

Business Notes

"Community Treasure" award goes to ColCo manager Pam Cook

The work of five ColCo Transportation managers was recognized at an awards presentation in December. Pamela M. Cook of Vernonia, Marjorie G. Johnson of Clatskanie, Joan B. Briley of Rainier, Betty M. Reynolds of St. Helens, and Doris H. Olsen of Scappoose were each given a Superior Performance Award for out-

standing service and dedication to the organization beyond normal job requirements in 1997.

Cook also received the PGE/TACS "Community Treasure Award." Through Cook's dedication to her job, ColCo has become a true community transit system in Vernonia. She

was nominated by her peers for this award and was one of few chosen for the honor from many nominations throughout the Northwest.

Additionally, Johnson and Briley received Outstanding Service Awards for fundraising, dedication and loyalty to the organization in 1997.

Columbia County Transportation Manager Bob Girt presented special award certi-

cates to the five ColCo Transportation Area Managers.

Hyde elected chair of AOC District 7

Columbia County Commissioner Tony Hyde has been elected by his peers to chair Associated Oregon Counties District 7. District 7 is composed of Columbia, Clatsop, Tillamook and Lincoln Counties.

Hyde will be responsible for development of the District's annual work program and calendar, conducting quarterly district meetings, serving on AOC's Board of Directors and Legislative Committee. Additionally, Hyde has been appointed to AOC's Revenue and Taxation Steering Committee.

Appraiser's license is suspended

The state Appraiser Certification and Licensure Board (ACLB), in December, suspended the real estate appraiser license of Sykes Mitchell, of Vernonia, for ninety (90) days. The suspension will remain in effect until March 1, 1998.

According to the ACLB, Mitchell failed to cooperate with the board's investigation of complaints filed against him and refused to produce records

related to his real estate appraisal activity. The investigation involves appraisals of real property located in Columbia County.

In addition to the ninety (90) day suspension, Mitchell was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$500 and produce the documents required by the ACLB.

The ACLB is part of the Department of Consumer and Business Services.

County computer users group formed

A Columbia County computer users group meets once a month to discuss new technology, answer questions, and have an occasional guest speaker. Example topics are hardware, software, networking, and the Internet.

The group was formed in November, in response to suggestions from customers of the Columbia Technology Center. It is composed of people from all over Columbia County with various computer skill levels.

Anyone in the county, regardless of their skill level, is invited to attend. Both PC and Mac users can participate and it is not necessary to be hooked up to the Internet.

"To learn more about your computer, the Internet and more, the Columbia County Computer Users Group is a great place to start," said Brian Reynolds, one of the group's originators.

For further information, contact the Columbia Technology Center in St. Helens, 397-1139, cccug@columbia-center.org.

New name for local funeral home

In keeping with the continuity established by Fuiten-Rose Mortuary Chapel, a new name has been added.

The mortuary service company, which has offices in Forest Grove and Vernonia, now is Fuiten, Rose & Hoyt Funeral

Home to reflect the ownership by Jeff and Debra Rose Hoyt. The Hoyts have owned the company for five years.

They wanted to emphasize the tradition of the company by keeping the Fuiten and Rose names, according to Jeff Hoyt, but add Hoyt because another generation of Hoyts may enter the business someday.

Founded by Jim Fuiten, the mortuary was bought in 1984 by Derrel and Deann Rose, who are Debra Hoyt's parents. Derrel Rose had worked for the Fuitens 18 years. Jeff Hoyt also had worked for the company before he and Debra purchased it.

Chiropractor opens in Banks

Dr. Eric Hansen, chiropractor, has opened the Banks Family Health Center at 201 Main St.

Hansen offers chiropractic medicine treatment that includes radiologic and laboratory evaluations and treatments for occupational and sports injuries. He also provides physiologic therapeutics, massage therapy, some herbal and homeopathic prescriptions and nutritional counseling.

A graduate of Western States Chiropractic College, Hansen previously had a practice in Darby, Mont., and in Aloha.

His fiancée, Monica Hintz, who is from Banks, is office manager of the clinic.

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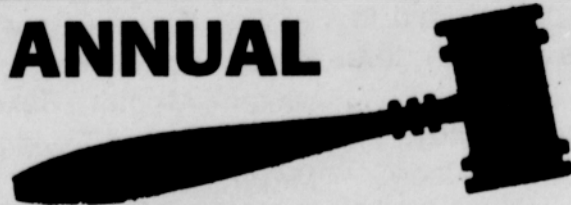
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