

# Newsletter

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## VERNONIA EDUCATION FOUNDATION

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The campaign for Vernonia's Schools

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Summer activities abound in Vernonia this year with the Pat Curl Memorial Sports Benefit featuring comedian Tony Pace at the annual Friendship Jamboree, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Biggest Reunion in August or just visiting family and friends. (See page 2 for more details on these events.) We hope you are able to make it back home and join us for these events!

During the summer events there will be several opportunities to help the Vernonia Education Foundation and the Vernonia School District with continued fundraising efforts. Contributions to the Sports Initiative, our debt-reduction campaign and other VEF initiatives are very welcome and tax deductible.

Your year to date giving has made it possible to meet our debt obligation of almost \$500,000 for the 2014-15 school year, but with the onset of July 1, we are already working to meet those requirements for 2015-16. Any donations to help the district move forward will be greatly appreciated.

**Softball Field Update:** Local contractor Robert Watts began excavation during the third week in June, working to install a level playing surface with underground drainage and irrigation lines. Fencing material has been purchased at a discounted rate and will be installed by volunteers, as will dugouts and storage sheds.

The goal is to have this facility completed (with everything finished except growing grass in the outfield) in August prior to Jamboree and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Biggest Reunion.

**Sports Initiative Update:** According to Committee Chair Jim Eckland, 175 Vernonia Alumni have contributed nearly \$80,000 to the Sports Initiative. The target to be hit by the end of 2015 is \$100,000. The Sports Initiative Committee will have a display and table set up at the Reunion on August 16th (see back page for details on this event). Be sure to stop by!

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**July 9, 2015**—VEF Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. School Library;

**August 8, 2015**—*Laughter Through the Years* with Tony Pace - Comedy Show and Dinner Fundraiser.

**August 16, 2015**—Vernonia's 2nd Biggest Reunion

*Upcoming Events*

## VEF Board of Directors

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## ATHLETIC DONATION INCENTIVES

Donors to the Vernonia athletic programs, including the Vernonia Education Foundation Sports Initiative, will be recognized with the following designations at each season's Sports Dessert, as well as at the Vernonia Athletics Hall of Fame Banquet:

### Silver Supporter – Donation of \$500-999

Receive: Season Pass for one to all home athletic events excluding home play-off games.

### Gold Supporter – Donation of \$1000-9,999

Receive: Season Pass for two to all home athletic events including home play-off games, but excluding OSAA state playoff games.

### Platinum Supporter – Donation of \$10,000 +

Receive: Lifetime pass for two to all home athletic events including home playoff games, but excluding OSAA state playoff games.

## FUN SUMMER EVENTS!



# Alumni Friends Vernonia Schools YOU'RE INVITED! Vernonia's Biggest Reunion - 2015



Sunday August 16th - 10am-2pm

\$5 per person. - Cash Only

Under 18 - FREE

- ⇒ School Tours
- ⇒ Music
- ⇒ Food Vendors
- ⇒ Auction



For more information, please visit our facebook page:

[facebook.com/VernoniasReunion](https://www.facebook.com/VernoniasReunion)

Or e-mail us:

[biggest.reunion@vernonia.k12.or.us](mailto:biggest.reunion@vernonia.k12.or.us)

Reserve a room for your class to meet!

Limited Availability - each reservation will be given 4 entries to our raffle!

**Vernonia Schools**

1000 Missouri Ave. Vernonia, OR

## VHS Class of 1975 Presents: *The Pat Curl Memorial – Sports Benefit...*

A fundraiser for the VEF - Sports Initiative – specifically for Track & Field and/or Cross Country

**"Laughter  
through the  
Years"**

FEATURING Las Vegas headline act...

**TONY PACE**

**Singer, Comedian, Impressionist**

Saturday, August 8, 2015

Vernonia School Commons

Main Event: 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

**Tickets starting at \$25.00**



**ON SALE NOW AT: <http://www.patcurlbenefit.bpt.me/>**

For questions about the show or info on special VIP Pre-Show event email: [PatCurlBenefit@gmail.com](mailto:PatCurlBenefit@gmail.com)

**Raffles, Comedy Show, Music, Family Fun - and Lots of Laughter!**

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