

Walk a Mile in Her Shoes® event raises sexual assault awareness

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Join the Columbia County Women's Resource Center (CCWRC) and our allies on April 14. There will be a one-mile high heeled walk to raise awareness and reduce incidence of sexual assault. Come and join our male allies as they "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes®."

The walk will take place beginning at the CCWRC Thrift Shop (164 Little St – behind the Bike shop on Hwy 30 in St Helens). The walk will continue to Burgerville, then return to the

CCWRC thrift shop where we will celebrate with a short program, music, prizes and fun. We hope our male allies can make it the mile in heels!

All are welcome to be a part of this international movement where men walk in heels to support survivors and make a statement that gender violence is NOT OKAY in our community! This Walk a Mile in Her Shoes® Event is a playful opportunity to raise awareness about the serious causes, effects and prevention of sexualized violence.

Special thanks to our event sponsors: Counseling and Wellness, Windermere Real Estate, Burgerville, Hudson Portable Toilet Service and Columbia Christian Martial Arts. Special thanks to Richardson's Furniture for donating a shoe chair for raffle.

This event will get people talking and working together to end violence in Columbia County. There is a \$15 registration fee before April 11 that includes a walk t-shirt, after April 11 registration is \$20.

For more information and to

register for the walk, see our website www.ccwrc.com, facebook page, call 503-397-7110 or email info@ccwrc.com.

Sexual assault is not just a women's issue. It affects individuals of all gender identities as well as women, men who care about them, their families, their friends, their coworkers, and their communities. Sexualized violence is epidemic. Every two minutes someone in America is raped. One in six American women are victims of sexual assault and most of these assaults are never reported.

That means someone you know, someone you care about, has been or may become the victim of sexual violence. It may be your mother, your sister, your friend, your girlfriend, your wife, your coworker, or your daughter.

CCWRC is the only agency dedicated to serving victims and survivors of domestic and sexual violence in our community.

Obituary

DONNA D. ANDERSON

Donna Dolores Anderson, 81, Aloha, died March 2, 2012. A memorial service was held March 18 in Aloha.

Mrs. Anderson was born December 25, 1930, in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. She was raised in Vernonia and McCloud, California.

She enjoyed crafting and holiday decorating.

Survivors include two sons, David Lapham, and James Anderson; three daughters, Kari Meiers, Julie Arndt, and Janna Bennett; and one sister, Shirley King.

Springer and Sons Funeral Home of Aloha was in charge of arrangements.

BLISSINA EVELYN GULVIN

Blissina Evelyn Gulvin, 93, Salem, died March 19, 2012. A celebration of life service will be held at a later date.

Mrs. Gulvin was born August 14, 1918, in Tangent, to Robert and Evelyn Byers. She was raised in small towns all over Oregon, and graduated from Central High School in Monmouth.

In 1939, she married Robert Gulvin. They made their home in Vernonia and Sandy. Later they moved to Gales Creek, then to Salem. She was an office manager for the Oregon Department of Forestry, retiring in 1981.

She was preceded in death by her husband.

Survivors include one son, Doug Gulvin of Sandy; one daughter, Jan Kral of Salem; one grandchild and one great-grandchild.

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Good catch.

LEON "SPIKE" MEAD

Leon "Spike" Mead, 85, Forest Grove, died March 22,

2012. A celebration of life service will be held at a later date.

Mr. Mead was born September 28, 1926, in Baynard, Nebraska, to William T. and Gladys A. Meade. In 1937, the family moved to Banks, where he lived until 2010.

During World War II, he worked in the Portland shipyards. He also logged with his father and brothers, worked at Banks Union Cemetery and on the family farm.

He enjoyed playing cards, bingo, shuffle board, watching baseball and attending the Hillsboro Air Show.

He was preceded in death by his brothers, John and James, and his twin brother, Leo.

Survivors include one brother, Larry of Yamhill; and one sister, Lola Shook of Hillsboro.

Tualatin Valley Funeral Alternatives in Hillsboro was in charge of arrangements.

NANCY EILEEN RATTEY

Nancy Eileen Rattey, 75, Portland, died March 24, 2012. A celebration of life service will be held April 1, at 2:00 p.m., at the Gateway Elks Lodge, 711 NE 100th Ave., Portland. A private committal service will be held at Willamette National Cemetery.

Mrs. Rattey was born October 3, 1936 in Astoria to Spencer and Lola (Foster)



Nancy Eileen Rattey

Stauffer. She was raised in Jewell and graduated from Jewell High School in 1954.

In 1988, she married Dale Rattey, who she met while working as a manager at Oney's Restaurant. They made their home in Portland. She also worked as a clerk for US Bank in Portland.

She enjoyed cooking, having company, collecting Santas, owls and spoons, and loved to take cruises. She volunteered at the Jewell School District, the Gateway Elks, Red Cross and the Casey Eye Institute.

She was preceded in death by her husband.

Survivors include her four sons, Greg Bellingham of Tualatin, Brad Bellingham of Harrisburg, Jeff Bellingham of Kennewick, Washington, and Ross

Bellingham of Hillsboro; one daughter, Teri Greenwood of North Plains; a brother, Donald Stauffer of Wilsonville; nine grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and two nephews.

Remembrances are suggested to the Gateway Elks Lodge, No. 2411.

Duyck & VanDeHey Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

RUBY FERN STARKS

Ruby Fern Starks, 83, of Forest Grove, died March 6, 2012. Services have been held.

Mrs. Starks was born December 31, 1928, in Esterville, Iowa, to Ray and Olga Howard. When she was three, the family moved to Independence.

In 1947, she married Earl Starks. They made their home in Independence before moving to Tillamook in 1960 and then to Forest Grove in 1966.

She enjoyed volunteering in local schools, being a Camp Fire troop leader, and spending time on the beach.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Linda; two brothers, Denton and George; one sister, Mildred; one grandson, and one great-granddaughter.

Survivors include her husband; one son, Ron Starks of Buxton; four daughters, Donna Keene of Cornelius, Kathy Tenty of Simi Valley, California; Peggy Staton of Salem, and Laurie Zawaski of Beaverton; eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Tualatin Valley Funeral Alternatives was in charge of arrangements.

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