

Outstanding sophomore selected

Bernard Lindsay, an outstanding sophomore at Heppner High School has been selected for nomination to attend the Hugh O'Brien Youth Foundation Oregon Youth Leadership Seminar, according to Jim Bier, Principal of H.H.S.

Lindsay, 15, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Lindsay, was selected for his potential leadership ability, cooperation with others, sensitivity to the needs of others, the ability to relate to new pursuits and acquaintances, and the desire to learn and share knowledge with others. He has been active in 4-H and Future Farmers of America.

Lindsay, selected in competition open to all sophomores at the school, will be eligible to attend the three and one-half day, expense-paid Oregon Youth Leadership Seminar on April 19-22 in Wilsonville, which will be hosted by the Oregon Youth Leadership Foundation. The seminar will bring together sophomores from all over the state to discuss America's Incentive System with prominent leaders in business, government, education, the professions and the volunteer sector. The format is one featuring brief introductory segments, with an intensive question-and-answer session



Barney Lindsay

following each presentation.

At the State Leadership Seminar, one boy and one girl will be chosen to attend the International Leadership Seminar at the University of Denver on July 31-August 8 in Denver, Colorado. The event will bring together sophomore representatives from all 50 states, the District of Columbia and some 20 foreign countries.

Lifeguard

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SWCD Directors, back row from left: Jim Swanson, Gene Majeske, Rudy Bergstrom, Don Key, Scott Madison, and Brock Linnell.

Front row from left: Director Tom Currin, Office Manager Janet Greenup,

District Manager and Weed Supervisor Jim VanWinkle, Associate Director Marcia Kemp, and Associate Director Bob Krein. Photo by Associate Director Dave Sykes.

SWCD directors list 1987 goals

The Morrow County Soil and Water Conservation District goals for the coming year include working to combat erosion, preserve water resources, control weeds, regulating the Conservation Reserve Program, promoting soil conserva-

tion education and maintaining wildlife habitat.

Newly elected officers for the coming year include: Chairman Rudy Bergstrom, Ione; Vice Chairman Scott Madison, Heppner;

Secretary-Treasurer Don Key, Irrigon; Legislative Chairman Jim Swanson, Ione; and RC and D Representative Brock Linnell of Boardman. Newly elected directors are Gene Majeske, Lexington, and Tom Currin, Heppner.

OSU plans to use Bombing Range as classroom

A natural resource management plan for the Navy's Weapons System Training Facility at Boardman that includes in-service educational opportunities for Oregon State University Extension faculty members will be developed by August, OSU officials announced.

The plan is being developed by the OSU Extension Service under a contract between the Extension Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the Department of the Navy.

The facility, popularly known as the Boardman Bombing Range, covers 40,000 acres in northern

Morrow County.

Tom Bedell, Extension rangeland resources specialist, will direct the planning effort. He said the resource management plan is to cover all aspects of the facility not used for bombing practice, including landscape, agriculture, fish and wildlife, outdoor recreation, fire protection and erosion control.

Of particular interest, Bedell said, will be an evaluation of the current winter-early spring grazing program on part of the military reservation and its effects on vegetation in comparison to similar sites in existing research natural areas.

At the same time, researchers will be looking at sites on the reservation for Extension agent training and developing training aids on vegetation monitoring for use with Navy personnel. Extension agents, resource management professionals and ranchers.

Bedell hopes that the \$46,000 contract will allow Extension to do a

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Health district

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Louis Carlson announced the proceedings would be continued later this month in Heppner. There, the court will also hear testimony regarding a second petition to form a single health care district presented to the court by south county residents in mid-December.

The intent of the petition for a single health care district presented to the court was to demonstrate that south county residents were also concerned about health care and wanted to see changes made in the current health care delivery system.

The hearing is scheduled to continue January 20, 7 p.m. at the Courthouse in Heppner.

Heppner comprehensive plan will be explained at Feb. 9 public hearing

By Avon Melby

Changes made in Heppner's Comprehensive Plan will be explained at a public hearing at city hall February 9 at 8 p.m.

The City Planning Commission has been drafting the minor revisions called for by the State Land Conservation and Planning Department Commission since last summer.

Dan Meador, The Dalles, a certified planner, will conduct the hearing and show where changes were made. He was hired by the city to work with local planners in preparing the changes, and was paid by a state grant. If there are no changes requested by the public at the hearing, the revised plan will be sent to L.C.D.C. for approval.

Below average water supplies expected

Spring and summer water supplies are forecast to be slightly below average. The Heppner Soil Conservation Service says. Precipitation was well below normal in December and is below normal for the winter year.

Precipitation for December was:
Ukiah 0.56 26% of Avg.
Heppner 0.87 52% of Avg.

The snowpack at Arbutuck Mountain was 20" snow depth and 4.7" water content. This is 138 percent of average! The Madison Butte Snotel reported 2.3" of water in the snowpack, which is 70% of average.

Forecasts of streamflow, assuming normal weather conditions for the rest of the season are as follows:

STREAM	FORECAST		PERIOD	AVG. 1000's of
	1000's of	% Avg.		
Butter Creek nr. Pine City	9.4	81	Mar-Jul	11.6
Rhea Cr. nr. Heppner	7.7	82	Feb-Jul	9.3
Willow Cr. at Heppner	7.1	82	Feb-Jul	9.4
Rock Creek abv. Cayuse Canyon nr. Condon	15.8	80	Feb-Jul	19.8

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Recommended changes by city

The following changes or improvements were recommended for each city within the county by an ad hoc committee appointed to examine health care in Morrow County.

Irrigon
The committee suggests that provisions be made to ensure continued ambulance service to the Irrigon area from Umatilla one-third of Umatilla's calls are to Irrigon). One possibility would be subsidies to the City of Umatilla to ensure continued service.

A properly equipped rapid response vehicle located in Irrigon was recommended. A rapid response vehicle responds and stabilizes the patient until a transport vehicle arrives.
It is recommended that arrangements for space in the North Morrow County Annex be made available for use by a part-time physician. Presently Dr. Zielinski sees patients on Monday mornings at the Irrigon City Hall.

Boardman
The committee recommends a new ambulance be provided with the current ambulance used as a backup unit and that an addition be built on the North Morrow Medical Center to house the ambulance. The ambulance is currently housed at the Boardman Rural Fire Station.
Repairs to the clinic building (roof

and windows) and the purchase of a new defibrillator was also recommended.

Ione-Lexington
Because of the distance from available ambulance service to the area, the committee recommended an ambulance be placed in Ione to ensure service to Lexington from Ione and Heppner, and that the appropriate housing be provided for the vehicle.

Heppner-Lexington
The committee strongly recommended that immediate steps be taken to reduce the operating costs of Pioneer Memorial Hospital by the existing hospital board including the reduction of hospital beds from 12 to four with a corresponding increase in the number of nursing home beds.
The committee suggested the balance of its recommendations be funded by reducing the hospital's tax requirements. If that method should prove unfeasible, the committee suggests the district board review the status of the hospital for change to an emergency center.

The ad hoc committee did not review the operations of the county health nurse or mental health services, but did recommend examining the possibility of including those services in a county-wide health district.

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