

County voters pick Dickerson for Sheriff; Fisher upsets Corsiglia

The May 20 election saw a 58.95 percent voter turnout in Columbia County. The Columbia County results were;

Democrats:
 President – 51.90 percent for Hillary Clinton and 46.75 percent for Barack Obama.

U.S. Senator – 45.41 percent for Jeff Merkley and 39.10 percent for Steve Novick.

U.S. Representative, 1st Congressional District – 77.56 percent for David Wu.

Secretary of State – 45.41 percent for Kate Brown, 38.72 percent for Rick Metsger.

State Treasurer – 99.09 percent for Ben Westlund (unopposed).

Attorney General – 56.47 percent for John R. Kroger, 43.29 percent for Greg Macpherson.

State Representative, 31st District – 98.71 percent for Brad Witt (unopposed).

State Representative, 32nd District – 99.34 percent for

Deborah Boone (unopposed).

County Commissioner, Position No. 1 – 63.01 percent for Earl Fisher, 36.64 percent for Joe Corsiglia.

County Commissioner, Position No. 3 – 96.78 percent for Pat Zimmerman (unopposed).

Republicans:

U.S. President – 78.16 percent for John McCain, 17.45 for Ron Paul.

U.S. Senator – 82.57 percent for Gordon H. Smith, 16.88 percent for Gordon Leitch.

U.S. Representative, 1st Congressional District – 71.13 percent for Joel Haugen, 26.92 percent for Claude William Chappell IV.

Secretary of State – 98.12 percent for Rick Dancer (unopposed).

State Treasurer – 98.73 percent for Allen Alley (unopposed).

No Republican filed for state Attorney General, or State

Representative in either the 31st or 32nd District.

County Commissioner, Position No. 1 – 57.54 percent for Glenn E. Dorschler and 40.30 percent for Warren Nakkela.

County Commissioner, Position No. 3 – 97.92 percent for Tony Hyde (unopposed).

Nonpartisan:

All judiciary nominees ran without opposition.)

Supreme Court Judge, Position 1 – 98.85 percent for Thomas A. Balmer.

Appeals Court Judge, Position 1 – 99.04 percent for David Schuman.

Appeals Court Judge, Position 2 – 99.12 percent for Walt Edmonds.

Oregon Tax Court Judge – 99.10 percent for Henry C. Breithaupt.

Circuit Court Judge, 19th District, Position 1 – 97.50 percent for Steven B. Reed.

Circuit Court Judge, 19th District, Position 2 – 98.68 per-

cent for Ted E. Grove.

County Sheriff – 54.06 percent for Jeff Dickerson, 39.29 percent for Gerry T. Simmons, 6.27 percent for Robert W. Crain, Jr.

Justice of the Peace – 99.04 percent for Wally Thompson

unopposed).

Measure 51 – 72.66 percent Yes, 27.34 percent No.

Measure 52 – 72.01 percent Yes, 27.99 percent No.

Measure 53 – 56.47 percent No, 43.53 percent Yes.

Wu seeks funds for school, city needs

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school reconstruction, to replace school equipment and supplies lost in the flood, for the city to repair and replace assets, and to help with the repair or replacement of the city's water and wastewater treatment systems. These requests will have to go through the regular Congressional appropriations process.

Wu concluded with special words for the seniors, wishing them well as they begin the next phase of their life and that he hopes they go to a community college or university. He

went on to say that statistics indicate that people with four year degrees will make an average of \$1 million more during their lives than those who don't, and will have a better chance of answering those life questions for themselves.

Wu also met with city officials during his visit, as well as sitting in on the first part of a regularly scheduled Oregon Solutions meeting. Oregon Solutions is the team authorized by Governor Kulongoski to help find sites, plans and funding for rebuilding Vernonia's schools.

