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Progress, Progress, Progress

By: Gordon Jarman

Progress, that is the word we have been tossing about in our committee meetings during the last few months. As you can see from the photos above, we have the plans for the restroom/concession stands that we are preparing to build. This will be placed in a central location, with easy access for our baseball, softball, track, and football fans.

Looking at the plans you can see it will not only have a restroom facility but also a covered area so fans will not have to wait in the rain when purchasing goodies. It will have two ordering areas so workers can see out and watch the activities taking place. A big thank you to Jason Busch and Lisa Curry for getting phase one of this total project off to a great start. The committee is hoping for a fall finish.



Raffle Winners!

The committee was able to generate \$975.00 from the raffle sales, \$300.00 of which Jason Busch collected at the door of a home basketball game. Below are our lucky winners! Special thanks to Jim & Kathy Eckland, Jan Bernardi, Darlene McLeod and John Roady for putting in the extra time to sell tickets.



Prize Donors Randy Parrow & Mike Pihl



1 Cord of Wood Winner Larry Adams (Donated by Pihl Logging)



BBQ Winner Cari Lardy (Donated by Kathy Eckland & Randy Parrow)



Chainsaw Winner Jan Bernardi (Donated by Randy Parrow)



It is spring time here in Vernonia, although you wouldn't know it since we have closed school due to snow, have canceled baseball and softball games, and many places in town accumulated a foot of snow on April 11th! Regardless of Mother Nature's antics it is actually spring time and time to start our fundraising campaign for 2022.

If you have a yard sign, please bring them out and display them. I will start placing signs around Vernonia at various locations to kick off our spring campaign for the covered stadium project. We thank all of you for your previous donations towards this project, your support is appreciated and needed. As reported earlier in this newsletter phase 1 of this project, the concession/restroom portion, is well underway and it will be time to start focusing on phase two, the covered stadium.



VHS WINTER SPORTS UPDATE

By: Gordon Jarman

Boys Baskelball

The Boys basketball team showed great improvement throughout the season. Led by All-League players David McCallum, Lyness Ota and Garrett Jones, the boys team made the league playoffs for the first time in four years. Improving from a winless league record just three years ago and playing a JV schedule last year to making the league playoffs this year was a feat in itself. With the majority of the team returning for next year things are looking up for the boy's team.



*Boys' basketball photo compliments of VHS yearbook

The Girls basketball team was very successful again this year. With the coaches taking extra precaution due to the covid pandemic the team was able to avoid complete quarantine and only a couple of individuals were out at a time. The team won the District Championship after finishing second in the league. That put them as the number one seed going into the State playoffs. The girls team hosted the Stanfield Tigers in the first round of the state playoffs but came up a little bit short in a very close game that could have gone either way. The girls were led by All-League athletes Brooklynn Walters, Kaydence Roberson, Kortnie Adams and Audrey Hill. The coaches have a busy summer scheduled for the team with camps and competition to get ready for next year and to help them return to the state playoffs.





The wrestling team, although short on numbers but long on talent, was the most successful of the winter sports programs. With only 12 athletes out for the team the LOGGERS were second in the district and gualified 7 athletes to the state meet held in Culver at the end of February. Out of those 7 athletes 4 of them placed fourth or better to earn Vernonia's first ever state wrestling trophy. The LOGGERS placed third as a team and were led by Isaiah Naeve, 4th at 285 lbs., Leo Cosce, 4th at 120 lbs., Trevor Wolf, 3rd at 126 lbs. and state runner up Brandon DePue at 120 lbs. By placing second this year Brandon was a two-time state place winner. He won the state championship last year. The loggers will only lose two seniors off of the state team so things will be looking up for next year. Trevor Wolf continues to seek excellence, working out after the state tournament and attending the world tournament held in Reno Nevada this past April. He will be returning to lead the LOGGERS next year. This was a great accomplishment for first year head coach Ian Rogers.



*Wrestling photos compliments of Scott Laird



Vernonia Athletic Hall of Fame

By: Gordon Jarman

After a two-year hiatus, due to the covid pandemic, the Hall of Fame is being resurrected! The Hall of Fame committee, consisting of Dean Bernardi, Ernie Smith, Jason Busch and Gordon Jarman, will be convening this spring to plan the event that will take place for next school year. The selections for this specific induction ceremony were made in 2020 but due to covid restrictions were not able to be celebrated. We are always looking for nominees for the Hall of Fame, please use the guidelines below for submitting any future candidates.

Nominee Guidelines

Category one: Community Member

Those persons in the Vernonia Community that have over time, exhibited through their volunteerism, dedication to Vernonia athletics or contributions to Vernonia athletics above and beyond what is the normal realm of what individuals are expected to contribute.

Category two: Modern day Athletes

Those athletes who have been graduated from Vernonia High School for at least five years previous to their nomination, but not more than ten years.

Category Three: Older Athletes

Those persons that have been graduated from Vernonia High School for at least ten years.

Selection criteria for Hall of Fame Athletes

Team Sports (football, volleyball, basketball, baseball and softball)

The inductee must:

- 1) Be a Vernonia HS graduate
- 2) The candidate must have been out of school for at least five years before being nominated.
- 3) The candidate must have been selected as an all-state athlete on the first or second teams or have been selected to play in the East West Shrine football game, or the All-Star series for basketball, baseball, volleyball or softball.

Individual Sports (cross country, wrestling, track and field, equestrian and golf)

The inductee must meet one of the following criteria:

- 1) Placed first or second in the OSAA sponsored state meet for their sport.
- 2) Placed first or second in the OHSET state meet.
- 3) Placed in the top three of the state HS Freestyle or Greco state wrestling meet.
- 4) Selected to the Oregon High School Coaches cultural exchange team.

Please send the name of your nominations, along with the matching criteria and details to Gordon Jarman at:

Vernonia High School Attn: Gordon Jarman 1000 Missouri Ave. Vernonia, OR 97064

Giving is a Very Personal Thing

Jim Eckland

Giving to others is a personal choice and can be in a variety of forms. I know that providing a gift to a grandchild to help with college expenses can be a very satisfying experience; so can volunteering your time once a week at the local foodbank. Contributing financially to a non-profit organization, such as the Vernonia Boosters Logger Stadium Campaign, may also provide self-satisfaction and tax benefits for certain individuals.

Contributing to the Boosters may be in the form of volunteering your time and talents, donating cash or stocks or organizing a special event. Any size contributions are always welcome. Individuals may designate how they wish their contribution to be used. It's a personal choice!

A few years ago roughly 200 Vernonia Alumni and others contributed over \$250,000 towards new athletic facilities for the Vernonia Schools. These contributions ranged from \$25 individual contributions to over \$100,000 from one family; they have come in the form of cash, stocks and sponsored events by two different classes. In the past two years, over 200 supporters have contributed nearly \$200,000 towards the Logger Stadium Campaign

The Vernonia Boosters is a 501(c) (3) public charity which means that all contributions may be used as a tax deduction for those individuals who itemize their deductions on their federal tax return. Steering Committee members are volunteers and there are no paid staff; thus, the administrative costs are very minimal. The Vernonia School District Athletic Department does provide very limited administrative support to process contributions, provide financial reports and publish a newsletter.

Contributions may be sent to:

Vernonia Boosters Logger Stadium Campaign PO Box 73 Vernonia, OR 97064

or, you may contribute online on our Vernonia Logger GoFundMe page which can be found at

www.newloggerstadium.com



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Thank you for your continued support!