



Amy Gammel and Michale Hardy

## Gammel - Hardy plan wedding

Roger and Connie Gammel, and Alice Hardy announce the engagement of Amy Adelaide Gammel to Shawn Michale Hardy.

Gammel is the daughter of Roger and Connie Gammel. She is a graduate of Illinois Valley High School, and is in her third year at Oregon State University (OSU).

Hardy is the son of Alice

Hardy. He is a graduate of Crescent Valley High School of Corvallis, and has a bachelor of science degree in early childhood development and education from OSU.

The couple reside in Bel- lingham, Wash., where he is a preschool teacher.

They plan a June 2003 wedding in Cave Junction.

## Headlines = editor's nightmare

Newspaper blooper headlines

- \*Lawyer says client not that guilty.
- \*Gas cloud clears out Taco Bell.
- \*Legislator wants tougher death penalty.
- \*Woman improving after fatal crash.
- \*Man found dead in cemetery.
- \*Iraqi head seeks arms.
- \*Miners refuse to work after death.
- \*Panda mating fails; veterinarian takes over.
- \*Astronaut takes blame for gas in space.

## Tales from the Police Blotter

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the Happy Camp Road and Takilma Mountain area.

\*David James Tromler was arrested on charges of probation violation and driving under the influence of intoxicants at 4:02 a.m. in the 3000 block of Takilma Road, and subsequently lodged in Josephine County Jail.

\*There was a reported structure fire at the Junction Inn at 8 a.m. A dryer in the motel laundry was on fire. Everything turned out OK.

\*Alice Rachel White, 26, was cited a violation of the basic rule charge at 8:48 a.m. in the 14000 block of Redwood Hwy.

\*Gary Sauer Sr., 49, was charged with first-degree forgery, aggravated theft and two counts of two counts of con-

spiracy, and lodged in Josephine County Jail in a case involving some \$10,000.

\*There was a vehicle in the ditch at Lone Mountain Road and Redwood Hwy. at 10:30 a.m. with a disoriented elderly woman in the car.

\*Some sort of a disturbance in the 33000 block of Redwood Hwy. was logged at 2:40 p.m..

\*There was a 911 hang-up call from somewhere in the 400 block of S. Junction Avenue at 3:37 p.m.

\*An upsetting message was left on the voice mail of a business. Something about a public hair in a bar of soap.

\*A woman in the 800 block of Eight Dollar Road reported her daughter missing. Turns out the daughter was late due to car problems.

## Measure 28 OK pushed by group

By Yes on 28 Committee

Oregonians are coming together to pass Measure 28 in the special election on Tuesday, Jan. 28.

If the measure passes, most Oregonians will incur a temporary income surcharge of less than \$9.50 a month.

Measure 28 would immediately restore \$310 million of scheduled cuts to education, corrections and public safety and human services.

"Passage of Measure 28 is an important first step toward Oregon's economic recovery," said Portland businessmen Mike Roach. "A recession is the absolute worst time to let basic services like education, public safety and human services crumble. All of these services support the business community, directly and indirectly."

Roach noted an article printed in the Sunday, Dec. 15 issue of the "New York Times" that puts Oregon on the cover as a state whose public education system and other basic infrastructures are in crisis.

"We have to stop this decline immediately," Roach said.

"We all have a role to play to get Oregon's economy moving again," he said. "We need public schools for a well-trained and job-ready workforce. We need adequate public safety, corrections and court systems to provide a security for businesses and employees. We need Measure 28 to send a strong message that Oregon is open for business," Roach continued.

"It doesn't surprise me to see such strong support for Measure 28."

For more information on Measure 28, visit the Web site, [www.yeson28.com](http://www.yeson28.com).

## Man nabbed after theft up in smoke

After being observed exiting from a broken window at the Bi-Mor gas station at Seventh and "A" streets in Grants Pass, on Sunday, Dec. 29 at 11 p.m., a suspect was arrested.

Grants Pass Dept. of Public Safety (GPDPS) said that Thomas William Pierce, 34, a transient, was arrested on charges of second-degree burglary, theft, and criminal mischief and on two misdemeanor warrants for failure to appear/third-degree theft and failure to comply/driving under the influence of intoxicants.

According to GPDPS, three high school students, who were driving by at the time, saw Pierce leaving Bi-Mor and followed him until Pierce managed to hide under a car in the Seventh and "A" streets area.

The student driver of the vehicle illuminated Pierce with the headlights of the vehicle and kept him at bay until alerted GPDPS officers arrived.

K-9 Officer "Daum" quickly located Pierce, and the suspect gave up and was taken into custody.

It was found after further investigation that Pierce had gained entrance into the gas station by kicking the office door and shattering it. Upon entering the business Pierce took six packs of cigarettes.