Community Calendar

VERNONIA

Alcoholics Anonymous	Monday	6:30 p.m., 410 North Street
American Legion Post #119	2nd Thursday	7:00 p.m., 627 Adams Avenue
Arts & Crafts Society	2nd Thursday	2:00 p.m., City Library
Booster Club	2nd Wednesday	7:00 p.m., VHS Library
Boy Scout Troop 201	Tuesdays	7:00 p.m., Scout Cabin
Boy Scout Troop 860	Wednesdays	7:00 p.m., LDS Church
Cemetery Beautification Comm.	2nd Thursday	6:30 p.m., City Hall
CERT	4th Wednesday	For Info Call 503-429-3018
Chamber of Commerce	2nd Wednesday	For Info Call 503-429-6081
Community Coalition	2nd Monday	12:30 p.m. School District Ofc.
Cub Scout Pack 201	Scout Cabin	For Info Call 503-429-4250
Friends of the Library	1st Tuesday	7:00 p.m., Vernonia Library
Girl Scouts, Neighborhood 4-2		For Info Call 503-819-0143
Hands On Art Committee	1st & 3rd Thursdays	4:00 p.m., City Hall
Izaak Walton League	3rd Thursday	For location call 503-429-7193
Lions Club	1st & 3rd Tuesdays	6:30 p.m., Buckhorn Restaurant
Municipal Airport Committee	4th Thursday	7:00 p.m., City Hall
Narcotics Anonymous	Saturdays	7:00 p.m., 410 North Street
Pioneer Museum		For Info Call 503-429-3713
Public Works Committee	4th Tuesday	7:00 p.m., City Hall
Vernonia Cares Directors		For Info call 503-429-1414
Vernonia City Council	1st & 3rd Mondays	7:00 p.m., City Hall
Vernonia Community PTA	3rd Thursday	7:00 p.m., WGS Library
Vernonia Grange	3rd Monday	7:00 p.m., Grange Hall
Vernonia Health Center	2nd Monday	6:00 p.m., 510 Bridge St.
Vernonia Learning Center	1st Wednesday	6:00 p.m., VLC
Vernonia Parks Committee	3rd Wednesday	6:30 p.m., City Hall
Vernonia Planning Comm.	1st & 3rd Thursdays	7:00 p.m., City Hall
Vernonia Pride	3rd Thursday	1:00 p.m., City Hall
Vernonia Ridge Riders	Last Thursday	7:00 p.m., Senior Center
Vernonia RFPD Board	2nd Tuesday	7:00 p.m., Fire Station
Vernonia School Board	2nd Thursday	6:00 p.m., District Office
Vernonia Sr. Center Board	2nd Friday	1:00 p.m., Senior Center
Vernonia Transfer Station	2nd & 4th Saturdays, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.	Behind VHS
Vern. Volunteer Ambulance Assoc.	1st Thursday	7:00 p.m., Fire Station
Vernonia Volunteer Firefighters	2nd Monday	7:00 p.m., Fire Station
WOEC Directors	3rd Tuesday	7:00 p.m., WOEC

MIST-BIRKENFELD

M-BRFPD Board Business Mtg.	2nd Tuesday	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-BRFPD Board Workshop	4th Tuesday	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-B Ambulance Drill	1st & 2nd Thursdays	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-B Fire Drill	1st & 2nd Wednesdays	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-B Helping Circle	2nd Monday	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-B SAR Drill	3rd Wednesday	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
M-B Volunteer Assoc.	1st Tuesday	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
Natal Grange	2nd Wednesday	7:30 p.m., Natal Grange Hall
T.O.P.S.	Mondays	6:00 p.m., Main Fire Station
Upr Nehalem Watershed Council	For date call 429-2401	7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station

BANKS

Alcoholics Anonymous	Fridays	7:30 p.m., Methodist Church
Alcoholics Anonymous	Wednesdays	7:30 p.m., Methodist Church
American Legion Post #90	2nd Tuesdays	7:30 p.m., Main Street Post
Banks City Council	2nd Tuesday	7:30 p.m., City Hall
Banks Fire District #13	2nd Wednesday	7:00 p.m., Station 13
Banks Library Commission	3rd Tuesday	7:00 p.m., City Library
Banks Planning Commission	Last Tuesday	7:00 p.m., City Hall
Banks School Board	2nd Monday	7:30 p.m., Jr. High Library
Banks Youth Group	Sundays, Wednesdays	7:00 p.m., UMC Youth Bldg.
Chamber of Commerce	1st Thursday	12:30 p.m., Fire District Office
CPO 14	3rd Monday	7:00 p.m., City Library
Friends of the Library	2nd Tuesday	7:00 p.m., City Library
Lions Club	1st & 3rd Mondays	7:00 p.m., Brown Derby
Sunset Park Assoc.	3rd Wednesday	8:00 p.m., Gun Club
T.O.P.S.	Wednesdays	7:00 p.m., Administration Bldg.

COLUMBIA COUNTY (All meet in St. Helens unless otherwise noted.)

Board of Commissioners	Wednesdays	10 a.m., Courthouse
Citizens for Senior Justice	2nd Tuesday	7:00 p.m., Sunset Park Church
Columbia Soil & Water District	3rd Wednesday	7:30 p.m., NRCS, 2514 Sykes
County Fair Board	2nd Monday	7:00 p.m., Fairgrounds 4-H Bldg.
County Parks Commission	3rd Monday	6:00 p.m., 1054 Oregon St.
Mental Health Advisory Comm.	3rd Tuesday	10 a.m., 2nd Floor, Courthouse
Comm. on Children & Families	3rd Thursday	5:30 p.m. OSU Ext., 550 N. Hwy. 30
Local Alcohol & Drug Plann. Comm.	2nd Tuesday	3:00 p.m., 2nd Floor, Courthouse

Organizations and meeting dates not listed may be included by calling 429-9410 or by mail to The INDEPENDENT, 725 Bridge Street, Vernonia, OR 97064.