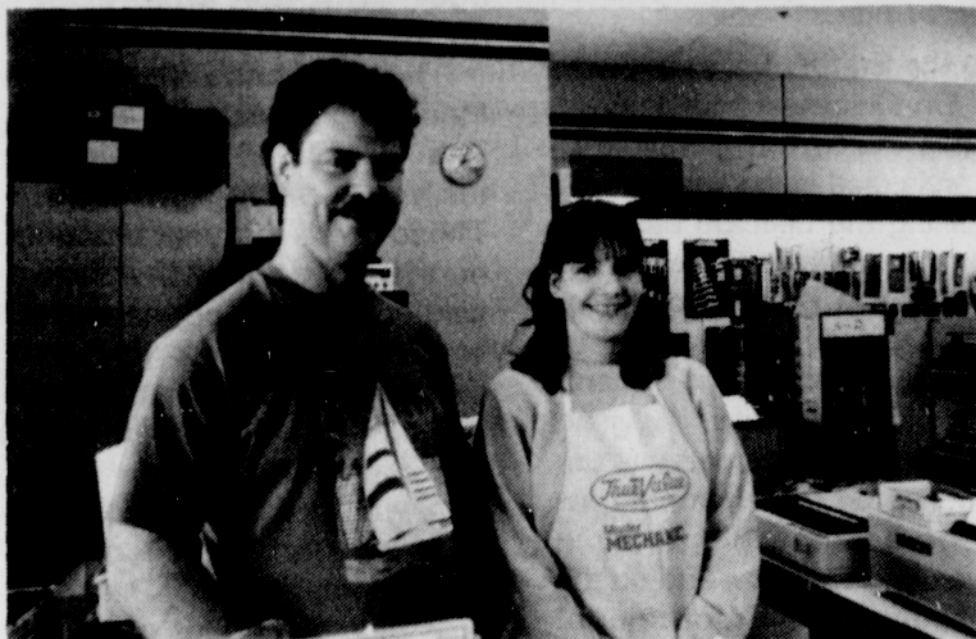


Business Notes

True Value Hardware store opens in Banks at Oak Village Center



Bill Claunch and Genie Russell at new Banks True Value.

For the first time in nearly a year, the doors have opened in Oak Village Shopping Center in Banks where there used to be a True Value Hardware store. What has taken its place? A True Value Hardware store.

Bill Claunch of Sylvan Heights has moved his operation to Banks from Rock Creek, where he has run a True Value store for the last seven years. Construction in the Rock Creek area just became too much to handle, Claunch said, and it was definitely affecting business. He

knew of the Banks location and, on October 1, he opened the doors to serve the Banks area.

"I'm pleased with the way the community has accepted me, especially the other merchants," he said. "I'm much more comfortable here than I was at the other location."

Along with his experience, Claunch brings Genie Russell, his manager for the last year and a half at the Rock Creek location. "I don't know why, she just seems to follow me," says Claunch, revealing some of his laid-back humor.

Beside a smile or two, the new store is offering a full line of hardware, plumbing and electrical supplies, yard and garden tools, some housewares, packing materials and a drop-off sharpening service for knives, saws and scissors. They will be open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., 9-5 on Saturday and 10-5 on Sunday.

The store is located next to Jim's Supermarket in the Oak Village Shopping Center. For any additional information call 324-5700.

Sen. Dukes receives interim appointment to Emergency Board

State Sen. Joan Dukes has been appointed to fill a vacancy on the Legislative Emergency Board during the 1993-95 interim period. The Board is the influential budget committee that distributes funds when the Legislature is not in session.

Dukes, D-Svensen, will again chair the Senate Transportation Committee during the interim. She will also serve on the General Government subcommittee of the Emergency Board, the Trade and Economic Development Committee, the Legislative Administration Committee, and the Columbia River Task Force, which focuses on the river's threatened and endangered species.

Dukes said she is excited about her interim committee responsibilities, particularly because they directly affect her district and constituents. She also serves as Assistant Majority Leader for the Democratic Caucus.

"Economic development,

transportation, ports, fishing, water quality, budgets—these are issues that touch virtually everyone in the district," Dukes said. "In addition, the Emergency Board can allocate funds for other needs."

