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Decoration Rules Given

Christmas decorations are beginning to appear and activity is noted among those who plan contest entries in the 1964 chamber of commerce competition. An entry blank for registering entries is printed herewith and all persons interested are advised to clip and save it to use when they are ready. Deadline is 5 p.m. December 18.

Several businesses have some decorations in place and indicate they plan more. Candlelight and ornaments all help promote the Christmas spirit for those who enter places of business which are taking on the festive air. Those merchants who wish to enter the commercial competition will find a place to check on the entry blank and the time for making entries is the same as for home displays.

To avoid confusion, the rules are recapitulated here briefly:

Winners will be selected on the basis of artistic merit, originality, lighting techniques and ingenuity. Judging will be limited to outside residential displays only.

Boundaries for contest will extend from Pittsburg on north to Timber route junction with Sunset highway on south.

No display will be considered eligible for prizes unless it is registered. There will be no charge for registration. Purpose of registering is to insure that all those wishing to be judged by categories will receive a

fair evaluation. Without registration it is possible that some houses could be missed—this the committee wishes to avoid.

There will be three categories in which prizes will be awarded for residential displays. Religious, which will include Nativity scenes, etc.; illumination, which will be displays made mostly with lights; and Santa Claus, which will include decorating done in the Santa theme.

There will be a first, second, and third prize in each category, plus a sweepstakes award.

First, second and third prizes will also be given to commercial entries

who may decorate in any manner they wish. Commercial entries will be limited to those businesses who pay an occupational license in the city.

Mrs. Launee Cousins, chairman of the lighting contest committee, urges everyone to make entries as soon as possible so the committee may know the extent of response to expect.

Also, the committee urges everyone to decorate and make their homes and businesses as festive as possible whether they plan to enter the contest or not. The aim is to make Vernonia increasingly beautiful each holiday season.

Postmaster Stresses Aids For Mailing

"Please pack parcels solidly," is the plea of Postmaster O. T. Bateman.

The head of the Vernonia post office also reminds his patrons that the use of free "local" and "out-of-town" separation bands will help move the mails faster. The bands are available at the post office or from most letter carriers.

December 5 is the suggested deadline for mailing out-of-town packages. "Don't worry about the parcels being delivered too early, just mark 'Don't Open Until Christmas' on the front," Bateman said.

A tightly stuffed package, with nothing rattling around inside, will have less chance of being damaged in transit, he noted.

"When packing a gift, remember that the package you send may be shipped on the bottom of a mail sack and there may be heavier packages on top. Among the relatively few packages that are damaged in transit, improper packaging is the greatest factor," the postmaster said.

Just to be on the safe side, the postmaster suggests that all packages be insured.

He noted that poor packaging and addresses which are either incorrect or not legible are responsible for the non-delivery of about half a million parcels each year. If the return address is incorrect or illegible and the package cannot be returned, it will be saved for 90 days. If unclaimed, the parcel is usually lost to the sender or intended recipient. Such parcels wind up in public auctions held at 15 major post offices across the nation.

All parcels should be addressed on only one side and should also have the address written on the inside of the package in case the exterior wrapping should come off.

Bateman emphasized that Zip Coding the addresses on parcels and letters helps insure against loss due to improper addressing. Since each area of the country has an individual ZIP Code, there is little chance of a piece of mail destined for one city being directed to a city which may have a similar name. For example, there are at least 26 possible areas around the country which would have Springfield in the address. Use of the proper ZIP Code would send the mail to the right post office.

"We are asking everyone to be especially cooperative this holiday season. During the peak of the 'rush' we expect that seven billion pieces will be delivered during the entire month of December. That's quite a bit of mail," the postmaster concluded.

Modern Math Studied

The faculty of the local schools are in the closing weeks of the Modern Math class with the last class scheduled for December 15. Interest in having another class during the winter term is being canvassed.

