

## MEETING NOTICES

### Upper Nehalem CPAC to review use permit

The Upper Nehalem Citizen Planning Advisory Committee will meet August 12 at 7:00 p.m. at Vernonia City Hall to discuss a conditional use permit for the Upper Nehalem.

For more information, call Gayle Lee at 503-704-2686.

### Regional Workforce Board meeting slated

The Region #1 Regional Workforce Board will meet Thursday, August 14, from 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., at Fultano's Pizza in Clatskanie.

For more information call Management & Training Corporation at 503-397-6495.

### CCCCF meeting set

The next meeting of the Columbia County Commission on Children and Families will be August 21, at 5:30 p.m. in the OSU Extension conference room, 550 N. Columbia River Hwy. (Hwy 30), St. Helens.

For information, call 503-397-7211.

### Local Drug & Alcohol Committee meeting

The next meeting of the Local Alcohol and Drug Planning Committee will be August 12, at 3:00 p.m. in the 2nd floor conference room of the Columbia County Courthouse, 230 Strand St., St. Helens.

For information, call 503-397-7211.

## Three extended closures planned for L&C Bridge

Several design and construction schedule modifications for the Lewis and Clark Bridge deck replacement project will go into effect starting in August, announced the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT).

A recently detected problem with the project's design will delay certain portions of the project by approximately five weeks while WSDOT engineers refine a solution to the problem and get construction back on track. WSDOT also has determined that it will be necessary to close the bridge for longer than eight hours on

three Sunday nights in order to replace three especially complex deck panels.

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The first extended closure will be 12 hours long and will start on Sunday, August 10, at 5:30 p.m. The bridge will still reopen at 5:30 a.m. on Monday morning (August 11) as usual.

The second extended closure will start on Sunday, August 17.

The bridge may be closed starting as early as 5:30 p.m., but an exact time will not be known until August 11. Engineers must wait until after the first extended closure on August 10 has occurred before deciding the hours for the second closure. The contractor will be allowed up to 12 hours for the closure, but the closure will be kept as brief as possible.

The bridge will reopen at 5:30 a.m. on Monday morning,

August 18. The third extended closure has not yet been scheduled, but also will take place on a Sunday night.

During all full closures, the bridge is closed to all traffic, including bicycles and pedestrians. All bridge closures are weather dependent and may have to be cancelled and immediately rescheduled as a result. Notification about weather-related cancellations and rescheduled closures will be released as soon as the information is available. See the project Web site for a monthly calendar of scheduled closures, including dates when closures cannot be scheduled.

### Contact numbers for Lewis & Clark Bridge

- Toll Free Lewis & Clark Bridge Deck Replacement Project Hotline: 1-866-427-4630
- Project Web Page: (Follow the Project Update link to the monthly calendar) [www.wsdot.wa.gov/projects/lewisclarkbridge](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/projects/lewisclarkbridge)
- Lewis & Clark Bridge Deck Replacement Project E-mail: [lewisclarkbridge@wsdot.wa.gov](mailto:lewisclarkbridge@wsdot.wa.gov)

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# Community Calendar

AUGUST							SEPTEMBER							OCTOBER						
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### VERNONIA

Alcoholics Anonymous	Mondays	6:30 p.m., Head Start Bldg.
Alcoholics Anonymous	Saturdays	7:00 p.m., Head Start Bldg.
American Legion Post #119	2nd Thursday	627 Adams Ave./ 503-429-4000
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., Scout Cabin
Boy Scout Troop 860	Wednesdays	7:00 p.m., LDS Church
Cemetery Beautification Comm.	2nd Thursday	7:00 p.m., Leonetti's Grill
Chamber of Commerce	2nd Wednesday	Noon, Lew's Place
Cub Scout Pack 201	Scout Cabin	For Info Call 503-429-0188
Doll Club	4th Tuesday	1:00 p.m., Senior Center
Friends of the Library	1st Tuesday	7:00 p.m., Vernonia Library
Hands On Art Committee	3rd Wednesday	7:00 p.m., Head Start Bldg.
Izaak Walton League	3rd Thursday	For location call 503-429-7193
Lions Club	1st & 3rd Tuesdays	6:30 p.m., Lew's Place
Nehalem Valley Car Club		For Info Call 503-429-4074
Preschool Story Hour	Mondays	10:30 a.m., City Library
Vernonia Airport Committee	3rd Wednesday	7:00 p.m., City Library
Vernonia Cares Directors		For location call 503-429-1414
Vernonia City Council	1st & 3rd Mondays	7:00 p.m., City Hall
Vernonia Comm. Dev. Corp.	2nd Tuesday	Noon, City Hall
Vernonia Garden Group	1st Thursday	7:00 p.m., Pioneer Museum
Vernonia Grange	4th Saturday	10:30 a.m., Grange Hall
Vernonia Health Center	2nd Monday	6:00 p.m., 510 Bridge St.
Vernonia Planning Comm.	1st Thursday	7:00 p.m., City Hall
Vernonia Pride		For Info Call, 503-429-5201
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	3rd Friday	1:00 p.m., Senior Center
Vern. Volunteer Ambulance Assoc.	1st Thursday	7:00 p.m., Fire Station
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 Business Mtg.	2nd Tuesday	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-BRFPD Board Workshop	4th Tuesday	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-B Volunteer Assoc.	1st Tuesday	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-B Ambulance Drill	1st & 2nd Thursdays	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-B Fire Drill	1st & 2nd Wednesdays	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-B Helping Circle	2nd Monday	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
Natal Grange	2nd Wednesday	7:30 p.m., Main Fire Station
T.O.P.S.	Mondays	6:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
Upr Nehalem Watershed Council	For date call 429-2401	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station

### 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
CPO 14	3rd Monday	7:00 p.m., City Library
Friends of the Library	2nd Tuesday	7:00 p.m., City Library
Lions Club	1st & 3rd Mondays	7:00 p.m., Schlegel Hall
Sunset Park Assoc.	3rd Wednesday	8:00 p.m., Gun Club
T.O.P.S.	Wednesdays	7:00 p.m., Administration Bldg.
Tri-City RFPD Board	2nd Wednesday	7:00 p.m., Station 13
Women's Aglow	2nd Thursday	7:00 p.m., City Library

### 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
County Fair Board	2nd Monday	7:00 p.m., Fairgrounds 4-H Bldg.
County Parks Commission	3rd Monday	6:00 p.m., 1054 Oregon St.
Mental Health Advisory Comm.	3rd Tuesday	10 a.m., 2nd Floor, Courthouse
Comm. on Children & Families	3rd Thursday	5:30 p.m. OSU Ext., 550 N. Hwy. 30
Local Alcohol & Drug Plann. Comm.	2nd Tuesday	3:00 p.m., 2nd Floor, Courthouse

Organizations and meeting dates not listed may be included by calling 429-9410 or by mail to The INDEPENDENT, 725 Bridge Street, Vernonia, OR 97064.