

Healy, Lindsay, McElligott selected local All Star volunteers



Gwen Healy



Corrine Lindsay



Jeri McElligott

Gwen Healy, Heppner, Corrine Lindsay, Lexington, and Jeri McElligott, Ione, have been selected as this month's Morrow County nominees for the Budweiser Blazer Community All Star Team. This program was created to recognize community volunteerism.

Healy was nominated for her dedication to the St. Patrick's celebration which entails long hours at her sewing machine creating Irish flags, banners, windsocks, and costumes for the parade.

McElligott's involvement in

youth programs, such as the Portland Plunge in October, which inspire youth to be productive, caring citizens, was the focus of her nomination.

Lindsay was recognized for her involvement with youth programs, and her management

abilities to bring economic development to the area through a family ranching business as she raised nine productive children.

This volunteer recognition program runs through March, with Heppner Chamber the primary contact for Morrow County. Nomination forms are available by calling the Chamber Office, 676-5536. Three nominations per county, per month are forwarded to the Portland Trail Blazers, where an independent panel of judges reviews them and selects two individuals to be recognized as the designated all stars for each month. A total of eight will be selected state-wide from the county nominees submitted.

The complete All Star Team will be introduced during a special halftime presentation at Memorial Coliseum when the Trail Blazers host the San Antonio Spurs on Sunday, April 12. The All Stars will receive a plaque and a check in the amount of \$500 will be donated to the charity of their choice.

County entrepreneurs speak at Town and Country luncheon



Rolli Marshall of the Bank of Eastern Oregon visits with Jim Brewer, president of Oregon Popcorn, at the entrepreneur luncheon during Town and Country, Jan. 8.

Morrow County entrepreneurs, Terry Tallman of Tallman and Sons melon growers and Jim Brewer of Oregon Popcorn, both of Boardman, were included as guest speakers at the Town and Country luncheon held Jan. 8 at the Heppner Elks club.

Tallman and Brewer, members of Eastern Oregon Specialties, a marketing co-op, told the audience of their experiences and problems in starting their own value-added operations.

Garth Brooks of Eastern Oregon Specialties said that there are around 20 entrepreneurs in Morrow and Umatilla counties who produce value-added products, meaning that they add value to their products by processing, packaging and marketing the products themselves. Brooks said that the entrepreneurs are

"home-based businesses that have success stories to tell." Besides Tallman and Brewer, Brooks mentioned Terrie and Mark Cutsforth, Heppner, who are producing herbs for cooking and for arts and crafts and Clint and Phil Carlson, who, in addition to operating TREO, a pheasant ranch, are making and marketing their pheasant feather wreaths.

Denise Owens, a member of the 10-family co-op Northwest Country Products, Inc., which grows its own wheat and makes and markets its own pancake flour in the Pendleton area, spoke on her operation, and Sally Stroncsek of Pacific Northwest Samplers spoke on marketing. Stroncsek said that the key to marketing is sometimes "just being observant."

Oddfellows to hold spaghetti supper

By Delpha Jones

The Oddfellows will hold a spaghetti supper and pinochle party on Jan. 18 at 6:30 p.m. Proceeds from the event will go toward the Oddfellows hall for added repairs.

The card party held at the Oddfellow hall on Saturday, Dec. 28

was well attended with eight tables of players.

Prizes were awarded to: high-Leo Crabtree and Shirley Connor; second high-Berniece Nash and Neoma Bailey; and traveling Frank Bailey and Joyce Buchanan.

Kelly Rafferty still critical

Kelly Rafferty, a Heppner girl hospitalized at Emanuel Hospital Burn Center after a severe reaction to medication Dec. 27, is still in critical condition.

According to a friend of the family, Kelly's skin, which had been severely burned, is healing and antibiotics are controlling an infection which had been complicating her recovery.

Kelly is still in isolation and may not receive any flowers or gifts, but cards may be sent to the

Emanuel Hospital Burn Center, fourth floor, 2801 N. Gantenbein Ave., Portland, OR 97227. For information about Kelly's condition call the Ronald McDonald House in Portland where Kelly's parents, Beth and Dennis Rafferty are staying, switchboard 494-5200 between 9 and 10 p.m.

Donations to help with Kelly's medical and family expenses may be made to the First Interstate Bank in Heppner.

'Plant jewels' Ione Garden Club topic

"Plant Jewels of the High Country" a story of the semperivum and sedums, was the subject of discussion led by Helen Martin at the Ione Garden Club meeting on Jan. 8. The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Martin with Loree Hubbard assisting.

Mrs. Martin explained that these plants are from the "old world" and Africa and not really native to America. There are some 500 species growing from one to six inches in height. They are especially suitable for the semi-arid climate of northeastern Oregon and Washington. They are shallow rooted and will grow most anywhere even among rocks. They need good drainage

and are relatively pest free. Mrs. Martin showed slides taken by her father, Ralph Horton, at the Oakhill Gardens near Dallas to illustrate the many varieties of plants available. Many of these are to be found at the club's spring plant sale.

