

Business Notes

Clothing store, pizza and herbs combine for Vernonia mini-mall

An interesting and, perhaps, significant spurt of economic development has occurred in Vernonia without so much as a press release...or

even a poster tacked to a telephone pole...announcing a real estate transaction that resulted in the creation of a Mini-Mall.

The chain of events began when Randy and Lucy Shafer sold their Madison Avenue property to Randall and Cindy Linke, who bought it to open a clothing store. Size of the building and economic constraints suggested a subdivision and the creation of a Mini-Mall, which led to subleasing the south end of the facility back to the Shafers to house Options, their health and herbs business. The north end of the building, with the kitchen of the former restaurant, was subleased to

Scot and Angela Faulkner who, with a little remodeling, created Eagles Wings Pizza and Grill.

The three businesses are completely independent of each other though they seem, by contiguity and attitude, interdependent in a cordial, cooperative way.

The Shafers' business is familiar to most Vernonians as Options-Health and Herbs. Daughter Mandy will run the store while her mother, Lucy, conducts counseling sessions with clients seeking help in achieving physical, emotional and personal balance in their lives. She also maintains an extensive schedule of seminars on the subject throughout the area. Options' hours are Monday and Thursday 12:30 to 5 p.m. or by appointment.

The anchor business, Buffys', is most aptly described as an emporium in concept, meeting a host of needs not available in other Vernonia stores, with its major focus on clothing. It offers a good selection of men's, women's and children's new, name brand clothing as well

as quality used garments.

Buffys' is the first retail business venture for the Linkes. At present, management of the store is the responsibility of Cindy and her daughter, Misty, with the latter holding down a large chunk of floor time while her mother is busy with two other children, Mandy, 7, and Randall Max, soon to be 4. Randall senior is a cement contractor with a business in Gresham. Store hours: Tuesday and Wednesday, noon to 6 p.m.; Thursday, Friday and Saturday, noon to 9 p.m., closed Sunday and Monday.

The third business, Eagles Wings Pizza and Grill, is operated by the Faulkners and will provide, essentially, the menu the kitchen was designed to prepare when the Shafers owned it. Patrons can expect the same high quality pizza, chicken, seafood, salads, burgers and fries served in or outside, with take out orders and take-and-bake pizza. During Jamboree, pizza will be available by the slice. Business hours are Thursday through Saturday from 4 to 9 p.m.

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Community Calendar

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Adult & Family Services	2nd Thursday	1-2:00 p.m., School District Ofc.	Vernonia Planning Comm.	1st & 3rd Thursdays	7:00 p.m., City Library
AFS	1st Wednesday	7:30 p.m., VHS Library	Vernonia Pride	4th Thursday	7 p.m., VHS Library
Alcoholics Anonymous	Fridays	8 p.m., 1st Baptist Church	Vernonia Rural Fire District	2nd Tuesday	7:30 p.m., Fire Station
American Cancer Society	2nd Wednesday	12:30 p.m., Golf CourseBoosters	Vernonia School District	2nd Thursday	8 p.m., School District Office
2nd Wednesday	7:30 p.m., VHS Library		Vernonia Volunteer Firefighters	2nd Monday	7 p.m., Fire Station
Boy Scouts	Wednesdays	7:00 p.m., LDS Church	WOEC Directors	3rd Tuesday	7 p.m., WOEC
Boy Scout Parents	4th Thursday	8-9:00 p.m. WGS Cafeteria	Women's Aglow	4th Monday	7:00 p.m., Sidetrack Restaurant
Chamber of Commerce	2nd Wednesday	7:30 a.m., Country Kitchen			
Community Center Project	2nd Wednesday	6 p.m., School District Ofc.	MIST-BIRKENFELD		
Cub Scouts	Tuesdays	7:00 p.m., WGS Gym	Mist-Birkenfeld Fire Bd.	2nd Tuesday	7:30 p.m., Main Fire Station
Girl Scouts	Thursdays	6:30-8 p.m., Christian Church	M-B Firefighters Assoc.	1st, 2nd & 3rd Wednesdays	7 p.m., Main Fire Station
Izaak Walton League	3rd Wednesday	For location call 429-7193	M-B Ambulance Assoc.	1st, 2nd & 3rd Thursdays	7 p.m., Main Fire Station
Jamboree Committee	1st Wednesday	7 p.m., VHS library	Natal Grange	2nd Wednesday	7:30 p.m., Grange Hall
Lions Club	1st & 3rd Tuesdays	6:30 p.m., Lew's Place			
MTC Training & Placement	2nd Thursday	1-2:00 p.m., School District Ofc.	COLUMBIA COUNTY (All meet in St. Helens unless otherwise noted.)		
Nehalem Valley Car Club	1st Tuesday	7 p.m., Crazy Charlie'	Board of Commissioners	Wednesdays	10 a.m., Courthouse
Oregon State Employ. Dept.	2nd Thursday	1-2:00 p.m., School District Ofc.	Citizens for Senior Justice	2nd Tuesday	7 p.m., Sunset Park Church
Preschool Story Hour	Wednesdays	10:30 a.m., City Library	COLCO Transportation	2nd Friday	10:30 a.m., Courthouse
Ridge Riders Saddle Club	Last Thursday	7:30 p.m., City Library	County Council of Seniors	2nd Friday	1:00 p.m., Courthouse
Senior Center Directors	1st Friday	1 p.m., Senior Center	Columbia ESD	3rd Wednesday	7:30 p.m., 800 Port Ave.
Senior & Disabled Services	2nd Thursday	1-2:00 p.m., School District Ofc.	County Fair Board	2nd & 4th Tuesday	7 p.m., 4-H Bldg., Fairgrounds
Society of Arts & Crafts	2nd Thursday	City Library, 429-7605 for time	County Parks Commission	2nd Wednesday	7 p.m., 1054 Oregon St.
TOPS	Tuesdays	6:30 p.m., 627 Adams	Emergency Comm. Dist.	3rd Tuesday	7 p.m., Courthouse
Vernonia Cares Directors	2nd Thursday*	7:30 p.m., 627 Adams	Historical Society	4th Wednesday	Noon, location call 429-3713
Vernonia City Council	1st & 3rd Mondays	7:30 p.m., City Library	Traffic Safety Commission	1st Wednesday	7 a.m., Village Inn
Vernonia Grange	2nd Saturday	10:00 a.m., Grange Hall			
Vernonia Preschool Directors	1st Tuesday	7 p.m., 627 Adams			

*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.