

## Letters

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the "Village Kids." Her husband is a retired fireman. The firemen and police use these quilts for traumatic cases. Therefore, Chief Scobert asked me if I would undertake this project. How could I refuse? Our present Police Chief is for it with pleasure.

I called Bonnie. We will use the same name. The quilts will be known as "Comfort Quilts." That's what they really do.

Do you have any extra time? Do you sew? Can you tie a square knot? Do you have any extra batting? If you do and would like to help in any way, call 503-429-7401. You can leave any donations (fabric, batting, etc.) at the Senior Center labeled "Louise - Village Kids." The 1st Tuesday of each

month at the Senior Center is set aside to help tie and whatever needs to be done. Just think of the smile when some child receives a blanket of their very own to cuddle up in.

Any questions? Call me.

**Louise Hamnett  
Vernonia**

### Constitution Party names candidate

To the Editor:

Now that the Columbia County Fair is over, the run for local elections is on full blast. Amongst them are the County Commissioners seats. We all know the candidates for Position #3 are Tony Hyde, Republican, and Rosemary Lorchke, Democrat. A new candidate arose to the competition and

that is G. Keith Carpenter of the Columbia County Constitution Party.

Mr. Carpenter's motto is: "Although lip service may say, 'Church and State must separate,' Faith and Politics must not!" Keith believes that what a person's spiritual beliefs are dictates how a person reacts and deals with politics, as well as any other facet of life.

Keith also believes that the Constitution of the United States is the law of the land, and that we should weigh each decision by that law. The neglect of adhering to the Constitution and Bill of Rights has greatly contributed to the deterioration of our country and society. Let's weigh our decisions on the county level to conform to the Constitution of United

States.

Mr. Carpenter says "if it's good for Columbia County, he wants it. If it's bad, let's not implement it."

Join me in pursuing other things that Mr. Carpenter wants for Columbia County.

**Marge Murphy  
Deer Island**

### Urges people to run for council, mayor

To the Editor:

Vernonia citizens have the perfect opportunity to change the governing of our city. Two council positions and the mayors position will be up for election come November. That's 60% of the governing body of this city.

At their special city council

meeting on July 29 they appointed our public works director the additional duties of interim city manager. I applaud their action. Robin has fulfilled this position previously and done a credible job.

Does Vernonia need a full time city manager? Many cities operate with a full time mayor who fulfills the duties of a city manager. Is there any citizen of Vernonia capable of being a full time mayor/city manager. Apparently not according to councilor Daughtry.

I urge you the citizens of Vernonia to prove her wrong. Get involved, run for one of the positions coming up for election, think outside the box.

**Frank Schrier  
Vernonia**

## Ike Says . . .

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came to the conclusion that the select area was open, but doubt lingered. I tried to call ODF&W staff, but failed to make contact. We went fishing, but doubt nagged at the back of my brain. I finally called the ODF&W Clackamas office and, after the receptionist's fourth attempt to find someone, I was hooked up with Brett Morgan. After I asked my question and we mulled the rules, he finally said, "Let me get back to you, because I'm not sure either." Within a half-hour, Brett called me back and confirmed that the select areas were indeed

open with a two Chinook limit, which is different than the rules that go into effect August 1st in the main stem of the Columbia River.

Then I asked, "Well, how is the Oregon State Police going to enforce the two different bag limits, when they are right next to each other?" The answer that I got was, "That's a good question." So now I had to try and track down an answer from OSP. There is no information line for OSP that I can find and calling 9-1-1 would not be well received, so I went to the ODF&W contact list that I received when I was on the

Salmon Trout Advisory Board. I made three phone calls; nobody home and I left a message for a Senior Trooper out of the Astoria office. At the time of this writing I have received no call back.

I guess where I'm going with all this is that I believe this is beyond the average sportsmen. It is not fair to penalize the average Joe because he cannot keep up with all the regulations or all the changes. There has to be a better way and ODF&W needs to step up to the plate and make those changes. I would suggest a search page for fishing regula-

tions on ODF&W's web site. Anglers should be able to type in a fishing location and see what the current regulations are for that particular area. Secondly, there should be a fishing regulation hot line, with a knowledgeable person on the other end. OSP also needs an information line so sportsmen can ask questions before they go fishing and have an encounter with an officer.

Don't forget the Jamboree youth fishing derby on August 6th, sign up starts at 4:00 p.m., fishing is from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. Bring a few extra bucks in your wallet and participate in the mini-auction that the Izaak Walton League uses to raise funds for the fishing derby. Here are a few tips for the fishing derby. If you want to try and get the most fish, fish at your feet with a small hook and a piece of worm. The yellow fin perch are close to shore and quite numerous. If you want to go after the longest fish, try for catfish by fishing in deeper water with a worm suspended a couple of feet off of the bottom. Please remember that trout and bass are not allowed in the derby.

**Izaak Walton League  
Nehalem Valley Chapter**  
meets on the third Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Call 503-429-7193 for location of meeting.



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**Have a fun, safe  
Jamboree.  
Don't drink and  
drive!**

### WEATHER REPORT

JULY 2004

| DATE | TEMPERATURE |    | PRECIP.<br>AMT. |
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| 1    | 77          | 49 | --              |
| 2    | 70          | 55 | T               |
| 3    | 69          | 41 | --              |
| 4    | 72          | 40 | --              |
| 5    | 78          | 43 | --              |
| 6    | 72          | 52 | .05             |
| 7    | 66          | 52 | T               |
| 8    | 66          | 41 | --              |
| 9    | 66          | 44 | --              |
| 10   | 69          | 40 | T               |
| 11   | 74          | 42 | --              |
| 12   | 90          | 46 | --              |
| 13   | 80          | 54 | --              |
| 14   | 83          | 55 | --              |
| 15   | 81          | 47 | --              |
| 16   | 85          | 48 | --              |
| 17   | 87          | 51 | --              |
| 18   | 85          | 55 | --              |
| 19   | 74          | 57 | T               |
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| 21   | 81          | 45 | --              |
| 22   | 93          | 47 | --              |
| 23   | 99          | 51 | --              |
| 24   | 93          | 53 | --              |
| 25   | 75          | 47 | --              |
| 26   | 81          | 48 | --              |
| 27   | 85          | 50 | --              |
| 28   | 86          | 52 | --              |
| 29   | 83          | 51 | --              |
| 30   | 69          | 43 | --              |
| 31   | 82          | 51 | --              |

Temperature and precipitation amounts are from the official U.S. weather station at the Vernonia water plant. Measurable precipitation in July totalled .05 inches.