Store Plans Display

Rife Conn Organ store of Portland will open a display room in the Horn building December 8. Mrs. H. L. Russell, sister of Mr. Rife, will be in charge.

Intra-Squad Game to Prepare Loggers for Opener

The Vernonia Loggers, preparing themselves for their first basketball game of the 1964-65 season will hold an intra-squad game this Friday night, December 4 at 8:00 p.m.

Coach Dale Andrich, trying to get an idea of what this year's team will look like under actual game conditions, will divide his squad as evenly as possible for the game.

Playing for the Blue team will be Jim Bellingham, Lloyd Johnston, Fred Smith, Dan Steele, Ken Bateman, Jerry Hays, Roger Medges and Dave Larson. Their opponents, the White team, will be made up of Terry Larson, Terry Smith, Jerry Hanson, Dennis Holsey, Russ Redmond, Joe Curl, Dennis Pederson and Steve Minger.

The band will be playing for the

Santa to Appear

The Vernonia volunteer firemen have announced tentative plans to have Santa Claus appear at the fire hall December 19 to talk with local children.

Word has not yet been received from the North Pole as to whether Santa can work this into his busy schedule. Definite time and date will be given in a later edition of this paper.

Fire Chief Charley Hickman would like to warn householders at this time to take care in their decorating and lighting during this coming holiday season to make it a fire-safe time.

All light cords and fixtures used in decorating should be checked for fraying and damage and Christmas trees and greenery used should not be allowed to dry out and become a fire hazard.

UGN Campaign Exceeds Quota

Final figures for the United Good Neighbor drive in the Nehalem Valley was released this week by Mrs. Robert M. King and Mrs. David Banta, co-chairmen, show a total of \$1376.55 which is \$178.55 over the quota for the area. This additional amount will remain with the local relief fund for emergency use.

An increase from \$300 to \$500 in the share of the Crown Zellerbach Corporation Columbia county contribution allotted to this area was the factor which helped in exceeding the goal. In addition local CZ employees made personal contributions.

The efforts of the many drive workers were much appreciated, particularly in the sprawling Mist-Natal-Birkenfeld area which was covered successfully by Mrs. Robert Mathews and Mrs. Art Bellingham.

Businesses and organizations making contributions are listed elsewhere in this issue of the Eagle.

Band, Chorus To Entertain

The Vernonia Lions Club will meet Monday, December 7 at 6:30 p.m. in the fire hall to hear a program by the high school band and chorus under the direction of James Fiske.

There will be a short initiation service for several new members.

This Saturday the Lions will stage a work party to decorate the streets of Vernonia for the Christmas season. Charley Hickman and Ed Roediger are co-chairmen in charge of the project.

Monday, December 14 the Lions will entertain their wives at a Christmas party at the Masonic Temple at 7:00 p.m. Program chairman, Joey Acaturri, is in charge of the event.

Student Names Listed on Roll

The following names appear on the Vernonia high school honor roll for the second six weeks of the first semester of the 1964-1965 school year:

Freshmen: Steve Curl, Geoffrey Proehl, Cathy Quinn.

Sophomores: Albert Brunsmann, Kathy Jensen, Nancy Hamnett, Sally Knowlton, Bill Hanson, Don Wilson, Juniors: Christine Bender, Fred Smith, Robert Mattson.

Seniors: Jim Bellingham, Sharon Brunsmann Joyce Chandler, Robert Fuquay, Linda Jensen, Barbara Keith, Christine King, Vicki Pollock, Deanna Ritz, Donna Sanders, Sandra Sutton.

Graduate Employed

Since the list of 1964 graduates from Vernonia high school was given last week with information as to their present pursuits, information has been received that Charline Haskins has recently taken employment at Beaverton.

The roster for the JV team coached by Dan Lawler includes Roger Medges, Dennis Pederson, Joey Curl, Dave Larson, Steve Minger, Larry Holsey, Gordon Blackburn, Bob Mattson, Dave Peddicord, Keith Cameron and Steve Ellis.

