

Spirit of Christmas in Vernonia



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Where Do You Wear Your Wescos?

We received a lot of interest in the West Coast Shoe Company article published in the December 6, 2018 issue of the Voice, so we decided to talk to some locals about their Wescos.



Left - Right: Arnie Tolonen has owned this pair of Wescos for about 55 years. He wore them when he worked at his family's Youngs River Boom Company, and later son Craig wore them while he worked in the woods. Dennis Nelson owns two pairs of Wesco boots on the Keasey Century Tree Farm, one pair purchased in 1986 and another purchased in 2013. Mike Pihl says he's owned about a dozen pair of Wescos during his logging career - this last pair is about 20 years old. He had them custom made with hobnails on the sole to help them last longer. Cory Colburn owns two pair of Wescos from his old logging days, but he doesn't wear his calks when he's finishing hardwood floors with Fall Creek Woodworking.