Next First Friday coming Aug. 4

The next First Friday will be August 5, at the Scout Cabin in Hawkins Park, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

First Friday in August kicks off Jamboree weekend! Join your neighbors and friends in celebrating arts, entertainment and culture in our community. Come browse the works of local artists and crafters, watch a mini-engine demonstration or ask questions of Chip Bubl, our Columbia County Extension Agent and Master Gardener. Kids can make magic wands,

decorate cookies and take a swing at a piñata! All visitors can enjoy a light snack while listening to the jazz of Mac & Cheese on the gazebo.

First Friday is a revenue generating activity for Vernonia Hands-on Art and is dedicated to celebrating the arts, bringing people together to meet neighbors, exchange information and share skills, and reinforcing a sense of community. And, most importantly, to have a good time!

Still time to be part of talent show

Vernonia has talent! Here's your chance to be on the stage or enjoy others' performances. "Talent Show Fundraiser" will be held Friday, August 5, at 7:00 p.m., in the Washington Grade School gym. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for youth; proceeds benefit the Vernonia Schools Foundation and Vernonia Community Theater (a

program of Hands-on Art).

Do you have a talent to share? Do you sing, dance, perform comedy or drama? Pre-screening is required. \$10/15/20/25 to enter (1, 2, 3, 4 or more people. For pre-screening, contact Lee Anne Krause on Facebook, by email to leeannkrause@gmail.com or by telephone at 503-816-9810.

Summer Reading program still has offerings for adults and kids

The Summer Reading Program at the Vernonia Public Library continues with the following activities for children:

• Movie Matinee on Saturdays, July 23 and 30, at 2:00 p.m.

• Story & Craft/Activity Time on Tuesday, July 26, from 10 to 11 a.m.

Events for the whole com-

munity include Chris Leebrick, Storyteller, on Thursday, July 21 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. and Knights of Veritas (check with library for location of this event) on Thursday, July 28, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

All programs are free of charge. For more information, call the library at 503-429-1818.

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Senior Center News

The Vernonia Friendship Jamboree will be coming up soon, so plan on enjoying the Logger Breakfast, here at the senior center on both Saturday and Sunday. In addition to being a smart way to start a busy day, this annual event is a benefit for Vernonia Cares Food Bank.

Great breakfasts are available every Friday at the senior center, from 7:30 to 9:00 a.m. Breakfast for all ages is just \$3.50 per person. Maple bars are made fresh daily for \$1.00 each! If you want maple bars for a group, call 503-429-3912 a day or two ahead and place your order.

The Thrift Shop will be open during Jamboree, too, so don't forget to check out some great bargains.

Free blood pressure checks are available on the 4th Wednesday of each month from 11 a.m. to noon.

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

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.

The 5 Area Lunch is on the last Monday of each month, with the Rainier Senior Center hosting the July get-together

On the last Wednesday of each month, Wauna Federal Credit Union makes a good lunch even better by providing diners with free ice cream

Members' birthdays are celebrated at lunch on the last Friday of each month.

Assorted breads, rolls and pastries are available at the Center nearly every day. It's first-come, first-served, either free or whatever you wish to donate.

The senior center Board of Directors meets on the second Friday of each month at 10 a.m. in the dining room. If you have questions, suggestions, or just want to know how the center operates, your attendance is welcome.

Center activities include pinochle on Fridays from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., and free Bingo with lunch each Monday starting at 11:45 a.m. Why not have fun while you eat lunch?

Needle work, including quilting on Tuesdays 10:30 a.m. to closing. If you're working on a quilt, crocheting an afghan, knitting a sweater, or involved in any other needlework project, bring your project and enjoy the company of others as you work.

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

Senator Betsy Johnson chosen for E-Board

Following the adjournment of the 2011 Legislative Session, Senator Betsy Johnson (D-Scappoose) was appointed by Senate President Peter Courtney to serve on the Emergency Board – commonly called the "E-Board." She will be one of 10 senators and 10 representatives chosen to work on urgent budget issues that may arise when the Legislature

is not in session during the 2011-13 biennium.

"It is an honor to be chosen to serve on the Emergency Board," said Johnson, who is

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RECALL NICKS & BURCH

THEY HAVE:

- ✓ NOT listened to the community voices
- ☑ NOT lead the community
- ☑ NOT brought people together

THEY HAVE:

- ☑ Dug their heels in and divided the community
- ☑ Spent city money unnecessarily before trying to work out differences
- ☑ Created an environment that will frighten away city administrator candidates

AND most importantly,
THEY HAVE LOST THE TRUST OF THE COMMUNITY

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