

Junior Salmon Auction on May 18

Vernonia Hands-On Art Center (H-OAC), the local non-profit arts and heritage organization, will present an evening of art and community on Friday, May 18, at the Vernonia Community Learning Center (VCLC) and the Blue House Café starting at 6:00 p.m.

Headlining the event will be the fourth annual Junior Salmon Auction, a fundraiser for Vernonia School Arts programs that features customized salmon by Vernonia art students. The students are supplied with a nine-inch by fourteen-inch blank pressboard salmon that they use to create their own unique vision.

At 7:00 p.m., the salmon will be auctioned off in the VCLC by local auctioneering legend Bill Yeo, with a minimum starting bid of \$10.00. Also up for auction will be several chairs and tables that the students decorated using themes from popular artwork. Profits go to support Vernonia School Arts and Hands-On Art programs.

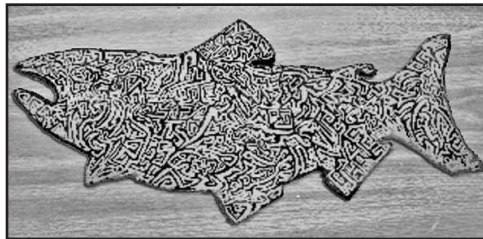
In addition to the auction, their will be an art exhibit and sale

at the Blue House Café. This will include art from Vernonia artist Nathan Bower and Vernonia students.

Bower is a recent transplant to Vernonia who specializes in oversized, brightly colored, joyful paintings. He has recently exhibited in the Columbia County Courthouse, J Cafe in Portland, and with Activate sponsored by RAWartists.org.

Everyone is welcome at 6:00 p.m. to browse, enjoy hors d'oeuvres at the Blue House, chat up the artists, and preview the salmon and furniture to be auctioned. Please come early to sign up, and be ready to bid at 7:00 p.m. For pictures and more info, please check out the Facebook pages, Vernonia Jr. Salmon Auction and Vernonia Hands-On Art Center.

For more information call Kathy Larsen at 503-449-3591, or Erika Paleck at 503-704-5970.



Left to right; David Hood and Dean Bernardi went fishing a few weeks ago in Vernonia Lake. While there, they helped make the lake a better place by picking up all the garbage in the lake and bringing it to shore for proper disposal.

Council okays \$9k for repairs

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In other business, council:

- approved a request from Public Works to spend approximately \$9,000 to repair the city's backhoe;
- heard the Mayor appoint, with their consensus, Katie Poetter and Jerimiah Hammons to

the Parks Committee;

- passed a series of three resolutions establishing the VCLC, Cemetery, and Library committees.

The next regular meeting of the council will be May 21, at 7:00 p.m., at city hall.

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