

### Ione students win Blazer awards



Blazer winners clockwise: Kaitlin Orem, Elizabeth Allen, Salli McElligott, Shelby Krebs.



Angie Drummond

The Blazers/AVIA Scholastic Improvement Concepts Program has awarded six Ione school students with first place regional awards in the Write-On segment of their program. Each entrant had to write on the topic of what they considered to be their most exciting career. The prizes for regional first place winners was a certificate from Clyde Drexler and a large AVIA red and purple athletic bag.

Elementary winners were: Kaitlin Orem, third grade; Salli McElligott fourth grade; Shelby



Jacob Taylor

Krebs, fifth grade and Elizabeth Allen, sixth grade. "These students carry on a proud tradition in Ione," said Diana Kincaid, TAG coordinator. "every year since 1984 when this contest was started several Ione students have won, some twice."

Winners from Ione High School included freshman Jacob Taylor and sophomore Angie Drummond, both from Jim Raible's English class. Raible's class has had several winners in the past few years as well. The total number of entries this year was 48,893.

### Sign ups being taken for Babe Ruth

Ione, Lexington and Heppner area youth between the ages of 13-15 years old, interested in playing Babe Ruth baseball this summer should call Rick

Johnston, 676-5562 by May 10. If there is enough interest two teams may be formed, says Johnston.

### Lindy Leonnig to perform on CNN

Lindy (Leonnig) Gravelle, formerly of Heppner, will perform on TNN on the "Country Today" program on Monday, May 16, at 9:30 a.m. Lindy's parents, Ron and Aggie Leonnig, were former owners

of the Wagon Wheel restaurant which was located where Bev's Bookkeeping is now before the restaurant and the previous Central Market burned.

Aggie Leonnig now lives in McMinneville and Ron is deceased.

### Wellness class offered in Heppner

Oregon State University Extension Office in Morrow County and Morrow County Medical Services will co-sponsor an educational wellness and exercise class in Heppner on May 11. The class will be held at the Extension office in the Pettyjohn Building from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

The class is designed to help each participant analyze their current lifestyle as it relates to known wellness indicators. Those attending will learn ways in which they can make meaningful lifestyle adjustments in the areas of diet and exercise.

Pioneer Memorial Hospital staff will be on hand to do free blood pressure checks and body fat percentage measurements. "Both are excellent indicators of an individual's overall wellness," said a spokesperson. Healthy and simple to prepare snacks will be available for sampling.

The class is open to the public and free of charge. For more information contact Carol Michael Bennett at the Extension office 676-9642 or Pam Sagely at Pioneer Memorial Hospital, 676-9133.

### City launches Name the Park contest

The city of Heppner has launched a "Name the Park" contest for the new mini-park located on the west side of Highway 74 between the Willow Creek and Hinton Creek Bridges.

The city is inviting submissions from members of the community for park names. "The original idea behind the park was to provide a community memorial to those who perished in the 1903 flood, however, the name does not necessarily need to reflect that idea," said city manager Gary Marks. "Potential names could include anything from prominent people in Heppner's past to geographical names or significant historical events," Marks said.

Marks said names should be submitted in writing on plain paper and sealed in envelopes labeled "Name the Park" contest. Participants are encouraged to provide written explanations with their submissions describing the significance of their chosen name. The name and phone number of the person making a

### Public hearing slated on medical district

A public hearing on the proposed formation of a Boardman medical district will be held Thursday evening, May 5 at the Riverside High School auditorium at 7 p.m. Public comment will be sought on the pros and cons of the formation of a Boardman medical district.

The proposed district will include all of precincts 1 and 2 which include all of the city of Boardman, the Port of Morrow and the Portland General Electric Coal Plant.

The Boardman petitioners state that they wish to form their own medical district for better local management and more secure funding. They are also seeking a tax base of \$160,000 to fund the operation of the medical district.

Meanwhile, a separate petition has been circulated throughout the county which would form a county-wide medical district. All of the cities of the county have elected to become part of the county wide district with the exception of Boardman.

In order for a petition to qualify for the November ballot, 15 percent of the registered voters of the affected area must sign the peti-

tion. The latest check with the county clerk indicated that sufficient registered voters had qualified for both petitions. The county-wide petition was presented to the county court at its regular meeting May 4 for recognition and acceptance. A date for a public hearing on the county-wide petition will be set by the county court.

