

PENDLETON

Meticulous papercutting, intricate art

Arts center exhibit features Jenny Morgan's work

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When Jenny Morgan worked at the Ghost Ranch in the 1990s, one of the perks was being able to take classes from visiting artists at the retreat and education center.

She was particularly intrigued when a master of Polish papercutting visited the New Mexico facility. Morgan never imagined that the craft technique would form the foundation for her serious artistic endeavors.

Polish papercuts — wycinanki — were traditionally made by peasants to decorate their cottages. Depicting scenes from everyday life and special events, it was an inexpensive way to decorate homes. The women often worked with sheep-shearing scissors.

In creating her contemporary images, Morgan uses tiny manicure scissors, working meticulously for hours. Starting with drawings, she sometimes folds the paper into halves or quarters to create symmetry.

Morgan's latest work is featured in an exhibition that opens Thursday at Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N. Main St. The public is invited to an artist's recep-



"Running Up That Hill," papercutting art by Jenny Morgan of Pendleton, is featured in a new exhibit that opens Thursday at Pendleton Center for the Arts.

tion from 5:30-7 p.m. Designs for Morgan's work are inspired from a range of influences — from favorite musicians and songs to characters from literature and chance encounters. Visitors to the gallery can use their smartphones to listen to Morgan talk about each piece and, sometimes, listen to songs that served as inspiration.

Arts center staff and board members noticed Morgan's work many years ago at char-

ity auctions. She was generous in donating her framed images to support local nonprofits and families in need, however, she didn't see herself as an artist.

In 2008, Morgan was invited to exhibit in the Lorenzen Board Room Gallery. The response from viewers and buyers was overwhelming and Morgan began to understand the appeal of her artwork.

Running concurrently, the artwork of Brian Pur-

nell, who teaches classes at the arts center, and Alice Thomas, a Pendleton High School art teacher, will be displayed in the Lorenzen Board Room. The exhibits remain through Oct. 27.

The galleries are open Tuesday through Fridays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturdays from noon to 4 p.m. Admission is free. For more information, contact 541-278-9201, director@pendletonarts.org or visit www.pendletonarts.org.

MILTON-FREEWATER

Drug dealer gets five years in federal prison

By PHIL WRIGHT
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Carlos Cisneros-Razo of Milton-Freewater is going to federal prison for five years for dealing methamphetamine.

U.S. District Judge Michael H. Simon on Monday handed down the five-year prison sentence plus four years of post-prison supervision.

Federal prosecutors charged Cisneros-Razo, 45, in October 2017 with meth distribution, possession of a firearm for drug trafficking and being an alien in possession of a firearm. He took a deal, according to court documents, and pleaded guilty on June 28 in federal court in Portland to one count of possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine. Cisneros-Razo admitted to selling drugs to five to seven people, according to court documents.

The U.S. Attorney's Office for Oregon in a news release stated the Blue Mountain Enforcement Narcotics Team in May 2017 bought meth from Cisneros-Razo.

The team on May 31 raided his Milton-Freewater home and arrested him and Adan Torres-Nieves, 45. Police at the time reported the team confis-

cated 1.5 pounds of methamphetamine, 4.3 pounds of heroin, 5.6 pounds of cocaine, \$26,166 in U.S. currency, two guns and body armor.

The *East Oregonian* reported on the bust.

The Umatilla County District Attorney's office charged both men with multiple drug crimes, then dropped the cases due to the federal prosecution.

The federal prosecution against Torres-Nieves continues. He faces charges of possession with intent to distribute heroin, meth and cocaine, felon in possession of a firearm and possession of a firearm for drug trafficking. The court set his trial for March 11, 2019.

Torres-Nieves is out of jail. His attorney, John Gutbezahl of Lake Oswego, asked the court in late August to end the order requiring GPS monitoring of his client. Judge Simon on Sept. 24 granted that request.

According to the judge's order, if Torres-Nieves does not appear for proceedings or "violates any program rule of a residential treatment program or community corrections," then U.S. marshals or other law enforcement can bring him in "without unnecessary delay."

Oregon FFA, Les Schwab work together to 'Drive Away Hunger'

East Oregonian

Les Schwab Tire Centers of Oregon has partnered with Oregon FFA in a "Drive Away Hunger" Initiative to help raise as much food as possible for those in need.

The initiative will take place during October.

Many Oregonians today are suffering from food insecurity and worry about where their next meal may come from. Since 2008, the Oregon Food Bank has seen the demand for emergency food boxes increase by 44 percent. During October, while the Drive Away Hunger Initiative is happening you may see FFA members across the state doing a variety of service activities to raise as much food and funds as possible. Be on the lookout for activities and collec-



Oregon FFA chapters are combining forces with the state's Les Schwab Tire Centers, Wilco Farm Stores and Grange Co-op Stores to collect food donations for the needy.

tions happening throughout your community.

