

**MULTNOMAH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC TESTIMONY SIGN-UP**

Please complete this form and return to the Board Clerk

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MEETING DATE: 5-16-13

AGENDA ITEM: Public Comment

FOR: _____ AGAINST: _____

NAME: Carl Wikman

CONTACT INFORMATION (optional):

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

IF YOU WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD IN PERSON:

1. Complete this form and submit to the Board Clerk.
2. Presenters are called to testify in the order their form is received. The Presiding Officer may rearrange testimony or may ask Invited Guests or Elected Officials to speak first.
3. Public testimony is limited to **3 minutes or less** per person unless otherwise directed by the Presiding Officer.
4. Written materials may be submitted to the Board Clerk for distribution to the Board and entry in the official record. Please provide 7 copies.
5. All meetings are audio and video recorded.
6. When your name is called, come forward & be seated at the presenter's table; state your name for the record and speak clearly into the microphone.
7. A buzzer will signify the end of your allotted time.
8. The Presiding Officer has authority to keep order and may impose reasonable restrictions necessary for the efficient and orderly conduct of a meeting. Any person who fails to comply with reasonable rules of conduct or who creates a disturbance may be asked or required to leave and upon failure to do so becomes a trespasser.

IF YOU WISH TO SUBMIT WRITTEN INSTEAD OF ORAL COMMENTS TO THE BOARD:

1. Complete this form and submit it along with your written testimony to the Board Clerk at the meeting, or by e-mail at: lynda.grow@multco.us
2. Written testimony will be entered into the official record.

How History is Lost

Original Deardorf Bridge



Proposed Design



In 1981, a new company, OTAK, was hired to design the span. Only design drawing left. Courtesy Wikman Family



**Only picture of construction work.
Courtesy Steve Turner,
Western Wood Structures**



B The Sunday Oregonian
JANUARY 17, 1982

METRO/NORTHWE

Johnson Creek spanned 'Cedar Crossing' covered bridge opens

The dedication was all over, but the bridge was still to be opened to traffic. The bridge was opened to traffic at 10:30 a.m. on Monday.

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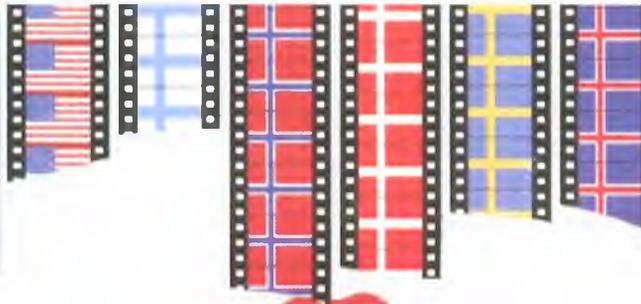


Lea Wikman, head of the Community Covered Bridge Committee...assisted in the ceremony.



VIRPI LEA WIKMAN Community Projects

Multnomah County's first covered bridge owes its inception and creation to the organizing efforts of Virpi Lea Wikman. The bridge was dedicated January 16, 1982, by County Executive Donald L. Clark and Mrs. Wernig, chairwoman of the Powell and Community Planning Group, as a nostalgic tribute to indigenous frontiersmen who built such structures throughout western Oregon in the 19th and 20th centuries. The bridge was named by Green Lane in a ceremony among David Douglas School District students. The road construction was W.A. Leonard after purchase of the County to construct the bridge road and bridge in 1982.



SKOAL'82

INTERNATIONAL SCANDINAVIAN FILM FESTIVAL

Lea Wikman honored for her work.



**Only photo of Historical Marker,
which has been stolen.**

Historical Marker

- This covered bridge, the first ever built in Multnomah County, was dedicated January 16, 1982, by County Executive Donald E. Clark and Lea Wikman, chairwomen of Powellhurst Community Planning Group, as a nostalgic tribute to ingenious frontiersmen who built such structures throughout western Oregon in the 19th and 20th centuries.
- The bridge was named by Ginell Lamont in a contest among David Douglas School students.
- The creek below is named for William Johnson who built a sawmill in Lents in the 1850's. The road commemorates WA Deardorf, who petitioned the County to build the original road in 1898.

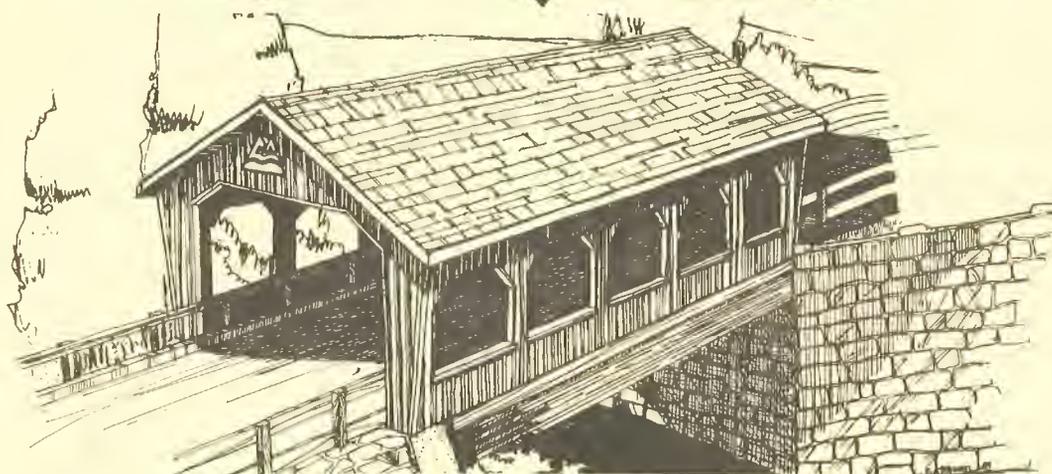
Seeking to replace.



JOIN THE PARADE!

County Executive Don Clark
and the
Powellhurst Community Committee
dedicate the County's first

COVERED BRIDGE



Saturday, January 16, 1982

SE Deardorff Road at Johnson Creek
(Enter off SE Foster Road at SE 134th)

11 AM to Noon

Fun For All Ages!

PARADE • ANTIQUE CARS • BANDS • RIBBON CUTTING



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