#### From the Sheriff's Desk...

by Jeff Dickerson, Columbia County Sheriff



#### **KEEPING THE JAIL OPERATING AT FULL CAPACITY**

On February 8, a windstorm swept through South Columbia County, knocking out power to many homes, business and government agencies.

The Sheriff's Office was not exempt from the power outage, as we went down with much of the rest of St. Helens at about 3:00 p.m. Our generator kicked on and we were able to limp through the process, although a power surge had knocked out most of our lighting in the jail. Deputies were called in on overtime and the inmates were all locked down for their safety and security. We conducted our business in the jail by flashlight and operated the pneumatic doors with keys while a host of repair workers worked to solve the multiple problems brought on by the

On the bright side, our corrections deputies Please see page 21

#### Col. Co. Sheriff

Feb. 25 - Rose Ave. resident reported ID theft from 2004; the theft happened in California and resident was advised to contact California law enforcement.

#### Vernonia Justice Court

March 2-9, 2010

Shannon Fennern, 20, Vernonia. MIP-Alcohol sentencing; D&A eval & txt, 1 yr ODL suspension, \$630 FF&A.

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