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Community Bank picks local teachers

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JOSEPH — As area educators were returning to their classrooms in September, Community Bank was collecting nominations for its new **Apple Appreciation Awards**.

The bank congratulated teachers with the most nominations collected in the communities where it has branches. The winners in schools in Umatilla and Morrow counties include **Makenna Ramos** (Pendleton), **Meghan Dixon** (Hermiston), **Jeff Bishop** (Milton-Freewater) and **Sarah Matheny** (Heppner). In addition to shining a spotlight on current kindergarten through 12th grade teachers in local communities, the award also served to support school clubs. The winning teacher from each Community Bank location was presented with an Apple Appreciation Award trophy and asked to choose a club or student organization at their school to receive a \$200 donation from the bank.

A kindergarten teacher at **Pendleton Early Learning Center**, Ramos designated the \$200 to go toward materials for sensory play at the **Little Buck Room** at the Learning Center. Comments about Ramos included, "She has a heart of gold and goes above and beyond for her little kindergartners." In addition, she is said to see the potential in all her students.

Dixon, a fourth-grade teacher at Hermiston's **Desert View Elementary School**, selected the school's **Robotics Club** as the recipient of the bank's donation. Dixon was noted for her hard work and going the extra step. "She goes out of her way to not only teach her students but to build a community of caring students in her classroom," the bank shared from a voter.

Bishop, who teaches fifth grade at **Ferndale Elementary School** in Milton-Freewater, chose the **Ferndale Elementary Parent-Teacher Organization** to receive the donated funds. In nominating Bishop, it was

said he relates well to the students and inspires kids in wanting to be at school.

A first-grade teacher at **Heppner Elementary School**, Matheny chose the **Heppner Parent Teacher Club** to benefit from the bank donation. Matheny reportedly goes above and beyond for all of her students, and she helps them succeed as students and individuals.

The bank anticipates continuing the Apple Appreciation Awards each fall with plans to expand the nomination radius to include all schools within the counties where Community Bank does business.

Community Bank was founded in 1955 by a group of Joseph business leaders as the Bank of Wallowa County. Since then, it has grown across the region, including branches in Pendleton, Hermiston, Heppner and Milton-Freewater.

For more information, contact **Tom Moran**, president and CEO, at 509-525-9860 or tmoran@communitybanknet.com.

PHS graduate scores with Oregon Ducks

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EUGENE — A 2002 **Pendleton High School** graduate was recently honored as an outstanding young alumni at the **University of Oregon**.

Dennis Worden, who graduated from the Eugene-based university in 2006, was honored by the U of O Alumni Association Oct. 26 during the Oregon-Washington State football game. **Aaron Worden** of Pendleton said his brother currently serves as director in global ethics and compliance at **Walmart** headquarters in Arkansas.

After receiving a bachelor of arts degree in political geography, Worden spent time in Washington, D.C., as a **Mark O. Hatfield** fellow. A program of the **Spirit Mountain Community Fund**, Worden learned about the federal political system and served with former U.S. Rep. **David Wu** as a policy and advocacy advisor regarding Native American concerns. Upon completion of the fellowship internship, Worden remained as a legislative assistant for Wu. He



Photo contributed by Aaron Worden
Pendleton High School graduate Dennis Worden, center, introduces Luka Worden to University of Oregon president Michael H. Schill during the Oct. 26 Presidential Tailgate event at the Ducks-Cougars football game in Eugene. Also a 2006 U of O graduate, Worden was being honored as an outstanding young alumni of the Eugene school.

later worked as a legislative assistant for the **National Indian Health Board** and was legislative director for the **Native American Contractors Association**.

UCSO employee set to finish academy class

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SALEM — **Logan Skinner** of the **Umatilla County Sheriff's Office** is preparing to graduate from a basic training course presented by the **Department of Public Safety Standards and Training**.

Skinner and fellow class-

mates in **Basic Corrections Local #BCL039** will participate in a special ceremony Friday Nov. 8. The event, which begins at 2 p.m., will be held at the **Oregon Public Safety Academy** in Salem. **Lt. Joe Hensley**, Curry County Sheriff's Office jail commander, is the guest speaker. Friends

and family are invited to attend, including a reception that follows.

DPSST provides training to more than 25,000 students each year throughout Oregon and at the academy's 235-acre campus in Salem. For more information, visit www.oregon.gov/dpsst.



Photo contributed by Barbara Morehead

While out exploring with her camera, **Barbara Morehead** snapped photos south of **Pilot Rock** where an old stagecoach stop was at the forgotten hamlet of **Ridge**.

A cruise down memory ridge

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While recently driving south of her **Pilot Rock** home, **Barbara Morehead** recalled information about an old stagecoach stop at **Ridge**. The area included a mercantile, post office and the former residence of her great-aunt **Emma Piquet** and great-uncle **Charlie Piquet**.

"Uncle Charlie died in the 1960s, but Auntie Em lived well into her 90s," Morehead said. After suffering a stroke, she was unable to continue residing on the mountain. She lived out her final years in adult foster care.

"I believe that is what killed her — moving her off the mountain into a com-

plete unknown." Morehead said. "For the better part of 92 years, she lived at **Ridge**, Oregon, with no power, running water or phone." Although, the Moreheads did have one installed for her in the late 1970s or early 1980s.

While riding cows on the land as a kid, Morehead recalls some mighty tasty meals after getting all the work done. Auntie Em would put on a pot of beans with ham hocks and made cornbread from scratch — even grinding her own cornmeal. And she always knew to save room for dessert featuring strawberry rhubarb pie — again made from ingredients she grew, processed and canned.

