

Powell, Johnson receive inspiration awards

Dayville teachers nominated by former students

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Two Dayville educators have won the Inspirational Teacher Award from Eastern Oregon University.

Marguerite Powell, nominated by former student Hannah Flower, and Cis Johnson, nominated by former student Jamie Waltenburg, were honored at Dayville School during an assembly on Thursday, April 6.

The school has about 45 K-12 students which allows

Powell has worked at Dayville School since 2005 and worked as a paralegal and

the teachers to develop and maintain close relationships with the students. Powell teaches language arts, health and social studies to the high school students at Dayville. She has known some of her students since they were in second grade. She often stays in touch with former students and recently downloaded Snapchat, a picture sharing app popular with younger generations, to stay in touch with a former exchange student now back in Germany. She also plans on meeting a former student in Salem for a campus tour with current students.

"There's a whole lot of money out there that nobody knows about," she said about scholarships. She said one of the most rewarding parts of her job is helping a student from a family where no one has ever attended college get into a university. "It's fun to step back and

taught night classes prior to moving to Dayville.

Johnson, an educational assistant and librarian at the school, said she was proud of her former students now out in the world and said receiving the award made her feel like she was making a difference.

Johnson helps students with college applications, finding scholarships and meeting deadlines to get into college.

Students who maintained dean's list standing during fall term were given the opportunity to nominate a high school teacher who influenced them on their road to higher education and academic excellence. EOU presents the Inspirational Teacher Awards annually in recognition of outstanding high school teachers who encourage and represent the importance of higher education to their students.

look at them and how they grow," she said.

Johnson and Powell are among 18 educators from Idaho, Nevada, Oregon and Washington nominated by first-year honor students at Eastern Oregon University to receive Inspirational Teacher Awards.

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New bistro highlights timber industry, offers fast homemade cooking

Breakfast, lunch, coffee on Timbers menu

By Angel Carpenter
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The crew at Timbers Bistro in John Day has been hopping since opening for business in January.

Located at 742 W. Main St., the bistro offers a full espresso bar featuring Dillanos Coffee Roasters products. There is a drive-thru, as well indoor dining for breakfast and lunch, which includes a salad bar.

Timbers manager Tammy Clark, who has been in the customer service and coffee industry for 15 years, said the idea behind the business is a return to the area's roots.

"I wanted to put the timber industry front and center, because it's very much a part of this community," she said.

The business is owned by Iron Triangle and employs 10 people.

"I wanted to go back to old school, fast homemade cooking and keep the menu very simple," she said.

Located in the former McDonald's Restaurant, the building has undergone a complete transformation. The interior design includes a mixture of barn wood and corrugated metal panels with tractor seat chairs.

"Every piece of the barn wood in here had to be planked," Clark said.

She said the busyness they're experiencing has made all the effort worth it.

"My girls work hard," she said. "We love all the feedback we've gotten from the community at the drive-thru and on Facebook."

Recently, baristas Cherise Holmstrom and Taylor Smith were keeping up with the morning drive-thru customers, preparing espressos, lattes, ice rages and infused Red Bull drinks.

Holmstrom said she's enjoyed seeing the transforma-

tion of the building.

"We're bringing something new to the community," she said.

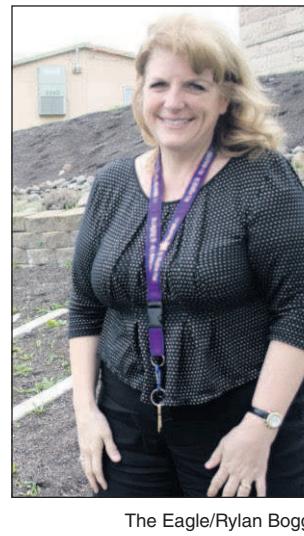
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busy," Smith added. "It's nice that they're showing a lot of support throughout the community."

Clark said they've been so busy during the lunch hour they sold out of cheesy broccoli soup before noon recently. Other soups served — and there's a new one each day — include chicken tortilla, cheeseburger and bacon potato.

Breakfast sandwiches are available on a variety of breads including croissant, bagel, English muffin and waffles, and breakfast burritos are also on the menu.

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Timbers Bistro in John Day, which opened in January, offers a full espresso bar, breakfast and lunch.



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Barista Cherise Holmstrom prepares a drink at Timbers Bistro.



Jodi Ranft, left, and manager Tammy Clark set up the salad bar.

Timbers Bistro manager Tammy Clark steams milk for a latte.



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Customers enjoy lunch at Timbers Bistro on Thursday, April 13, served by Taylor Smith, left.

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They'll also add outdoor seating and fire pits.

Clark said she's not been surprised by the positive response customers have had to

the business.

"It's nice in here, and fun, and as long as we have really good coffee and food, that's what they want," she said. "I have an amazing crew, and we love what we do. We hope that resonates with our customers, because we want them to feel at home here."

Timbers is open from 5:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays, and they will eventually be open on Sundays. For more information, call 541-575-0151.

Point and shoot: Simulations test officers, public

By Rylan Boggs

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German foreign exchange student Antonia Mueller-Axt has just pulled over two men driving a car without license plates in a bad part of town.

They both exit the vehicle and begin yelling and swearing at her as she steps out of her patrol car. She commands them to stop but they both reach for guns in their waist bands. She shoots one, but the other draws his weapon and fires.

The simulation stops. The screen reads: "You did not take action."

Mueller-Axt is fine, and the two men are just film actors in a police training sim-

ulator called MILO-Range.

The simulator was loaned to the John Day Police De-

partment from the Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training.

All John Day officers are required to use the simulator, Police Chief Richard Gray said.

The simulator contains a variety of scenarios police officers would encounter in the field, including active shooters and suicidal subjects. Officers have only seconds to analyze the situation, give commands to the simulator and make a decision whether or not to shoot.

Officers have replica pepper spray, pistol, stun gun, flashlight and extra magazines they can use.

"It gives the officer a safe environment to train and engage a situation," Gray said.

Scenarios require the

user to determine whether or not subjects have the means, intent and opportunity to kill or do harm.

Means refers to the subject's ability to inflict harm, such as having a weapon. Intent refers to showing behavior indicating they wish to harm you. Opportunity refers to being at a range or in a situation where they can cause harm.

Gray makes the simulator available to those wishing to use it so they can see what police officers undergo.

"It's important the public sees both sides," Gray said. "If the public can see how quick things happen, maybe they will have a better understanding of what we go through on a day-to-day basis."



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German foreign exchange student Antonia Mueller-Axt uses the MILO-Range law enforcement training system for target practice at the John Day police station April 20.