Business Notes

Fultz has winning year as bodybuilder

Terry Fultz, Vernonia resident and owner of Terry's Gym, is celebrating the best bodybuilding season of his career. Fultz went to seven bodybuilding competitions in 2011 and won at every one.

He took 1st place in his age category at shows in Seattle, Washington, Bend, Lincoln City, Dallas, Texas, Auburn, Wash., Spokane, Wash., and Tacoma, Wash. The first competition was held April 16 and the last was on October 15.

Taking first place in every show is pretty amazing, but that's not unusual for Fultz, who has been beaten in his age class only once since 2002. Even more amazing is that, in addition to first places, he entered the open class com-

petition at three of the shows. Open class means Fultz was competing against bodybuilders of all ages, including men forty years younger. At Bend, then Dallas, and again in Tacoma, Fultz took third place in the open class. "Someone my age just doesn't take third at three major events against today's best bodybuilding in the middle weight class," said Fultz, but he did. Fultz really enjoyed the audience, "The crowd's response to my success was more than just memorable, it was absolutely thrilling."

Fultz wants to return to Dallas next year, "They loved me there, I got a standing ovation from the crowd of nearly two thousand people." Fultz also

plans to add North Carolina to his competitive season and maybe other states, "It seems the farther from home I go, the more I'm appreciated. Folks just don't get to see someone my age looking the way I do."

As always, Fultz wants to thank all the members of the gym, his faithful training crew, and those who believe age is just a number. "A man is measured by his accomplishments, what others think of him and by those who love him, not by a calendar." Fultz added.

For more information on Terry's Gym or bodybuilding, contact Fultz at 503-901-1705. Terry's Gym is located at 16720 Noakes Rd., Vernonia.

It's Sno-Park permit time

As fall quickly turns to winter, it's time to prepare for your favorite winter activities.

Oregon's Snob-Park program helps provide snow removal at about 100 winter parking areas recreation (Snob-Parks) across the state. Snob-Parks exist in most of Oregon's mountain passes and in most ski, snowmobile and snow play areas. A list of areas designated as Snob-Parks is available at www.tripcheck.com under

"Travel Center."

If you park in a Snob-Park between November 1 and April 30, you need a valid Snob-Park permit displayed in the windshield of your vehicle.

There are three types of permits: a \$25 seasonal permit, a \$9 three-day permit good for three consecutive days, and a \$4 daily permit. All DMV offices and permit agents at winter resorts, sporting goods stores and other retail outlets sell these permits. Private agents can charge an additional service fee. A list of permit agents is available at www.tripcheck.com under "Travel Center"

The seasonal permit also is available by mail from DMV. Send a written request with your return address, phone number, and a check or money order to DMV, Vehicle Mail No. 1, 1905 Lana Avenue, Salem Oregon 97314.

Parking in an Oregon Snob-Park without a permit may result in a fine, so be sure to obtain a permit and display it on vour vehicle.

