

4-H announces new \$5,500 scholarship

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The largest single scholarship to be awarded to an incoming freshman at Oregon State University has been announced recently. It is available to only those who have been involved in the 4-H program in Oregon. The scholarship is in the amount of \$5,500.

The new scholarship, a memorial for Leo G. Spitzbart was made available this year by his widow, Hallie. Spitzbart was a 1921 graduate of OSU, and devoted his life to farming near Salem. He

served as manager of the Oregon State Fair for 22 years, from 1935 to 1957. He was an honorary member of the Oregon County Agents Association and attended many Extension conferences. This scholarship is in memory of his life-time interest in the youth of Oregon, the Oregon State Fair, and the university.

Eligibility for the scholarship includes current membership in the 4-H program, with a minimum of three years membership, including the current 4-H year; scoring in the upper 25 percent of the high school graduating class; enrolling as freshman at OSU. Application requirements

are: Project Summary Form, Oregon 4-H permanent record, 4-H story, including how scholarship will be used, story on participation at state fair, two recommendations, project records for past two years and current year, transcript of grade and SAT scores. Project and activity pictures are optional. There is no specific scholarship form which must be completed by applicant.

The applications for this new scholarship are due in the county office no later than March 2. All high school counselors and enrolled 4-H seniors were sent information regarding the new scholarship.

Interested 4-H members are encouraged to visit with John or Birdine, or their school counselor regarding this scholarship, as well as others that are available.

BRING ON THE CLOWNS

Saturday, January 24, 1:30 to 3:30 is the time to learn about clowning around. Those attending can learn about makeup for clowning, skits, mime, costumes, and have fun with our 4-H clown, Todd Harrison, and his student clowns, Kevin Hughes and Trent Harrison. All leaders and members are invited to this new opportunity for 4-Hers in Morrow County. Theatrical makeup will be on hand so each may "paint a face." A fifty-cent charge will be made to cover cost of the makeup. Oregon now has a 4-H clowning project available to anyone who would be interested in starting a clown club. Attend this program to learn all about it, or call Birdine at 676-9642.

You can be involved in state legislation

The 1981 legislature will convene in the State Capitol, Salem, on January 12 to enact laws, furnish an arena for discussions, and determine ways to finance the state government.

The Oregon Constitution and state law requires that all committee meetings and deliberations of the assembly be open to the public. If you are especially interested in a particular committee meeting you may appear and voice your opinions.

Most Oregonians are very interested in the happenings at the state capitol, and many like to be informed on the activities of the legislature. Alice Mills, Morrow Extension and Public Policy Education specialist gives us this information on how to keep informed. Write your senator and representative. Find out what committees each is on and their toll free telephone numbers. Ask one of them to put you on the mailing list for the "Legislative Calendar and

Measure Summaries." Address letter to (senator or representative) State Capitol Bldg. Salem, 97310.

Make contact with committee chairmen or administrators in your areas of interest and ask to be put on their mailing list. Ask for copies of the bills to be sent to you. Address letter to: Committee Administrator... (name of) Committee, House or Senate, State Capitol, Salem, 97310.

Both House and Senate have standing committees on Aging and Minority Affairs, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Education, Elections, Environment and Energy. Other senate standing committees are: Health and Welfare, Housing and urban Affairs, Judiciary, Labor, Consumer and Business Affairs, Local Government, Revenue and School Finance, State and Federal Affairs, Rules, Trade and Economic Developments, Transportation, Ways and Means.

N.E. Oregon cereals conf. set

The Northeast Oregon Cereals Conference, sponsored by the Umatilla, Morrow and Union Counties Wheat Growers Association and OSU Extension Service and the Oregon Wheat Growers League has been scheduled for

February 3, 4, and 5 at the Red Lion Indian Hills at Pendleton. Pre-registration for the conference is required. A registration fee of \$30 will cover conference expenses and one meal each day.

Northwest Ag show to feature Italian farm show, Will Rogers, Jr.

An 8,000 square foot display of Italian agricultural equipment and machinery will be among the featured exhibits at the 12th annual Northwest Agricultural show scheduled for the Portland Exposition Center January 27, 28 and 29, according to manager Jim Heater.

Up until now, the exhibit, sponsored by the Italian Institute for Foreign Trade and the Italian Association of Agricultural and Machinery Manufacturers, has been seen only the California Farm Equipment show in Tulare.

Some 260 other exhibitors will also display the latest in farm and nursery machinery and equipment as well as energy-saving devices and alternate energy equipment.

Among the conservations devised is a unit which will capture heat normally lost in the milk-cooling process for use in heating water for cleaning.

Also to be seen will be a line of equipment and new lifetime fence posts made of recycled battery cases.

For the first time complete hay handling systems will be displayed.

Heater said the exhibit area will cover some 151,000 square feet.

