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P.R. ranchers honored by Farm Bureau

Three young farmers were honored at the Oregon Farm Bureau Federation's 62nd annual meeting in Pendleton recently.

Karl and Jeannie Jensen, Pilot Rock, won the Young Farmers and Ranchers Achievement Award. Trina Kerns, Klamath Falls, won the Young Farmers and Ranchers Discussion Meet. The Jensens and Kerns will represent Oregon in national competitions at the American Farm Bureau annual meeting in Reno, NV., in January.

The awards were presented at the annual Young Farmers and Ranchers Dinner hosted by

the organization's Young Farmers and Ranchers Committee.

The Jensens raise cattle, timber and wheat and were selected for the award based on their farming operation and their leadership achievements. They have held several positions in county and state Farm Bureau organizations, including young farmers and ranchers programs. Karl, 31, has been Umatilla-Morrow County Farm Bureau president and is involved in the Oregon Agricultural Legal Foundation's work on several projects. Jeannie, 30, has been vice president of the Umatilla County CattleWomen.

EOSC to offer external degree

Non-traditional adult students in the Morrow/Umatilla county area now have the opportunity to pursue a liberal studies major through Eastern Oregon State College's External Degree Program. It is a four year baccalaureate degree, announced Deborah Lee, Eastern Center director.

"The program allows adults to tailor their degree to their unique educational backgrounds and current needs and

interests," said Lee. "We are very excited about the educational opportunities this creates for adult students."

Several orientation sessions will be held throughout the winter to explain the local program and to answer questions. For locations of the orientation sessions, call Lee at Eastern's Regional Continuing Education Center in Pendleton, 276-1260, ext. 245.

Women's groups meet at All Saints'

There is still time to join the women's small group ministry program at All Saints' Episcopal Church. A group studying "wholeness" meets on Tues-

days at 1 p.m. and a group studying "basic" Christianity meets on Wednesdays at 8 a.m. Both groups meet in the church parish hall. Call Gail Hughes for more details.

Tastes
OF THE SEASON

Hearty thanks and warm wishes to all our friends and patrons.

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Morrow County Abstract & Title

Obituaries

Connie R. Fastabend

Connie R. Fastabend, 62, christened Constance Jean Ruggles, died December 3, 1995, at Virginia Mason Hospital at Seattle, WA. A memorial Mass was held at Christ the King Church in Richland, WA., December 15, 1995.

Mrs. Fastabend was born at Grass Valley, on July 7, 1933, to Charles and Helen Ruggles.

She attended grade school in Moro, high school in Heppner, Whitman College in Walla Walla, WA., and Portland Business College, then worked in Portland. She sang in choirs in each of those cities as well as in Richland.

She married John H. Fastabend July 31, 1954 in Portland. They had six children.

In addition to her family, she enjoyed her artwork and involvement with Appleseed Gallery in Kennewick, Allied Arts Association and its annual Sidewalk Art Show and The Watercolor Society.

She was a former member of the Richland Light Opera and the Joyful Blenders.

She made time for PTA, 4-H and Girl Scouts. She loved children, all forms of art, music and horses.

Mrs. Fastabend is survived by her mother, Helen Ruggles; husband, Jack; children, Dona Gilmour, Laura Benson, Neil, Linda, John and Wayne Fastabend; and thirteen grandchildren. She also found time to nurture several foster children.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to the Allied Arts Association Scholarship Fund.

Rita M. Thorpe

Rita M. Thorpe, 87, of Heppner, died Friday, December 15, 1995, at her home.

At her request, no services will be held.

Mrs. Thorpe was born December 4, 1908, at Heppner, to Emory and Amy Straight Crawford. She had been a lifetime Heppner resident.

Survivors include a son, Carl of Heppner; a daughter, Edda Mae Lovgren of Heppner; step-sister, Norma Vaughn of Silverton; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Memorial contributions may be made to AirLife of Oregon, 2500 Neff Road, Bend, OR, 97701.

Sweeney Mortuary, Heppner, is in charge of arrangements.

Oregon Together dance slated

A high school drug-and-alcohol-free dance, sponsored by Oregon Together, has been planned for this Friday, Dec. 22, following the lone-Heppner basketball game, from 9 p.m. to midnight at the Heppner High School cafeteria.

Music will be provided by Dan Burns and 3-D Productions.

Admission, which includes soft drinks is \$1 per person.

G-T deadline December 22

Because Christmas falls on a Monday this year, the news deadline for the Dec. 27 newspaper will be this Friday, Dec. 22, at 5 p.m.

The ad deadline will remain the same, Tuesday at noon.

The Gazette-Times office will be closed Christmas day. Merry Christmas to all from the Gazette-Times staff.

In the Service

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class John L. Thomas, son of Ron L. and Karen K. Thomas of Boardman, recently completed a good will deployment to several Japanese ports while assigned to the staff of the commander of the U.S. Seventh Fleet aboard the command ship USS Blue Ridge.

During the deployment, Thomas visited the Japanese ports of Kagoshima, Nagasaki and Sasebo as part of a program that stresses the friendship between the United States and Japan.

In Kagoshima, Thomas and fellow staff members had the opportunity to view Mount Sakurajima, an active volcano. In Nagasaki, sailors and Marines on Thomas' staff visited the Nagasaki Peace Park and the Atomic Bomb Museum.

The 1992 graduate of Cut Bank High School, Cut Bank, Montana, joined the Navy in February 1993.

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4-H News

The Barnyarders

By Leland Rill, reporter
The Barnyarders met on Nov. 28. Sources for new pigs were discussed as were ways to make money. A committee was formed to discuss this. A few ideas were: slave auction, St. Patrick's Day bake sale or a bottle drive. The members of the committee were Lonnie Rill, Robbie Nichols and Leland Rill.

The group also decided to build self-waterers for the pigs at fair time and a committee was formed to find materials. The members are Dan Jepsen, Kyle Miller, Leland Rill and Robbie Nichols.

If anyone wants to join, contact Bill Jepsen, 676-5244.



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