

## Annual Camp 18 Logger's Memorial Dedication and Logging Show

Please plan to celebrate the logging industry of the past and present at the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Camp 18 Logger's Memorial Dedication and Logging Exhibition.

The event will be held on Saturday, May 10 at Camp 18 Logging Museum located at milepost 18 on Highway 26 in Elsie, OR. ADMISSION IS FREE and everyone is welcome, so round up your family, friends and neighbors and enjoy a day of sawdust flying, tree climbing, axe throwing, nail-biting competition and edge-of-your-seat fun!

This year's event will begin at 10:00 AM with the Logger's Memorial Dedication Ceremony. During this time we will honor the fallen loggers of the past and officially dedicate the newest remembrance plaques to the Logger's Memorial. (Please note: the deadline for purchasing plaques to be included in this year's dedication was April 15<sup>th</sup>. For more information regarding plaque purchases, please contact Danielle Cook at 503-308-3250 or danicook09@yahoo.com)

Immediately following the Dedication Ceremony will be the action packed Logging Exhibition! This is

"the event" for hard working loggers and talented high school forestry teams from all over Oregon to come together and showcase their skills. There are still contestant spots available and logging companies and individual loggers are encouraged to participate - so put together a team, test your skills and join the fun! Events include tree climbing, choker setting, splicing, double bucking, and the hooktender race. Team registration for the exhibition begins at 9:00 AM so be sure to arrive early.

Make sure to stick around for the auction! Donated items include an authentic Robert Tidwell carving form "Knot Just a Bear," two cords of firewood (cut and split), an Ax-Man Axe, and a log truck of firewood. Food and beverages will also be available for purchase throughout the event.

Volunteers are needed and donations are greatly appreciated. For more details on team registration and volunteer opportunities, please contact Mark Standley at 503-434-0148 or logsafeinc@yahoo.com or Darlene Wilcoxon at 503-728-2050 or darlenew41@gmail.com.

We hope to see you there!

## Cover Oregon Extends Deadline Oregonians have until April 30 to apply for private health insurance

Oregonians now have an additional month to apply for private health insurance.

The new deadline to apply is April 30. This gives people who have not yet applied for insurance through Cover Oregon more time. More time to apply. More time to find out what financial assistance they may qualify for. More time to get covered.

As of April 3, there have been more than 200,000 enrollments through Cover Oregon. And right now, certified Cover Oregon partner organizations, like The Public Health of Columbia County, are working hard to spread the word and help individuals and families get the health insurance they need.

Right now, the Public Health can help Oregonians apply and enroll in health insurance free of charge. Partners and agents can enroll people online, and oftentimes in one meeting, making the process faster and easier than before. Individuals and families can make an appointment with Public Health today. For more information please contact Patricia Ortiz, 2370 Gable Rd, St. Helens or directly call at (503)397-4651 x2005 or Cell (971)203-3300. Email: portiz@tphfcc.org

Oregon's extended application period is targeted to people purchasing

private health insurance coverage either through Cover Oregon or directly from an insurance carrier. People who purchase through Cover Oregon can access tax credits and other financial assistance. Oregonians who are eligible for the Oregon Health Plan or Healthy Kids can apply for coverage year round.

Visit [resources.coveroregon.com/new-deadline-QA.html](http://resources.coveroregon.com/new-deadline-QA.html) for more information about the extended application period.

### New small business tax credit option

Qualified Oregon small business owners will have access to more affordable health insurance for their employees. Through an arrangement with participating insurance companies, qualified small businesses that purchase a Cover Oregon certified plan directly from an insurance company can benefit from federal tax credits. The tax credits will offset premium costs for employers who provide health insurance to their employees.

The arrangement allows small businesses to access the tax credits for 2014 without having to wait for small-group shopping features to be available on Cover Oregon's website. Find more on how this process will work at [resources.coveroregon.com/small-business](http://resources.coveroregon.com/small-business).

## Meet and Greet the Candidates Running for Non Partisan Positions

Political campaign "Meet and Greets" are often the first chance that voters and constituents have to meet a candidate. They offer the opportunity to meet the candidates and put a face to the name and also learn more about them.

Please take this opportunity to meet the candidates for the upcoming May 20<sup>th</sup> election on Friday April 25 from 6:30 to 8:00 PM at the Village Inn, 535 S. Columbia River Hwy., St. Helens, OR. Food and drink will be available (no host).

**For Circuit Court Judge Position 1**  
Jean Martwick  
Cathleen Callahan  
Jason Heym  
**For Circuit Court Judge Position 3**  
Jenefer Grant  
Agnes Peterson  
**For County Commissioner Position 2**  
Henry Heim Mueller  
Wayne Mayo



**Upper Nehalem Watershed  
Council  
Annual Meeting  
Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> - 10am-2pm**  
Vernonia Grange - 375 North St.

The community is welcome to attend and encouraged to learn from the Nehalem watershed.

Time to mingle with citizens of the Nehalem. Participate in a strategic planning process. Enjoy a potluck.

UNWC stakeholders will be voting on UNWC Bylaw – revisions.

UNWC seeks Executive Board members.

UNWC is a non-profit with 18 years of experience in serving the citizens of greater Nehalem valley since 1996.

### THE WATERSHED

The Upper Nehalem Watershed Council boundary includes the Upper Nehalem, Middle Nehalem and most of the Lower Nehalem class V watersheds. The Council boundary covers an area of 541 square miles in four counties (Columbia, Clatsop, Tillamook and Washington).

### OUR MISSION

To foster better stewardship and understanding of the Upper Nehalem Watershed and its resources, to address issues in advance of resource degradation, and to ensure sustainable watershed health, function and use.

### OUR VISION

A balanced ecosystem that supports a healthy watershed, contributes to a strong economic base, and encourages viable communities.

Please join us!



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## Cemetery Committee Seeks New Members

The Vernonia Cemetery Committee is looking for three new members. The Committee meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month. Their duties include suggesting policy and improvements for the cemetery, which is then reported to the Vernonia City Council for action. Please consider joining this committee to look out for the best interest of our loved ones that have their final resting place on the hill. If interested, please request a committee application at City Hall.