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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

City of Vernonia will hold a public informational meeting regarding the wetlands inventory for the City of Vernonia, Columbia County, Oregon before the City of Vernonia Planning Commission, January 20, 2000 at 7:00 PM in the Chamber Room at City Hall, 1001 Bridge Street, Vernonia.

A representative from the Division of State Lands will be present. The purpose of this project was to obtain a more complete understanding of the location, quantities, kinds and functions/values of wetlands and riparian areas in the Vernonia area. The draft City of Vernonia Wetlands and Riparian Inventory prepared by Shapiro and Associates, Inc. will be available at City Hall for review during regular business hours. Written testimony is welcomed if you are unable to attend this meeting.

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**NOTICE OF SESSION
COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD
OF PROPERTY TAX APPEALS**

Notice is hereby given that on February 7, 2000, at 9:00 a.m., the Board of Property Tax Appeals of the County of Columbia, Oregon, will meet to:

- Hear petitions for reduction of the real market, maximum assessed, specially assessed, or assessed value of property as of January 1, 1999.

- Hear petitions for reduction of value corrected under ORS 311.208.

- Hear petitions for waiver of penalties for late filing of real or personal property returns.

Petitions must be filed with the clerk of the board not later than January 3, 2000.

The board will meet in Room 308, Columbia County Courthouse in the City of St. Helens, Oregon (third floor, Columbia County Courthouse).

A schedule of hearings for those who request to be present will be posted 48 hours prior to the meeting(s) on the public bulleting board, front lobby, Columbia County Courthouse, St. Helens, Oregon 97051.

Executive Sessions may be held during the session as required by ORS 308.290(7), ORS 308.411, and ORS 308.413.

All other hearings will be scheduled as time allows. If you have requested to be

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present at the hearing you will be notified of the time and place to appear. Contact the Board of Property Tax Appeals for further information.

It shall be the duty of the persons interested to appear at the time and place appointed.

**Elizabeth E. Huser
Columbia County Clerk**

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 29th Day of December, 1999.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY
TO THE CITY OF VERNONIA,
COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON**

Public Hearings will be held on the 20th day of January, 2000 at 6:30 PM, before the City of Vernonia Planning Commission and on the 24th day of January, 2000 at 6:30 PM, before the City Council of the City of Vernonia, Oregon on the question of annexation of certain real property to the City of Vernonia.

The Public Hearings will be held at City Hall. Pursuant to ORS 222.120 and ORS 222.170(1), the City has dispensed with the holding of an election on the question of annexation. The Request/Consent to Annex form has been submitted by a majority of the owners of the property to be annexed. The properties to be annexed are described in Exhibit A. A staff report will be available to the public at City Hall for two weeks before the hearings, and may be copied for a nominal fee. Public comments will be heard.

EXHIBIT A

4404-012-0300
Block 1 Second Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-0500
Lot 5 Block 2 Second Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-0600
Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 Block 2 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-0700
Lots 5, 6, 7 and 8 Block 1 First Addition to

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the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-0800
Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 Block 1 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-0900
Lots 9, 10, 11 and 12 Block 1 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-01100
Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 along the north side of platted alley as well as Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 all in Block 4 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-01200
Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 Block 3 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-01300
Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 Block 6 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-01400
Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9 and 10 Block 5 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-01500
Lots 7 and 8 Block 5 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-01600
Lots 11 and 12 Block 5 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-01800
Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 Block 8 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-01900
Lot 12 Block 8 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-02000
Lots 9, 10 and 11 Block 8 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-02100
Lots 7 and 8 Block 8 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-02200

The INDEPENDENT

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Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District is accepting applications for Part Time **Facility Maintenance** position. Light facility maintenance to include grounds and station maintenance. Contract or hourly wage to be negotiated with applicant. Application is available at Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District office at 555 E. Bridge St., Vernonia, 9am to 5pm weekdays through 01/31/00. Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications. Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District is an equal opportunity employer B0119

Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District is accepting applications for Part Time **Equipment Maintenance** position. References required for Certified Mechanic. The applicant must have abil-

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ity to do oil changes, tune-ups on schedule and minor repairs on front line engines to small gas engines. Applicant must be willing to make weekly checks and be open to late night service calls. Contract or hourly wage to be negotiated with applicant. Application is available at Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District office at 555 E. Bridge St., Vernonia, 9am to 5pm weekdays through 01/31/00. Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District is an equal opportunity employer. B01/05 B01/19

