

Community

Reminder: Dial a Ride in Vernonia

Columbia County residents are reminded that they may call 1-888-462-6526 to schedule Door-to-Door/Dial a Ride service in Scappoose, Rainier, St. Helens, Clatskanie, Columbia and Vernonia.

Bus service is also available six times daily from St. Helens to the Portland Transit Mall, with stops at the Medical Mall in St. Helens, Safeway in St. Helens, Chinook Plaza in

Scappoose, Fred Meyer in Scappoose, and at NW Fifth and Hoyt in Portland.

All service is handicapped accessible. For a schedule and fare information call 1-888-462-6526 or check the website <www.co.columbia.or.us/links>. Bus passes are available, for more information, ask your driver or call the number above.

Should there be a Jamboree King or Queen next year for the 50th?

Should there be a Queen's court and/or a King's court for the upcoming 50th anniversary Vernonia Friendship Jamboree in 2006?

The Festival Committee is seeking teenagers interested in helping to develop such a program, along with adults inter-

ested in being chaperones and advisors.

There will be a sign-up sheet and more information at the Vernonia Friendship Jamboree Variety Show, Dance and 50th official kickoff ceremony at the Vernonia Grange Hall, 457 North St., on August 7.

Time to sign up for City Yard Sale

The seventh annual Vernonia City Wide Yard Sale will be held Saturday, September 17, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Contact Helen at Vernonia Realty & Insurance Center at 503-429-6203 to participate or for more information.

Maps showing the location of the sales will be available on Friday, September 16.



Senior News

By Karen Miller



It was the yodeling that did it!! Yes, Necia DeWitt yodeled her way into the hearts of

the judges at the crowning of this year's Columbia County Fair Senior Queen. We are all proud of her as she brought home the Queen's scepter as the 2005 Senior Queen representing Vernonia!! Good job, Necia. Thank you to Bill James for being her escort at the fair and for transporting her to all the parades and other places the senior queen is expected to be! And for those of you that want to hear Necia and her rendition of *I Want to be a Cowboy's Sweetheart*, come on down on Wednesdays.

WE NEED THRIFT SHOP VOLUNTEERS. If you can help, please come in and see our President, Bill James.

Thank you to all the seniors who showed up at the recent council meeting letting the city manager and council members know that we really do want a new center.

We are still offering foot care here at the center – Foot care by Judy. She comes in two times a month now so call my office to sign up. We appreciate a donation of \$15 and she does a great job.

The Sweet Adelines will be here Saturday and Sunday to serve breakfast from 7:00 a.m. to noon for Jamboree weekend. They do a great job; come on in.

Take Note: Our thrift shop we will be having a buy one, get one free item every Friday. WE WILL BE OPEN for business Friday and Saturday Jamboree weekend. See you then!

We would like to thank Larry

Bernardi for his help here at the center and all the things he does with such a good attitude; and his faithful dog who waits for him outside the door. Thank you Larry! We appreciate you.

COOL CYBER SITE: Check out "Identity Theft Resource Center" at <www.idtheftcenter.org> for information on how to protect yourself against scams before you become a victim. This is a good site to pass along to family and friends. Remember...knowledge is power!

More "so they say" info: Peanut butter will get scratches out of CD's, wipe off with a coffee filter paper. Peanut butter will remove ink from the face of dolls. For a sticking bicycle chain...Pam no-stick cooking spray. Pam will also remove paint and grease from your hands! Keep a can in your garage.

COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM, an organization dedicated to investing in your community is now on the web: Click onto their services at <www.columbia-center.org/cat> and

see where they can be of service to you!

Have a safe, fun time at all this weekend's festivities! Come see us here at 446 Bridge Street.

REMEMBER:

- Pastries and bread Wednesday and Saturday a.m.
- Bingo, Mondays at lunch.
- Music with the Golden Oldies on Wednesdays.
- Games on Thursdays.
- Willoughby Hearing every second Friday at 11:00 a.m.
- Jazzercise class at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesdays.
- Free blood pressure checks the first and third Tuesdays, 10:45 to 11:45 a.m.
- Sign language class at 9:00 a.m. on Mondays.

If you know of a senior who would like a visit from the Senior Advocate or has any senior needs and concerns, call our office.

INFORMATION NUMBERS

Senior Advocate...429-9112
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Transportation.....429-4304

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Enjoy Jamboree

but, please...
don't drink and drive

Drug Coalition to meet Aug. 8

The next meeting of the Vernonia Drug Free Coalition will be August 8 at 12:30 p.m. at City Hall. There will be no evening meeting in August.

Not a member? Everyone in Columbia & Clatsop counties can join!

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