

Attention Youth with Small Animals!

Saturday, January 23, 2016, there will be a Small Animal Learning Day at the Columbia County Fairgrounds for youth ages 5 to 19. The event starts at 9 am and wraps up around 4 pm. This entry level workshop is designed to inform and explain lots of the ins and outs of the 4-H Small Animal projects. 4-H membership is not required. There will be educational clinics and showmanship with rabbits, cavies (guinea pigs), and poultry. This is a perfect chance to get involved with your small animals. Youth will also have the opportunity to consider project animals that will be for sale; all animals will have been judged for show quality and potential.

Registration forms are located at the OSU Extension Service at 505 N. Columbia River Hwy, St. Helens, 503-397-3462 and on their website. The cost is \$5 day of show. Come ready for an exciting day! If you have any questions, please call Marianne 503-308-3853.

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Program on Plants and Plantings for Pollinators

The Columbia County Extension Service is hosting the speaker for the county's Master Gardener's January meeting.

The speaker will be Horticulturalist Neil Bell from Oregon State University Extension Service in Marion County, with his topic of choosing the right plants and designing the right plantings for pollinators. With bees and other pollinators at some risk, this program will show how gardeners can support these species by the landscape plant materials they choose.

It is free and open to the public and will be held at St. Helens High School's Loo-Wit Room on Thursday, January 28th at 6:30 pm.

Upcoming Events

Vernonia Ballet presents *Frozen* - Friday, January 22, 7:00 pm at Grace Family Fellowship, 957 State Ave. This performance is open to the public, no admission.

Vernonia RidgeRider Annual Banquet - Saturday, January 23rd, 6:00 pm in the building next to Grace Family Fellowship Church. Potluck, auction, meeting and elections

Freewheelers Wood Raffle Winners

The Vernonia Freewheelers are pleased to announce the winners of their annual wood raffle:

#248924 Colin and #248692 Larry, who donated his prize to Tim.

The Freewheelers would like to thank the community for helping them help so many others!

Beggio Named Program Manager at Columbia Humane Society

As 2016 begins, the staff and Board of Directors of the Columbia Humane Society would like to once again thank Columbia County for their continued support and understanding through our recent organizational changes. We are looking forward to great things for the shelter and animals of the Columbia Humane Society in this coming year. Please stop in during our new business hours, which are Tuesday through Thursday from noon to 7 pm, and Saturday and Sunday from noon to 7 pm. The animals love to have the public come in and pay them a visit. Perhaps you will find that new forever friend today!

At this time we would like to take the opportunity to welcome our new Program Manager, Lisa

Beggio. Lisa has worked at the shelter for 15 years, has a great working knowledge of shelter operations, animal behavior, and a sense of what this community needs in order to help improve the animal welfare of Columbia County. Lisa looks forward to her continued work with the Columbia Humane Society, and hopes to make your visit to the shelter a positive one. Feel free to stop in and meet her, and to share any ideas you might have for helping her and us uphold and further the mission of the shelter.

As always, without the continued support of our community our little shelter would not be able to move forward each year. We are proud to say that we helped house and rehome 1,200 animals in 2015, and look forward to the impact we can make in the animal world in 2016. Please continue to donate at www.columbiahumane.org, or in person at the shelter, located at 2084 Oregon Street, St. Helens, Oregon, 97051.

Vernonia Weather December 2015

DATE	HIGH	LOW	PRECIP
1	45	36	.70
2	39	39	.75
3	50	39	.35
4	48	42	.19
5	48	46	.95
6	53	46	1.65
7	57	49	1.10
8	58	47	2.30
9	52	45	1.13
10	47	41	.80
11	43	37	.38
12	47	40	.83
13	41	32	.90
14	42	31	.10
15	39	38	.09
16	44	39	.52
17	52	43	1.40
18	46	35	.20
19	44	34	.22
20	45	37	.61
21	47	33	.65
22	42	32	.60
23	41	32	1.05
24	35	30	.70
25	35	31	T
26	37	31	.20
27	36	34	.35
28	40	34	.02
29	38	28	T
30	39	21	0
31	37	20	0
Ave/Tot	44.1	36.2	18.74

Weather data is collected at the U.S. Weather station at the Vernonia Water Plant

Columbia Humane Society Featured Pet



Meet Bo. He is a gentle and fun loving guy that is looking for a new forever home. He is about 11 years old, gets along great with other dogs and would just prefer a place to retire. He is in great health, other than the cataracts in his eyes. He is friendly and very mellow. Stop in and meet this love bug today. His adoption fee has been reduced to \$75.00 to help this senior find his way into a new forever home.

Web: www.columbiahumane.org
2084 Oregon Street
St. Helens, OR 97051
Phone: 503-397-4353

Email: animalwelfare@columbiahumane.org

Upper Nehalem Watershed Council Meeting

6:30 pm on Thursday
January 28, 2016

at the UNWC office
1201 Texas Ave. Suite A,
Entrance is around the back
of the School District building

For more
info call
(503) 429-0869
or email
maggie@nehalem.org



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Family: \$10.00 Individual: \$5.00
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