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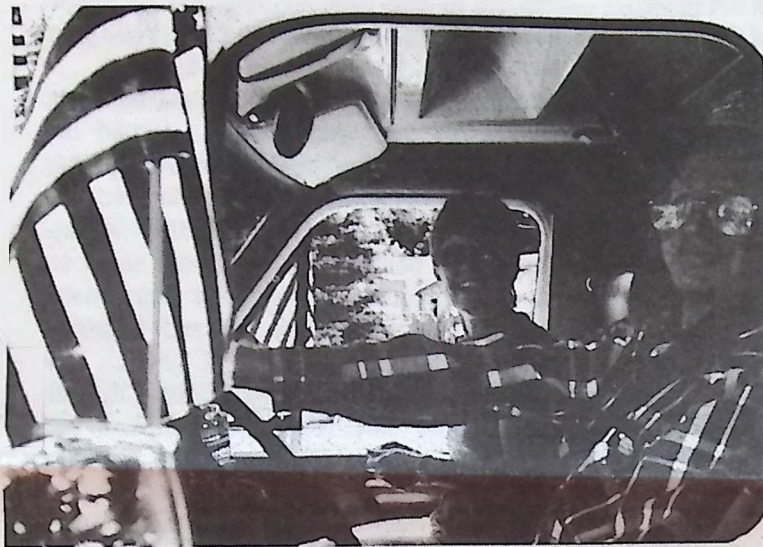
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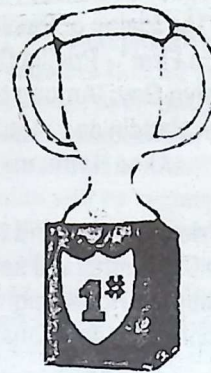
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NEWS FLASH!!! SMALL TOWN GIRL GETS BIG AWARD!



Carrie and Dean Smith riding in the ambulance in the 4th of July parade

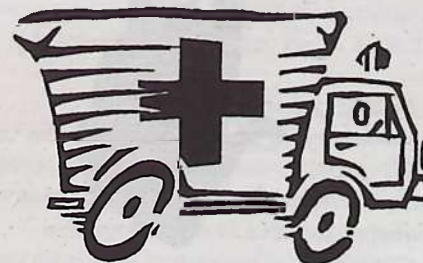


Carrie giving a CPR/First aid course for Butte Falls logging companies

Yeah, you know her. Cute, not too tall, bubbly, eager to help and sometimes hangs out with a couple of dummies (the crash test dummies that is). Carrie Driskell is her name and she has something to be proud of. Although, she was trying to keep it a secret (like you can keep something like this a secret in this town) it is all over the place. For the last week everywhere I went someone would ask me "have you heard about Carrie and the award she won?"

Well, in case you haven't heard, here is the scoop. Carrie Driskell has won the EMT-INTERMEDIATE OF THE YEAR AWARD FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE! There, now it's out... This award honors an EMT-Intermediate who is exemplary in his/her quality of patient care and/or dedication to their community and to the EMS system.

Carrie has provided almost 20 years of volunteer EMS service to Butte Falls. She started as a driver in 1983, acquired her EMT basic in 1990 and since 1996, she and others, brought ALS care to our community as EMT-Intermediates. Carrie supports and promotes EMS through her teaching and speaking within our community as well as working hard on fund-raisers for the Butte Falls Volunteer Ambulance Service which is part of Mercy Flights.



In 1997 Carrie decided to make EMS a full time career and joined the Mercy Flights organization. But, this has not taken away her enthusiasm for her own home town of Butte Falls. This just makes her a greater asset to the citizens of Butte Falls by bringing her professional and caring experience along with her on an emergency call.

Along with being Oregon's #1 EMT-INTERMEDIATE OF THE YEAR, she is also a wife of Jim, homemaker (Domestic Engineer) and Mom of two girls, running to and fro from school activities etc. Boy, Carrie, what do you do in your spare time?

Sorry, but we couldn't keep this news under wraps.... We're proud to have you as part of our community!

by- Cory Hamann