

Open house planned on OA Hill changes

New sidewalks and bike lanes from OA Hill to Vernonia Lake are the topic of an open house planned for Monday, August 29, at 7:00 p.m. All citizens, especially those along E. Bridge Street, are invited to City Hall to view the engineer's plans and to ask questions.

The work will start at Texas Avenue, along north side of Bridge Street, and continue on both the north and south sides of the street to Riverside Drive.

Funding for the project is from a grant from the Oregon Department of Transportation. Work is scheduled to begin in June, 2006.

Maps and drawings displaying the improvements will be available. Citizen comments and suggestions are welcome and will help to make a better project. Those unable to attend, who would like to submit written comments, may contact Kate Conley at 503-429-5291.

If you are unable to attend and would like to view the information, contact City Hall.

Sign-up for sale

The seventh annual Vernonia City Wide Yard Sale will be held September 17, from 9-5 p.m.

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

VRFPD looking for new board member

With the resignation of Joe Batty, a vacancy now exists on the board of directors for the Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District. The vacant term ends July 1, 2007, and will be filled by appointment by the remaining directors.

Anyone interested in an appointment to the volunteer position

needs to submit a letter by 5:00 p.m. on Sept. 2, saying why they are interested in the position, along with name, address and telephone number. To be eligible, applicants must reside in and be registered voters within VRFPD. The letter may be mailed to 555 E. Bridge Street, Vernonia, OR 97064; or

faxed to 503-429-2900.

Applications will be reviewed during a special Board Meeting on Sept. 7, at 7:00 p.m. A decision will be made at the regular Board Meeting on Sept. 13, beginning at 7:00 p.m. For further information, call 503-429-8252 during regular business hours.

Meet new Gen. Mgr. at WOEC meeting

The annual meeting of the West Oregon Electric Cooperative will be on Saturday, August 27, at the Scout Cabin in Vernonia's Hawkins Park.

Business at the 11 a.m. meeting will include election of directors for Districts 3 and 7. District 3, most of the City of Vernonia, is presently represented

by Randall Aultman, who was appointed to complete the term of the late Sam Hearing.

David Hess is the incumbent in District 7, which includes members from Pumpkin Ridge to Gaston.

There will be reports from officers and directors, and mem-

bers will have the opportunity to meet the new General Manager, Marc Farmer.

Door prizes and a luncheon will round out the meeting for those attending. Call WOEC at 503-429-3021 (toll-free at 1-800-777-1276), or e-mail to <memberservice@westoregon.org>.



Right, shoppers at the Friends of the Library Book Sale on Saturday, August 6, found great deals on hard and soft back books. This year the sale was held at the Library during the Vernonia Friendship Jamboree.

Join the talent exhibition on Oct. 1

Vernonia area residents are invited to participate in an Exhibition of many talents that will again be held in conjunction with Salmon Festival, on Saturday, October 1.

There was a tremendous amount of talent displayed last year, as crafters, sewers, quilters, bakers, and flower growers of ALL ages entered the "contest" for Vernonia area residents. Rule/entry booklets should be available in the next three weeks. Watch for them in local stores, or call Janie at

503-429-8133.

Volunteers are needed to help set up the event and to judge the different categories. If interested in helping with either of these, call the number above.

Last year, the staff from the Vernonia Post Office entered a variety of zucchini bread entries. Group entries of this sort are a lot of fun and help make this an event that EVERYONE and ANYONE can enter and have fun!!!

September Poker Ride in Yamhill

A Poker Ride sponsored by the Washington County Mavericks will be held at the Flying M Ranch in Yamhill on September 10. Registration is at 8:30 a.m. and the last rider will leave at 11:30 a.m. The ride will be 2-1/2 to 3 hours. There will be a barbeque (donations welcome)

and raffles for a 15" saddle and other prizes.

The entry fee is \$6.00 per hand, or \$25.00 for six hands, plus a \$3.00 per horse fee payable to the Flying M Ranch.

For more information, call Ann at 503-647-0048 or Bill at 503-324-5983.

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