

Did You Know . . .

By Chief Mathew Workman
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I hope everyone enjoyed the fishing, music, fireworks, and fun at the KUPL Fishing Derby and concert. Remember that Cycle

Oregon is in town this weekend with a large contingent of riders. Please use extra caution when driving, riding, or walking in and around the Vernonia area. Vernonia is a great community and we welcome everyone to experience safe and responsible events.

I recently received a flyer from the Oregon Attorney General's office that I would like to share details from. The flyer applauds the legislature for

restoring the authority to enforce Oregon's "Do Not Call" Law. Senate Bill 117 authorizes the Department of Justice to enforce against violators of the National Do Not Call Registry. Oregon DOJ reports that Oregonians registered over 1.6 million numbers and filed over 15,000 complaints in 2006. SB 117 will allow a maximum penalty of \$25,000 per violation. You can learn more about SB 117 by visiting www.leg.state.or.us/bills_laws/.

The American Red Cross now offers a new website called "Safe and Well" that can be used during a disaster to notify people you are safe. The website provides a way to register yourself "safe and well" if you have been affected by a disaster. Concerned family and friends can search the list of those who have registered themselves as "safe and well." The results of a successful

search will display a loved one's First Name, Last Name, an "As of Date", and the "safe and well" messages selected. The website can be located and utilized at <https://disastersafe.redcross.org/>.

If you have ideas for my article please contact me at the station, call 503-429-7335, or email me at chief@vernonia-or.gov. I will do my best to address the ideas in future papers.

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