

Community

Theme for next Jamboree worth \$50

Do you have a great idea for the theme of the 53rd Vernonia Friendship Jamboree? Submit your theme ideas by April 1 to info@vernoniachamber.org or mail to Jamboree, 1001 Bridge St., Vernonia OR 97064. The winner of the theme contest will

receive a \$50 prize.

The Jamboree committee is seeking volunteers to serve as President, Vice-president, Secretary and committee positions for garbage, advertising, signs and t-shirts. Jamboree will be on August 7, 8, and 9 this year.

Volunteers are encouraged to attend the next Jamboree meeting, February 12, at 7:00 p.m. at the Vernonia Community Learning Center on Bridge St.

Amateur radio classes set to start soon

If you are interested in becoming an amateur radio operator there will be Saturday classes starting February 21 and ending March 28, at 7:00 p.m. at the Vernonia Fire Hall. There is no cost for the class. The ARRL fee for the test exam

is \$15, payable when you take the test. Some Technician Class Study manuals should be on hand for purchase at cost.

The Vernonia Emergency Radio Association (VERA) and Vernonia Amateur Radio Klub (VARK) hold meetings on the

second Tuesday of each month at Mariolino's at 7:00 p.m. You do not need to be a radio operator to attend.

For more information, contact VERA Secretary Dawn Moss, KE7HHI, email: KE7HHI@ARRL.net

Welcome Additions

Charles Heath Riele Davis

Charles Heath Riele Davis was born December 30, 2008, to Heather and Matthew Davis of Vernonia. He weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces and was 21 inches long.

He has joined his big brother, Ethan, at the family home.

Grandparents are Gary and Patti Davis of Vernonia, and Dave and Sue Rodweller of Carrollton, Ohio.

Great-grandparents are Lucile Gilmour of Vernonia, and Elmer and Emily Perantoni of St. Augustine, Florida.



Children's commission seeks members

The Columbia County Commission on Children and Families is seeking applications for membership. This 20 member volunteer commission is advisory to the Board of County Commissioners and makes recommendations regarding expenditure of funds for local programs and services for children and families.

Members also plan and take part in activities supporting the healthy development of children, families and communities.

Learn to graft trees plus get cuttings

The Oregon State University Extension Service office in St. Helens will hold their annual grafting workshop on Saturday, February 14, from 9:00 a.m. to noon at the Extension office in St. Helens. Space is limited, call 503-397-3462 for reservations. Cost will be \$15 and will include five dwarf apple rootstocks. If you have a favorite apple tree that you want to make "copies" of, take some 12" cuttings from last season's growth (about pencil thickness), using the middle third of

the shoots. Bundle and label the cuttings and place them in plastic bag and store them in the refrigerator until the work-

shop.

Free cuttings will be available of several varieties.

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Senior News

By Karen Miller, Senior Advocate
Community Action Team



A n - o t h e r m o n t h i n t o t h e n e w y e a r ; h o w t i m e g o e s b y , d o e s i t n o t ? !

How did my super bowl Sunday go? Thanks to the flu bug, my husband got to eat my whole plate of lobster that I couldn't seem to get down...as of this writing, I still don't know who won! But, I know I am on a winning team working among all the action folks here at the center.

It's not too late to come in on our senior police academy being held here every Tuesday at 3:00 p.m. Call my office for topic information.

Also on Tuesdays, bring all your sewing projects, needlework, quilting, repairs, etc., etc., and join the ladies. ALL are welcome, the male gender, too! Now I know there are men out there that like to do that sort of thing...don't be shy!

And while you are here, bring a dollar and have one of Connie's great maple bars. This is a new fundraiser for our

center. And also, if you want to call ahead and purchase some for your friends and family or meetings, call Connie here and she will gladly crank up the oven.

Don't forget Community Action Team has a legal aid program for those qualifying seniors on certain topics; free legal aid for those of you needing some advice from local attorneys who participate in this program.

We are still taking newspapers, all papers collected get turned in for money toward cancer research.

WHAT'S THAT AGAIN?

Said the sales clerk to someone looking over some items in a department store, "If you see something that isn't there, we probably have more in the back."

To that I say, if you are looking for something that isn't here, stick around, it will probably come in! Thank you to all who donate and patronize our thrift store, it keeps our senior center operating.

INFORMATION NUMBERS

Senior Advocate...429-9112

Senior Center.....429-3912

Transportation.....429-4304

Citizens are urged to apply who live in Vernonia, Clatskanie, Rainier or Scappoose areas.

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