

Cousins take ICA Championships



Joan Eckman

Joan (Healy) Eckman, a Heppner native, won the Idaho Cowboy Association championship Barrel Racing Saddle last weekend in finals competition at Twin Falls, Idaho. She received the saddle for winning the most money in barrels competition

at ICA rodeos during the just-finished rodeo season. Eckman also placed second in season-end competition in both the National Rodeo Association and Oregon Rodeo Association barrels competition. She placed third in the Washington Rodeo

Association.

Tony Currin, son of Ron and Judy Currin of Heppner and Eckman's cousin, earned two championships this year in Idaho Cowboy Association competition. He was awarded a saddle and belt buckle for his efforts in both the All-Around category and for Steer Wrestling. He placed second in calf roping competition and won a pair of spurs.

Currin's brother Steve was named Timed Events Rookie for the season; he was awarded a belt buckle. Another brother, Mike Currin earned a pair of spurs for his second-place efforts in steer wrestling and a silver head stall for earning third place All Around in the Idaho Cowboys Assoc.



Tony Currin

Sheep growers slate Portland meeting

The 93rd annual convention of the Oregon Sheep Growers Association will be held Friday and Saturday, December 5 and 6 at the Flamingo Motel in Portland. Guest speakers will come from Texas, Montana and as far away as Washington, D.C. Many well known Oregonians will also address the convention delegates.

The Sheep Growers Auxiliary will also hold their annual meeting Saturday, December 6.

Everyone interested or involved in the sheep industry is urged to attend.

District attorney warns parents

District Attorney's Report

Judge Ralph Currin on November 21.

"The sexual fondling of three and four year old girls is conduct that is

deplorable and will not be tolerated in this county," the district attorney said.

It's difficult to believe this sort of thing is happening, McNerney said; but it could happen to any kid, so parents need to be very careful who they have look after their kids.

The only defense the public has against people who do these things is to be aware that they do happen and not have people they are uncomfortable with, watch their children.

The district attorney also reports that Duane Bruce Sidebottom, 33, Umatilla was sentenced on November 21 before Judge Ralph Currin on the charge of Manufacture of a Controlled Substance. He was sentenced to one year probation to Oregon State Parole and Probation and fined \$50.

Will chair county's Juvenile Services Commission

Pam Minster, 36, lone, has been chosen by commission members as the new chairperson following the resignation of Tom Jones, Lexington.

The Juvenile Services Commission is appointed by the County Court to oversee spending of state funds and monitor programs to help keep juveniles out of the justice system, she said.

"I am looking forward to serving as the chairperson of the Juvenile Services Commission. The commission's programs have been very beneficial to the youth of our county and it's important that the current quality of programs be maintained," she said.

Minster has been a member of the Juvenile Services Commission for a year and a half and was the commission's bookkeeper for two years before that.

She and her husband Rick have lived in the area for eight years. They have two daughters, Crystal and Lynde. Minster has been a



Pam Minster

teacher's aide at Lone Elementary School for the last 2 1/2 years.

Wins \$10,000 in lottery



Alice Vance

Alice Vance, Heppner, won \$10,000 on a "Scratch Off" lottery ticket purchased November 13 at Del's Market in Lexington.

She collected her prize money in Salem at a Lottery Commission office on November 14. "The money was already spent before I got it," Vance said Tuesday. She does admit being "sort of excited."

Vance has worked at the Morrow School District Office since 1959, and since 1977 as Deputy Clerk. She plans to retire in June.



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Pens winning ag essay



Barney Lindsay

Barney Lindsay, vice-president of the Heppner FFA Chapter won first place in the "I See the Light in Agriculture" Essay Contest sponsored by KWHT radio station in Pendleton.

He received a \$10 cash award for his efforts.

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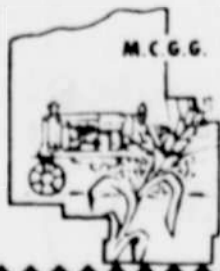
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