

Russian Wheat Aphid big problem

The Russian wheat aphid continues to astound us. A recent field survey by Luther Fitch, agricultural Extension agent from Hermiston and Dick Jackson, Oregon Department of Agriculture entomologist,

revealed the aphid was very active and reproducing. More importantly, wing pods were discovered on some of the immatures. This is remarkable activity for aphids in January.

Wind pods this early mean we were wrong about when we felt this aphid would migrate. It looks like it will begin to migrate with the spring greenups, perhaps in March, instead of May or June.

Producers should become familiar with scouting techniques and identification features of this new aphid. There will be a tour and discussion at the Tom Kosmos farm east of Hermiston on Friday, February 5.

The discussion will begin at 11 a.m. at the Kosmos shop located next to Highway 395 east of Cold Springs Junction on top of the hill. After the junction, it is on the straight stretch of road after the switch backs coming up from the river. If anyone has questions about how to get there, call the Extension offices at Heppner (676-9642), Hermiston (567-8321) or Pendleton (276-7111, ext. 235).

The Russian wheat aphid, first found in Umatilla and Morrow counties last fall, has caused extensive

damage in the Great Plains during the last two years. Recent surveys have located it as far east as Arlington, and it looks like it may become widespread in wheat fields this year.

Oregon State University has a circular (EC 1262, Russian Wheat Aphid) available free at Extension offices.

School Lunch Menus

February 8-12

Sam Boardman Elementary
Monday-chickenwiches, tartar sauce, pickle spears, pork and beans, fruit and milk.

Tuesday-spaghetti, French bread, green salad, fruit, cookies and milk.
Wednesday-egg salad or peanut butter and honey sandwiches, chicken noodle soup, cheese sticks, fruit cobbler and milk.

Thursday-weiner wraps, corn, apples, cake and milk.

Friday-hamburgers, baked beans, chips, oranges, ice cream bars and milk.

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Monday-sloppy Joe's, cheese slices, tater tots, chocolate cookies, jello and pears and milk or potato bar.

Tuesday-taco salad, rolls, butter, chocolate pudding, fruit milk and potato bar.

Wednesday-grilled cheese, tomato soup, vegetable sticks, apple sauce, ginger bread, milk or salad bar.

Thursday-burritos, nachos, spinach, fruit, crazy cake, milk and sandwich bar.

Friday-fish nuggets, tartar sauce, scalloped potatoes, green beans, strawberry sundaes and milk.

Ione Schools

Monday-hot dogs, French fries, green beans, cheese sticks, carrot sticks, dessert and milk.

Tuesday-chicken fried steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli normandy, vegetable sticks, fruit and milk.

Wednesday-ham and scalloped potatoes, hot rolls, seasoned vegetables, vegetable sticks, fruit and milk.

Thursday-hot turkey sandwiches, vegetable sticks, buttered corn, cranberry sauce, fruit and milk.

Friday-potato soup, ham and cheese or peanut butter and honey sandwiches, pickles and crackers, dessert and milk.

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Monday-chickenwiches, green beans, cookies, fruit and milk.

Tuesday-taco salad, beets, fruit and milk.

Wednesday-beef and noodles, hot rolls, spinach or peas, cherry crisp and milk.

Thursday-baked potatoes, ham, corn, fruit and milk.

Friday-vegetable beef soup, tuna and peanut butter sandwiches, vegetable sticks, fruit and milk.

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Jr. High FHA members collect for March of Dimes



Photo by Joyce Hensley

(L to R) Mary Lou Richardson, advisor for Columbia Junior High FHA, distributes packets to FHA members Liz Crites, 12; Dala Cox 13; Columbia Junior High Chapter President Sandra Barnett, 13; and Jerry Barnett, 12, before heading out on their door to door campaign to raise funds for March of Dimes Mothers March.

By Joyce Hensley

Irrigon and Boardman Future Homemakers of America (FHA) members collected funds to help insure that more little babies will be born healthy in the future.

Going door to door, seventeen Columbia Junior Highers, under the guidance of FHA advisor, home economics teacher, Mary Lou Richardson, asked for donations to help with the fight against birth defects in the month long March of Dimes Mother's March.

The young people both organized and carried out the collection for the Pendleton Chapter of the March of Dimes in Irrigon, after a quick pizza feed at the school. Since the world wide organization of FHA is family and community oriented, it seemed appropriate for the youth to assist in the 1988 drive, according to Richardson.

Richardson feels encouraging the

junior highers to volunteer for community service promotes citizenship.

Even though funds the students collected go into the national chapters, monies have returned to the local area for use in the birth defect fight.

According to Linda Carraher, Community Relations Director for Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston, the hospital was awarded a \$1,000 grant from March of Dimes for which floor exercise mats for a prenatal exercise class and reference library text books were purchased and tuition for specialized training for the nursing staff in the obstetrics department was paid for.

The March of Dimes also distributes numerous printed materials which the hospital uses to inform patients on such topics as prenatal care and the effects of tobacco, alcohol, and drugs on pregnant women.

Richardson stressed that only eight percent of funds collected in the March of Dimes goes toward administration cost. The balance goes for research, hospital equipment and other areas where there is a need, with the emphasis on finding a cure for the wide variety of birth defects.

Mothers driving for the day were Judy Brown, Carleen Truax, Peggy Barnes and advisor, Richardson.

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Boardman Chamber elects new officers

The Boardman Chamber of Commerce held a meeting on January 20 at Dodge City Inn. Guest speaker was Fred Lundin. Officers were elected: President Jack Strege; Vice

president Bruce Nicholes; Associate Director Rob Brown; Individual Director, Pat Flug; Business Directors, Ray Michael, Bob Miller; secretary, Linda Muir and chairman, Art Kegler.

Congressman Smith will speak at Lincoln Day Dinner

Congressman Bob Smith will head up the panel of speakers at the Lin-

coln Day dinner in Morrow County February 13, according to Ed Glenn, the dinner's honorary chef. State Senator Gene Timms, Representatives Ray French and Chuck Norris and County Judge Louis Carlson

will join Smith on the rostrum. A special appearance by Slazmo Guzmeyer, precinct No. 2 committeeman is planned.

The dinner sponsored by the Morrow County Republican Central Committee will be held at the Nomad Restaurant in Boardman with hors d'oeuvres at 6 p.m. and a prime rib dinner begins at 7:30 p.m.

Glenn said, "the highlight will be a repeat of our fun(d) raising auction with some of the most unusual and the surely unique items on the block." The dinner will close with dancing to live western music.

Advanced tickets \$15, are available from Bob Jepsen, 676-9850, committee chairman or Glenn at 481-3151.

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