The roster of the freshman team coached by Bill Howard includes Bill Hanson, Gary Hanson, Ken Vealey, Al Brunsmann, Buddy Robertson Brad Rumbaugh, Larry Elton, Les Forcier, Jeff Proehl, Dean Stockwell, Tim Conroy, Pete Brunsmann, Ed Burton, Kevin Krieger and Randy Larson.

Schools Plan Annual Yule Presentations

The Vernonia elementary schools of district 47J are making plans for Christmas and have announced that the Vernonia program will be at the Washington school auditorium Friday, December 18 at 7:30 p.m. and the Mist school program will be Monday evening, December 21 at 7:30 p.m.

Schools are taking on a festive air as decorations begin to go into place. At the Washington school, for the past several years, a general theme has been used in the halls for decorations on the doors. The theme chosen this year is the Nativity, with such ideas as the star, manger scene, madonna and child, the three wise men, shepherds and other pertinent ideas to be featured.

The primary grades taught by Mrs. Gladys Worthington, Miss Sunny DeHart and Mrs. Noma Callister will decorate the lunchroom. Other groups are assigned responsibility for other parts of the building.

The room Christmas parties will be held Wednesday, December 23 after which school will be dismissed at 1:30 p.m. for the Christmas vacation. Classes will resume January 4, 1965, the Monday after New Years.

Savings Bond Sales Totaled

"U. S. Savings Bonds sales in Columbia county amounted to \$53,747.00 for the month of October."

Volunteer Phil Hickey, Savings Bonds chairman, made the above announcement recently in his monthly sales report.

"Total sales for the state during the month are \$2,999,954, up from the year ago total of \$2,918,712", he continued.

"Nationally, cash sales of Series E and H Bonds amounted to \$365 million for October, while the total value of Savings Bonds held by Americans topped the \$48 billion mark for an all-time high."

He predicted that "sales during the last two months of this year will reflect the growing American custom of giving Savings Bonds as Christmas gifts. Many people are building a family tradition of giving bonds during Christmas and birthdays to help finance college educations or for other funds designed to help families towards a brighter future."

Anglers Given Date Reminder

Oregon anglers are reminded by the game commission that the angling regulations set by the commissioners on November 16 are for 1965. Apparently some persons have tried applying the new rules too soon and have come to grief with the game law enforcement officers of the Oregon State Police.

Some of the new rules include the three salmon bag limit in tidal waters and the opening of several lakes to year-around angling. Synopses of these new rules should be available at all license agencies before the effective date of January 1 according to the commission. So, you're still in the 1964 regulation booklet until the first of the new year.

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Vernonia Chamber of Commerce

1964 CHRISTMAS OUTDOOR LIGHTING CONTEST

Name _____
(Please Print)

Address _____

Phone _____

Please check appropriate box:

- A—Religious Theme B—Santa Theme
 C—Illumination D—Commercial

Mail Entries to: Vernonia Eagle or to Launee Cousins, Vernonia, Oregon. Entries accepted until 5:00 p.m. December 18. Judging 7:00 p.m. December 18.

Prizes in each category: 1st, \$12.50; 2nd, \$7.50; 3rd, \$5.00. Sweepstakes, gold engraved walnut wall plaque.



Wendell Wyatt, congressman from first district who was elected November 3 to complete the unexpired term of Walter Norblad, has opened his offices in Washington D.C. and last week advised news outlets in this area that the Urban Renewal Administration has granted \$4500 to the Oregon state board of higher education to assist Scappoose in its program of comprehensive planning.

Deer Hunting Check Advised

A warning is issued to those planning to hunt this week end in the general deer tag hunt that the game law synopsis should be carefully checked for area boundaries.

All of the Willamette area except the part which lies in Columbia county is open. Willamette area takes in Washington, Yamhill, Marion and parts of Multnomah counties. Those hunting in this area should make sure they are across county lines and out of the part in Columbia county.

