

Two Heppner seniors receive Soroptimist award

By Avon Melby
Heppner High School seniors Theresa Lindsay and Trent Harrison are recipients of the Citizenship Awards made each year by Heppner Club, Soroptimist International.

The award is based on school and community activities, the students' aims and purposes, and a statement on what he/she believes are his/her responsibilities to the school, the community, and beyond.

Lindsay, daughter of Corrine and Larry Lindsay of Lexington, receives \$150 as first place winner; Harrison, son of Sharon and Robert Harrison of Lexington, receives \$100 for placing second. Both will be entered in area competition with an opportunity to receive further awards.

During her high school years Lindsay has played in the Pep Band, been a member of the Girls Athletic Boosters, Spanish and drama clubs. In Future Farmers of America she was sentinel reporter, activities chairperson of the Outdoor Club, secretary of National Honor Society, and a member of Students Against Drunk Driving. She served as student body representative, was student body secretary, and both assistant treasurer and treasurer of the student body. She is active in her church and participates in the Adopt a Grandmother program at the nur-

sing home. Lindsay was recipient of a Japan U.S. Senate Scholarship and served as one of two students from Oregon representing the USA as a youth ambassador to Japan for two months last summer. She was an Exchange Student in 4-H to Alaska in July, 1985, and a representative from Oregon at the 1986 National FFA convention in Kansas City, Missouri last summer.

She intends to enroll in the University of Oregon and will major in history.

Harrison has been active in outdoor, drama, and Spanish clubs; was president of National Honor Society, vice president of his junior class, and student body president. He was a representative to the Associated Student Body Convention in Eugene. He won a red ribbon in 1983 in the Career Skills contest in Pendleton and a blue in the contest in 1985.

He led students in the cleanup of the 4-H Friendship Park in downtown Heppner, and in sweeping the Main street sidewalks for the Moonlight sale.

Harrison plans to become a computer programmer and analyst.

Both winners, and their parents, are invited guests at the Soroptimist noon lunch at the Elks Lodge Thursday when the awards will be presented.



Trent Harrison (left) and Theresa Lindsay

Lamb-Weston adds Boardman potato plant to its operation

By Donna Schmidt Boardman Enterprise

The recent acquisition of Gourmet Brands by Lamb-Weston could make the company the largest frozen potato processor in the country according to one company official.

Lamb-Weston announced last week it had reached a long-term lease agreement with UI Group of Salt Lake City, Utah, to acquire its Boardman facility, including inventories, patents, customer lists, raw storages and frozen and fresh potato

operations. Complete details of the agreement were not disclosed.

The acquisition of Gourmet will bring Lamb-Weston's total number of potato processing plants to seven. The company will gain well-known customers such as Wendy's, Burger King, and Rax Roast Beef with the agreement. The farming operations of UI were not included in the agreement.

Lamb-Weston officially took over operation of the Boardman plant Monday, Jan. 12 after informing all employees they would have to re-apply for employment. The company also said current employee applications would be considered before any outside hiring would be done. No significant changes in the workforce are anticipated; however, notices posted at the plant said significant changes would be made in the operations and policies of the plant including manning, job classification, seniority lists, and wages during the initial start-up scheduled for January 19.

According to Sam Lowman, vice president of manufacturing, those changes would bring the plant into conformity with other Lamb-Weston operations and planned wage reductions of up to \$2 an hour in the fresh pack operation would be equitable with the industry.

"We plan to operate the plant pretty much as is," Lowman said in a phone interview from his Portland office, "but we will make adjustments to conform to the Hermiston plant that are equitable with the industry."

Include production programs in 1986 income

Participants in the Department of Agriculture's 1986 Price Support and Production Adjustment Programs must include in gross income for 1986 all payment including, the face value of commodity certificates, actually received or made available under the programs in 1986, the Internal Revenue Service said recently.

According to the IRS, these payments are taxable in 1986 even if taxpayers return them to the Department of Agriculture for repayment in 1987. Similarly, such payments are taxable in 1986 even

if taxpayers do not cash, deposit or redeem the 1986 checks or commodity certificates representing the payments until 1987.

The IRS also noted that all the payments under these programs that

are taxable in 1986 must be reported by the Department of Agriculture to the taxpayer and the IRS on the 1986 Form 1099-G, Statement for Recipients of Certain Government Payments.

French addresses county Republicans

By Avon Melby
State Rep. Ray French and his wife Norma drove up from Salem to address Morrow County Central Committee at a recent get-acquainted dinner party at Dodge City Inn in Boardman. French updated the group on some of the action expected

in Salem this session. Ed Glenn, Boardman, gave a humorous talk on what it means to be a Republican.

