

## Youth art work will be featured in show

A diverse collection of youth art from area schools will be on display at Columbia Center beginning Thursday, March 2.

All community members are invited to meet with the artists and celebrate the show during the First Thursday reception that will be held from 6-7:30 p.m. on March 2 at Columbia Center. The St. Helens High School Jazz Band will provide musical entertainment during the reception. The show and reception are sponsored by Boise Cascade Corp.

The "Time Machine: Forward and Back" show, hosted by the Columbia Center Art Committee, will continue through March 30. It may be viewed during Columbia Center's usual business hours.

During the reception, awards will be presented for artwork judged exceptional in several categories. As a grand

prize, the Art Committee will sponsor one application for a high school artist to attend a summer art program called Jumpstart. Committee members will pay the application fee and help the student compile a portfolio of their work that is necessary to apply.

Information about entering the show has been distributed to teachers in the St. Helens and Scappoose school districts. However, students who have not been notified through the schools, are home-schooled, or attend other schools may also participate. They should bring their artwork to Columbia Center, 375 S. 18th St., on Feb. 28 between 4-6 p.m. The show is open to all grade levels.

"The Columbia Center Art Committee is delighted to show off the talent of our young artists," said Jan Rentenaar, chair of the show. "The committee has featured youth art at least once each year and it is

always one of our favorite shows. We hope the community will enjoy this show as much as we do.

"We want to thank Boise Cascade for sponsoring this show, which allows us to host the reception, present awards and sponsor a student application to Jumpstart," Rentenaar said. "We could not bring this to the community without Boise's help or without the cooperation of the schools and the Jazz Band."

The art program is sponsored by Columbia Foundation, the non-profit group formed to build Columbia Center, where the St. Helens Public Library and Columbia Technology Center operate.

Questions about the art show and about entrance requirements may be directed to Barbara Peschiera, executive director of Columbia Foundation, by calling 397-1139 or by e-mail at bcp@columbia-center.org.

## Cookin' with Gladys

By Gladys Sharar

### CORRECTION

As we all know, errors happen and, unfortunately, one crept into this column in the last issue. We hope this correction helps you create a tasty main dish

### HAM AND POTATO AU GRATIN

3 tbsp. butter or margarine	3 tbsp. flour
2 cups milk	1 1/2 cups shredded cheddar cheese
1 tbsp. Dijon mustard	
1 pkg. (24 oz.) frozen shredded hash browns	2 cups ham cut in thin strips
1 pkg. frozen chopped spinach, thawed and drained	

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Melt butter in large saucepan over medium heat; stir in flour, add milk, then cook and stir until bubbly. Cook one minute more. Remove from heat. Stir in cheese and mustard; set aside.

Place 1/2 of ham into ungreased medium casserole. Top ham with 1/2 of potatoes and 1/2 of milk mixture. Spoon spinach over top. Repeat layers with remaining ham, potatoes and milk mixture.

Bake uncovered 30 minutes or until hot throughout. Serve with fresh fruit on the side, and a sprig of parsley on top of each serving. Makes 8 servings.

## Wagner is Senior Spelling Champ

Vernonia can now claim a national champion as one of its residents: After first winning the state title, Audeen Wagner has brought home that distinction as winner of the National Senior Spelling Bee. The final match was held Feb. 5 in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

In the orals, contestants weren't told whether they were correct or incorrect until they had missed three words and were eliminated.

Slowly, contestants were eliminated. So slowly, in fact, that the announcer ran out of words, forcing the judges to pull out a dictionary and add to the list.

After three grueling hours — with just two contestants remaining — Tom Parnell of Laramie, Wyo., faltered on "sesquipedalian" (given to using long, multisyllabic words). Wagner nailed "arenicolous" (living or growing in sand); she was the champion!

Sharing in her delight and the joy of her victory was Wagner's husband and spelling coach, Bob, who accompanied her to Cheyenne.

The Senior Spelling Bee is sponsored by the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP).