Pierce was lodged in Josephine County Jail.

## Income tax ballots to be mailed Jan. 10

By BRITT FAIRCHILD  
Staff Writer

Ballots for the Tuesday, Jan. 28 special election will be sent to local voters on Friday, Jan. 10, according to the Josephine County Elections office.

The deadline to return the ballots is Jan. 28 by 8 p.m. Postmarks by the deadline will not be acceptable.

Oregonians will decide on just one item for this special election -- Measure 28, a three-year temporary income tax increase.

Passage of the measure would generate an estimated \$313 million in the 2002-2003 fiscal year. Approximately

\$247 million would be generated for the 2003-2004 fiscal year, and \$164 million for the 2004-2005 fiscal year.

It is estimated that the measure will increase rates for the average Oregon taxpayer by \$114 a year. Those earning less than \$10,000, will not pay more.

The increased rates apply to taxable income earned in the 2002, 2003, and 2004 tax years. The existing tax rates would be restored in 2005.

If Measure 28 fails, the state will have to cut \$450 million in health care, human services, public safety and education funding.

To balance its budget,

Three Rivers School District-- of which Illinois Valley schools are part -- will likely cut 10 days from the school year.

That would save the district at least \$1.5 million, according to Kathy Krouse, district director of fiscal and support services. The district could lose \$1.1 million if Measure 28 fails.

The deadline to register to vote in the Jan. 28 election was Tuesday, Jan. 7.

If you do not receive a ballot packet, or have other questions, phone the Josephine County Elections Office at 474-5243.

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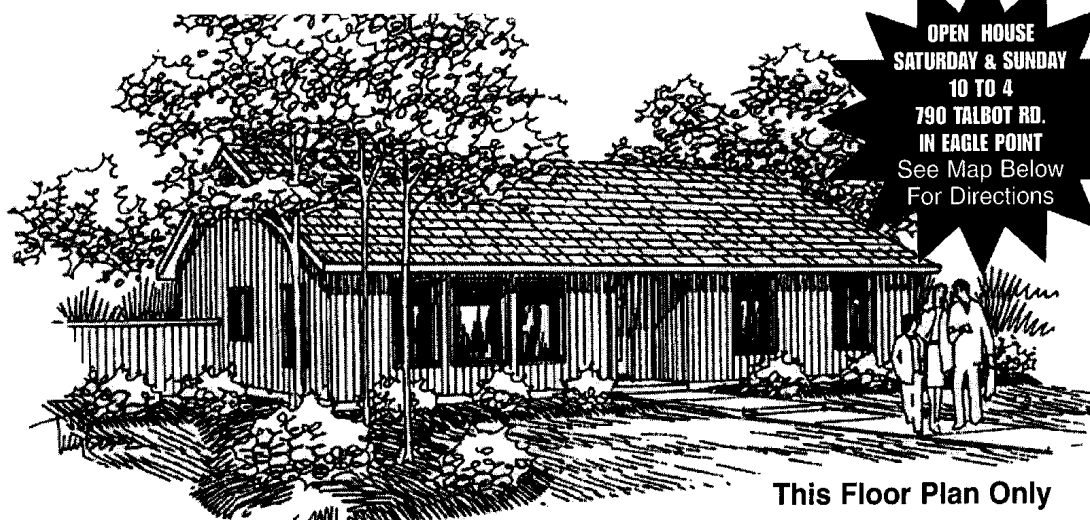
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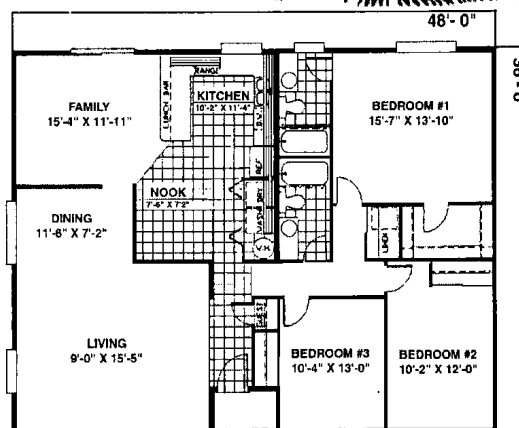
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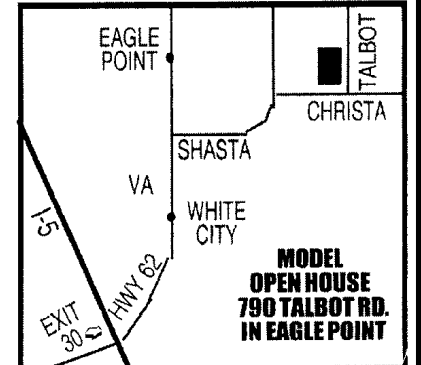
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