

Sherman defeats Ione

The Ione tennis team traveled to Moro on Friday, April 2, to take on Sherman County. The Sherman boys defeated Ione four matches to one and Sherman girls took over the Ione girls 7-1.

In singles' matches, Jeremy Rietmann lost to Joey Yourcheck in a close match, 7-9.

Rietmann's swift serving made it difficult for Yourcheck to return serves. Rietmann also had a chip shot over the net in game three, followed by an ace serve that kept Yourcheck on his toes.

Steve Crum stayed in the game, losing to Shilo Langston, 5-8. Crum had a favorable day with his forehand and backhand strokes and was able to keep the ball in play, capitalizing on his opponent's weaknesses, said coach Cathy McCabe.

Adam Neiffer handed the Sherman boys their only loss, defeating Trent Eakin, 8-1. Neiffer's speed and coverage of the court was too much for Eakin. Neiffer also capitalized on Eakin's weaknesses and had nice shot placement.

In boys' doubles, the duo of Adam Neiffer and Adam McCabe were defeated 3-8 by Nick Welk and Cole Shelton. The Sherman team had good court placement while the Ione team had a hard time keeping it away from the net player. Adam McCabe served the first Ione win, making the score 1-2. Neiffer had a nice ace serve in the ninth game.

Colin McElligott and Jeremiah McElligott were unable to rope in a win against Trent Eakin and Shilo Langston, losing 2-8. Jeremiah had good coverage at the net and Colin improves with each game he plays, says McCabe.

In girls' singles, Jessica Krebs fell to Jenny Neil, 1-8. Krebs worked both the back court and the front court keeping Neil on the run constantly.

Molly Barrow was defeated by Erin Weedman, 4-8. Barrow had some explosive returns throughout the match and ace serves in games four and six. Jennifer Thompson was defeated by Geri Wolff, 2-8. Thompson improved on her backhand and was able to get more shot placement to gain two games from the Sherman team member.

Salli McElligott fell to Elisha Wooderson, 2-8. McCabe said that Salli "continues to improve every game she plays; her serves are getting more consistent and she is able to get more returns over the net."

Amelia Peck was unable to pick a win from Amber Ament, losing 0-8. Peck has tremendous speed on the court and even though she was unable to get a game from Ament she was competitive throughout the match.

In girls' doubles' action, Erin Crowell and Tori Odinet fell to Kalie Fuller and Kasey Stroud. Crowell struggled in the back court but was able to work both sides of the court later in the match, frustrating the team of Fuller and Stroud. Odinet has stepped up her game at the net, making a short corner shot that the Sherman team was unable to get back over the net in game

five. Katie Tworok and Rosanne Baker lost to Amy Richelderfer and Talese Slay, 4-8. Tworok is quick in the back court and Baker has an clear knack for picking up difficult shots that are placed at her feet.

Shelby Krebs and Allison Halvorsen fell to Heidi Beers and Abbie Melzer, 1-8. Halvorsen was able to get some nicely placed shots into the alley while Krebs worked the net. Amelia Peck and Niki Sullivan handed Sherman girls their only loss, defeating Katie Ketchum and April Olsen, 8-4. Sullivan attacked the net and Peck was there to pick up anything that happened to get past Sullivan.

Coach McCabe praised her team for their efforts, saying, "The entire team hung in there, considering the gale force winds and it was unusually cold for the event. They are a great group of kids and I appreciate them keeping a good attitude on days where Mother Nature is not cooperating and the wins are eluding us."

GWA conference held in Boardman

Doris Reid, GWA, District #6 chairperson from Hermiston, gave a GWA conference for Wheatland Pomona ladies March 12 at Greenfield Grange in Boardman.

Attending the meeting were Bobbi and Aloha Medlock and Alice Jensen from Spray Grange; Helen Crawford, Joyce Buchanan, Jean Nelson and Virginia Peck from Lexington Grange; Doris Reid and Myra Gayman from Columbia Grange; Bobbi Peck, Martha Baker, Lennie Vaughn, Edna Melby, Shelly and Jane Dean of Greenfield Grange.

The ladies are collecting pop can pull tabs to sell in order to donate money to help abused children and for women's cancer research.

Greenfield Grange will host the Oregon State Grange Leadership Conference for Wheatland Pomona Granges on April 10 from 5-9 p.m. All local Granges are invited and encouraged to have their officers attend this conference, said a Grange news release.

A flea market is planned at Greenfield Grange April 16 and 17 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Rent for one table is \$15 for the two days.

For more information on the flea market call Bobbi Peck, 481-7359, or Edna Melby, 481-6191.

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Anne Beard's creations earn awards



Award winning ottoman, smoking jacket and skirt by Anne Beard

By Merlyn Robinson

Well known for her original fashions with western designs, Anne Beard, Heppner, created an award winning ottoman to enhance the decor of a home with western furnishings. Beard's creations have been winners at the Western Design Conference, a premiere event held annually in Cody, Wyoming for the past six years.

