

Elks December Students of the Month



Alighery Marizza
Jiménez Lozano

December 2019. Both award winners are seniors at Hood River Valley High School.

Jiménez is the daughter of Jorge Barrancos and Alma Lozano. She is the oldest of three siblings. She carries a 3.3 GPA. She has taken advanced courses such as Honors English, Honors Physical Science, AP Human Geography, Honors Pre-Calculus, AP U.S. History, AP Calculus, AP U.S. Government and Politics, and Spanish for Spanish Speakers 3. She was awarded AVID Student of the Month in November 2017 and has been a volunteer AVID tutor and high school peer tutor. She has been a HRVHS LINK leader for incoming freshmen since 2017 and was chosen by the faculty to be a Student Ambassador to new students at the high school.

Jiménez has volunteered on Community Work Day since 2017. She is active in the HRVHS Juntos Club, which works to prepare students for college and community service. She is also a member

of the Health Media Club, working to promote healthy teens through advertisements against underage drinking and substance use. She has been a member of the Hood River County Prevention Department since 2018, where she works with new club members and is part of the student council. Her bilingual ability comes in handy when she volunteers to babysit at Hispanic Parents meetings.

Jiménez has played doubles on the JV and varsity tennis teams since 2018. She played JV basketball until 2017 and since then has volunteered with youth basketball teams, an activity that has been especially meaningful to her. She served as an assistant basketball coach for Hood River Community Ed basketball program, helping at practices and games. She says it was “incredible” to work with these aspiring athletes.

Outside of school and volunteer work, Jiménez works for Verónica's Salsa. She hopes to major in biochemistry and molecular biology at Linfield or Portland State.

Montserrat Pedroza is the daughter of Jesús Pedroza and Hilda González. She has two siblings. She holds a 3.6 GPA and has taken advanced courses such as Honors English, AP U.S. History, Writing 115, Writ-



Montserrat
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ing 121 and Advanced Algebra/Trigonometry. At HRVHS, Pedroza is a member of the Health Media Club, working to create awareness and prevention of underage drinking and substance use. She also is a MEChA Club member, encouraging Latino involvement in school and community activities. She was a track team member in 2019.

Pedroza's volunteer work is extensive. She babysat for parents who attended a Junco Club meeting at Wy'east Middle School; she helped set up and directed attendees at the Wy'east Middle School Fall Festival; she assisted at STEM night at Mid Valley Elementary School, setting up and demonstrating and explaining a specific activity to kids and their parents. She volunteered at the Mid Valley Elementary School's Día de los Niños event, helping to set up, doing face painting and cleaning up afterwards.

She also volunteered to set up and greet families at ExCEL night at Mid Valley School. When the HRVHS Health Media Club hosted a Baile Latino, Pedroza recruited volunteers, helped plan the dance,

decorated, took tickets and money, and served refreshments. As a junior, she helped run the concession stand at high school football and soccer games. At HRVHS's College Night, Pedroza helped set up, welcomed the college presenters, and handed out information to attendees.

Pedroza's most meaningful volunteer experience was serving as a student leader for two groups of sixth graders at Outdoor School. She led her cabin group through chores and excursions while her field group looked to her as the leader of science activities. The experience was meaningful to Pedroza because she went out of her comfort zone to a place and people she was not familiar with.

She said, “I left knowing different people, with fun moments, and with leadership skills that I didn't know I had.”

Outside of school and volunteer work, Pedroza has worked for three years picking cherries and since the summer of 2018 has worked at McDonald's as a cashier and Youth Outreach Assistant, taking Odell area kids to the Hood River County Library and supervising them. Pedroza is undecided in her college choice but is considering a major in business.

‘Dammed to Extinction’

Filmmakers to speak at BigSky TEDx

Local filmmakers Michael Peterson and Steven Hawley will present at Big Sky TEDx in Montana Jan. 28 on the issues raised in their award-winning documentary film, “Dammed to Extinction.”

This film chronicles the trials and tribulations of a Pacific Ocean orca pod whose existence is threatened by a dwindling Chinook salmon population as a result of damming the Snake River.

The film was able to raise \$5,000 through a crowdfunding campaign to present at BigSky. Being a participant at this event will enable “Dammed to Extinction” to be featured on TEDx's YouTube Channel, which has over 15.5 million subscribers.

“Dammed to Extinction” won best feature film award at the Eugene Environmental Film Festival last year. A few weeks later, it was awarded best endangered species film at the Wildlife Conservation Film Festival in New York City.