"This is an excellent list of

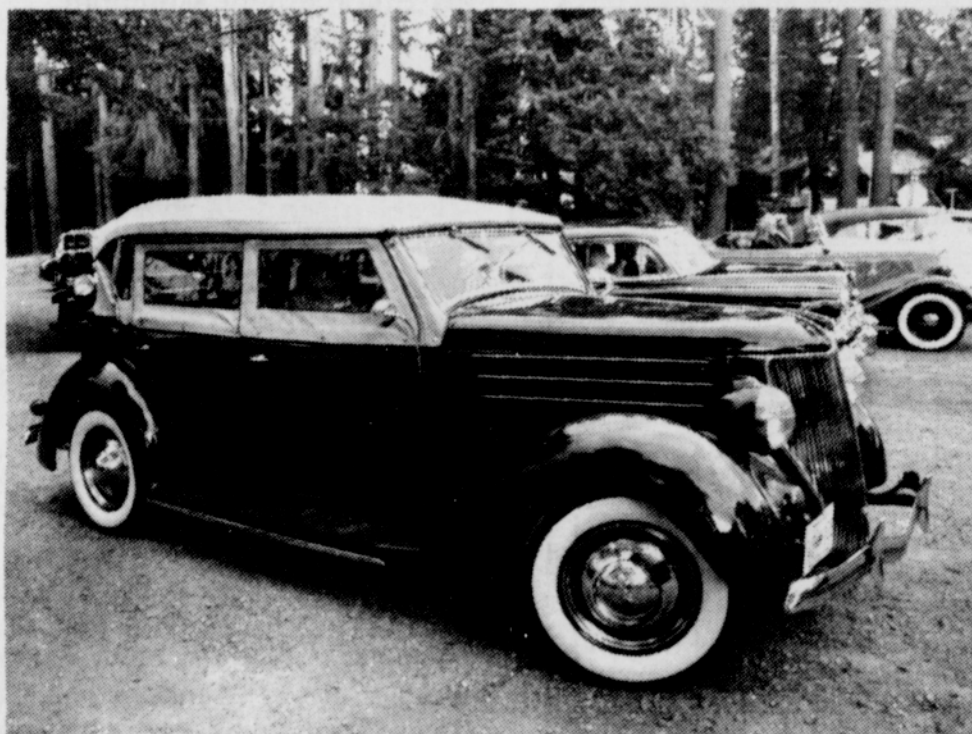
interim assignments, because it enables me to be out in front on the problems and issues we face in Tillamook, Clatsop and Columbia Counties," she said.

Dukes was named to the Emergency Board because of her experience with budget

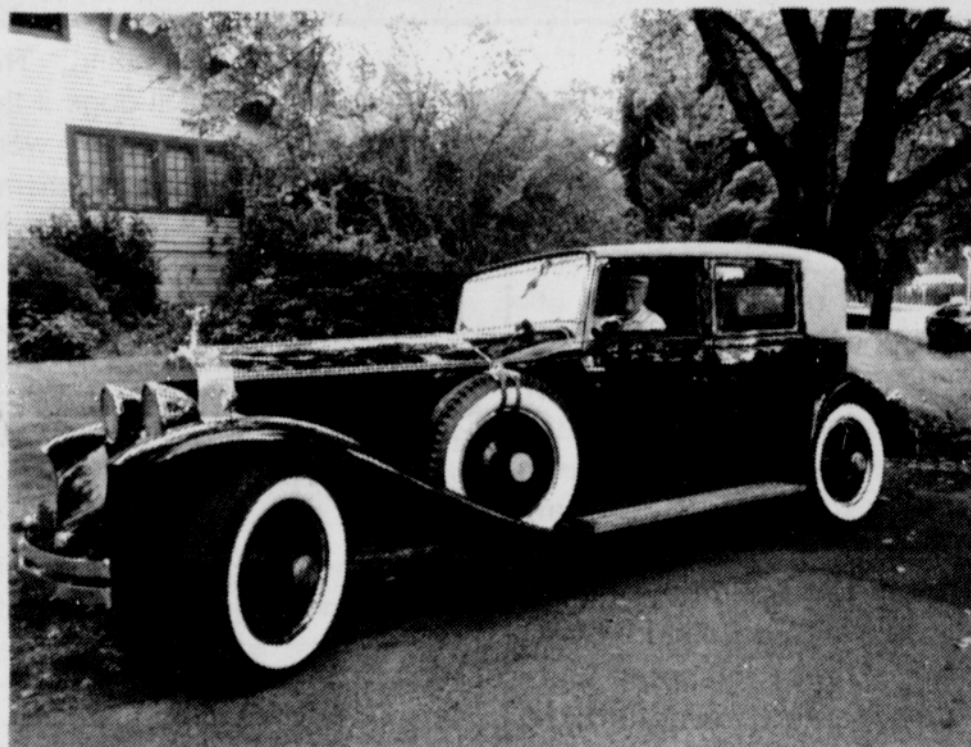
and fiscal issues. During the 1993 legislative session, she was a member of the Senate Ways and Means Committee, which approves all agency budgets and other allocations. The committee cut \$870 million from state programs in order to balance the

1993-95 state budget.