COPY & FAX SERVICE

**The INDEPENDENT
429-9410
725 Bridge St., Vernonia**

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Lot 12 Block 7 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-02300
Lots 8, 9, 10 and 11 Block 7 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-02400
Lot 5 Block 7 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-02401
Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 Block 7 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-02600
Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 Block 10 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-02700
Lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 Block 9 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-012-02900

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Lots 1, 11 and 12 Block 9 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-013-0200
Lots 1 and 12 Block 12 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-013-0300
Lots 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 Block 12 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-013-0301
Lots 4, 5 and 6 Block 12 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-013-0400
Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 Block 11 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

4404-013-0401
Lots 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 Block 11 First Addition to the City of Vernonia, County of Columbia, State of Oregon.

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Obituary

THEODORE H. DeWITT

Theodore H. Dewitt, 81, Vernonia, died Jan. 5, 2000, at his home. Funeral services were held at the Vernonia Christian Church, with Pastor Joel Stith officiating. Interment was at Vernonia Memorial Cemetery.

Mr. Dewitt was born Jan. 8, 1918, in Wheatland, to Harley and Lela B. (Harned) DeWitt. The family moved to Vernonia when he was 13, and he attended Vernonia High school.

He served in World War II in the U.S. Army Air Corps as an aircraft mechanic with the 832nd Bomb Squadron in England, becoming a squadron chief by the end of the war. He was discharged in 1945.

He married Nacia Evers in 1950, at Walla Walla, Wash. They made their home in the Keasey area of Vernonia.

He worked for Birkenfield Brothers Logging Company, after high school, then for Oregon-American Lumber Company. When he returned from the service, he went to work again for Oregon-American Lumber Company. In 1957, he went to work with Pettijohn Engineering Company, and in 1962, he went to work on the survey crew for Columbia County. He retired in 1979.

He was preceded in death by a sister in 1983, and a brother in 1986.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Larry of Longview, and Jerry of Vernonia; a daughter, Kathy of Forest Grove; five grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Remembrances are suggested to the American Heart Association, Oregon Affiliate, Inc., 1425 NE Irving St., Suite 100, Portland, OR 97232-4201 or to Washington County Hospice, 427 SE 8th Avenue, Hillsboro, OR 97123.

Fuiten, Rose & Hoyt Funeral Home in Vernonia was in charge of arrangements.

JENNIFER E. KEITH

Jennifer Ellen Keith, 30, Forest Grove, died Jan. 3, 2000, of congestive heart failure. A memorial service was held Jan. 7 at her mother's Forest Grove home. Interment was in Willamette National Cemetery.

Miss Keith was born Dec. 17, 1969, in Mountain View, Calif., to James M. and Judith (Miller) Keith. The family moved to Forest Grove in 1989. She graduated from Forest Grove High School in 1991.

She worked for a sheltered workshop, Vanguard Services, in Hillsboro, and was a swimmer and broad jumper for the California Special Olympics.

Miss Keith was preceded by her father in 1996.

Survivors include her mother; and three sisters, Karen of Forest Grove, Sherry Anderson of Hillsboro, and Judy Lynn Acton of Vernonia.

Remembrances are suggested to Quiet Waters Outreach in Sherwood.

Fuiten, Rose & Hoyt Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

ELLEN M. CLIFTON-SMITH

Ellen Marie Clifton-Smith, 36, Winemucca, Nev., died Dec. 30, 1999, of injuries suffered in a traffic accident. A memorial service was held Jan. 8 at Salmon Creek United Methodist Church in Vancouver, Wash.

Ms. Smith was born Jan. 19, 1963, in Portland. She attended schools in Beaverton and Hillsboro.

Survivors include her parents, Jerry and Sally DuPree of LaCenter, Wash., and Al and Jan Clifton of Bend; a daughter, Jessica Robinette of Winemucca; brothers, Al Clifton of Memphis, Tenn., Michael DuPree of Vancouver, Wash., Joe DuPree of Everett, Wash., Damien DuPree of Aloha, and Darren DuPree, of Portland; sisters, Margaret Clifton and Jay Clifton, both of Portland, Angela Dupree-Quiett of Hillsboro, and Michelle Dupree-Taylor of Vernonia; grandmothers, Margaret McNicholas of Beaverton, and Helen Clifton of Rockaway; numerous uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews and cousins.

