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nism that helps deer populations survive extreme events; in the case of a late spring like we are having it can be expected that some Does will cut the nutrition to the developing fawns to help preserve the mother's life. The implication of this is that more fawns will be born underweight or with birth defects. Both of these factors will then become part of a higher mortality factor for this year's fawn crop. The pieces of the puzzle called Blacktailed deer are coming together; one of the last pieces that needs to be found is the yearling survival rate. I suspect with HLS that

the yearling survival rate has dropped and, in combination with the low fawn survival rates, is what is crashing our deer populations. ODF&W still issuing Doe tags on a struggling population is not helping.

On the flip side of the coin, the late spring may very well be helping the local salmonid populations. Higher water flows in the spring will help transport the smolting fish to the ocean. Mother Nature, she is a curious one, and it seems that we humans are still struggling to adapt to her ways.

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fronts, making them shine. Bark dust was spread down at Hawkins at the swimming "pool" area. Bark dust was also dumped at the Library and was spread over the next few days. It was so great to see so many

people; young and old; residents and non-residents; come out to make our town look beautiful. For those of you on Facebook, check out the Make Vernonia Shine Day page... photos from the day will be posted there and on SOLV's

Facebook page.

Thank you again for helping to Make Vernonia Shine!!!

**Catherine Helmer
Vernonia Pride Member
and co-coordinator for 2011
Make Vernonia Shine Day**

Traffic safety is goal of Safety Month

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ans. Visibility and awareness are also keys to motorcycle safety. Governor Kitzhaber has also proclaimed May "Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month" and reminds Oregonians to be alert and share the road safely.

No matter how you travel, there are some simple steps you can take to improve your safety and that of those around you:

- Pay attention: your life depends on it. An inattentive driver is the most common cause of work zone crashes.
- Buckle up every time. Safe-

ty belts and child safety seats (including boosters) are the biggest contributors to saving lives in crashes.

- Pedestrians and bicyclists: Stay alert, be predictable, follow traffic signals, wear light-colored or reflective clothing, and be especially careful at curbs and intersections.

- Share the road. Don't tailgate, and check your mirrors and blind spots before changing lanes.

- Don't drive, walk or ride impaired. Alcohol, illegal drugs and some legal drugs can reduce the ability to use good judgment.

- Obey the speed limit. Excessive speed is a factor in many crashes — and the most common one in crashes that result in fatalities.

4-H summer camp

The 4-H Camp committee of the Oregon State University Extension Service is busy working on making the 2011 camp another great experience for those who attend. The committee has selected June 19-22, 2011 for the annual 4-H Summer Camp, held at Camp Kiwanilong on the North Coast.

Mark your calendars and begin now to prepare your 4th through 7th graders for the 2011 4-H Summer Camp. Registration forms will be distributed through the schools, as in years past. Registration forms are due by June 1, 2011 with the \$85.00 registration fee.

Turtle is illegal

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egy as species in need of help. They are both protected by law; it is illegal to take them from the wild and to keep them as pets.

"All in all, turtles do not make good pets," said Boatner." Native turtles are protected and belong in the wild, and many nonnative turtles are illegal and have to be kept out of the wild."

Obituary

BEVERLY JEAN ALLISON

Beverly Jean Allison, 63, Cornelius, died March 21, 2011. A celebration of life was held April 30.

Mrs. Allison was born December 17, 1947, in Richmond, Virginia, to Harold R. and Anna F (Cumber) Hill, Jr. She was raised in Richmond. She moved to California in the 1970s and to Forest Grove in 1984.

In 1996, she married Sean Allison. She was a cosmetologist and an instructor.

She enjoyed gardening, decorating, country music, and her Yorkies.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Survivors include her husband; four children, Bridget Siddall, and Ginger Gardner, both of Forest Grove, James Dorn of Victorville, Calif., and Jesse Dorn of Banks; five siblings, Brenda McGregor, Donald Hill, H. Glenn Hill, George Hill, and O. Darlene Cromwell; and nine grandchildren.

Remembrances are suggested to Hospice & Palliative Care of Washington County.

Duyck & VanDeHey Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

WALTER WAYNE BARGER

Walter Wayne Barger, 68, Portland, died March 20, 2011. A service was held April 23 at the Scappoose Senior Center followed by burial at Columbia Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Barger was born December 21, 1942, in St. Helens, to George C. and Sarah Rosalie (Haney) Barger. He attended St. Helens High School. He served in the U.S. Navy.

In 1964, he married Carolyn Kay Unger. They moved to Portland in 1968. He worked in fencing for over 35 years.

Survivors include his wife; two children, Rick W. and Shelley Larsen, both of Portland; three brothers, Roy of Scappoose, Jess of Portland, and Laurel of Banks; two sisters, Julie Bosley of Edmonds, Washington, and Georgia Chavis of Astoria; three grandchildren and one step-great-grandson.

Columbia Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

RAYMOND "RAY" L. BRYANT

Raymond "Ray" Lawrence Bryant, 88, North Plains, died April 19, 2011. Memorial services were held April 30 at the North Plains Senior Center.

Mr. Bryant was born January 14, 1923, in Sturdivant, Missouri, to John and Grace (Watkins) Bryant. He was raised in Missouri. He quit school after the 4th grade to work in the cotton fields to help support his family. He served in the U.S. Army. He moved to Klamath Falls before moving to Banks in 1947 to work in the saw mill.

In 1950, he married Helen Neuman. They made their home in Beaverton, Hillsboro, Forest Grove, and Banks. After they divorced in 1974, he continued to live in Banks, then Hillsboro, before moving to North Plains in 1995. He was a mechanic before retiring, in 1985, as a custodian for the Beaverton School District.

He enjoyed the outdoors, hunting, fishing, restoring old cars, dancing, and visiting with friends.

He was preceded in death by four siblings.

Survivors include four children, Nancy L. Busch of Portland, Bonnie J. Baucom of Beaverton, Patty LaRue and Raymond J. Bryant, both of North Plains; three sisters, Verna Pulley, Katherine Philips, and Freda Call; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Remembrances are suggested to Evergreen Christian Center of Hillsboro, or to the North Plains Senior Center.

Duyck & VanDeHey Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

DOROTHY MARIE HINKLE

Dorothy Marie Hinkle, 86, Forest Grove, died April 5, 2011. A celebration of life service was held April 11 with Pastor Mike Crossman officiating.

Mrs. Hinkle was born September 11, 1924, in Salem, to Charles and Altha (Smead) Usher. She was raised in Wheeler.

In 1944, she married Orlando Fredrick Goodwin. They made their home in Timber. Her husband died in 1981. She married Joe Shaddon in 1981. They

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Pet of the Month

*Columbia Humane Society in St. Helens has a variety of wonderful pets available for adoption. Find the pet that's right for you in the shelter at 2084 Oregon Street. Phone 503-397-4353
Open Mon - Fri 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 11 am. to 5 pm.*



Roscoe is a sweet Labrador Retriever, about 2 years old. He came to CHS after his previous owner lost his home. Roscoe is leash trained and can be trusted off-leash. He does well with other dogs and loves water. He is looking for a loving family that can take him for long walks and give him lots of attention.

The Columbia Humane Society is a No-Kill non-profit shelter dedicated to helping friends find each other since 1985.

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