

**Community**

**Senior News**

By Karen Miller



So...in fair trade for spending a day huckleberry picking with my husband

(his favorite outing, not mine) he joined me and 35 others on a Mailboat hydro-jet boat ride up the Rogue River a few weeks ago, never mind the fact he had to endure the 104 mile ride bumping over rapids and doing 360 degree spins the whole 104 miles with a cracked tailbone from a fall the day before. Adventure and fun was had by all. Well, most of us.

THANK YOU to everyone; donors, volunteers, and participants, who helped make our first Hunter's Dinner on September 22 a huge success. Bill James did a great job organizing this event. Read Bill's Letter to the Editor in this issue.

The Senior Center wishes to express our sincere sympathy to Golden Oldies band member, Robert Eastman, on the loss of his beloved mother, Mary from Mist. We appreciate you here, Bob.

Any old timers out there who are aware of any size burial sites, we have a form to fill out to give to the museum; they would love to hear from you! Call 429-3713 for information.

Veterans with any level of service-connected disability qualify for a free state park day-use pass and free state park tent and RV camping in Oregon State Parks. Call my office for an application. Joseph Pyle is Community Action Team's new veteran's service representative; call his office direct for your veterans questions, 503-366-6580.

New cell phones aim to make the call with older folks: Today's cell phones take pictures and let you surf the web, but have tiny buttons and hard to read screens. Come in to see me for information on cell phones aimed for older folks.

From Community Action Team's Senior Advocate's Office: Call me for information on:

1) Next AARP Safe Driving Class: October 23 and 24 at

the Clatskanie Senior Center at the Castle. \$10, lower insurance rates, and no tests!

2) Swimming passes are still available through Community Action Team.

3) A Veteran's Representative is now available to serve you in Columbia County.

4) Footcare available here twice a month. Next date: October 13.

5) Call me for information on caregiving relief programs if you are a family caregiver.

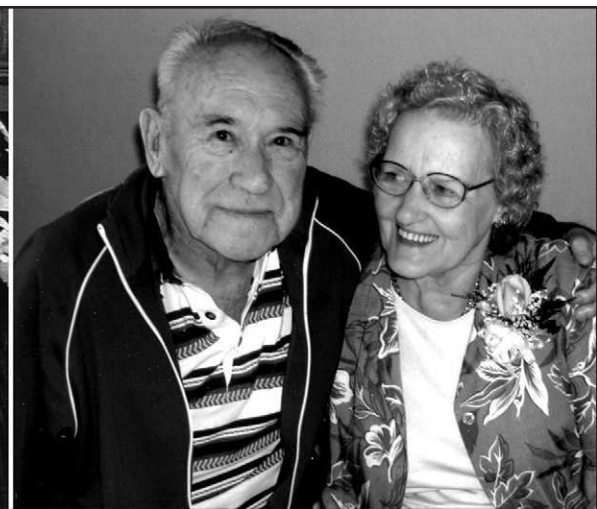
6) Sign-ups are being taken now in St. Helens for energy assistance: Call toll-free 1-866-722-4951.

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.

**REMEMBER:**

- Pastries and bread Wednesday a.m.
- Bingo, Mondays at lunch.
- Music with the Golden Oldies on Wednesdays.
- Games on Thursdays.
- Willoughby Hearing every first Friday at 11:00 a.m.
- Sign language class at 9:00 a.m. on Mondays.
- Breakfast every Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., \$2.50.

**Hamnetts celebrate 65 wedded years**



Left, above; Louise and Norman Hamnett on their wedding day, August 30, 1941, in Portland. Right, above; Norman and Louise Hamnett on September 9, 2006, at their 65th anniversary party.

Norman and Louise Hamnett, of Vernonia, recently celebrated their 65th anniversary at a party held in their honor at the home of Stacey (MacKerrow) and Jired Bowyer of Vancouver, Washington. Stacey Bowyer is one of the Hamnetts' three granddaughters.

The party, held September 9, was given by their children, Raymond Hamnett of Aloha, and Nancy MacKerrow of Sammamish, Washington. The Hamnetts' also have six great-grandchildren.

Also attending the party was Louise Hamnett's sister, Nora

Lou Martin Janik, who served as Matron of Honor at the original wedding August 30, 1941, at Hinson Memorial Church in Portland. Other guests included several nieces and nephews as well as extended family members Ida Bruce, Janet and Jim Hult, Tommy and Sue Bruce, plus Dorothy MacKerrow from Shelton, Washington.

**Come Join Us to give Janie Wasmann a send-off on her new adventure in Montana. No host Coffee Bar (open bar) at Black Bear Coffee Friday, Oct. 6, 3:30 - 5:30 Money tree in lieu of gifts**

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