You are encouraged to drop food donations at any Les Schwab Tire Center, Wilco Farm Store, Grange Co-op Store or your local FFA Chapter. Collection

bags are being distributed to subscribers of the *Capital Press*, *East Oregonian*, *Wallowa County Chiefstain*, *Hermiston Herald*, and *Blue Mountain Eagle* newspapers, or you may pick up a collection bag at your local

Les Schwab Tire Center, Wilco Farm Store or Grange Co-op Store.

In addition to nonperishable food, the FFA is seeking farm and ranch crop donations. If you would be willing to donate a portion of your food crop, please contact your local FFA chapter or Christa Towery with the Oregon FFA Foundation, at ctowery@oregonffa.com.

All donations received will be given to the local food pantries in your community. If there is more food donated than can be used in your community, it will be distributed by the Oregon Food Bank to other pantries throughout the state.

Last year, the Oregon FFA's Drive Away Hunger initiative helped raise 510,150 pounds of food, which was enough food to

provide 382,612 meals. This is a special project for Oregon FFA members, because they are given the opportunity to live out their motto of "learning to do, doing to learn, earning to live and living to serve." In this service initiative, FFA members can follow in the footsteps set by those at Les Schwab Tire Centers, as you see them giving back to their communities daily.

The Oregon FFA is part of the National FFA Organization and is a national youth organization of 653,359 student members — all preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business, and technology of agriculture. There are 8,568 FFA chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Oregon FFA has more

than 6,500 members in 107 chapters across the state. The FFA mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. To learn more about FFA visit www.oregonffa.com or www.ffa.org.

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BRIEFLY

Sheriff's office wraps up DUI crackdowns

The Umatilla County Sheriff's Office corralled several intoxicated drivers during the recent Pendleton Round-Up.

The sheriff's office in a news release reported deputies conducted 15 hours of extra patrols during Round-Up week that resulted in contacting 36 drivers. Deputies gave 25 verbal warnings, issued five citations and made two arrests for driving under the influence of intoxicants. Deputies also took four people into custody on felony warrants.

The sheriff's office conducted DUI patrols over Christmas and New Year, in July and again in August for the county fair. Round-Up week was the sheriff's

office's last DUI crackdown for the year. A grant from the Oregon State Sheriff's Association funded the extra patrols, which netted 12 DUI arrests and 43 citations, according to the sheriff's office.

The sheriff's office reported that it has applied for the granfunding again.

Library friends offer tons of books

Avid readers won't want to miss an opportunity to add to their collection as the Friends of the Pendleton Library Book Sale offers thousands of titles.

Featuring more than 50,000 used books and media, the event begins with a member's only preview sale Thursday from 7-9 p.m. at the Pendleton Convention Center, 1601 Westgate.

Anyone can join the Pendleton Friends of the Library — memberships range from \$10 to \$100.

Admission is free to the sale, which opens to the public Friday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; and a bag sale from 3-5 p.m. features all the books you can fit into a bag for \$1. Those purchasing a Friends of the Pendleton Library tote can fill it for free during the bag sale.

Also, high school age students and adults are still needed to assist with event preparation throughout the week and during the sale. All volunteers will receive coupons for free books.

For more information or to volunteer, contact pendletonfriendsofthelibrary@gmail.com or send a direct message through their Facebook page.

Flu shot clinics free for veterans

Veterans can receive free flu shots at several walk-in clinics sponsored by Jonathan M. Wainwright Memorial VA Medical Center.

No appointments are necessary. The local flu clinics are available in Boardman, Richland and at the VA Medical Center in Walla Walla:

- Monday-Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Walla Walla VA Clinic, 77 Wainwright Drive.

- Monday-Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Richland VA Clinic, 825 Jadwin Drive.

- Friday, Oct. 12 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Boardman Telehealth Clinic at the Port of Morrow, 2 Marine Drive, Suite 103.

In addition, for veterans unable to visit the clinics,

the VA has partnered with Walgreens for enrolled veterans to receive a flu shot — some restrictions may apply.

For more information, contact Linda Wondra at 509-525-5200, linda.wondra@va.gov or visit www.wallowa.va.gov.

Inspirations,

the gift shop at St. Anthony Hospital

Located just inside the front entrance to the hospital. Open five days a week, Inspirations is staffed by generous volunteers, who are happy to help you find just what you're looking for, whether you are a visitor, patient or employee. You can find thoughtful gifts, greeting cards, spiritual and inspirational items, stuffed animals, flowers, toys, snacks and refreshments, and special seasonal merchandise.

Profits earned through the operation of the gift shop are used to fund scholarships for students pursuing an education in healthcare as well as to purchase much-needed equipment and supplies for St. Anthony Hospital. This year alone \$11,000 in scholarships were given out.

To volunteer please call 541.966.0528

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