E. KEITH ENDECOTT

E. Keith Endecott, 69, Banks, died Jan. 4, 2000. Funeral services were held Jan. 7 at Fuiten, Rose & Hoyt Funeral in Forest Grove. Interment was in Union Point Cemetery, in Banks.

Mr. Endecott was born Jan. 30, 1930, in Banks to Ernest E. and Edna I. (Cason) Endecott. He graduated from Banks High School in 1949. He served in the U.S. Army, 167th Infantry 31st Division, during the Korean War.

In 1956, he married Barbara J. Pentico in Forest Grove. They lived in Banks until moving to Hillsboro. They returned to Banks in 1992.

Mr. Endecott attended Clark County Chef School in Vancouver, Wash., and owned and operated The Dinette in Hillsboro and Hillsboro Catering for several years until his retirement in 1974. He had also worked on the Washington County road crew.

Survivors include his wife; daughters, Pam Ruiz of Banks, and Sandy Wallace of Hillsboro; five grandchildren; a niece and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Robert D.

Remembrances are suggested to the American Diabetes Association in Portland.

Fuiten, Rose & Hoyt Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

FLOYD T. BROWER

Floyd T. Brower, 67, St. Helens, died Jan. 6, 2000. Private family services were held. Disposition was by cremation.

Mr. Brower was born May 4, 1932, in Astoria.

In 1957, he married Elaine Colligan. They had lived in St. Helens for the past 36 years.

He served in the U.S. Navy, then worked for many years for Campbell Crane Company, and others, until retiring in 1997. He was a member of Steel Workers Union Local 701, in Portland.

Mr. Brower was a member of St. Helens Elks Lodge 1999.

Survivors include his wife, daughter Debra Petersen of Vernonia; and two grandchildren.

Columbia Funeral Home in St. Helens was in charge of arrangements.

MARIE KATHLEEN HAWKINS

Marie Kathleen Hawkins, 84, Santa Barbara, Calif., died Dec. 21, 1999. A

private service was held. Disposition was by cremation.

Mrs. Hawkins was born Feb. 15, 1915, in Banks. Her maiden name was Jensen. She graduated from Banks High School and Oregon Normal School. She taught in Oakland, Calif; Garibaldi and Hillsboro.

She married Elbert Hawkins in 1945. She moved to Beaverton in 1952, and co-owned the Valley Times newspaper until 1979, when she sold the business and moved to Santa Barbara.

Survivors include her husband; daughter, Kathy Guerin of Goleta, Calif; brother; Joe Jensen of Ocean View, Hawaii; sister, Pat Knapp of Keizer; and two grandchildren.

Remembrances are suggested to St. Helens Hall at Oregon Episcopal School.

McDermott Mortuary in Santa Barbara was in charge of arrangements.

ERVIN A. BUCHHOLZ

Ervin A. Buchholz, 79, Woodburn, died Jan. 7, 2000. A memorial service was held in Simon-Woodburn Funeral Chapel. Disposition was by cremation. Interment will be in a Minnesota cemetery.

Mr. Buchholz was born Aug. 14, 1920, in Holland, Minn. He farmed in Holland and Wadena, Minn., until moving to Astoria in 1965. He worked on the Astoria-Megler Bridge construction and for Wauna Paper Mill, then as a cannery worker until his retirement in 1978. He moved to Woodburn in 1981.

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He married Christina Thor in 1981.

He was preceded in death by a son, Bruce, in 1951, and a stepson, Gary Barkley, in 1997.

Survivors include his wife; sons, Marlyn of Woodburn, Robert of Vernonia, and David of Rockaway; daughters, Linda Larsen of Woodburn, Diane Gilbert of Salem, and Rhonda Jackson of Astoria; step-daughters Cheryl Gantert of Woodburn, Donna Rae Stone of Sheridan, and Darla Rae Gillespie of Tigard; stepson Larry Barkley of Tigard; brother Leonard of Alexandria, Minn.; 21 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; one great-great grandchild.

Remembrances are suggested to the American Diabetes Association.

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741 Madison Av. Vern.....429-6611**

*In Loving Memory of
THEODORE H. "TED" DeWITT
Jan 8, 1918 Jan. 5, 2000
Services Held*

**ORVAL O. BISHOP
June 30, 1926 Jan. 13, 2000
Services Held**