Community Calendar

| VERNONIA | | MIST-BIRKENFELD | | |
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| Alcoholics Anonymous Mondays | 6:30 p.m., 410 North Street | M-BRFPD Board Business Mtg. | 2nd Tuesday | 7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station |
| Alcoholics Anonymous Thursdays (Big Book Study) | 7:00 p.m., 410 North Street | M-BRFPD Board Workshop | 4th Tuesday | 7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station |
| American Legion Post #119 2nd Tuesday 7:0 | 00 p.m., 627 Adams Avenue | M-B Ambulance Drill | 1st & 2nd Thursdays | 7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station |
| Booster Club 2nd Wednesday | 7:00 p.m., VHS Library | M-B Fire Drill 1: | st & 2nd Wednesday | /s 7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station |
| Boy Scout Troop 201 Tuesdays | 7:00 p.m., Scout Cabin | M-B Helping Circle | 2nd Monday | 7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station |
| Boy Scout Troop 860 Wednesdays | 7:00 p.m., LDS Church | M-B SAR Drill | 3rd Wednesday | 7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station |
| Cernetery Beautification Comm. 2nd Thursday | 6:30 p.m., Library | M-B Volunteer Assoc. | 1st Tuesday | 7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station |
| CERT 4th Wednesday | For Info Call 503-429-3018 | Natal Grange | 2nd Wednesday | 7:30 p.m., Natal Grange Hall |
| Chamber of Commerce 2nd Wednesday | For Info Call 503-429-6081 | T.O.P.S. | Mondays | 9:00 a.m., Main Fire Station |
| Community Coalition 2nd Monday 12 | :30 p.m. School District Ofc. | DANKO | | |
| Cub Scout Pack 201 Scout Cabin | For Info Call 503-429-4250 | BANKS | F 2.4. | |
| Emerg. Preparedness Comm. 4th Wednesay | 6:30 p.m., WOEC | Alcoholics Anonymous | Friday | 7:30 p.m., Methodist Church |
| Friends of the Library 1st Tuesday | 7:00 p.m., Vernonia Library | Alcoholics Anonymous | Wednesday | 7:30 p.m., Methodist Church |
| Girl Scouts, Neighborhood 4-2 | For Info Call 503-819-0143 | American Legion Post #90 | 2nd Tuesday | 7:30 p.m., Main Street Post |
| | r location call 503-429-7193 | Banks City Council | 2nd Tuesday | 7:30 p.m., City Hall |
| o , | 6:30 p.m., New Hong Kong | Banks Fire District #13 | 2nd Wednesday | 7:00 p.m., Station 13 |
| | 6:30 p.m., New Hong Kong | Banks Library Commission | 3rd Tuesday | 7:00 p.m., City Library |
| Municipal Airport Committee 1t Wednesday | 6:30 p.m., City Hall | Banks Planning Commission | Last Tuesday | 7:00 p.m., City Hall |
| Pioneer Museum | For Info Call 503-429-3713 | Banks School Board | 2nd Monday | 7:30 p.m., Jr. High Library |
| Upr Nehalem Watershed Council For date call 429-0869 | 7:00 p.m., Vernonia Grange | | Sunday, Wednesday | |
| Public Works Committee 4th Tuesday | 7:00 p.m., City Hall | Chamber of Commerce CPO 14 | 1st Thursday | 12:30 p.m., Fire District Office |
| Vernonia Cares Directors | For Info call 503-429-1414 | | 3rd Monday | 7:00 p.m., City Library |
| Vernonia City Council 1st & 3rd Mondays | 7:00 p.m., City Hall | Everybody's Hometown Band Friends of the Library | Tuesdays 2nd Tuesday | 7:00 p.m., BHS Music Room |
| Vernonia Community PTA 2nd Wednesday | 7:00 p.m., WGS Library | Lions Club | 1st & 3rd Mondays | 7:00 p.m., City Library 7:00 p.m., Brown Derby |
| Vernonia Garden Club 2nd Tuesday | 1:30 p.m., Vernonia Library | Sunset Park Assoc. | 3rd Wednesday | 8:00 p.m., Gun Club |
| Vernonia Grange 3rd Monday | 7:00 p.m., Grange Hall | T.O.P.S. | Wednesday | 7:00 p.m., Administration Bldg. |
| Vernonia Health Center 3rd Thursday | 6:30 p.m., 510 Bridge St. | I.O.F.S. | weunesuay | 7.00 p.m., Administration blug. |
| Vernonia Comm. Learning Center 1st Wednesday | 5:00 p.m., VCLC | COLUMBIA COUNTY (All meet in St. Helens unless otherwise noted.) | | |
| Vernonia Parks Committee 3rd Wednesday | 6:30 p.m., City Hall | Board of Commissioners | Wednesday | 10:00 a.m., Courthouse |
| Vernonia Planning Comm. 1st & 3rd Thursdays | 7:00 p.m., City Hall | Citizens for Senior Justice | 2nd Tuesday | 7:00 p.m., Sunset Park Church |
| Vernonia Ridge Riders Last Thursday | 7:00 p.m., Senior Center | Columbia 9-1-1 Board | 3rd Thursday | 9:00 a.m., 9-1-1 meeting room |
| Vernonia RFPD Board 2nd Tuesday | 7:00 p.m., Fire Station | Columbia Comm Mental Health | 1st Tuesday | 5"30 p.m., 58646 McNulty Way |
| Vernonia School Board 2nd Thursday | 6:00 p.m., District Office | Columbia Soil & Water District | 3rd Wednesday | 7:30 p.m., NRCS , 2514 Sykes |
| Vernonia Sr. Center Board 2nd Friday | 10:00 a.m., Senior Center | County Fair Board | 2nd Monday | 6:00 p.m., Fairgrounds 4-H Bldg. |
| Vernonia Transfer Station 2nd & 4th Saturdays, 8 a.m | | County Parks Commission | 3rd Tuesday | Times vary, 1054 Oregon St. |
| Vern. Volunteer Ambulance Assoc. 1st Tuesday | 7:00 p.m., Fire Station | Mental Health Advisory Comm. | Quarterly | For Info call 503-397-7211 |
| Vernonia Volunteer Firefighters 2nd Monday | 7:00 p.m., Fire Station | Comm. on Children & Families | 3rd Thursday | 5:30 p.m. OSU Ext., 505 N. Hwy. 30 |
| WOEC Directors 3rd Tuesday | 7:00 p.m., WOEC | Local Alcohol & Drug Plann. Comn | n. Quarterly | For Info call 503-397-7211 |
| Organizations and meeting dates not listed may be included by calling 429-9410 or by mail to The INDEPENDENT, 725 Bridge Street, Vernonia, OR 97064. | | | | |
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