

Community

Senior News

By Karen Miller



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on a Limb for the humorous evening some of us senior ladies enjoyed with Sue Kirby last week; I don't know when I have seen Noni Andersen laugh so hard. It was a great night of connection with our peers! PS: Sue Kirby alumni, let's keep one another posted on any upscale upcoming weddings out and about, and remember, we have plenty of hats and shawls in our thrift store: check them out on our bathroom accessories shelf.

THERE ARE A FEW SPACES LEFT on free bus transportation on Thursdays to the Forest Grove pool, with an entry pass included—thanks to Community Action Team's preventive health grant allocation to the Vernonia Senior Center. Call 429-9112 to sign up.

SENIOR PROGRAMS: Despite, Senior and Veterans Services programs are part of Community Action Team in Columbia County. Community Action Team serves low income people in Clatsop, Tillamook and Columbia Counties. CAT also serves as the local Area Agency on Aging, a national service organization authorized by Congress to provide services to seniors.

Veterans needing assistance may call CAT Veterans Services Officer Joseph Pyle at the St Helens office, 503-366-6580. For a brochure on available services, my office is located at the Vernonia Senior Center, 446 Bridge Street.

Where were you in 1957? Well, on April 6th, at what was then the Evangelical Church in Vernonia, maybe you were at a wedding! Happy 50th anniversary to Carl and Betty Holsey. Carl has been our senior center president for the past year-and-a-half and his wife, Betty, has been a faithful thrift store volunteer. Congratulations.

Seniors: MARK YOUR CALENDARS for Saturday, April 28;

Vernonia clean up day. Call our office to get on the list for outside yard clean-up assistance. Put on by Vernonia Pride.

Read this column for future information on the center's upcoming fundraiser plant sale; scheduled for May.

This month's footcare dates: April 13 and 27. Get your feet pampered for only \$15. Call my office for sign-ups. Footcare slots fill up fast; call early to reserve your spot!

Seniors: Remember, our reaction times decrease as we age! This and other important reminders are reviewed in the AARP Safe Driving classes held here at the Vernonia Senior Center: Only \$10 and no tests! Call to get on the list, 429-9112.

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 and Saturday a.m.
- Bingo, Mondays at lunch.
- Music with the Golden Oldies on Wednesdays.
- Games on Thursdays.
- Sign language class at 9:00 a.m. on Mondays.
- Breakfast every Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., \$3.00.

INFORMATION NUMBERS

Senior Advocate...429-9112
Senior Center.....429-3912
Transportation.....429-4304

Garage sale on

St. Mary's Catholic Church will hold their annual garage sale on Thursday, April 19, and Friday, April 20, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, April 21, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Members of the parish are busy sorting, pricing and stocking clean, good quality items that will be offered at the garage sale.

New features this year will include a homemade baked food sale, a new items section and a collector's corner.

St. Mary's is located at 960 Missouri Ave., up OA Hill across from the fire station.

For more information, call 503-429-8841.

Holseys' set to celebrate 50th

Friends and family will be joining Carl and Betty Holsey at their 50th wedding anniversary on April 7, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Vernonia Community Church.

VRFPD meeting date changed

The regular board meeting of the Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District (VRFPD) will be held Thursday, April 19, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fire Hall.

The second budget meeting for the 2007-09 fiscal year for the VRFPD will be held Thursday, April 19, at 6:00 p.m. at the Fire Hall.



American Council on Criminal Justice Training (ACCJT) held their 2nd annual training conference on March 30. At the conference ACCJT Executive Director Howard Webb (left) honored Vernonia Chief of Police Mat Workman (right) as Chief of the Year. At the same conference, Vernonia Police Sergeant Mike Kay received an Award of Excellence from ACCJT. Photo by Kristina McCord.

VCC invites all to Easter breakfast

The Vernonia Community Church invites the community to breakfast after the Easter Sunrise Service at Vernonia Memorial Cemetery. The service will be at 7:00 a.m. and attendees are reminded to dress warmly. Breakfast will be served in the gymnasium at Vernonia Community Church from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

Everyone is invited to stay and be a part of the Easter Worship Celebration at 9:45 a.m. Call Pastor Grant at 503-429-6790 with questions.

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