

Community

Senior News

By Jacqueline Ramsay



Ready or not, fall is here. Walking the lake Monday, we saw two Canadian geese enjoying the bugs in the mud along the very low water line. I hope they took back a very good report to their gaggle of geese.

Did it rain at your house early Sunday morning, or was it just over the area past the fire station?

The folks who attended the Senior Center business meeting to hear Mr. Tierney's update on a new center were impressed and told him to press forward. It will be a while, but it will be worth it.

Have you heard your first Christmas carol yet? On TV, I have; five weeks ago, and it really disturbs me to see the push

to spend your dollars on such, when Vernonia Cares needs your dollars and extra grocery items if they are to keep helping the folks in need of TLC at this time. The number of those served has increased by 40 percent over last year and we are just getting into winter, when there is less work. If you can help, please do so.

Question - Did you register, read your Voter's Guide? I hope you voted. Don't toss away your right to your voice in our government, State, Local or National.

The Senior Center has not been given a date for flu shots, as yet.

Don't drop your fish hook in the river where the fish are, the river is closed now and, anyhow, it's only catch and release when it's open.

What's coming up in November?

Still not receiving clothing, etc. until November 7.

Nov. 9 - 6:00 p.m., Salmon Feed and Auction Signup \$5.00

per person. Enjoy the Salmon, stay for the Auction. Proceeds to building fund.

Nov. 15 - 1:00 p.m. Business Meeting.

Nov. 25 - 5 Area Luncheon. Location later.

Question: Have you noticed how hard it is to keep your toilet bowl clean with all the brackish water? Hope it RAINS soon. The Tidy Bowl man must be on

vacation.

From Senior Advocate Karen Miller:

We need public input! Our office is currently trying to develop a caregiving plan to receive funding for the Vernonia area.

If you are a caregiver, licensed or not, in any capacity, or know of a need for caregiving, please contact the Senior

Advocate's Office, in person or by phone. We are located in the Senior Center building at 446 Bridge Street in Vernonia. 503-429-9112

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Public invited to class on hand-made ornaments

With the approach of the holiday season, the Vernonia Society of Arts and Crafts has once again prevailed upon Louise Hamnett to provide instruction in the crafting of Christmas ornaments.

In previous years, she has given instructions for making a variety of beaded ornaments: snowflakes, icicles, tiny Christmas trees; even a chimney with Santa popping out the top, and many others. This year, Hamnett will teach how to construct a small holiday box suitable for hanging from the tree, plus showing how to make another beaded ornament.

The public is invited to join members of the Vernonia Society of Arts and Crafts for this enjoyable craft afternoon at the Library meeting room on November 20, at 1:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome! Bring scissors, straight edge and pencil. Other materials will be supplied.

Susi and Cary take the plunge



Susi Siote and Cary Holsey were captured by a photographer while rafting on the Klamath River in August.

Susi Siote and Cary Holsey were married October 18 at the bride's Vernonia home, by Justice of the Peace Rod McLean.

The ceremony was attended by family and friends, including four of the couple's five children - Rick Siote, Melanie Holsey, Michelle and Shannon Flaherty.

The newlyweds are white-water rafting enthusiasts and, after honeymooning at Kahanee-ta, detoured for a little raft-

ing on the Deschutes River while on their way back to Vernonia.

Mrs. Holsey is editorial assistant/bookkeeper at *The Independent*. She is the daughter of Ernst and Erika Kroisandt, of Redwood City, Calif.

The groom is the son of Carl and Betty Holsey of Vernonia.

Winter Solstice Art Show and Festival of Trees seeking entries

The Gallery at Columbia Center is inviting artists to submit work for its December show. This show is composed of two parts: The Winter Solstice Art Show which welcomes art with a winter or winter holiday theme in any medium, and the Festival of Trees, for which the committee is soliciting donations of decorated miniature trees and other holiday items to be auctioned as a benefit for the Gallery.

Artists are encouraged to submit art in any style or medium and to interpret the theme broadly. "It's winter in Hawaii, too, so don't feel obligated to feature snow and polar bears!" noted art committee chairman Patty Kadel.

Submissions for the Winter Solstice Show and donations to the Festival of Trees will be accepted December 2, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the Armstrong Room at Columbia Center, 375 S 18th Street, St Helens.

The Winter Solstice art will be on display December 3 through December 30. Items in the Festival of Trees will be on display for the first week of December.

The public is invited to the First Friday opening night reception and completion of the silent auction bidding for the Festival of Trees, on Friday, December 6, 6:00-7:30 p.m. at Columbia Center. Music and hors d'oeuvres are planned.

For more information on art submissions contact Kadel at (503) 397-9174 or visit The Gallery at Columbia Center web site at: www.columbia-center.org/home/Webbs/Art/

Museum name is topic of meeting

and Sundays, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

The Columbia Historical Society Museum will hold a meeting for volunteers and other interested persons on Wednesday, November 20 at 7:00 p.m. at the museum, 511 E. Bridge Street. Included on the agenda are the adoption of bylaws, selecting a name for the museum and planning for a membership drive.

Officers elected at the last meeting were President Enid Parrow, Vice-President Lee Enneberg, Secretary Jacqueline Ramsay and Treasurer Frances Lentz.

Winter hours began Nov. 1; the museum is open Saturdays

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