It also won the audience choice award at the Gig Harbor Film Festival.

“Dammed to Extinction” has also been accepted to the Wild & Scenic Film Festival. Each year, Wild & Scenic draws top filmmakers, celebrities, leading activists, social innovators and well-known world adventurers to Nevada City and Grass Valley, Calif.

A local screening in Hood River, is planned on Saturday, Feb. 15 at 7 p.m. at Hood River Valley High School. This event will be a fundraiser benefiting the HRVHS Theater Department.

The composer for “Dammed to Extinction,” Duncan Krummel, is a Hood River native and graduate of HRVHS.

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Author talk Jan. 24 features Alexandra Diaz

Waucoma Bookstore is hosting author Alexandra Diaz for an author reading and presentation on Friday, Jan. 24 at 6:30 p.m. at The Ruins, 13 Railroad St.

This event is free and open to the public. Diaz will be discussing her book “The Only Road,” which is an Oregon Battle of the Books title. “The Only Road” is about 12-year-old Jaime, who makes the treacherous and life-changing journey from his home in Guatemala to live with his older brother in the United States in this middle grade novel.

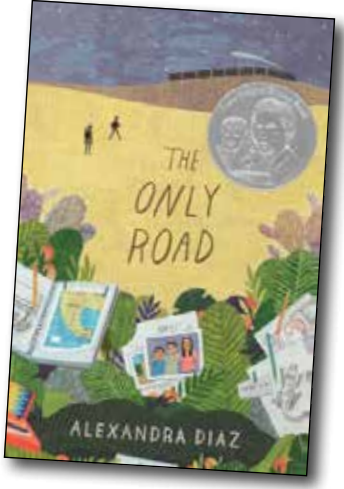
About the author

Diaz is the author of “The Only Road,” which was a Pura Belpré Honor Book,



Alexandra Diaz

an ALA Notable Book, and the recipient of two starred reviews. She is also the author of “Of All the Stupid Things,” which was an ALA Rainbow List book and a New Mexico Book Award finalist, “The Crossroads,” and “Santiago's Road Home.” Diaz is the daughter of Cuban refugees and lives in Santa Fe, N.M., but got her MA in writing for young people at Bath Spa University in England. A native Spanish speaker, she now teaches creative writing to adults and teens.



Equine health presentation

Hood River Saddle Club extends an invitation to folks throughout the Gorge to join them on Tuesday, Feb. 4 and meet Dr. Kayla Shepherd, DVM, who will be the club's guest speaker.

Shepherd will present information on proper equine nutrition, which is the foundation for happy, healthy horses, enabling them to perform to

the best of their ability, said a Saddle Club press release. Attendees will gain a better understanding of the value and importance good nutrition, helping everyone make the best decisions about proper diet for their horses.

Shepherd joined the veterinary team at The Dalles' Columbia Veterinary Service in the summer of 2019. She grew

up in New Prague, Minn., and received her animal science education at the University of Minnesota. She also attended veterinary school at the university, where she focused primarily on equine and small animal medicine.

HRSC is located at 4384 Belmont Drive, on the corner of Belmont and Country Club Road. The meeting will begin

with a potluck at 6 p.m.; Shepherd's presentation will begin at 6:30 p.m. and last approximately one hour.

Horse owners and enthusiasts are invited to attend.

For more information, contact HRSC President Neal Thornton at 541-705-5580.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF HOOD RIVER

In the Matter of the Estate of: PAULE E. RODECAP, Deceased. Case No. 20PB00130 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PARTIES Notice: The Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Hood River has appointed the undersigned as Personal Representative of the Estate of Paul E. Rodecap, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present the same, with proper vouchers to the Personal Representative at c/o Teunis G. Wyers, Wyers|Wyers, Attorneys at Law, 216 Columbia Street, P.O. Box 917, Hood River, OR 97031, within four months from the date of first publication of this notice as stated below, or they may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by this proceeding may obtain

additional information from the records of the court, the Personal Representative, or the Attorney for the Personal Representative. Dated and first published: Jan 22, 2020. PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: Steven M. Rodecap 6155 Trout Creek Ridge Road Parkdale, OR 97041 231.333.5549 fj58sh@yahoo.com ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: Teunis G. Wyers, OSB #111496 Teunis G. Wyers, PC P.O. Box 917 - 216 Columbia Street Hood River, OR 97031 Phone: (541) 386-2210 Fax: (541) 610-1520 tg@wyerslawfirm.com Jan 22, 29 Feb 5, 2020 #1303