Exhibits for this conference are rigorously juried with only a limited number of applicants garnering exhibition space or admittance to the accompanying fashion show. Besides fashions, the exhibits at this show include hand-crafted furniture, home furnishings or art objects created with a western influence.

One of Beard's fashion outfits, an award winner at the 1997 show, is now owned by the Buffalo Bill Historical Center and Museum at Cody. Reminiscent of the days when guests and movie stars wore long smoking jackets at dude ranches, Beard's "Purple Sage" creation of wool gabardine has mock Seminole piecing at the shoulders and the lower edge is embellished with appliqued drovers and cattle on a high desert background.

After achieving status in the fashion world, Beard created a Cowgirl Cameo Ottoman". This

award winner was chosen out of a field of 97 one-of-a-kind or limited edition pieces juried into this exclusive exhibition. This ottoman features an elaborately applied cameo of a cowgirl and her horse made from red and brown gabardine. A pleated skirt with contrasting insets covers sagebrush feet. The entire piece is accented with whip stitched piping and twisted doeskin tassels.

"The western design influence has become immersed with fine craft creations, two fields of art that have not been associated in the past," Beard says. The demand for Beard's work finds her spending long hours in her home studio. Each year she designs garments for three boutiques in Washington, Michigan and New Mexico. Hours are spent cutting and piecing designs once the patterns are created. Hand sewing is often required for garments, such as jackets and vests, that are reversible.

Beard says that the conference in Cody is a chance for artisans to meet and draw inspiration from one another. It also publicizes the work of an artist. Therefore Beard has been commissioned to create distinctive ottomans for the Eiteljorg Museum in Indianapolis, Indiana, and one for the Pendleton Fine Arts Council.

Boardman Garden Club installs officers

Joann Fitzgerald and Marjorie Hahn, Oregon Garden Club District #10 directors attended the Boardman Garden Club March 15. They installed the new officers: Jane Dean, president; Martha Baker, vice president; Pauline Daulton, second vice president; and Edna Melby secretary/treasurer. Beautiful corsages were presented to each officer by Mrs. Fitzgerald.

The club is potting plants for a plant sale April 16-17 at the flea market which will be held in Greenfield Grange. If anyone wants certain plants, this group may have them. The garden vegetable summer plants are small but growing fast. House plants, maple trees and lilac bushes are plentiful.

Call Jane Dean 481-5223, if you need any of these plants now.

The club judges selected Mario Morales's yard as yard of the month. Senor Morales received a plant and certificate as well as a sign to display in his yard. This "beautiful yard" is located at 120 Morrow Estates. Senor Morales has hauled rock from the fields to build all the rock walls. He has built a wishing well, a tall light fixture and a doghouse with porch and rails, as well as other wooden structures. The entry way to his

yard has beautiful lights and he has made different colored tiles to place on this entry way. He has put different designs on these tiles. "His artistic talents just don't end," said Jane Dean of the Garden Club. He has placed plants and trees in the yard to help show off the rock work. Senor Morales works graveyard at Lamb-Weston and works in his yard in the morning. "Mr. Morales is a true yard-decorating artist," she added.

The honorable mention yard went to 71232 East Wilson Road. "The Dutch windmill with all the tulips and daffodils are real eye catchers," she said. There is even a little windmill atop the shop. The lattice work against the porch is very decorative and has climbing vines. The yard has lighting among a border of flowers. "This yard also shows another very talented homeowner with a talent for making Boardman a more beautiful area to live," Dean said.

As the yard judges were out last Sunday afternoon, many people were busy in their yards. In April they will be out looking for those "super yards" to select for recognition. "We hope everyone will go by and view the yards the Boardman Garden Club selected this month," Dean concluded.

Two sheriff's deputies graduate from academy



Deputy Karen Zeiler



Deputy Loren Dieter

Morrow County Sheriff's Deputies Karen M. Zeiler and Loren D. Dieter graduated from the Oregon Police Academy with honors on March 26 at the Western Oregon University campus.

In a ceremony held in Monmouth, Deputy Zeiler, 27, and Deputy Dieter, 29, completed a 10-week course at the Oregon Police Academy. Deputy Zeiler was awarded the "Lee M. Brown Award" for scholastic achievement in Basic Police Class No. 224. Thirty-seven police officers and deputy sheriffs were enrolled in the graduating class. "This prestigious award is highly sought after by the class members and is presented in recognition of a deputy sheriff or police officer for top scholastic achievement in the class of deputy sheriffs and police officers from across the state," said Morrow County Sheriff Verlin Denton.

Deputy Zeiler also received special recognition with a shooter's award in the use of

firearms. Also singled out for special recognition was Deputy Dieter. Deputy Dieter was recognized and presented an award for being first in defensive tactics training during his academy classes and was also recognized for expertise in the use of a firearm.

Deputy Dieter joined the Morrow County Sheriff's Office as a reserve deputy in 1996. In October of 1998 he was hired as a full time deputy and assigned to the criminal division.

