

Business Notes

THIS SPACE PAID FOR BY VERNONIA SENTRY AS A COMMUNITY SERVICE TO OUR AREA

Theft of Services

The Vernonia Police Department has received reports of people who dump their personal garbage into containers belonging to businesses in Vernonia, the Senior Center also has this problem. We have instructed the businesses to contact us when this occurs and we will investigate and locate those responsible.

This act falls under the state statute of Theft of Services, which can range from a Class C Misdemeanor to a Class B Felony, depending on the dollar amount of services utilized.

Here's a suggestion to those responsible for this problem: Sign up for garbage service or take your garbage to the Vernonia Transfer Station every 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month. Stop trying to make someone else pay your garbage bill.

— Jim Walters
Chief of Police

Farm Credit program returns savings to members

Northwest Farm Credit Services in Hillsboro and Tillamook has returned nearly \$375,000 back to its customers within the last month. Farm Credit's Interest Reduction

Program returned 60 basis points (or six-tenths of one percent) back to its member-stockholders on their average loan balance for 1999. The average check size was approxi-

mately \$1,100.

Hillsboro and Tillamook Manager, Dana Stovin said, "We recognize the stress occurring in the agricultural community and are pleased to be able to return value to our customers. With Farm Credit's current strong financial position, we are able to reduce our customers borrowing cost without risking our capital position." Over \$17 million was returned

to more than 12,000 Farm Credit customers across Montana, Washington, Idaho, Oregon and Alaska.

Farm Credit Services provides financing and related services to farmers, ranchers, aquatic harvesters, timber producers, agribusinesses and rural homeowners in Montana, Idaho, Oregon, Washington and Alaska.

Food handler's class to be given in Vernonia Nov. 30

Columbia County Sanitarian Mark Edington will hold a food handlers' class beginning at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, November 30 at Leonetti's Pizza, 721 Madison Avenue in Vernonia.

Participants will study the booklet, watch a film and can ask Edington questions. The class should last no longer than 1 1/2 hours.

Those who successfully pass the food handlers test will receive a food handlers permit. The fee for taking the test is \$10.

Booklets are available for

check-out at the Vernonia public library. Booklets cannot be mailed, but can be purchased over-the-counter for \$2 from Columbia County Public Health, 2370 Gable Road in St. Helens. Test questions are formulated from material in the

Food Handler's booklets.

For more information, call Mr. Edington at Columbia County Public Health, 503-366-3828. Pre-registration is not required. Participants should bring a pen or pencil to complete the test.

Fly tying book signing combined

Lee Clark, St. Helens author of the book entitled *Fly Tying with Poly Yarn*, published by Frank Amato, will be at a book signing and demonstration/discussion all day Saturday, No-

vember 18. The event is being hosted by the St. Helens Book Shop.

Clark, a retired St. Helens High School shop teacher, developed unique tying concepts using polypropylene (poly yarn) by blending his knowledge of art with his skills as a fly tier. Poly yarn is buggy, buoyant and blendable, making it the perfect material for tying effective fishing flies. *Fly Tying With Poly Yarn* includes full color step-by-step instructions, yarn foundations, body wraps, yarn shrouds, wings and more. Clark details 12 different fish-catching flies, including the Clark's Stonefly, with patterns for imitating caddisflies and mayflies as well.

The St. Helens Book Shop is located at 1550 Columbia Blvd., St. Helens.

Dinner and Talent show scheduled here

Do you have your Dinner/Talent Show tickets yet?

November 18 is the day and Lew's is the place for this fun-filled event and you don't want to miss out.

Tickets are available at Lew's Place or by calling Carolyn Keasey at 503-429-2021.

This is a fund raiser for the American Cancer Society in memory of the friends and neighbors the community has lost in the last year. Proceeds will aid in research to stamp out this dreaded disease.

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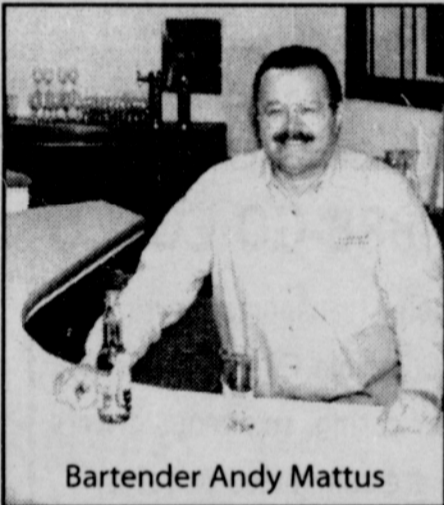
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Bartender Andy Mattus

