# **Family Honored At Oregon State Fair**

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The Richards family is very involved with the operation of their farm and their community.

The family from Madras was selected 1994 Oregon State Fair Farm Family of the year. They own a 540 acre farm producing mint oil, bluegrass seed, hay, grain and cattle.

Martin Richards, 38, and his wife Nancy, 36, have been involved with farming all their lives. They started their own farm in Sandy in 1977. In 1989, they moved to Madras in order to increase the size of their land and farming capacity.

Martin Richards manages the farm operations and is also chair of the Jefferson County Soil and Water Conservation District and co-chair of the Farm Bureau Safety Committee.

Nancy Richards drives equipment and does the farm bookkeeping. She is also a member of the Farm Bureau Budget Committee and co-chair of the Farm Bureau Safety Committee.

Gary, 17, is involved in the environmental protection program through 4-H. He has worked to establish and maintain wild-life habitats on area farms. Katie, 15, is in charge of farm worker protection and safety. Kevin, 12, is learning how to operate the heavy equipment. He also is a member of 4-H and is the club reporter. All children drive equipment and change water to irrigate their farm.

"Their farm is a total family



Chores on the family farm help Martin and Nancy Richards teach work values to their children, Katie (from left), Kevin and Gary.

effort where the children and adults are involved in every aspect of the farm," said Babette Horenstein, Oregon State Fair commissioner. "Through farming we have taught our children a strong work ethic, responsibility, and how to give back to the land through wildlife enhancement," said Nancy Richards. "Farming has taught our family a lot of values. It has taught my children that 'the harder you work the more successful you will become' unlike so many other jobs." The family will be honored with a plaque and a \$1,000 scholarship during the annual fair, held Aug. 25 to Sept. 5 at the fairgrounds in Salem.

## Student Learns At Rapid Pace



Laura Harrison

Laura Harrison was one of the many enthusiastic students attending Judah Educational Center this summer completing a year's curriculum in mathematics in two weeks of concentrated study. Harrison completed 10 chapters of algebra during the period. Other students took various courses in math and language.

"Laura's tenacity and intense motivation to excel in mathematics was simply remarkable," quoted her teacher Mr. Franks. "She sometimes wouldn't even take a lunch break, even though I insisted that she should. I have always insisted that my students work hard to learn all that they can, but I never push them beyond their individual capabilities."

A second session of classes is offered this summer. Call 281-2393 for more information.

Judah Educational Center is a community-based school designed to promote academic excellence, self-pride, and cultural values in a climate of mutual respect and trust.

# Seventeen Projects Get Enhancement Funding

Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee has chosen seventeen projects to receive \$240,680 in enhancements funds for the 1993-94 year. Additionally, Delaunay Family of Services will receive its second and third installments of \$50,000 each during this fiscal year.

The committee said it was especially pleased this year to award Portland Housing Center a \$200,000 recoverable grant for the down payment assistance fund. The money will help low- and moderate-income families purchase homes in North Portland. Realtors and other granting sources provide \$1 million to the fund.

The goal of the committee is to fund projects to help meet the needs of the community, create real changes in the community and add to its enrichment and enhancement. Funds are provided by a 50-cent-per ton surcharge collected on garbage disposed at the now-closed St. Johns Landfill.

Others grant will be used: to help fund a feasibility study for the proposed Peninsula Crossing Trail, partial funding of Christmas in April/ Portland to enhance the lives of the elderly, low income and disabled Portland residents, to help support the Health Club project, special summer program for low-income and atrisk youth, to conduct an annual music festival series in Cathedral Park., to install a new 50-gallon hot water heater in Columbia Cottage, to install a second 220-watt powerline to the facility and shelving materials, to purchase a popcorn vending machine to be used for meetings and fundraising purposes, to obtain handicapped-accessible playground equipment for the St. Johns Park, to help fund the annual St. Johns Parade, to help provide emergency assistance to 30 additional families needing occupancy or utility assistance, and finally, to provide personal services expenses to the Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) crew leader who coordinates extracurricular activities.

For more information, call Kathleen Dowdall, Metro community enhancement coordinator, 797-1648.



### "You'll Love It!"

"You love it!" That is what National Pride Car Wash is saying about their new self-service car wash that began construction July 25, located at 5733 N. E. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., next to KFC. Completion is scheduled at the end of September.

"We are delighted to be bringing this beautiful addition to the neighborhood. This new car wash will be unlike any other in Oregon." says Lynda Wilson. National Pride has been serving Seattle since 1982.

A full-time attendant will oversee the 7-bay car wash. The grounds will be beautifully lit and closed-circuit, high-security cameras by Burle will video tape all activities 24-hours a day. When the technology is fine-tuned next year, the National office in Seattle will be able to "tune in" to view the car wash through it's computer.

The car wash will feature state-of-the-art digital LED display for "time remaining" and "Last minute alert" for 7 different car washing services, 10 vacuums, a carpet shampooer and vacuum. Twenty eight vending machines will offer 15 selections of little tree fragrances and a multitude of different products. Two separate machines will vend 6 liquid fragrances. Landscaping will be extensive and will be completed when the temperature cools.

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