

**John F. Cole Wins Famous Freedom Award**



John F. Cole MM1 who is in the U.S. Navy and a former resident of Heppner, has joined a select group in being a recipient of a 1971 Award of the Freedom Foundation at Valley Forge. He has received an Honor Certificate Award for Armed Forces Letter: "What Is An American?"

**Ione Garden Book Wins**

By Linda McKay  
Rev. Ed Cutting's announcement that the Ione Garden Club's yearbook had won first in its category in Blue Mt. District No. 10 opened the February 9 meeting. Mrs. Garland Swanson's home was the setting for the meeting with Mrs. Ernest Heliker and Mrs. Van Hubbard, co-hostesses with Mrs. Swanson. February 28, 29 and March 2 were the tentative dates chosen to do the annual spring pruning of the street trees which have been planted over a period of years by the Garden Club. At this time, members will spot areas in need of new plantings.

On February 14-15, Rev. Cutting attended the Landscape Design Study Course II at Sweetbrier Inn Motor Hotel, Portland.

A report was made of the enthusiastic response of Morrow County teachers on the circulated sample copies of the "People and Their Environment," conservation resource material available through the National Council of State Garden Clubs.

"Sand pressing those lovely garden flowers for winter bouquets is a lot of fun and a very economical hobby too!" stated Mrs. Swanson as she demonstrated the method used. No flower pressed between the leaves of a book can compare in beauty with one coming out of a sand tray. They have their original shape, practically all of their natural color and brilliance. Many could pass as fresh out of the garden. Easiest to sand press are the everyday favorites: pansies, violas, marigolds, verbenas, cosmos, snapdragons and bachelor buttons. Mrs. Swanson had pressed arrangements of zinnias that were lovely. There are only three prerequisites for sand pressing:

1. A box of FINE sand is needed as it will exert a gentle even pressure on all surfaces. (Boardman sand is ideal)

2. Use only flowers that have just come into bloom.  
3. Allow 10 days to two weeks of patient waiting while the flowers are slowly drying in the sand—this is the secret of their natural color.

After gently shaking the sand from the blooms, they are ready to be used in vase arrangements, wall plaques or casting in clear plastic.

Mrs. Swanson, Mrs. Heliker, and Mrs. Lee Pettyjohn showed pictures made entirely of vegetable and flower seeds. The pictures had been made by Mrs. Swanson, Mrs. Ted Edelman, Stanfield, and former Garden Club members.

A tip for houseplant enthusiasts was given. A fertilizer with ingredients in just the right balance is no further away than the egg carton in your refrigerator. One quart of water mixed with 1 egg yolk will feed 10 plants in 6-inch pots. Feed twice a week in the growing season. At the next meeting, the Ione Garden Club will have as honored guest, Mrs. Charles Dallas, Pendleton. Mrs. Dallas is Director of Blue Mt. District No. 10. The meeting will be at Mrs. Harold Huber's Lexington home on March 8, at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 26, is the tentative date that was set for the annual Garden Club Plant Sale. Full details will be announced at a later date.

**SHOWER HONORS MRS. HOLTZ**

**IONE**-Mrs. Elmer Holtz was honored at a bridal shower on Feb. 18. The "Drop in Coffee" hour was held at the home of Mrs. Dennis McKay, with Mrs. Lewis Carlson, Mrs. Darrel Wilson, and Mrs. Bob Rietmann, as co-

**hostesses.**

The three-tiered wedding cake trimmed in red, was topped with laced wedding bells. Mrs. William Zinter baked and designed the cake. As Mrs. Holtz opened her gifts, Mrs. Ed Hjemstra and Mrs. Harold Holtz, the bride's sister-in-law, re-

corded the gifts. The bows were placed in a heart-shaped net. Among the guests were the mothers of the couple, Mrs. Russell Holmes and Mrs. Clarence Holtz. The Leo Crabtrees were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Marshall, Lexington, on Feb. 13.

**GRANGE CARD PARTY ON SATURDAY**

There will be a Willow Grange-sponsored card party this Saturday, at 8:00 p.m. Pinochle and Pedro will be played with refreshments served. \$1.00 donations welcome.

**GRANGE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED**

The 46th Birthday of the Willow's Grange was celebrated on Feb. 20 by approximately 35 members. The local organization was founded on Feb. 4, 1926. Mrs. William Zinter baked and designed the cake for the

occasion. The members also enjoyed a pot luck dinner. Honorary members were as follows: Earl Morgan, Vida Heliker, Mable Ring, Mable Cotter, Clara Kincaid, Mable Crawford and W.C. Crawford.

Members of the Ione Garden Club plan to prune the street trees, weather per-

mitting, beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 28. A pot luck will be held at noon by those participating at Vida Heliker's home. The 100 trees were planted ten years ago by the local club. While in Salem recently, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pettyjohn, Sr. visited their granddaughter, Leslie Hama.

# YEAR OF THE AWARDS

## The BIG ONE

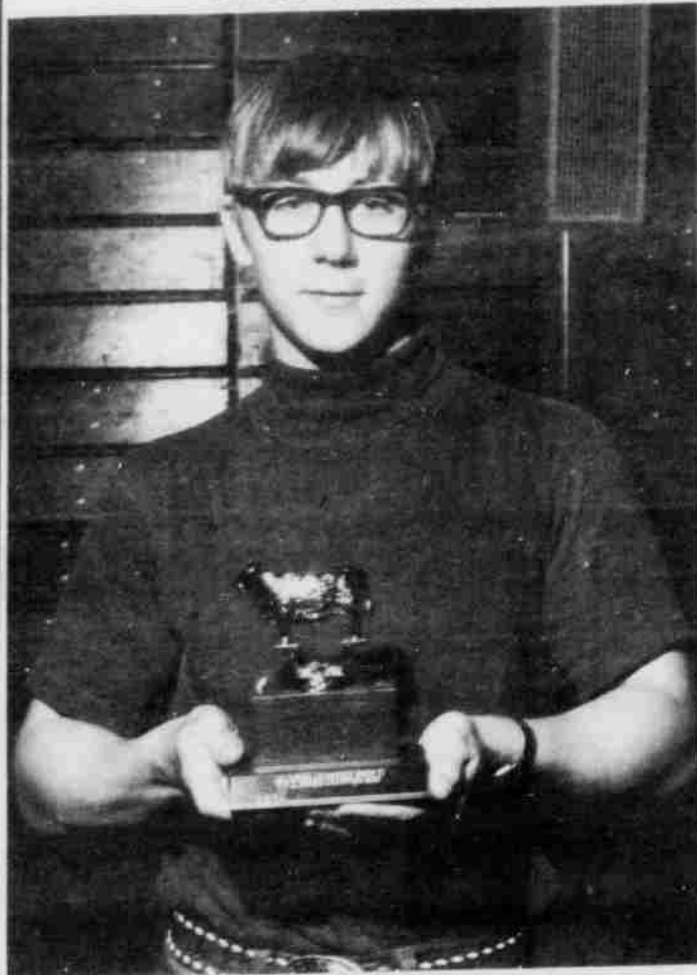
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