Deputy Zeiler joined the sheriff's office as a communication officer in December of 1994. She was then hired as a deputy sheriff in August of 1998 and assigned to code enforcement.

Sheriff Denton says that he is "very proud of these two deputies' achievements-in their academy training and that they will make a fine addition to the Morrow County Sheriff's Office staff." "They exhibit the kind of professionalism and dedication that this sheriff is striving for in my department," said Denton.

CSEPP signs radio contract

Morrow and Umatilla county commissioners have signed a contract to purchase 17,000 Tone Alert Radios from Federal Signal Corporation of University Park, Illinois. The company will deliver 100 TARs, called "EAS Informers", within 30 days. The initial radios will be tested with the control system to ensure both elements work, said a CSEPP news release.

To further ensure the radios meet specifications, up to 12 radios will be randomly selected and sent to an independent testing laboratory, according to CSEPP. Once the testing period is complete, 3,000 TARs will be provided in the first shipment, then 1,000 radios will be delivered every month until the \$3.1 million contract is complete.

CSEPP says that "In the unlikely event of a chemical release at the Umatilla Chemical Depot, the Tone Alert Radio/Receiver System will sound tones and broadcast emergency information in English and Spanish."

The TARs will also provide National Weather Service radio broadcasts and special weather alerts. The TARs will operate electrically with backup battery power. They will also have a flashing strobe light capability for high noise areas and the hearing impaired.

The radios will be placed in all homes and occupied structures in the Immediate Response Zone around the Umatilla Chemical Depot in Umatilla and Morrow counties. Boardman residents will also be included in the distribution plan. Southern Benton County, Washington, will receive TARs later this spring.

The TAR is the final piece of the Alert and Notification System in Oregon, including 63 outdoor sirens and 11 highway reader boards, that have been installed with funding from the Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program, said the CSEPP release.

Columbia Communications of Kennewick, Wash., developed the TAR control system. It consists of hardware, software, programming, training and equipment for transmission of messages, alerts, tones and voice messages for the Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program, the National Weather Service and the Emergency Alert System.

Morrow and Umatilla county CSEP Programs will be responsible for the acquisition portion of the Oregon TAR

project. The Federal Emergency Management Agency will handle the TARs' distribution in Oregon.

A request for proposal for the distribution plan contract is still being developed by FEMA and is expected to be in place when the first 3,000 radios arrive, concluded the release.

Boardman Chamber plans 4th of July celebration

The Boardman Chamber of Commerce announces that the community 4th of July Celebration will be observed, as is traditional, on July 4.

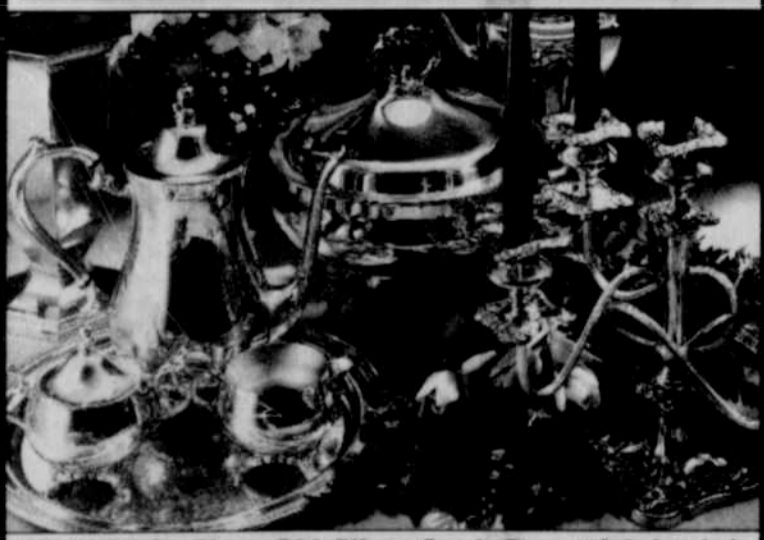
"There have been some inquiries as to whether the celebration will be on Sunday, July 4, 1999, or some other day," says Chamber of Commerce Director Carol Michael. The history of the community Celebration is it is always observed on July 4, regardless of the day of the week.

The parade, Wellness Walk, sports tournaments, talent show and fireworks will all take place on Sunday, July 4, 1999, in the traditional locations, at the traditional times. The Community Pancake Breakfast, however, will take place July 3, at the Marina Park. "We hope residents and visitors will enjoy the opportunity to attend the breakfast on Saturday and attend their regular worship service early Sunday morning," continues Michael.

Vendors interested in renting booth space at the Marina Park for July 4 should contact Karen Pettigrew at 481-2571 for information. Vendor reservation forms and 1999 parade entry forms are available at the Boardman Chamber of Commerce Office, 206 North Main Street, Boardman. The Chamber is staffed Mondays and Wednesdays, 9 a.m.-noon; and 1-5 p.m. plus Fridays, 1-5 p.m.

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