

Vernonia Grange offers activity update

The Vernonia Grange will hold a one day rummage sale on Saturday, April 16, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the Grange Hall, 375 North Street. All proceeds will go to the Grange for building improvements. If you have items to donate, please bring them to the Grange between 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. on Friday, April 15.

Bingo Nights at the Grange will be offered on Saturday, April 9, and Saturday, April 23, at 6:30 p.m. Come on out for a night of fun, food and friendship. Youth under 18 may play

if accompanied by a parent.

Does your organization or church need a regular meeting place? The Vernonia Grange is seeking additional tenants to keep this charming old building actively occupied. Short term rental rates are \$10 per hour; longer term rental rates are negotiable. With high ceilings, wood floor, seating for 75 or more, new folding tables, limited kitchen facilities, and a stage, the space is suitable for a variety of activities. Grange membership is required for at least one member of your

group. At \$35 per year, the Grange offers you membership in a 143-year-old organization that promotes community service, sustainable agriculture and healthy rural living. Contact any of the following Grange officers for more information: Robb Wilson, sweedster@hotmail.com, 503-704-2973; Dr. Carol MacIntyre, cccmd@yahoo.com, 503-481-4096; Maggie Peyton, maggie@nehalem.org, 503-429-0869; or Tobie Finzel, bief@aol.com, 503-705-2173.

Child safety seat event in Clatskanie

Columbia County Safe Kids, in partnership with Alliance for Community Traffic Safety (ACTS Oregon) and several community partners, will be holding a free child safety seat check up on Thursday, April 14, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. The event will be held in Clatskanie at the Columbia County Rider Transit Center, 280 E. Columbia River Hwy. in Clatskanie.

The clinic provides an opportunity to have a child safety seat checked by a certified technician, who can correct misuse, help with installation and teach you how to correctly install the seat. Technicians can also check for seat recalls.

There is no cost to have a technician check your child safety seats. Please plan to spend 30-60 minutes at the event.

Additionally, through a grant funded by the Oregon Department of Transportation, Columbia County Safe Kids is also able to provide low-cost child safety seats to families in need. Families who receive Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) should contact their worker about payment for a seat.

For more information about the clinic or the Columbia County child safety seat program, please contact the Commission on Children and Fam-

lies at 503-397-7211.

Easter Egg Hunt set for April 23

The annual Vernonia Easter Egg Hunt is almost here! The egg hunt will be held at Hawkins Park on Saturday, April 23, at 10 a.m. sharp!

The egg hunt is for children ages 0-10. There will be lots of eggs and goodies for the children to find. The Easter Bunny will also be present and ready for a picture with the kids.

The Easter Egg Hunt is sponsored by the Vernonia Community PTA.

Welcome Additions



Caylee AnnMarie Llanos

Caylee AnnMarie Llanos was born March, 12, 2011 to Jessica Llanos of Vernonia. She weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces and was 19.5 inches long.

Grandparents are Elaina Brasure of Vernonia, James Llanos of Ketchikan, Alaska, and Sondra and Wayne Wood of Myrtle Point.

Learn how to "Be Your Own Hero"

St. Helens CERT has arranged for preparedness training to come to the county.

Please RSVP for this much asked for seminar which is open to CERT, Citizen Corps, and the public.

The seminar is titled Prepare to Be Your Own Hero and topics include:

1. Building an Evacuation Kit
2. Personal Evacuation Procedures
3. Individual and Family Evacuation Planning

4. Family Reunification Planning
5. Evacuation with Pets

The seminar will be held Monday, April 18, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Best Western Oak Meadows Inn, 585 S. Columbia River Hwy. in St. Helens.

The cost is \$5, and all who attend will receive a \$5 voucher towards any emergency supplies they order.

Please email Holly at hollyh427@yahoo.com if you plan to attend.

Senior Center News

Good news — free hearing checks are back on the monthly schedule. They will be performed by a representative of Columbia Hearing Aids on the third Monday of each month from 1:00-2:00 p.m. No appointment is needed.

Sally Harrison is the choice to represent the Vernonia Senior Citizens Center in this summer's My Fair Lady Pageant, to be held during the Columbia County Fair.

Do you have questions or suggestions for the center? If so, remember to attend the Board of Directors meeting on the second Friday of each month at 10 a.m. This is also a great way to find out how the center operates.

A complete, delicious lunch is served Monday through Friday at noon. A \$4.00 donation is suggested for those 60 and older, and \$5.00 for those under 60. If you prefer lunch to go, for only \$5.00 you can call ahead and place your order.

If you enjoy bingo, you can have fun while you eat lunch. Diners play free Bingo each Monday starting at 11:45 a.m.

Breakfast for all ages is served Fridays from 7:30 to 9:00 a.m. at just \$3.50 per person. Maple bars are made fresh daily for \$1.00 each! You can also order maple bars for a gathering of any kind by calling 503-429-3912 a day or two ahead and placing your order.

Needleworkers gather each Tuesday, starting about 10:30 a.m., to enjoy companionship while working on their projects.

Pinochle players enjoy friendly competition each Friday, starting after lunch.

Foot Care is scheduled on the second and fourth Fridays of each month, at \$15 per person. Call Marilyn Albro, R.N., for an appointment, at 503-429-0406.

The Senior Center Thrift Shop is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Always half price during the first week of each month.

Wheelchairs are available to rent and canes are needed. For more information, call Pauline Coffman.

Vernonia Senior Citizens Center: 446 Bridge Street
Hours: Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Senior Information Assistance Rep: Rosie McCoy
Thrift Shop Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Phone: 503-429-3912

Church adds full Sunday School

Vernonia Community Church has a full Sunday School program that started April 3. Sunday School starts at 9:00 a.m. with a nursery.

There is also a Family Bible Class from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m., Family Fellowship from 10:00 to 10:20 a.m. Family Praise and Worship takes place from

10:30 to 11:45 a.m. A Youth Group meets from 4:00 to 5:45 p.m. and Biblical Eldership is from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

The Vernonia Community Church is located at 957 State Avenue. For more information, call 503-429-6790 or email to saltn_light@hotmail.com.

Mariolino's

Friday Special:
Lasagna or Spaghetti & Meatballs

Featuring Home Style Dinners by Letha

Saturday Special:
Pot Roast

721 Madison Ave., Vernonia • 503-429-5018

St. Mary's Rummage Sale

Inventory includes: Household items, Furniture, Quality Clothing, Books, Children's items and 'Man Stuff' Within Everyone's Budget!

April 29th April 30th
 Friday 10am to 4 pm
 Saturday 10am to 3 pm
 980 Missouri Ave, Vernonia

For info call Maria at 503-429-1069 or St. Mary's at 503-429-8841