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS OF HOOD RIVER SUPPLY ASSOCIATION
The Annual Meet-

ing of the Stockholders of Hood River Supply Association will be held at the Pine Grove Grange Hall on Thursday, February 13, 2020. Meeting will be called to order at 7:00 pm. Purpose of Meeting: 1.Report on operations of past fiscal year. 2.Election of three directors. Terms expiring are: Brian Nakamura, District 3 (Odell area) John Wells, District 4 (Pine Grove area) Randy Franz, At Large (any area) 3.Conduct other business that may legally come before the meeting. 4.Stock Retirement and Patronage checks will be distributed after the meeting. All patrons and friends are welcome. Only members are able to vote. Hors d'oeuvres will be served starting at 6:30 pm. Please RSVP by 01/03/2020, at 541-386-2757 or e-mail susane@hrsupply.com.

Brian Nakamura Secretary Jan. 22 Feb 5, 2020 #1298

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF HOOD RIVER IN THE MATTER OF WILLIAM M. CANNON Deceased. Case No. 20PB00090 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Thomas A. Snellgrove has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the personal representative in care of her attorney, Deborah M. Phillips, P.C. at the address listed below or directly to the personal representative, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. Jan, 15, 22 ,29, 2020 #1299

ected by these proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the lawyer for the personal representative. Dated and first published on Jan, 15, 2020 Deborah M. Phillips, P.C. OSB No. 83301 Attorney for Personal Representative PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: Thomas A. Snellgrove 1507 Dry Creek Road Mosier, OR 97040 (541)478-0144 LA WYER FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: Deborah M. Phillips, P.C. Phillips Reynier Sumerfield & Cline, LLP 718 State Street/P.O. Box 758 Hood River, OR 97031 Telephone : (541)386-4264 Fax: (541) 386-2557 Email: deborahlaw@phillipsreynier.com Jan, 15, 22 ,29, 2020 #1299

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT WATERSHED PLAN-ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, JAN. 29, 2020 FOR EAST FORK IRRIGATION DISTRICT INFRASTRUCTURE MODERNIZATION PROJECT The United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) announces the availability of a Draft Watershed Plan-Environmental Assessment (Draft Plan-EA) to modernize irrigation infrastructure in East Fork Irrigation District. As the project sponsor, East Fork Irrigation District proposes to pipe 56 miles of District-owned canals and laterals to conserve water, reduce energy use, improve operational efficiencies, increase public safety, and enhance fish and wildlife habitat in the

Hood River Watershed. The proposed project is in cooperation with Bonneville Power Administration with assistance from Farmers Conservation Alliance. The proposed improvements may be partially funded through the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act of 1954 (PL 83-566). The proposed project is located in northeastern Hood River County, The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the Council on Environmental Quality's regulations at 40 CFR Parts 1500-1508 require evaluations of the potential effects of federally funded projects on human and natural resources. These evaluations include input from the public. NRCS has reviewed the potential impacts of the project and released a Draft Plan-EA for public and agency review. You are invited to attend a public meeting to provide input

on this project. At the meeting, project partners will present the range of resource issues associated with the project and alternatives to addressing system improvements in East Fork Irrigation District. Public comments and questions will be accepted during a breakout session. Date: January 29, 2020 Time: 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM Location: Pine Grove Grange, 2835 Van Horn Drive, Hood River, OR The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. Please make a request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities at least 48 hours before the meeting to Kate Hart (541) 716-6085 or kate.hart@fcasolutions.org. Media inquiries should be sent to Margi Hoffmann@fcasolutions.org. Comments on the

Draft Plan-EA may be submitted during a public comment period starting January 8, 2020 and ending on February 13, 2018. You can view the complete Draft Plan-EA and other project information online at www.oregonwatershedplans.org. Printed copies of the Draft Plan-EA are also available at the East Fork Irrigation District Office (3500 Graves Rd in Odell), the NRCS Field Office (6780 Hwy 35 in Parkdale), and Farmers Conservation Alliance (102 State St in Hood River). Comments may be emailed to eastforkcomments@gmail.com, submitted online at www.oregonwatershedplans.org, or mailed to: Farmers Conservation Alliance 102 State Street Hood River, OR 97031 Jan 8, 15, 22, 2020 #1291