

Women's Resource Ctr. seeks volunteers

Great local agency is seeking one time and ongoing volunteers! The Women's Resource Center is now recruiting one-time volunteers to assist with our annual maintenance and has ongoing opportunities to serve on our 24-Hour Crisis Line and our Board of Directors. You can make a difference!

Volunteers for the Resource Center receive full training and ongoing support; no one can do it alone! More information about these opportunities is posted on our website, www.ccwrc.com.

The Women's Resource Center is the only agency of its kind in Columbia County, dedicated to serving survivors of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

Summer Facility Maintenance

nance – Brief orientation provided by the Center. In order to keep our facility safe and functioning there is a maintenance closure. Volunteers are needed to help with cleaning, painting, carpentry, landscaping and other repair items. If you have available time and talent between August 22 and September 2, we can use the help!

Crisis Line – Formal training required, provided by Center. Volunteers carry a cell phone that the crisis line is transferred to from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. weekdays, and from 1:00 p.m. Friday to 8:00 a.m. Monday morning, depending on volunteer's schedule. There may be opportunities for work with clients in the office and/or on the telephone (at the Center) when they call in.

Board Member – Candi-

dates will go through a screening process. The Board of Directors meets monthly and is responsible for the mission, overall direction and policies of the Center. Volunteers are expected to attend a minimum of nine meetings per year and other miscellaneous board functions. Orientation and training are provided.

Crisis line and Board opportunities do require a commitment by the individual, a screening, background check and a willingness to help individuals and families start new, violence-free lives!

For more information and to request a volunteer application contact our office at 503-397-7110 or email volunteer@ccwrc.com.

Bits & Bites

By Jacqueline Ramsay



I am an Oregonian (born & bred) but this is the wettest July I can ever remember. As a red-headed child I stayed indoors in July to keep from becoming one big sun-burn blister, but now I'm covering up to keep from chilling. You almost need a hovercraft to walk on a lawn. But, the blackberries are sucking it up – the little green globulets are getting fatter every day.

Now, I have something on my heart that my mind won't let go of. So...It concerns myself and quite a few other folks that lunch at the V.S.C..

Fact: The Golden Oldies are a God-send to the Vernonia Sr. Center. They meet there to practice their love of music and entertaining the people. Long ago (10 or more years) we, the folk then in charge of making the place a place people want to come (in connection with the dining area, that is) decided, as respect for the band to serve them first at meal time. (They play from 9:00 a.m., break for 30 min. at 10:30, then play til 12, off 1 hr. and again play until 2.) Serving them first is small payment for the enjoyment they give the people. You think I ramble on. I could, but Point – The Kicker, if you will. Two weeks ago, at lunch, as I was served (and note, the Band sat) I said, "We always served the Band first." The lady said, "It's my prerogative to serve whom I want, they will be fed." I beg your pardon. Those around me, and I, nearly dropped our teeth and popped our eye balls. I may never be served there again, but so be it. I've had my say on How the Senior Center Servers Should Serve Those Who Serve Us.

This is a Bit & Bite column.

Now on to the lighter side of my life, again.

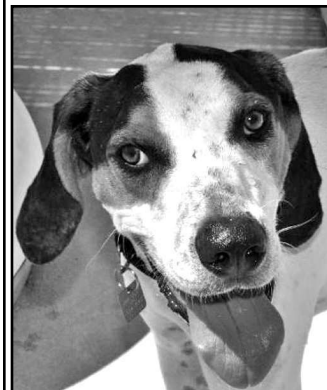
Finally after some 40 years I found Gooseberry at a Farmer's Market. Ahhh...The Gooseberry pie I made was De-lec-ta-ble or better put "out of this world". And, to add to gastronomical bliss, I found a restaurant that serves beautiful "Pan Fried Catfish", but no grits, darn.

Bye now.

Have a great time at Vernonia's Friendship Jamboree and Logging Show, August 5 - 7

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.



Dixie is a large adult Hound mix that was transferred to CHS from another animal shelter in hopes of finding her a forever home. Dixie is still young and has lots of energy. She will be a wonderful match for an active family that can continue her training and give her plenty of love and attention.

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

This Pet of the Month is Sponsored by:

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50 Years Ago This Month

The August 17, 1961, issue of the *Vernonia Eagle* included the following news story on the front page:

Columbia county licensed trappers reported a wild fur harvest valued at \$8,518.97 during the 1960-61 trapping season according to figures announced this week by the state game commission.

The state-wide totals list catches valued at \$202,814.89 by 1084 licensed trappers who took a total of 58,501 animals. Value of pelts reported from Columbia county ranked eighth among Oregon's 36 counties. Top county was Lane county which also topped the state in number of trappers with 126. Lane county trappers caught animal pelts valued at \$27,223.

Otter were the most valued pelts in the listing of 17 fur bearing animals reported caught by the trappers. Otters had an average price of \$20.47 followed by beaver \$11.02; mink \$7.39; wildcat \$4.93; Martins, \$3.57; coyotes, \$2.23; badgers, \$1.90; raccoon, \$1.45; ringtail cats, \$1.13; skunk 71c; red fox, 93c; muskrat 60c; nutrias 52c; grey fox and opossums, 40c; and weasels, 30 cents.

The catch listed for Columbia county includes 21 otters, 70 mink, 940 muskrat, 34 raccoon, 6 skunk, 1 weasel, 5 wildcat, 2 fox, 625 beaver plus a few miscellaneous animals.

Opossums and nutrias,

described by the game commission as resulting from illegal introductions and escapes into the state were both noted by the game commission as increasing in western Oregon including Columbia county.

The August 31, 1961, issue of the *Vernonia Eagle* included the following news story on the front page:

Last week, another resident of Vernonia who had come here with "the big mill" and had seen it through every phase of its development to its closing and the details which followed that, left Vernonia and closed another page of the history of that industry here. Mr. and Mrs. C. L. (Connie) Anderson moved to Cedar Hills last week and he will now take a more active part in his lumber yard in Portland which he has had for a number of years.

Mr. Anderson came to Vernonia

from Kansas City in 1924 when the Oregon American mill began operations here. He began work as a timber dock hand and came up through the departments of the mill. He once laughingly said that his employment here had been continuous with the exception of the time the mill was closed during the depression days and the two or three times he was fired.

In 1955, when Judd Greenman retired, Anderson was named as general manager for the Vernonia division of the Longbell Lumber company, the successor to the Oregon-American company. He served through the transfer of the company to the International Paper company and the closure of the mill. He was still in the office here until earlier this year when it was closed entirely and he retired.

Anderson has been interested in the community in which he raised his family of three children and was instrumental in securing for the community the south park area which bears his name.

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