## Community



Mackenzie Carr, of Vernonia, was crowned Miss Northwest Professional Rodeo Association (NPRA) on January 3. Photo courtesy of Creekside Studios of Scappoose

## Postal Open house January 22

With the release of the Oregon Statehood postage stamp on Wednesday, January 14, 2009, the United States Postal Service has authorized a unique special commemorative postmark to be issued in every community in Oregon to help all state residents celebrate 150 years of statehood.

The postmark incorporates an outline of the state's boundary, which will be used to frame the entire Oregon Statehood stamp image. All 326 Oregon Post Offices are participating in the event.

Each postmark will include the city and ZIP Code information for each participating Post Office

The postmark may be used for mailing items on January 14. and will be available to collectors for an additional 60 days at each Post Office. Stamp collectors may contact their local Post Office for details.

To further celebrate the is-

suance of the stamp and the special postmark, several Post Offices around the state are hosting special local events on January 14. The Vernonia Post Office will host a celebration on January 22 at 11:00 a.m. in honor of the Sesquicentennial stamp. Everyone is welcome to come enjoy the guest speakers, door prizes, and cake.

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## Join Choir for Easter event



The Vernonia Community Choir is ready to start practicing for the annual Easter Musical Drama. Their concert this year will be "Bow The Knee" by songwriter Chris Machen. "Bow The Knee" features 10 powerful new songs. The moving story culminates in the dramatic and joyful resurrection of Christ.

The choir encourages all singers to join. The production also needs people who would like to act, sew costumes, work behind the scenes or help with lights and video.

Come to the first practice, Sunday, January 18, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Vernonia Grange, on the corner of North Street and Washington Avenue. Future practices will take place each Sunday. For more information, call Lynda Cahill at 503-429-1161.

## **Senior News**

By Karen Miller, Senior Advocate Community Action Team

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my office I have some information on a company that, free of charge, will sign your loved one up for daily automated calls to make sure they are OK. Call my office for this new service.

ALSO, call my office if you would like me to share with you or a senior loved one a FILE OF LIFE magnetic medical file to place on a refrigerator door. It is a very handy piece of information for emergency personnel to be able to access. Call me at 503-429-9112.

SENIOR POLICE ACADE-MY starts January 27, at 3:00 p.m., here at the center, 446 Bridge Street. Call 503-429-9112 for more information.

Call my office to sign up for the next AARP Safe Driving class.

Some good things aren't changing around here in 2009: 1) Footcare is here at the

Senior Center twice a month. Only \$15. Call for an appointment.

2) Breakfasts here at the center for the new year are still only \$3.00, Fridays, 7:30-9:00 a.m.

3) Golden Oldies here on Wednesdays. Come join in the fun, food and music.

4) Good deals in our thrift shop. Always half price on the last weekend of the month.

5) Birthday celebrations here on the last Friday of each month. ALL January birthdays will be celebrated January 30th; cake and ice cream after lunch.

6) Still collecting membership dues; only \$10.

So after days of this past disabling weather, I finally went home and ripped the "Let it Snow" stickers off of my patio window. Hope everyone is getting back to normal by now though. Come in to the center, have lunch, and sit by a nice warm fire.

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