

Driving class offered for seniors

Heppner Senior Center will be offering 55 ALIVE/Mature Driving October 5 & 6 and 16 & 17. This class consists of eight hours of classroom instruction that refine existing skills and develop safe, defensive driving techniques. The class usually consists of two half-day sessions. Safety on the road under adverse driving conditions and traffic hazards and effects of aging and

medications on driving will be covered. Betty Crampton, assistant state coordinator, states "there is no test." If anyone is interested in taking a class please contact Bill Cox, 676-9497. Completion of the class may reduce your insurance premiums. Classes are filling fast so interested persons should sign up right away.



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Ione chalks another win

by Melissa Rowell

On Tuesday, September 26, the Cardinals beat Helix 15-8, 15-2. During the first game the Cardinals played well and everyone served at least one point.

In the second game, Jo Cupps served eight points to lead the Cardinals to the win over the Grizzlies. Ione also took the JV game 15-6.

HOS training session dated

Anyone interested in teaching in the Hands on Science program should contact Sarah Carlson by leaving a message at the Heppner Elementary school office, 676-9128.

Those interested need to have a B.A. or a B.S. in any area, not necessarily science or education. Although only one session (grades two and three) will be taught this fall, those wishing to substitute for HOS this fall or teach in the winter

or spring must attend a teacher training, according to Carlson. The training session will be held Oct. 10 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Heppner Junior High Science room. Only one training session will be offered in Heppner this year.

Those attending the training session should bring a resume and two references, a three-ring binder and notebook paper.

Local boy takes 3rd in state art contest



Shaun Hisler with his drawing of a wolf.

Shawn Hisler has been notified that he won third place in a State Fair drawing contest for his drawing of a wolf.

Shawn's drawing was on display during State Fair and is estimated that 200,000 saw his work.

Shawn started drawing when he was three, says his mother Susan, and when he entered kindergarten his teacher Cherry Webber recognized his talent and recommended he receive help to further the talent.

Local artist Betty Brown has helped Shawn, who specializes in wildlife, with occasional art drawing sessions.

Changes in 1990 wheat program set

Secretary of Agriculture Clayton Yeutter announced today his intention to offer producers the option to change their 1990 wheat program contracts.

This change will give producers the opportunity to modify their original contracts to allow them to plant more than 95 percent of a farm's wheat base. For each acre producers plant above 95 percent of the wheat base, the acreage used in determining the producer's deficiency payment will decrease by one acre.

Producers will continue to have the option of signing up for and complying with requirements of the 1990 wheat program as announced Aug. 31, and the common program provision requirements announced Aug. 7. These requirements include a five percent acreage reduction program and limited cross compliance.

The original program announcements provided the following: a 5 percent acreage reduction program (ARP), a target price of \$4 a bushel; a price support loan and purchase rate of \$1.95 a bushel;

limited cross-compliance provisions; advance deficiency payments at 40 percent of the estimated deficiency payment rate.

These provisions will remain applicable to all producers who enroll in the 1990 wheat program. For those producers who elect to change their contracts, the following provisions will also be in effect: modified Acreage Reduction Program; producers may plant wheat in excess of 95 percent of a farm's base, but in no event more than 105 percent of the base; there will be no acreage conservation reserve requirement for that farm; for each acre of wheat planted in excess of 95 percent of the wheat base, the acreage used in determining deficiency payments will be reduced by one acre. The minimum acreage for payment will be 85 percent of the farm's wheat base if the producer plants the maximum acreage of 105 percent of the base.

Producers may obtain further details from their local Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service office.

Rawlins wins awards

Jane and Bill Rawlins recently brought home awards from the Blue Mt. Dist. 10 Flower Show held in Pendleton.

Jane won the best of show design

for Dahlias, and Bill Rawlins Dahlias garden won award for special exhibit.

Twelve clubs participated in the contest.

OWGL looks for wheat markets

"The OWGL is working with U.S. Wheat Associates, a worldwide marketing organization funded by grower assessments, to find markets for wheat in the middle east," said Stonebrink OWGL vice president. U.S. Wheat has offices in the middle east area.

"Korea has a feed wheat market," said John Oades, U.S. Wheat Associates manager in Portland. "OWGL members have asked Oades to look into the possibilities of a feed export market for wheat," said Stonebrink.

"Feeding sprouted wheat is a good option for wheat growers," said Randy Mills, Oregon State University Extension Agent. "The feed value of sprouted wheat for cattle is equal to barley," said Mills.

"More intense management is required to feed wheat. The information is backed up by feeding trials at WSU and the University of Idaho," said Mills.

"Wheat is superior feed for swine. The feed value of wheat is greater than barley and nearly equal to corn," said Mills.

"We don't have a commercial warehouse to store the sprouted wheat in Baker since the bankruptcy of a local elevator company," said Ward. "This makes the problem very serious because it causes growers who have no farm storage to liquidate their crop at harvest, depressing prices," he said.

"Yield losses due to quality reductions are not eligible for disaster relief unless the county committee agrees the crop cannot be harvested," said Don Burton, Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, Baker. "The best option now may be the farm loan program," he said. "The wheat must have a grade that is eligible for loan," he cautioned.

"We have contacted our congressional offices to see about a clarification of language in the disaster relief program," said Stonebrink. "Since the wheat in some cases cannot be sold for food," we might qualify, he said. The losses to farmers who cannot buy insurance for sprout damage may be greater than those suffered by drought.

Wash. schools beat Ione



Photo by Wayne Hams

Pass gets away from Shawn Hams during Ione Cardinal game against Washtucna, WA last week. Ione lost 34-12 in a game that was scheduled after the Cascade Locks Pirates forfeited because of a lack of players. Hams scored on a third-quarter pass play, and Jim Holtz also scored on a running play.

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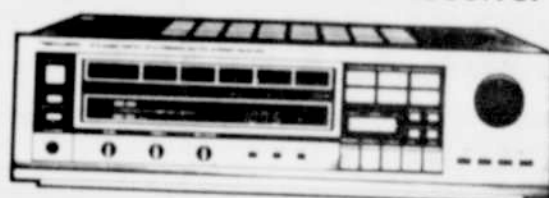
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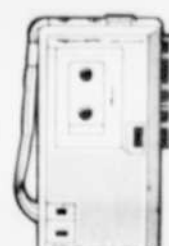
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