Running concurrently will be educational seminars at the Jantzen Beach Thunderbird sponsored by the Oregon Potato Commission, Oregon Horticultural Society, Oregon-Washington Nut Growers Association, Oregon Association

of Nurserymen and a Lower Columbia Dairy Short Course.

Commercial and governmental spray applicators, chemical consultants and others requiring periodic updating for license renewal will obtain five hours credit toward renewal for attendance at the sessions sponsored by the Horticultural Society.

Noon luncheon speakers will include Will Rogers, Jr., Barbara Keating, representing Consumer Alert; and Dr. Mel Westwood, professor of horticulture, Oregon State University.

Now the largest agricultural show in the Pacific Northwest, the Northwest Ag show is the largest indoor show on the west coast.

Tax paper assistance available

Help in preparing Oregon income tax returns is available in 39 locations around the state beginning this month. Oregon Department of Revenue personnel are available to help people with questions regarding their tax returns and property tax relief claims. There is no charge for the assistance.

Assistance will be available at Pendleton, 700 S.E. Emigrant, Mondays, from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4:30 p.m.; at Hermiston, Civic Recreation Center, Feb. 5, 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m.; and at La

grande, State Office Building, 1901 Adams Ave., Jan. 29, Feb. 12, 26, March 12, 26, and April 9, from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 3 p.m.

Taxpayers needing assistance should bring copies of completed federal tax returns, 1980 W-2 wage slips and records of other income, and information about any deductions or credits they wish to claim. Persons seeking help with property tax claims should bring copies of 1980-81 property tax bills or 1980 rent receipts.

State income tax packets, including forms and instruc-

tions, have been mailed to Oregon residences. Delivery of all the packets should be completed by mid-January. Taxpayers not receiving packets can get copies at revenue department offices, post offices and at many banks.

The state revenue department and the federal Internal Revenue Service will offer assistance jointly in Portland and Eugene, at the IRS offices. Help in Salem will be available at the Equitable Center, where both agencies have offices.

Energy efficiency, coping with inflation OSU Extension programs

What families can do to cope with inflation, make homes more energy efficient and use time more effectively are among this year's programs offered throughout the state by the Oregon State University Extension Service.

"These and other subjects reflect the fact that conservation is more than just an 'in' word. Conservation is a goal of many who want to know more about managing their resources in an uncertain time," points out Patricia Coolican, Extension assistant director for family living-home economics programs.

"Helping You Conserve Re-

sources" is the emphasis of the family living program for the next two years, she points out, reflecting the concerns identified by county program planning advisory groups throughout Oregon.

"In fact," Ms. Coolican notes, "the answer was loud and clear last year when the Extension Service asked Oregon families to name their main concerns. People wanted help in learning to conserve and manage their resources.

"They are concerned about the high cost of living energy supplies, among other things, and how these will affect their quality of life."

Extension Service specialists and county home economists are attempting to respond to this need in a number of programs planned for this year, the program leader stresses, while still providing a well-rounded educational offering that addresses many of the needs of today's families and individuals.

Knits-n-Bits 4-H club has new leader

by Trina Palmer

The Knits-n-Bits 4-H club held their fifth meeting of the club year on January 8, from 3:30 to 4:30 at Debbie Hyatt's home.

Club members worked on knitting, Debbie provided refreshments.

Debbie will be moving so the club's new leader will be Joyce Winters.

The club held its sixth meeting January 13th from 3:30 to 4:30 at Joyce's home. Members are Tarceena Nash, Jennifer and Noella Rill, Trina and Dawn Palmer, Jodi Rollis is a new member. Officers will remain the same. Joyce provided 7-up and potato chips for refreshments. The next meeting will be January 20 at 3:30, at the home of Joyce Winters.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

MICHELLE AARON



Michelle, a junior with a grade point average of 3.83, recently transferred to Heppner High and wasted no time in becoming an involved member of our student body. She is involved in publications, volleyball, Spanish Club, GAB, Outdoor Club, drama, Honor Society and keeps statistics for the basketball team.

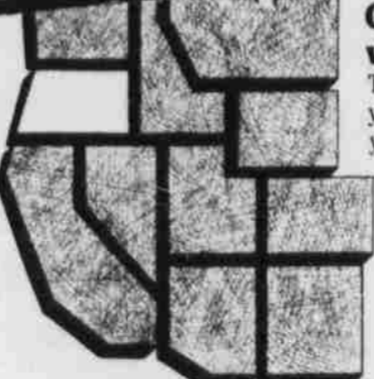
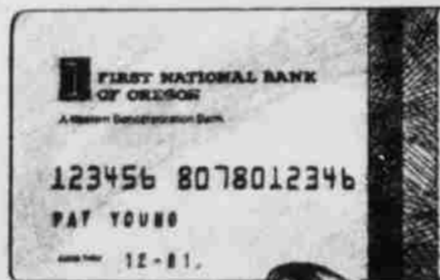
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