The governing body of the county must hold a public hearing between 30 and 50 days after the petition has been filed with the county court.

The public is urged to attend the May 5 meeting. "The issue

of quality, secure and adequately funded medical care to every community is essential to the foundation of each community," said Morrow County Judge Louis Carlson. Your comments are solicited. Those unable to attend may send letters to Morrow County Court, Box 788, Heppner, 97836.

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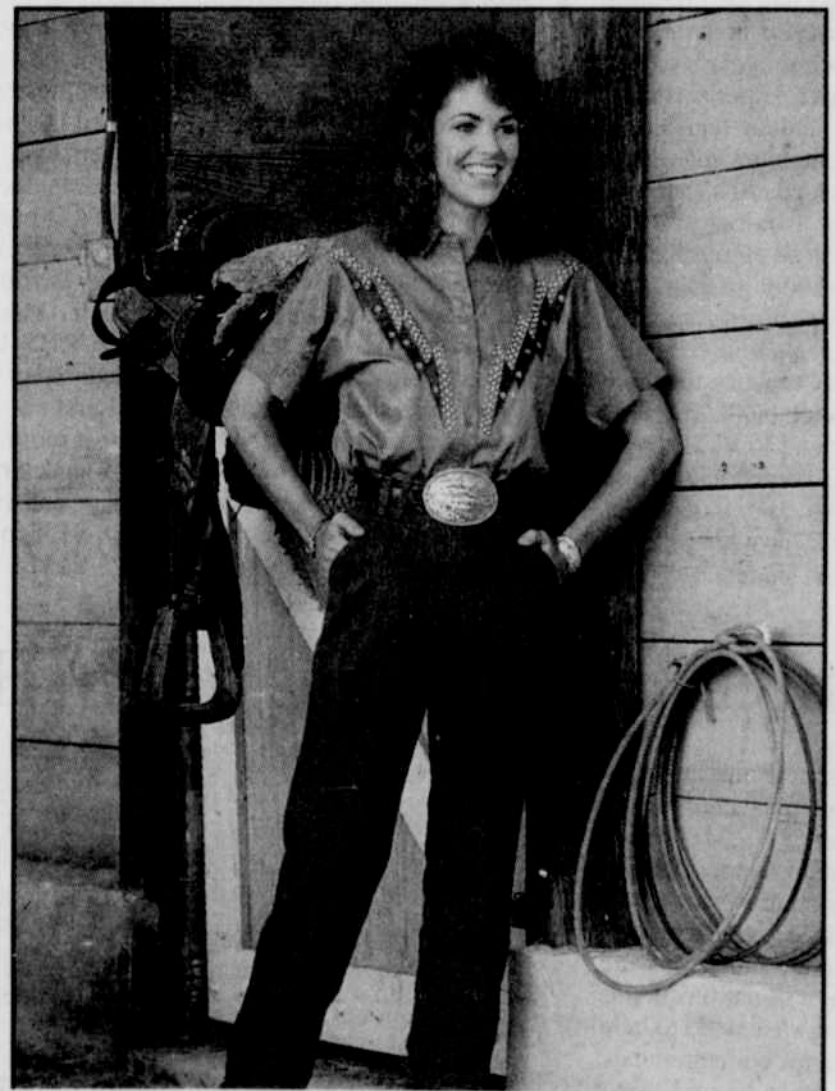
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### Lutherans to hold Mother's service

"Just Like Mother" is the theme of Pastor Stan Hoobing's sermon for this Sunday, May 8, Mother's Day at Hope and Valby Lutheran churches. The sermon is based on scripture reading of I Peter 2:1-2 and 10.

Worship service at Valby Lutheran Church is at 9 a.m. As part of the service there will be a reception for new members. Dale and Karen Holland of Ione and their children Barbara, Stephanie and Thomas, will be received into the fellowship of the congregation.

Sunday school and worship service at Hope Lutheran Church, located near Willow Creek Dam, is at 11 a.m.

In honor of Mother's day all the women of the church will receive a special gift.

Visitors and friends of the congregation are welcome to join the worship service and coffee hour afterwards.

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