Art Committee           | 3rd Wednesday      | 7:00 p.m., Head Start Bldg.    |
| Home Extension Club              | 3rd Thursday       | 10:30 a.m., Christian Church   |
| Izaak Walton League              | 3rd Thursday       | For location call 503-429-7193 |
| Lions Club                       | 1st & 3rd Tuesdays | 6:30 p.m., Lew's Place         |
| Nehalem Valley Car Club          |                    | For Info Call 503-429-4074     |
| Pioneer Museum                   |                    | For Info Call 503-429-8134     |
| Preschool Story Hour             | Mondays            | 10:30 a.m., City Library       |
| Upper Nehalem C.P.A.C.           | 2nd Tuesday        | 7:00 p.m., City Hall           |
| Vernonia Airport Committee       | 3rd Wednesday      | 7:00 p.m., City Library        |
| Vernonia Cares Directors         |                    | For location call 503-429-1414 |
| Vernonia City Council            | 1st & 3rd Mondays  | 7:00 p.m., City Hall           |
| Vernonia Garden Group            | 1st Thursday       | 7:00 p.m., Pioneer Museum      |
| Vernonia Grange                  | 4th Saturday       | 10:30 a.m., Grange Hall        |
| Vernonia Health Center           | 2nd Monday         | 6:00 p.m., 510 Bridge St.      |
| Vernonia Planning Comm.          | 1st Thursday       | 7:00 p.m., City Hall           |
| Vernonia Pride                   |                    | For Info Call, 503-429-5201    |
| Vernonia Ridge Riders            | Last Thursday      | 7:00 p.m., City Library        |
| Vernonia RFPD Board              | 2nd Tuesday        | 7:00 p.m., Fire Station        |
| Vernonia School Board            | 2nd Thursday       | 8:00 p.m., District Office     |
| Vernonia Sr. Center Board        | 3rd Friday         | 1:00 p.m., Senior Center       |
| Vern. Volunteer Ambulance Assoc. | 1st Thursday       | 7:00 p.m., Fire Station        |
| Vernonia Volunteer Firefighters  | 2nd Monday         | 7:00 p.m., Fire Station        |
| WOEC Directors                   | 3rd Tuesday        | 7:00 p.m., WOEC                |

### MIST-BIRKENFELD

|                               |                        |                              |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| M-BRFPD Board Business Mtg.   | 2nd Tuesday            | 7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station |
| M-BRFPD Board Workshop        | 4th Tuesday            | 7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station |
| M-B Ambulance Drill           | 1st & 2nd Thursdays    | 7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station |
| M-B Fire Drill                | 1st & 2nd Wednesdays   | 7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station |
| M-B Helping Circle            | 2nd Monday             | 7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station |
| M-B SAR Drill                 | 3rd Wednesday          | 7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station |
| M-B Volunteer Assoc.          | 1st Tuesday            | 7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station |
| Natal Grange                  | 2nd Wednesday          | 7:30 p.m., Natal Grange Hall |
| T.O.P.S.                      | Mondays                | 6:00 p.m., Main Fire Station |
| Upr Nehalem Watershed Council | For date call 429-2401 | 7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station |

### BANKS

|                           |                     |                                  |
|---------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| Alcoholics Anonymous      | Fridays             | 8:00 p.m., Methodist Church      |
| Banks City Council        | 2nd Tuesday         | 7:30 p.m., City Hall             |
| Banks Fire District #13   | 2nd Wednesday       | 7:00 p.m., Station 13            |
| Banks Planning Commission | Last Tuesday        | 7:00 p.m., City Hall             |
| Banks School Board        | 2nd Monday          | 7:30 p.m., Jr. High Library      |
| Banks Youth Group         | Sundays, Wednesdays | 7:00 p.m., UMC Youth Bldg.       |
| Chamber of Commerce       | 1st Thursday        | 12:30 p.m., Fire District Office |
| CPO 14                    | 3rd Monday          | 7:00 p.m., City Library          |
| Friends of the Library    | 2nd Tuesday         | 7:00 p.m., City Library          |
| Lions Club                | 1st & 3rd Mondays   | 7:00 p.m., Schlegel Hall         |
| Sunset Park Assoc.        | 3rd Wednesday       | 8:00 p.m., Gun Club              |
| T.O.P.S.                  | Wednesdays          | 7:00 p.m., Administration Bldg.  |
| Women's Aglow             | 2nd Thursday        | 7:00 p.m., City Library          |

### COLUMBIA COUNTY (All meet in St. Helens unless otherwise noted.)

|                                   |               |                                    |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------------|
| Board of Commissioners            | Wednesdays    | 10 a.m., Courthouse                |
| Citizens for Senior Justice       | 2nd Tuesday   | 7:00 p.m., Sunset Park Church      |
| Columbia Soil & Water District    | 3rd Wednesday | 7:30 p.m., NRCS, 2514 Sykes        |
| County Fair Board                 | 2nd Monday    | 7:00 p.m., Fairgrounds 4-H Bldg.   |
| County Parks Commission           | 3rd Monday    | 6:00 p.m., 1054 Oregon St.         |
| Mental Health Advisory Comm.      | 3rd Tuesday   | 10 a.m., 2nd Floor, Courthouse     |
| Comm. on Children & Families      | 3rd Thursday  | 5:30 p.m. OSU Ext., 550 N. Hwy. 30 |
| Local Alcohol & Drug Plann. Comm. | 2nd Tuesday   | 3:00 p.m., 2nd Floor, Courthouse   |

Organizations and meeting dates not listed may be included by calling 429-9410 or by mail to The INDEPENDENT, 725 Bridge Street, Vernonia, OR 97064.