

Nursing home residents pick winners



Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home residents, Elmer Byland (left) Larry Brady, and Merle Boyce deliberate over entries in the Christmas coloring contest.

"It was a hard choice to make," said Mrs. Boyce.

Not pictured are two other nursing home residents who served as judges in the coloring contest, Mrs. W.C. Cox and Opal McLaughlin.

Seventy-three area youngsters entered the contest, which was sponsored by Heppner merchants.

Winners are as follows:

First place - Travis Hughes (3 & 4); Maisie Gifford (5 & 6); Wayne Plocharsky (7 & 8); and Scott Jones (9 through 12).

Second Place - Karen Murty (3 & 4); Jenni Springer (5 & 6); Lana Schmidt (7 & 8); Paula Plocharsky (9 through 12).

Third Place - Trent Hughes (3 & 4); Amy Brownfield (5 & 6); Carrie Brownfield (7 & 8); Phillip Estberg (9 through 12).

Honorable Mention:

3 & 4 year olds - Alissa Brownfield, Tina Chinen, Kristen Elliott, Aleida Goodyear, Sara Greenup, Staci Leyua, Ryan Munkers, Jimmy Unrein, Jered Wicklund.

5 & 6 year olds - Tony Burt, Jeremy Clark, Nicole Duncan, Holly Eckman, Shannon Elliott, Jon Munkers, Shane Munkers, Travis Murty, Joshua Peck, Charlie Rathbun.

Brody Strukmeier, A.J. Tarnasky.

7 & 8 year olds - Al Burt, Terry Chinen, Sarah Clark, Eric Connor, Kelly Earley, Heather Eckman, Amy Greenup, Dean Munkers, Rick Osmin, Dulcie Palmer, Shane Palmer, Teri Piper, Melissa Rowell, Tiffany Springer, Amy Strahm, Theresa Unrein, Rebecca Wicklund, Kirsti Winters.

9 through 12 year olds - Steven Arbogast, Penny Connor, Jason Doherty, Reid Duncan, Valinda Hager, Scott Holt, Shawn Holt, Keith Limanen, Marion McMillan, Jess Osmin, Trina Palmer, Cynthia Piper, Sheila Piper, Kim Rich, Jacklyn Robinson, Natalie Robinson, J.J. Shaw, Brian Siminoe, Christy Stroeber, Cindy Stroeber, Staci Toll, Kellie Unrein.

Winners may pick up their gift certificates at the Gazette-Times, 147 West Willow, Heppner.

Gift certificates may be redeemed at the following businesses: CENTRAL MARKET, COAST TO COAST, COLE'S HOUSE OF FASHION, GARDNER'S MEN'S WEAR, KROLL'S DEPT. STORE, LEBUSH SHOPPE, MURRAY'S DRUG, PETERSON'S JEWELRY, THE SHOE BOX.

All contestants are invited to stop by the Gazette-Times for your free candy cane.

12th annual Northwest Agricultural show set

The twelfth annual Northwest Agricultural show, with expanded educational programs and additional exhibitors, has been scheduled for January 27, 28 and 29 at the Multnomah County Exposition Center and Jantzen Beach Thunderbird, according to manager Jim Heater.

In addition to exhibits which will cover some 150,000 square

feet, Heater said that educational programs have been scheduled by the Oregon Horticultural Society, Oregon Washington Nut Growers Association and Oregon Association of Nurserymen.

Also planned is a Lower Columbia Dairy short course as well as a statewide meeting of Oregon potato growers which is under sponsorship of

the Oregon Potato Commission.

Heater said that all educational sessions will be held at the Jantzen Beach Thunderbird.

Show hours Tuesday, Jan. 27, will be from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., on Wednesday, Jan. 28, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and on Thursday, Jan. 29, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Since the first show in 1969 the Northwest Agricultural Show has become the largest such event in the Northwest and attracts exhibitors from all over the world and visitors from Oregon, Washington, Idaho and California.

Heater said exhibitors will display the latest developments in nursery and farm machinery and equipment.

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Keep that Christmas tree green

Keeping your Christmas tree green, fragrant and fresh throughout the holiday season is no trick if you follow the suggestions of the tree-growing members of the Northwest Christmas Tree Association.

Most Christmas trees available in the marketplace today are grown on plantations.

These trees are carefully tended and sheared to create the ideal shape, then harvested and shipped close to the buying season so they will remain as fresh as possible through the holiday season.

A buyer can help insure that the tree remains green and fragrant by placing it in a Christmas tree stand with a water reservoir.

However, it is vital that you saw off approximately two inches from the base of the tree before placing it in the stand.

This cutting removes a protective coating of resin or "pitch" which the tree protectively placed over the original cut. Elimination of the seal permits the tree to absorb water while it is in the warm confines of your home.

Once the tree is securely mounted, the water reservoir should be filled and checked regularly. A tree depending upon size and condition will drink from a pint to a gallon of water each day.

Should the water level fall below the butt of the tree, resin will reform on the cut, preventing the tree from drawing water. Thus it will dry out and the needles may fall.

Location of the tree is another factor in maintaining the tree's freshness. It should be placed away from heat sources such as furnace vents, fireplaces and radiators as well as drafts. Tree lights should be extinguished when the room is unoccupied or when the family is in bed.

If, after purchase, you do not immediately mount the tree on its stand, members of the Northwest Christmas Tree Association suggest that you saw off the resin-covered end, immerse it in a container of water and leave it outside until you are ready to use.

Health Department

Wednesday, Dec. 3 - Free Blood Pressure Clinic, Neighborhood Center, 178 West Willow, Heppner, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 5 - Immunizations, Free Blood Pressure Clinic, Health Dept. Office, Lexington, 8 a.m. to 12 noon, 1 to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 9 - Immunizations, Free Blood Pressure Clinic, County Offices, Irigton, 1 to 4 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 12 - Immunizations, Free Blood Pressure Clinic, Health Dept. Office,

Lexington, 8 a.m. to 12 noon, 1 to 4 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 16 - Free Blood Pressure Clinic, Neighborhood Center, 178 West Willow, Heppner, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 17 - Free Blood Pressure Clinic, United Church of Christ basement, Irigton, 4 to 5 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 18 - Free Blood Pressure Clinic, Neighborhood Center, Heppner, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 19 - Immunizations, Free Blood Pressure Clinic, Health Dept. Office, Lexington, 8 a.m. to 12 noon, 1 to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 23 - Immunizations, Free Blood Pressure Clinic, County Offices, Irigton, 1 to 4 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 25 through Wednesday, Dec. 31 - Christmas holiday, closed.

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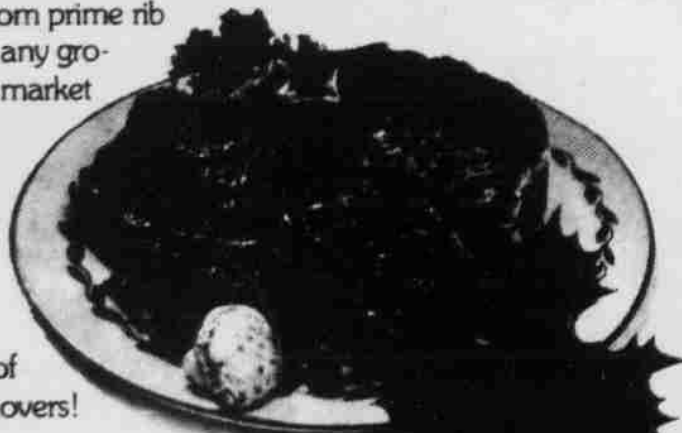
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