

County Health Partnership receives award for innovative program

The Columbia County Health Partnership was presented the "Most Innovative Program Award" at the annual conference of the Special Districts Association of Oregon (SDAO), in Seaside on Feb. 9.

Receiving the award were Carolyn Keasey of Vernonia, co-chair of the Health Partnership, and Paula Becks, chair of the Columbia Health District.

The Health Partnership is a health-planning project in Columbia County in which the community sets priorities for local health needs. It is a county-wide coalition that has en-

hanced community involvement and decision-making.

The Health Partnership is funded through grants from the Northwest Oregon Economic Alliance and the Office of Rural Health, and with funding from the Port of St. Helens. Columbia Health District is the project sponsor.

Pam Rahn, coordinator of the Columbia County Health Partnership, said that she has worked with citizens in every Columbia County community to gather information on issues of health resources, health problems, economic impacts, vital

statistics and projections, as well as community members' opinions on these issues.

The Partnership is studying the feasibility of a Critical Access Hospital and will make recommendations to the Columbia Health District.

More than 350 hours has been volunteered to the project over the past eight months, Luanne Richey of SDAO noted. "Congratulations on a meaningful project," Richey added.

SDAO awards are presented annually to a special district with an innovative program that is a significant benefit to the

community and can also be adopted by other districts.

United Way recognition banquet

United Way of Columbia County announced at its Campaign Celebration and Volunteer Recognition Banquet, that the total raised in the 2001/2002 Campaign was \$357,505. The goal set for the campaign was \$352,000, five percent more than the total raised last year.

Campaign Co-Chairs Rick Bigelow and Tony Hyde expressed gratitude for the community's generous response

There are over 750 special districts in the association.

during a difficult economy.

"We would like to thank everyone for making this another great campaign," said Executive Director Kathy Beck. "This represents a lot of hard work and dedication by our volunteers."

St. Helens High School Jazz Band provided music prior to the awards ceremony. Refreshments and door prizes were donated by businesses and individuals from the community.

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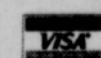
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