"To this day I have never

tasted those three things as delicious as how she made them," Morehead said.

An old family homestead, Morehead said, is on the north end of the **Stock Drive**, about a half of a mile from **Ridge**. Her grandpa, **William H. Wachter**, and the rest of his siblings were raised on the land.

Morehead said the book **"The Rocks are Ringing: Bannock-Paiute Indian War, Oregon 1878"** provides information about **Willow Springs**, which is just off the south side of the Morehead family property. From the description, she said it sounds fairly close to that area where a battle occurred between the cavalry and **Bannock-Paiute** tribes.

BIRTHS

St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton
OCT. 28, 2019

HUXOLL — Rylee S. Fister and Adam R. Huxoll of Hermiston: a boy, Owen Avery Huxoll.

Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston
OCT. 22, 2019

MUTH — Chellsie S. Almaguer and Kyle L. Muth of Hermiston: a girl, Elliana Rosie Selena Muth.

OCT. 24, 2019

BERNAL — Victoria R. Palacios Gonzalez and Julio A. Bernal of Hermiston: a girl, Mia Rosa Bernal.

OCT. 25, 2019

MONTANO CERVERA — Norma Cervera and Emmanuel R. Montano Rosales

of Boardman: a girl, Jailyn Johanna Montano Cervera.

OCT. 26, 2019

GUTIERREZ GUICO — Tomasa Guico Juarez and Jose Gutierrez Velasquez of Boardman: a boy, Anuel AA Gutierrez Guico.

MONCLOVA — Alyssa Monclova and Julio C. Monclova Jr. of Hermiston: a boy, Julio Cesar Monclova III.

OCT. 28, 2019

HOGG — Reina L. Stone and Jesse D. Hogg of Irrigon: a girl, Gabriella Nevaeh Hogg.

OCT. 29, 2019

PEDRO — Morgan A. Pedro and Mark A. Pedro of Hermiston: a girl, Cydney Lane Pedro.

THANKS

Pendleton library gives thanks for book sale support

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The **Pendleton Friends of the Library** recently held its largest annual fundraiser, the book sale. We raised over \$14,000 that will directly support to the **Pendleton Public Library**. We are so grateful for the support of the community

as shoppers and volunteers!

Volunteers work thousands of hours year-round to collect and sort book donations, and then put in over 350 hours during the week of the sale. We are also grateful for our community helpers like the **BMCC men's basketball team**, the **Pendleton**

High School cross-country team, the **Pendleton High School Life Skills class**, **Hodgen Distributing**, the **Pendleton Convention Center staff** and **Walmart**, who all donate time, materials, or services.

Rosanna Brown
Pendleton Friends of the Library

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SATURDAY, NOV. 2
PENDLETON EAGLES STEAK AND LIVE MUSIC, 6-11:59 p.m., Pendleton Eagles Lodge, 428 S. Main St., Pendleton. Dinner from 6-8 p.m., music from 8 p.m. to midnight. Members and guests welcome. (541-278-2828)

SUNDAY, NOV. 3
PENDLETON EAGLES BREAKFAST, 9 a.m.-12 p.m., Pendleton Eagles Lodge, 428 S. Main St., Pendleton. Open to members and guests. (541-278-2828)

PFLAG PENDLETON, 4 p.m., location varies, Pend-

leton. No-host lunch followed by meeting. Everyone welcome. (Vickie Read 541-966-8414)

MONDAY, NOV. 4
BOARDMAN QUILT GROUP, 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Boardman Senior Center, 100 Tatone St., Boardman. Quilt construction, quilting updates, education, history and friendship. Free. (Kathy Hyder 541-571-7009)

IRRIGON MOOSE LODGE TACOS AND BINGO, 6-9 p.m., Irrigon Moose Lodge, 220 N.E. Third St., Irrigon. Tacos from 6-9 p.m.,

bingo from 6:30-9 p.m. Open to members and guests. (541-922-1802)

ATHENA MAINSTREET ASSOCIATION, 6 p.m., association office, 431 E. Main St., Athena. Volunteers welcome. (April Vorhauer-Flatt 541-969-4811)

GREATER HERMISTON AREA TEA PARTY, 7 p.m., Stafford Hansell Government Center, 915 S.E. Columbia Drive, Hermiston.

HEPPNER GARDEN CLUB, 7 p.m., St. Patrick's Senior Center, 190 N. Main St., Heppner.

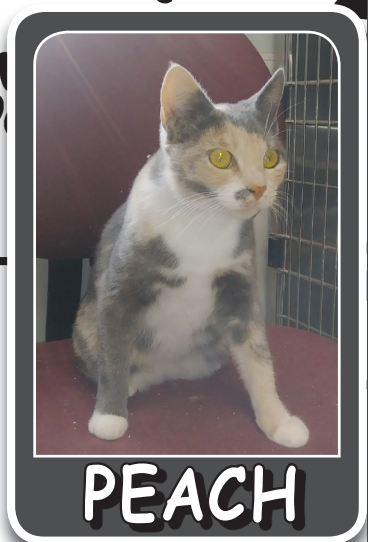
Pet of the Week

Peach a 3 yr old spayed Dilute Calico. Outgoing, friendly, does well with other cats (do not know about dogs) loves all ages of people.

488 Pets Adopted in 2019!



Visit Peach at the **Pioneer Humane Society/Paws**
Tues - Sat · Noon - 4pm
517 SE 3rd ST, Pendleton
541-276-0181
Check out the **PAWSABILITY Thrift Store**



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