Audeen Wagner

The spelling bee began with a 100-word written test that eliminated more than half of the 33 contestants from several states, leaving just 15 for the

## Jamboree theme contest underway

The annual contest for the Vernonia Friendship Jamboree, Logging Show and Cruise-in is now underway, with a \$50 U.S. Savings Bond awaiting the winner. The contest will continue until March 31 and the winner will be announced after the first Jamboree meeting in April. Mail your suggested theme along with your name, address and phone number, to: Vernonia Jamboree Committee, PO Box 244, Vernonia, OR 97064.

The next meeting of the Jamboree Committee will be Thursday, February 24, at the Country Kitchen at 7:00 p.m. Local groups and organizations that plan to be involved are encouraged to attend so the Jamboree Committee can better accommodate their needs.

Anyone else interested in becoming involved is encouraged to attend and bring their ideas to make this Jamboree

the best ever. If you can't attend or have questions, call Randy Parrow at 429-1093.

## Welcome Additions

### Clay Matthew Sullivan

Clay Matthew Sullivan was born Sept. 13, 1999, at St. Vincent Hospital in Portland to Todd and Tamara Sullivan. He weighed 8 lbs, 2 oz., and was 21.5" long.

Clay joins a brother, Lane, and a sister, Meghan, at their Vernonia home.

Grandparents are Larry and Sue Sullivan of Madras and Steve and Sue Minger of Vernonia. Great-grandparents are Charlie and Irene Minger of Scappoose, Roy and Dolores Thomas of Tigard, and George Henderson of Hillsboro.

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Vernonia, 429-6790

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Children's Church w/Nursery  
Evening Fellowship 6:00 p.m.  
Nursery Care

Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m.  
Bible Studies, Wed. 7:00 p.m.

### GRACE REFORMED BAPTIST CHURCH

D.J. Dickey, Pastor  
Grant & North Streets  
Vernonia, 429-1919 or 429-8720  
Sunday Services: Adult Prayer & Children's Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Afternoon Worship 2:00 p.m.

Tuesday Service:  
All Family Bible Study, 7:30 p.m.  
Every Second Sunday, the 2:00 p.m. Worship is replaced by a Fellowship Meal following the 11 a.m. service.

### FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Joel Stith, Pastor  
410 North St., Vernonia, 429-6522  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service 6:30 p.m.

Every Wednesday:  
Ladies' Bible Study, 9:15 a.m.  
Children's Choir 3:00 p.m.  
Family Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.

Women's Fellowship, 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 1:30 p.m.

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

John Cahill, Pastor  
359 "A" Street  
Vernonia, 429-1161

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

Evening Worship  
Saturday, 6:00 p.m.

### ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Fr. Tim Mockaitis, Priest-Moderator  
Pastoral Administrator  
Lani Vandehey

960 Missouri Avenue  
Vernonia, 429-8841

Mass Sundays 10:00 a.m.  
Reconciliation 9:30-9:45 a.m.  
or by appointment

### SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

Roger Kruger, Pastor, 397-6883  
2nd Ave. and Nehalem St.  
Vernonia, 429-1941

Sabbath School 9:15 a.m.  
Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
Tuesday Prayer, 7:00 p.m.

### ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Michael Jackson, Pastor  
662 Jefferson  
Vernonia, 429-7058

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.

Women's Bible Study,  
1st & 3rd Mon. 7:00 p.m.  
Women's Ministry,  
Alternate Wed. 7:00 p.m.

### ST. AUGUSTINE (CANTERBURY) EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Rev. Robert Grafe, Vicar  
960 Missouri  
Vernonia 429-3700

Sunday Services, 9:30 a.m.

### NEHALEM VALLEY BIBLE CHURCH

Jerry James, Pastor  
500 California Ave  
Vernonia, 429-5378

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Nursery available  
Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.

### VERNONIA FOURSQUARE CHURCH

Pastor Paul Pastor  
850 Madison Avenue  
Vernonia, 429-1103

Sunday Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.  
Children's Sunday School

Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.  
Evening Service  
Youth Ministry  
Children's Ministry  
Nursery Available

Men's Ministry 7:45 a.m.  
3rd Saturday, each month

### CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

Lee Knowlton, Branch President  
1350 E. Knott Street  
Vernonia, 429-7151

Sacrament Meeting, Sunday 10 a.m.  
Sunday School & Primary 11:20 a.m.

Relief Society, Priesthood and Young Women, Sunday 12:10 p.m.