Community Calendar

VERNONIA

Al-Anon	Mondays	6:30 p.m., Head Start Bldg.
Alcoholics Anonymous	Mondays	6:30 p.m., Head Start Bldg.
Alcoholics Anonymous	Saturdays	7:00 p.m., Head Start Bldg.
Arts & Crafts Society	2nd Thursday	2:00 p.m., City Library
Boosters	2nd Wednesday	7:30 p.m., VHS Library
Boy Scout Troop 201	Tuesdays	7:00 p.m., Head Start Bldg.
Boy Scout Troop 860	Wednesdays	7:00 p.m., LDS Church
Cemetery Beautification Comm.	2nd Thursday	7:00 p.m., City Library
Chamber of Commerce	2nd Wednesday	Noon, Lew's Place
Doll Club	4th Tuesday	1:00 p.m., Senior Center
Girl Scouts	Thursdays	6:30-8 p.m., Christian Church
Izaak Walton League	3rd Thursday	For location call 429-7193
Lions Club	1st & 3rd Tuesdays	6:30 p.m., Lew's Place
Narcotics Anonymous	Thursdays	6:30 p.m., Head Start Bldg.
Nehalem Valley Car Club		For Info Call 429-4074
Preschool Story Hour	Mondays	10:30 a.m., City Library
Upr Nehalem Watershed Council	4th Thursday	For location call 429-2401
Vernonia Airport Committee	3rd Wednesday	7:00 p.m., City Library
Vernonia Cares Directors	1st Thursday	For location call 429-1414
Vernonia City Council	1st & 3rd Mondays	6:30 p.m., City Hall
Vernonia Comm. Dev. Corp.	2nd Tuesday	Noon, City Hall
Vernonia Grange	2nd Friday	7:00 p.m., Grange Hall
Vernonia Health Center	2nd Thursday	6:00 p.m., 510 Bridge St.
Vernonia Planning Comm.	1st Thursday	7:00 p.m., City Hall
Vernonia Pride		For Info Call, 429-1204
Vernonia Ridge Riders	Last Thursday	7:00 p.m., City Library
Vernonia RFPD Board	2nd Tuesday	7:00 p.m., Fire Station
Vernonia School Board	2nd Thursday	8:00 p.m., District Office
Vernonia Sr. Center Board	1st Friday	1:00 p.m., Senior Center
Vernonia Volunteer Firefighters	2nd Monday	7:00 p.m., Fire Station
WOEC Directors	3rd Tuesday	7:00 p.m., WOEC

MIST-BIRKENFELD

M-BRFPD Board	2nd & 4th Tuesday	7:30 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-B Ambulance Assoc.	1st & 2nd Thurs.	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-B Firefighters Assoc.	1st & 2nd Wed.	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-B Rescue	3rd Wednesday	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-B Helping Circle	2nd Wednesday	10:00 am, 755-2346 for info.
Natal Grange	2nd Wednesday	7:30 p.m., Grange Hall

BANKS

Alcoholics Anonymous	Fridays	8:00 p.m., Methodist Church
Banks City Council	2nd Tuesday	7:30 p.m., City Hall
Banks Planning Commission	Last Tuesday	7:00 p.m., City Hall
Banks School Board	2nd Monday	7:30 p.m., Jr. High Library
Banks Youth Group	Sundays, Wednesdays	7:00 p.m., UMC Youth Bldg.
Chamber of Commerce	1st Thursday	12:30 p.m., Brown Derby
Citizen Participation Org.	3rd Monday, odd months	7:15 p.m., City Hall
Friends of the Library	1st Saturday	10:00 a.m., City Library
Lions Club	1st & 3rd Wednesdays	7:00 p.m., Methodist Church
Sunset Park Assoc.	3rd Wednesday	8:00 p.m., Gun Club
TOPS	Wednesdays	7:00 p.m., Administration Bldg.
Tri-City RFPD Board	2nd Wednesday	7:00 p.m., Station 13

COLUMBIA COUNTY (All meet in St. Helens unless otherwise noted.)

Board of Commissioners	Wednesdays	10 a.m., Courthouse
Citizens for Senior Justice	2nd Tuesday	7:00 p.m., Sunset Park Church
COLCO Transportation	2nd Friday	10:30 a.m., Courthouse
County Council of Seniors	2nd Friday	1:00 p.m., Courthouse
County Fair Board	2nd & 4th Mondays	7:00 p.m., Fairgrounds
County Parks Commission	3rd Thursday	6:00 p.m., 1054 Oregon St.
Emergency Comm. Dist. (9-1-1)	3rd Tuesday	7:00 p.m., Courthouse
Historical Society	4th Wednesday	Noon, location call 429-3713
Traffic Safety Commission	1st Wednesday	7:00 a.m., Village Inn

Organizations and meeting dates not listed may be included by calling 429-9410