

OWF plans auction, barbecue

The Oregon Wheat Foundation (OWF), in cooperation with the Oregon Wheat Commission and the Oregon Wheat Growers League (OWGL), has announced a benefit auction with proceeds dedicated to equipment purchases at the Columbia Basin Agricultural Research Center (CBARC). The auction is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 24, at 9 a.m., across the Tubbs Ranch Road from the CBARC Experiment Station outside of Pendleton.

The foundation is asking growers, agricultural suppliers, equipment dealers and other supporters to donate equipment or hours on new equipment, fuel, agricultural chemicals, farm supplies and cash to this effort. The OWF is a tax-exempt charity 501(c)(3) foundation, so all donations are deductible on donors' federal tax returns, said an OWGL news release.

Businesses and individuals with items to donate for this event are asked to contact the OWGL office at 276-7330. Items may be given as full donations, partial donations (donor receives a floor price and OWF receives anything over the floor), or consignments (OWF retains a percentage of the sales price).

"I encourage all local businesses and farmers to support the auction," said event chairman Ben Holdman of Pendleton. "Farming is the lifeblood of the Columbia Basin and much of our farm productivity is tied to research conducted at the experiment stations. Without first-rate equipment and scientists at the stations, we fall behind our international competition. Farmers can also expect to find good deals on equipment and supplies there, with the proceeds going to a cause which benefits

us all."

Questions may be directed to the Oregon Wheat Commission at (503) 229-6665, or to the OWGL at 276-7330.

Additionally, the foundation invites all who would like to support the auction to a barbecue dinner the night before, beginning at 6 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 23 at the CBARC research station. Mario's Basque Barbecue is catering the event.

Tom Winn, Oregon Wheat Commission administrator, indicated that the dinner is a good way for people to preview equipment that has been donated. It is also a way for citizens in the local community who have an interest in supporting the experiment station, but who don't have a direct need for the equipment or services in the auction, to donate through ticket purchases.

The dinner costs \$15 per person, with \$4 of that figure federally deductible as a contribution to the OWF. The caterer

has also offered to donate a portion of his costs to the foundation cause. Cash donations to the auction fund will also be accepted at the door. Advance tickets may be purchased through the OWGL office and a limited quantity will be available at the dinner itself. Those planning to attend are asked to RSVP to Suzie in the OWGL office, 276-7330, so that an accurate dinner count may be obtained.

The experiment station is northeast of Pendleton on Highway 11. From Pendleton, proceed toward Athena approximately six miles and turn right onto Tubbs Ranch Road; it is the next intersection after the Helix cutoff.

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Park closures unacceptable

To the Editor:

If we allow 63 of our state parks to close on Sept. 3, we will be cutting off public access to waterfalls, beaches and forests. This is unacceptable. Oregonians are proud of our state and with good reason. We decided a long time ago that our beaches and scenic areas would remain public domain. Reducing access to our natural places attacks the one thing about Oregon that most often inspires us.

In an era when each successive economic crisis is more pressing than the last, will we ever regain public access to our state's natural places once we lose it?

What can we do right now to make a difference? Contact our legislative representatives,

volunteer time for park clean-up, or make a tax-deductible contribution to our favorite park. We must stand up for what is important and fight to keep our parks open. The Oregon State Park Trust (503) 362-1905 has additional information.

Sincerely,
(s) Teresa Spillman
Portland, OR

Births

Blake Ann Greenup - a daughter Blake Ann was born to Donita Sharp and Travis Greenup of Heppner on July 26, 1996 at Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston. The baby weighed 7 lbs. 2 oz.

She joins a sister, Haley, 3, at home. Her grandparents are Bill and Cindy Greenup and Mickey Sharp, all of Heppner.

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