Committee chairpersons were named by Bob Jepsen, chairman of the county group. They are: finance, Kay Proctor, Heppner; publicity, Suzanne Jepsen, Heppner; voter registration, Mervin Preston, Irrigon; candidates, Dorothy Krebs, Boardman; Republican booth, John and Erin Lovett, Ione; parades, Ed Glenn, Boardman; Senior Citizens, Dr. Wallace Wolff, Heppner.

A Lincoln Day fund raising dinner is planned for February 21 at Dodge City Inn.

Fire damages bathroom

The Heppner Fire Dept. contained an early Saturday afternoon fire to the bathroom of a house on the corner of Garrigues and Aiken streets in Heppner. Although extensive damage was done to the

bathroom, no injuries were reported. Thirteen firefighters worked for nearly an hour to control the blaze believed to have begun in the wiring. Gene Murty of John Day owns the house occupied by Rick and Shanna Paullus.

Ray French appointed to two House committees

State Representative Ray French (R-Heppner) has been appointed to the House committee on Water Policy. House Republican Leader Larry Campbell (R-Eugene) announced on January 12. Representative French has also been appointed to the House Human Resources committee.

"Representative French takes with him from District 59 enough drive and energy to fuel fire: of forward movement in Salem for some time to come," Campbell said. "His 'down to business' attitude makes fellow Republicans proud to have him aboard."

"I'm looking forward to working with other committee members and to initiating action necessary to

achieve our goals," stated French. "I'm interested in major issues affecting the state such as Federal Tax Reform, Liability insurance, Water Policy and Tourism, but I'm certainly interested in those issues affecting District 59, such as Agriculture, Natural Resources and Forestry." "These I will be attacking head on."

French, who served on the Labor and Human Resources committee last session, played a key role in working with other members on a Health Cost Containment plan approved by the legislature.

The 1987, 64th session of the Oregon Legislative Assembly convened Monday, January 12 at the State Capitol in Salem.

According to sources, Gourmet Brands, which was owned by Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, has been for sale for several months. The Morman Church purchased Gourmet Brands in 1975 and completed a major expansion of the plant in 1983. As Morrow County's largest employer, the plant's annual sales last year totaled \$72 million dollars and employment was between 1,000 and 1,100 people. Lamb-Weston reported \$350 million dollars in sales in 1985.

Lamb-Weston is a division of Amfac Inc., which also operates Monterey Mushrooms, a nationwide producer of fresh and processed mushroom products.

William Miller, Lamb-Weston senior vice president called the addition of fresh potatoes to the company's operations "...an interesting dimension...which is becoming increasingly important to a number of our major customers."

UI farms will continue to supply potatoes to the Boardman plant as well as other Lamb-Weston plants in Hermiston, Richland and Connell.



County Agent's Corner

By County Ag Agent Fred Lundin

A discussion group is being formed now to talk about national and international issues. We will use "Great Decisions" material.

Great Decisions '87 features as its first topic, "The Constitution and Foreign Policy." This article contains extensive background on why the Founding Fathers chose America's unique system of government; how their decision to divide foreign policymaking responsibility among the Executive branch, Congress and judiciary has influenced recent decisions on military action and treaties; and how the Constitution has affected U.S. compliance with international law.

Each of the other seven articles pays special attention to provisions in the U.S. Constitution that affect that particular foreign policy topic.

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- In 1987, the year of the Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution, Great Decisions enters its 33rd year. The eight Great Decisions '87 topics will

be studied by more than 250,000 Americans, in communities in every state. Representing all ages, all walks of life, and all political points of view, participants take part in this nonpartisan program to better understand the issues, to arrive at their own informed opinions, and to share their views with the nation's foreign policymakers.

About 10,000 Oregonians participated in the '86 program. The topics were studied and discussed by community, church, retirement center, club, high school, and college/university groups. Many thousands of Oregonian opinion ballots were sent in to our national leaders and decision makers.

All that is needed to participate in a program is a copy of the briefing book. There are no dues to pay and no officers required of a discussion group. The briefing books can be ordered from the County Extension Office. For more information, call Fred Lundin at 676-9642, or Don Boyce at 676-9224. The first meeting will be in early February.

56% voter turnout

Voter turnout was 56% county-wide in the January 13 Emergency Election. Ione led all other precincts with a 73% turnout. Lexington came in second with a 61% turnout. Turnout at other precincts was as follows: combined Heppner-Hardman precinct - 59%, Boardman precinct - 56%, and Irrigon - 44%. All precincts passed the school levy which was the only measure on the emergency election ballot.

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