

Business Notes

Cherry Products can take care of your collision repairs, big or small

Remember when “cherry” didn’t refer to the fruit? It’s not listed in the dictionary, but “cherry” also means; perfect, untouched, just like on the showroom floor.

Cherry Products is the name of a body shop in Cornelius, owned by Neal Knight. You’ve probably seen his shop at 1875 E. Baseline. It has the pink Cadillac on its side with another car smashing through it. The motto, “Just the finest in collision repair,” says it all. Cherry Products fixes the small fender-benders and the large smash-em-ups, too. They work with

your insurance company to, “be sure that everything that was damaged in the collision gets repaired, not just the part the insurance company wants to pay for,” said Knight.

This is not a new business, Cherry Products has been open since 1986. Knight’s dad, George, opened a body shop in 1964 and ran it until the mid-’70s before running the body shop at Doherty Ford. Neal started working there, doing the paint work, then managed the body shop from 1983 until 1986 when he opened Cherry Products. In 1988, he expanded to



Neal Knight and his pink Cadillac

double the size of the original shop. Knight currently has four employees to help get your car, truck or SUV, back in shape af-

ter a collision.

“I work with the customer to get them the result they want. Since we build show cars, we

can do the car repair the customer wants,” Knight said.

Knight’s family; wife Christine, and sons Luke and Casey, live in Cornelius close to the shop. In fact, Luke and Casey used to spend so much time at the shop that Knight remodeled the office with them in mind. When you are there, don’t miss the working train set in the table top and the working traffic signals.

Cherry Products is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call 503-359-5993 to schedule an appointment to have your collision damage repaired.

Robert Blumberg named new CEO for Wauna FCU



Robert Blumberg

Wauna Federal Credit Union is excited to announce Robert Blumberg as its new President and Chief Executive Officer. Following an extensive search aided by a nationally distinguished human resource firm, the Board of Directors at Wauna Federal Credit Union chose Blumberg because of his impressive professional portfolio and financial education.

“The board of directors and employees of Wauna Federal Credit Union welcome Robert’s leadership. He brings an impressive financial industry background. Members of Wauna Federal Credit Union will reap the many benefits this caliber of knowledge and leadership will provide to our cooperative financial institution,” says Debi Smiley, Executive Vice President and Chief Operations Officer at Wauna Federal Credit Union.

Blumberg joined MaPS Credit Union in Salem as Chief Financial Officer in 2000. Be-

fore his appointment at MaPS Credit Union, Blumberg served as Compliance and Community Reinvestment Act Officer for First Bank of Beverly Hills. First Bank of Beverly Hills is a subsidiary of Wilshire Financial Services, Inc. a publicly traded company with over \$2 billion in assets.

Prior to First Bank of Beverly Hills, Blumberg worked for Southern Pacific Bank as Vice President of Operations. Southern Pacific Bank is a subsidiary of Imperial Credit Industries, a publicly traded company with over \$2 billion in assets. Blumberg has also worked for Century Thrift and Loan as their Chief Financial Officer for over ten years. Century Thrift and Loan Association was a privately held financial institution with about \$50 million in assets.

Blumberg was born and raised in South Africa where he studied accounting at the Witwatersrand College in Johannesburg.

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Annual Harvest Festival at PCC

Halloween is just around the corner and so is the Portland Community College Rock Creek Campus’ biggest event.

The seventh annual Harvest Festival will be held just in time for Halloween. It will go from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 27, on the Rock Creek Campus, 17705 N.W. Springville Road. The suggested donation is \$5 per family, which includes, as long as the supply lasts, a free pumpkin from the Rock Creek Campus pumpkin patch. In addition, visitors gain free admission to the Washington County Historical Society Museum.

The festival is popular with younger folks and attracts more than 1,000 people every year.

“It just has gotten bigger and bigger each year,” said Mandy Ellertson, student leadership coordinator at the campus and an organizer of the Harvest Festival. “It’s great for students and is a favorite of the community.”

Along with the popular pumpkin patch, the festival will include hay rides, a petting zoo featuring the animals of the PCC Rock Creek farm, face painting, musical entertainment, and participants will have the opportunity to have their picture taken with their pumpkin. There also will be sustainability tours, featuring an earth-oven demonstration and a worm composting workshop.

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