

Business Notes

New owners at Vernonia cafe

Crazy Charlie's Restaurant is now the Silver City Café, with local residents Lynda James and her son, Shawn Jackson, taking over operations at the beginning of the year.

Jackson formerly cooked in Alaska and in the Galaxy Restaurant in Portland. James has many years of experience in all phases of restaurant work, although she has been an accountant in a pipe fabrication business for the past ten years.

The restaurant is open six days a week from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. and on Wednesdays from 6:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Silver City Café is located at 866 Bridge Street; the phone number is 429-2415.



Shawn Jackson and Lynda James

Fair Board seeks public opinion on RV park plan

Local citizens are encouraged to attend a "Town Hall" meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 22, at 7:00 p.m. in the Pavilion at the Columbia County Fairgrounds. The Fair Board is seeking input on a proposed RV park development, development of the adjacent Asbury Acres, and other future development needs at the fairgrounds.

Oral comments may be limited.

Free lesson offered on ballroom dancing

A free Ballroom Dance Workshop will be offered Saturday, February 7, 2:00-3:30 p.m. at Vernonia High School.

Michael and Cynthia Parent, owners and dance instructors of Impressions Dance Club, will host the workshop. The couple moved from Phoenix in 1997 to open their dance studio in Tigard. They have hosted many workshops and are committed to re-vitalize the art and joy of ballroom dance. The Parents are expecting their second child in March.

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ited, depending on attendance and time available at the meeting. Written comments are also welcome and may be sent to: Columbia County Fair Board,

P.O. Box 74, St. Helens 97051. Submit comments by January 31, 1998.

For more information call the fairgrounds office at 397-4231.

Update on United Way campaign

The United Way of Columbia County Campaign has reached 95 percent of the \$300,000 goal. The confirmed amount to date is \$285,110. The \$300,000 goal is 8.4 percent above last year's campaign, according to Suzanne Arnits, executive director.

"We fully expect to reach our campaign goal of \$300,000," said Brian Burright, volunteer campaign chair. "The final total will be announced on January 30."

In other United Way business, the board of directors elected Jeff Mihajlov, from Armstrong World Industries, as a new member. He is replacing Armstrong employee Blane Peterson who will be leaving the board after six years.

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WOEC weathers snow/ice storm

By Jim Buxton

For the most part, the investment in brush removal paid off for members of West Oregon Electric Cooperative members during the recent ice storm.

The line crews followed established priorities by restoring power to the greatest number of people first, repairing the easiest problems next, then concentrating on the tough and isolated outages.

Scheduled contract crews cancelled at the last minute and setbacks were experienced by crews working on the Elsie transmission line, which resulted in some members being without power for about two days.

Nevertheless, the system was almost fully restored while Portland General Electric, WOEC's neighboring utility, still had thousands of customers without power.

Annual loggers conference slated

The theme for the 28th annual Associated Oregon Loggers (AOL) convention will be "Sound Management For Our Forests." More than 400 logging business owners will gather Jan. 22-24 in Eugene for the convention.

Speakers will include Sen. Gordon Smith, Dr. Jack Ward Thomas, a professor at the

University of Montana and former U.S. Forest Service chief; and Oregon State Forester Jim Brown.

Other speakers will be AOL President Mike Wiedeman of BTP Logging, former Oregon Representative Larry Campbell and Bill Sizemore of Oregon Taxpayers United.

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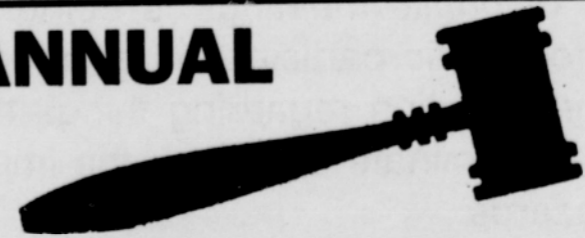
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MEETING TIME

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