

Did You Know . . .

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The beautiful fall season is upon us with the leaves changing colors and falling, as well as the wet weather returning. Please be

careful driving and slow down on the roadways, as they can be very slick with moisture and foliage debris. There have been multiple accidents in the area caused by the slick roads. Watch for children, too, going to and from school events.

The new school year also means the start of the monthly Drug-Free Community Coalition meetings. The coalition is a group of community members, schools, and law enforcement

joining together to learn about drugs and how to deal with them in the community. The coalition meets the second Monday of the month at 12:30 p.m. at the Vernonia School District offices for a business meeting as well as at 7:00 p.m. at the Vernonia Community Church for a presentation meeting. The November 14 meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. and will feature Judge Wilma Smith from the Warm Springs Reser-

vation talking about how Meth can destroy a community.

On Halloween, my family and I will once again be out in front of City Hall giving out candy, stickers, and other goodies to Trick or Treaters. Here are a few safety tips to help protect your ghouls and goblins: adults should accompany young children, watch for traffic, use reflective tape or costumes to be better seen, carry a flashlight or glow-stick, examine all candy

before eating it, and be careful around pets while in costume as they may not recognize your children. For a complete list, visit the VPD website and click on the Halloween Safety Tips link.



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