During the business meeting Leila Palmer, garden therapy chairman, announced that the club's foster friend for the Pioneer Nursing Home is Audrey Edmunson. Pat Pettyjohn, junior chairman, reported visiting the Ione elementary school with rules for the Woodsy Owl, Smokey Bear and conservation contests.

Subject for the February meeting will be "Old Fashioned Roses" by Phyllis Anderson.

Senior class to hold taco feed

The Heppner High senior class will hold a taco feed during the Pilot Rock game, Friday, Jan. 17 beginning at 5 p.m. in the Heppner High School home ec room.

The menu will include two

tacos, soft or hard, dessert and drink for \$3. Ala carte prices are also available. Proceeds will go towards the senior class drug and alcohol free graduation trip to California.

Rhea Creek study group meets

By Delpha Jones

The Rhea Creek Study Group met at the home of Verna Brinda on Monday, Jan. 5. The lesson presented by Joyce Buchanan was on food of the nineties.

The emphasis was on quick and easy foods for the busy housewife, foods that can be prepared in about 30 minutes. There are many packaged foods and sauces that can be kept in the cupboard and used as a main dish. Frozen foods are another shortcut and can be prepared in a microwave. Herbs and spices may be used to alter these many dishes. The trend is less sugar and fat and more vegetable dishes such as stir fry, which can be prepared in the microwave.

After dinner a short business meeting was held with chairman Judy Stevens presiding. The

group discussed a one-day trip throughout Morrow County.

There are several points of interest that even some of our Morrow County residents haven't visited.

Homemaker's Day was suggested as it is enjoyed by many of the members. It is a great time for a get-together of the Extension women.

Everyone was reminded of the training lesson in Pendleton on the fitness of refrigerator foods on January 22. The next meeting will be Feb. 5 at the home of Leila Palmer. The lesson for March will be "Laughter is the Best Medicine."

Members present were Bebe Munkers, Dorothy Jackson, Mary Wright, Delpha Jones, Freda Slocum, Leila Palmer, Judy Stevens, Joyce Buchanan, Mildred Wright, Ruth McCabe, Norma Craber and hostess Verna Brinda.

All Saints have communion

Father John Wallace will celebrate Holy Communion at All Saints Episcopal Church on Sunday, Jan. 19 at the 10:30 a.m. service.

Following the worship service the church will host a potluck dinner and annual meeting for all members and friends.

Greg Connor named to OIT dean's list

Gregory Connor, Heppner, has been included with 319 students on the dean's list for fall 1991 at Oregon Institute of Technology.

Students must have at least a 3.30 grade point average out of

a possible 4 and carry a minimum of 12 credit hours to be included on the Dean's List.

Connor graduated with a degree in civil engineering technology.

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BMCC speech class to begin

A Blue Mountain Community College speech class will begin Thursday, Jan. 16 at 7 p.m. at the school district office in Lexington.

Cost for the six week course is \$20. The class will be held on Thursday evenings.

For more information call instructor Dean Robinson, 676-9249.

SPAGHETTI SUPPER & CARD PARTY

Saturday, January 18

Supper 6-7 p.m.
\$3.50 Adults
\$2 Children

Card Party 7:30 p.m.
\$2.50

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Incoming president LoRayne Bowman presents Outgoing president Bob Kahl with a plaque of appreciation.



Claudia Hughes' "Hats off award" was presented to Bill Kuhn for his many volunteer services to chamber during the installation of officers last Tuesday.

BMCC offers sewing/serging classes

Blue Mountain Community College will be offering two sewing/serging classes in Heppner during the winter term.

Sewing Creative Sportswear, featuring sweatshirts and pants and applique techniques will be offered for six consecutive Monday afternoons from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Christian Life Center beginning on January 13. The class will be taught by Nancy Jepsen of Heppner and is especially recommended for beginning sewers. Cost is \$20 and preregistration is required.

Serging Creative Sweatshirts will be offered in a three session course on February 25, March 3, and 10 at the Heppner High School Home Ec. Room from 7-9 p.m. Special serger techniques such as flatlocking and rolled hems using decorative threads will be featured. Cost is \$12 and preregistration is required.

A list of supplies required for both classes is available at Fabrics Etc. in Heppner. Call Nancy Jepsen at 676-5244 for more information.

Ballot ends in tie vote

A vote to determine whether Pioneer Memorial Hospital nurses would join the Nurses' union, the Oregon Nurses Association, has ended in a tie vote, according to PMH director of nurses Sheridan Tarnasky.

Tarnasky said that five nurses voted for joining the union and five voted against joining in a ballot on Friday, Jan. 10.

Tarnasky said that it is not certain at this point what the procedure is concerning a tie vote.