

**Business Notes**

# Etcetera expands selection with move to new location

Etcetera, previously located at 715 Bridge Street in Vernonia, has re-opened at 902 Bridge Street (formerly the Bridge Street Mall). The change of locations resulted in nearly tripling the floor space, which has made it possible for proprietors Marilyn and Dennis Nicks to expand their merchandise and offer vendor space. Now, in addition to the quality new, used and antique items that Etcetera has always offered, three additional vendors offer their own unique selection of antiques, collectibles and gifts.

"I like the decorating, but it feels really good when someone comes in and finds something they love. That makes me feel I'm doing a good job," Marilyn Nicks said. "Thanks to all the local people for their kindness and support of our family business."

The Nicks have been in Ver-

nonia for over six years and lived in Chapman before moving here. They stay very busy because, in addition to the shop, they have seven children ranging in age from two through 16 years-old.

Plans for the future include expanding the gift line, the greeting cards and the selection of jewelry. With the goal of always offering good quality merchandise at affordable prices, the Nicks will continue to have a shop that changes with the times and is always offering something new.

Since new and different items are available every day there are many reasons to visit Etcetera often. If that isn't enough reason, visit now to sign up for a drawing to be held Saturday, December 18, at 6:00 p.m. The winner will receive a gift basket filled with over \$50.00 in merchandise.



**Dennis and Marilyn Nicks at their new store.**

Etcetera's holiday hours are 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and Tuesday through Saturday, Sunday from noon to 5:00 p.m.

# OSHA website gives chemical reaction info

Chemicals have the ability to react when exposed to other chemicals or certain physical conditions. The reactive properties vary widely and play a vital role in the production of many of the chemical, material, pharmaceutical and food products we use daily. When chemical reactions are not properly managed, they can have harmful, even catastrophic consequences, such as toxic fumes, fires and explosions.

Because these reactions may result in death and injury to people, damage to physical property, and severe effects on the environment OSHA has a web site with information about chemical reactions.

For more information, go to <[www.osha.gov/dep/reactivechemicals](http://www.osha.gov/dep/reactivechemicals)>.

# Community Calendar

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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 Avenue
- Arts & Crafts Society 2nd Thursday 2:00 p.m., City Library
- Booster Club 2nd Wednesday 7:00 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, Buckhorn Restaurant
- Community Coalition 2nd Monday 12:30 p.m. School District Ofc.
- 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.
- Home Extension Club 3rd Thursday 10:30 a.m., Christian Church
- Izaak Walton League 3rd Thursday For location call 503-429-7193
- Lions Club 1st & 3rd Tuesdays 6:30 p.m., Buckhorn Restaurant
- Nehalem Valley Car Club For Info Call 503-429-4074
- Pioneer Museum For Info Call 503-429-8134
- Preschool Story Hour Mondays 10:30 a.m., City Library
- Upper Nehalem C.P.A.C. 2nd Tuesday 7:00 p.m., City Hall
- Vernonia Airport Committee 3rd Wednesday 7:00 p.m., City Hall
- Vernonia Cares Directors For Info call 503-429-1414
- Vernonia City Council 1st & 3rd Mondays 7:00 p.m., City Hall
- Vernonia Community PTA 3rd Thursday 6:30 p.m., WGS Library
- 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 & 3rd Thursdays 7:00 p.m., City Hall
- Vernonia Pride For Info Call, 503-429-5201
- Vernonia Ridge Riders Last Thursday 7:00 p.m., Senior Center
- Vernonia RFPD Board 2nd Tuesday 7:00 p.m., Fire Station
- Vernonia School Board 2nd Thursday 6:00 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 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
- M-B SAR Drill 3rd Wednesday 7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
- M-B Volunteer Assoc. 1st Tuesday 7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
- Natal Grange 2nd Wednesday 7:30 p.m., Natal Grange Hall
- 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 Fire District #13 2nd Wednesday 7:00 p.m., Station 13
- 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., Fire District Office
- 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.
- 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
- Columbia Soil & Water District 3rd Wednesday 7:30 p.m., NRCS, 2514 Sykes
- 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.