All other hunts set for this week end and other December dates are for permit areas only.

Choralairs Set Clatskanie Fete

The Clatskanie Choralairs, known to this area for their performance two years ago of a musical program titled "From Bach to Broadway" and their presentation last year of "The Holy City," have another show scheduled for this Friday and Saturday night, December 4 and 5 at 8 p.m. in the Clatskanie union high school auditorium.

This year's program is called "Moments to Remember" and is a presentation of all the academy award winning songs since 1934, the year a song category was established for the Hollywood Oscar award.

Members of the singing group are: Rusty Carter, director; Hugh Paul, Wilbert Wilson, Clarence Korsmo, Sandi Hermo, Natalie Lowrance, Carolyn Peterson, Margaret Allen, Sue Funksouser, Marilyn Gustafson, Carl Johnson, Mary Sanders and Cheryl Anderson, accompanist.

Carol and Ralph Hildula join the group for this performance as dancers.

Mist Students Hear Concert

The advanced band from the Washington grade school traveled to Mist Tuesday, December 1, to present a concert for the students of that school. The band was directed by James Fiske. Don Jackson and Darold Proehl also went with the band.

November 20 the band participated in the district 9, Grade School Music Concert at the armory in Astoria. Eight bands from schools in district 9 participated in this event, each playing three numbers and then all bands joining together for a massed number.

Assembly Presented

A short Thanksgiving assembly was presented by the intermediate band and the grade school chorus on Wednesday, November 25. In addition to numbers by the band and chorus, Kathy Henderson played two piano solos and Kim Thiheadou recited a Thanksgiving poem that she had composed.

Contributors To UGN Named

Listed below are the names of businesses and organizations from which contributions were received for the UGN drive:

Western Auto, Mar Ona Bootery, Quinn's Insurance, Vernonia Drug, Lew's, Loel Roberts (Union Oil), Vernonia Variety, Sam's Food Store, Vernonia Eagle;

Deans Market, Mike's Tavern, Dick's Tavern, Vernonia Card Room, Ralph's Chevron Service, Vernonia Service Station, Bob's Union Service, Sunnyside Service;

Vernonia Trading Company, Ben's Barber Shop, City Cafe, Brunsmann Hardware, Enco Service, Vernonia Auto Co., Vernonia Golf Club, Fuiten's, Nichols Variety, Vernonia Insurance Exchange;

Vernonia Clinic, Nehalem Service, King's Grocery, Dessy's, Roediger Plumbing, Keasey Saw Shop, Linn Grocery, Mist Store;

Mill Market and Lockers, Joe Magoff (Standard Oil), Pine Cone, Vernonia Milk Farms, U. S. National Bank, West Coast Telephone, Crown Zellerbach.

Organizations whose contributions augmented the fund were:

Vernonia Chamber of Commerce, PEO Sisterhood, WW I Barracks and Auxiliary, American Legion Auxiliary, Rainbow Girls, Mt. Heart Rebekah Lodge, Vernonia Study Club, Lions Club, Pythian Sisters and Natal Grange.

Grade Team to Open Net Play

The Washington grade school basketball team will play their first game of the season this Friday afternoon against Quincy in the Washington school gym at 2:30 p.m.

Vernonia will be host for the Columbia county grade school basketball jamboree at the high school gym on Friday, December 11 at 7:00 p.m. Pep clubs and basketball teams from Clatskanie, Rainier and Scappoose grade schools and two teams from St. Helens junior high school will participate.

History Group Schedules Meet

The Columbia County Historical Society will meet next Wednesday, December 9, in the 4-H dining room at the fair grounds at Deer Island, unless weather conditions prevent.

There will be the usual potluck meal at noon, followed by the business and program session.

Pearl Becker, society secretary, advises that the 1965 dues for Oregon State Historical Society membership are now due.