Dukes will also serve during the interim on the Executive Appointments Committee, which must review and approve appointments made by the Governor to various state and local boards and agencies.



These are just two of the approximately thirty classic cars that stopped in Vernonia on September 18 for a visit at the Columbia County Historical Society Museum, as members



of the Historical Automobile Club of Oregon journeyed to Long Beach, via Vernonia and Clatskanie. The club is headquartered in Portland.

Community Calendar

September 1993	October 1993	November 1993
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Adult Volleyball	Tuesdays	7-9 p.m., WGS Gym
Aerobics	Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays	7 p.m., WGS Gym
AFS	1st Wednesday	7:30 p.m., VHS Library
Alcoholics Anonymous	Tuesdays & Fridays	8 p.m., 1st Baptist Church
Al-Anon	Thursdays	7 p.m., 1st Baptist Church
American Cancer Society	2nd Wednesday	12:30 p.m., Golf Course
AWANA Clubs	Wednesdays	6:30-8 p.m., Evangelical Bible Church
Boosters	2nd Wednesday	7:30 p.m., VHS Library
Boy Scouts	Wednesdays	7:00 p.m., LDS Church
CC Citizens for Human Dignity	1st Thursday	7:00 p.m., for site call 429-6063
Chamber of Commerce	2nd Wednesday	7:30 a.m., Crazy Charlie's
Cub Scouts	Tuesdays	7:00 p.m., WGS Gym
Girl Scouts	1st Monday	7 p.m., WGS Library
Home Extension Club	3rd Thursday	For location call 429-5533
Izaak Walton League	3rd Thursday	For location call 429-7193
Jamboree Committee	2nd Monday	7 p.m., Vernonia Country Kitchen
Jaycees	Tuesdays	7 p.m., WGS Library
Ladies Golf Club	Tuesdays	5 p.m., Golf Course
Lions Club	1st & 3rd Tuesdays	6:30 p.m., Vernonia Cafe
Men's Golf Club	Wednesdays	5 p.m., Golf Course
Nehalem Valley Car Club	1st Tuesday	7 p.m., Options Restaurant
Parent-Teacher Club	3rd Thursday	7 p.m., WGS Library
Preschool Story Hour	Wednesdays	10:30 a.m., City Library
Ridge Riders	Last Tuesday	7:30 p.m., City Library
Senior Center Directors	1st Friday	1 p.m., Senior Center
Society of Arts & Crafts	1st Monday	7 p.m., WGS Library
TOPS	Tuesdays	6:30 p.m., 627 Adams (Preschool)
Vernonia Cares Directors	2nd Thursday*	7:30 p.m., 627 Adams
Vernonia City Council	1st & 3rd Mondays	7:30 p.m., City Library

Vernonia Doll Club	4th Tuesday
Vernonia Grange	2nd Saturday
Vernonia Health Center	2nd Thursday
Vernonia Planning Commission	3rd Thursday
Vernonia Preschool Directors	1st Tuesday
Vernonia Rural Fire District	2nd Tuesday
Vernonia School District	2nd Thursday
Vernonia Volunteer Firefighters	2nd Monday
WOEC Directors	3rd Tuesday

MIST-BIRKENFELD

Mist-Birkenfeld Fire Bd. of Direct.	2nd Tuesday
M-B Firefighters Assoc.	1st, 2nd & 3rd Wednesdays
M-B Ambulance Assoc.	1st, 2nd & 3rd Thursdays
Natal Grange	2nd Wednesday

COLUMBIA COUNTY (All meet in St. Helens unless otherwise noted.)

Board of Commissioners	Wednesdays	10 a.m., Courthouse
Citizens for Senior Justice	2nd Tuesday	7 p.m., Sunset Park Comm. Church
COLCO Transportation Committee	2nd Friday	10:30 a.m., Courthouse
County Council of Seniors	2nd Friday	1:00 p.m., Courthouse
Columbia Educ. Service Dist.	3rd Wednesday	7:30 p.m., 800 Port Ave.
County Fair Board	2nd Tuesday	7:30 p.m., Fairgrounds
County Parks Commission	2nd Wednesday	6 p.m., 1054 Oregon St.
Emergency Communications Dist.	3rd Tuesday	7 p.m., Courthouse
Historical Society	4th Wednesday	Noon, For location call 429-3713
Traffic Safety Commission	1st Wednesday	7 a.m., Village Inn

*January, April, July & October only

Organizations and meeting dates not listed may be included by calling 429-9410, or by mail to The INDEPENDENT, 1206 State Avenue, Vernonia, OR 97064.