Sign up now for Murphy's parade

Murphy's Furniture is now accepting entry forms to the Murphy St. Patrick's parade on Saturday, March 14. Murphy's produces the parade every year as a thank you to the Washington County Community. Murphy's believe it's important to provide the parade as a symbol of the hope brought with spring. Mary and Kathy, daughters of Murphy Furniture founder Ruth Murphy, consider this community event a privilege to present.

Every year's St Patrick's Parade seems to have its own personality. Past years' entries include Washington County Sheriff's armored truck, a variety of floats from schools and local businesses, car clubs and a motorcycle drill team. Royalty have graced the parade from Miss Teen Rodeo, Clark County, Columbia County, Tillamook County, Yamhill County Rodeo Courts as well as Woodland's Planter Days Court. Washington County Sheriff's Mounted Posse always act as Color Guard. Even "Everybody's Friend" Ronald McDonald has joined the celebration!

The parade's 30-year history began as a partnership with local radio station KUIK. The

original parade route was on TV Hwy. starting at the parking lot of Bimart on the east end of Hillsboro, and ending in the parking lot of what is now Winco on the west end of Hillsboro. That is twice as long as the current parade route.

The celebration will kick off with staging beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the parking lot across from Hare Field, on NE Grant Street in Hillsboro. The parade starts at 11 a.m. at Hare Field. The parade route continues east to Cornell Road, South on Main Street, West on Main to 2nd Ave, North on 2nd to Grant Street, and East back to Hare

The party will continue with the Corned Beef and Cabbage Feed sponsored by Sports Look. Its staff volunteers their

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Chalk Talk

Chalk Talk is a monthly column of information about Vernonia schools. It is written by various staff members. This column was provided by Glenda DeLemos, Technology Coordinator.

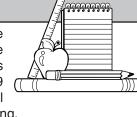
Keeping parents informed is a top priority at Vernonia Schools. Here are two examples:

AlertNow - We have recently adopted the AlertNow Notification Service which will allow us to send a telephone message to you providing important information about closures, events or emergencies. If you have a child in school you have probably already received a call. Here is some additional information about the system.

What you need to know about receiving calls sent through AlertNow:

- Your caller ID will display the school district's main number (503-429-5891) when a general announcement is delivered.
- Your caller ID will display 411 if the message is a dire emergency.
- AlertNow will leave a message on any answering machine or voicemail.
- Unfortunately, any background noise will stop the message from playing (such as radio,

TV or talking). So if the AlertNow message stops playing, press any numeric key 1-9 and the message will replay from the beginning.



The successful delivery of information is dependent upon accurate contact information for each student, so please make certain that the school has your most current phone numbers. If vour information changes during the year, please let the school know immediately.

MealTime Online - We are also pleased to announce our new online account payment system for school lunches, MealTime Online. This program will enable parents to use their comput-

- make credit card deposits,
- view online deposit history, and
- view student's cafeteria account balance and meal purchase transaction history.

MealTime Online will be available in February through a link on the district website (www.vernonia.k12.or.us). Watch the website and your mailbox for more information and instructions.

Vernonia High School announces 2nd qtr. Honor Roll

The following students were named to the Vernonia High School academic Honor Roll for the 2008-09 second quarter. Grade Point Averages (GPA) are on a scall of 1-4, with 4 equaling a perfect score.

Principal's Honors, 4.00 -Kaytee Burghard, Crystal-Ann Carreon, Sarah Dupree, Laura Hein, Samantha Lee, Tricia Levenseller, Jackson Miller, Souvanny Miller, Gia The Nguyen, Chelsea Patton, Tasia Pond, Melissa Sandstrom, Kel-Smith. Katie Wilson, Nicholas Young, and Rebekah

High Honors, 3.50 - 3.99 -Jacob Alf. Chris Bamburg, Janda Barber, Bonnie Birkmaier, Bringman, Rachel Brown, Joshua Butcher, Kaitlyn Carr, Charles Colburn, Karly DeWitt, Zachary Dillon, Jacob Dixon, Jed Douglas, Adrienne East, Amber Eastlick, Katie Ellington, Joseph Fergusson, Brandy Fosdick, Mackenzie Frantz, Brandon Gilbertson, Kristina Halvorson, Melissa Hermet, Brandon Krause, Keli

Krieger, Alex Lende, Nicole Mitchell, Ashley Paleck, William Ren, Gavin Roberts, Sierra Roberts, Byron Schorzman, Sicily Scott. Daniel Shaw. Holly Simpkins, Matias Singers, Kathryn Stevens, Chantel Szlavich. Mckenzie Tarkalson. Levi Timmerman. Natalie Wallace and Bethany Workman.

Honors, 3.25 - 3.49 - David Allen, Joe Benes, Kelsey Brown, Timothy Brown, Eric Budge, Allee Chadek, Tyler Clines, Christopher Dass, Cody Eaton, Tabitha Fallau, Danyell Freeman, Kayleigh Johnston, Mickell Maller, Emily Mitchell,

Yelena Polyakova, Tim Prpich, Justin Rainbolt, Amy Rethwill, Brandon Sears. Sara Stern. and Nicole Thompson.

Honorable Mention, 3.00 3.24 - Kahli Anderson, Jesse Armstrong, David Bridge, Kyle Brixey, Zachary Carpenter. Ashley Cavett, Gillian Cheney, Zachery Dyer, Robin Elliott, Quinlan Johansen, Calie Johnston, Jordan Miller, Sarah Miller, Tara Ostrander, Brittney Paden, Timothy Pillow, Cody Smith, Taylor Smith, Dalton Stevens, and Danny Vanderschelden.

Vernonia Middle School Honor Roll

The following students were named to the Vernonia Middle School academic Honor Roll for the 2008-09 second quarter.

Principal's Honors, 4.00 -Makayla Adams, Charlette Burghard, Jessica Cox, Jessica Farr, Jennifer Hayes, Samantha Lindauer, Madeline O'Leary, Deziree Roberts, Rowan Scott, Summer Snow, Samantha Wallace, Jaylin Wilson, and Brittany Young.

High Honors, 3.50 - 3.99 -Austin Best-Cutright, Rowan Cheney, Jacob Eyrrick, Julia Fletcher, Nicole Glass, Cayla Jenkins, Andrew Jennings, Timothy Jennings, Nathen McMillen, Garrett Mullikin, Marley Orahood, Laura Rice, Leah Rice, Amanda Sebring, Winter Snow, and Ellyssa Szlavich.

Honors, 3.25 - 3.49 - Kayla Skyler Binford, Aronhalt, Stephanie Castro, Tori Dalebroux, Jessica Gardner, Cortney Jones, Alisa Levenseller, Lilliann Lindsley, Sara McMahon, Melissa Mulvey, Adrianne Orahood, Daniel Rice, Sven

Sandstrom, Felica Schirmeister, Dylan Taylor, Logan Titus, and Damian Young.

Honorable Mention, 3.0 -3.24 - Makenzie Anderson. Ashlee Archer, Riplee Burch, Zi-Xian Chen, Christopher Curtis, Jazmine Harper, Mandi Hartford, Ronnie Maldonado, Bridger Steward, Taylor Titus, and Sarah Wagner.

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