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Ione Youth Group announces annual service award recipients



Left to right: Adrienne Swanson, Corey Morgan, Jeremy Rietmann, Allison Halvorsen, and Shelby Krebs, Ione Youth Group Service Award recipients, prepare to wrap Christmas gifts for a client of Outreach Ministry of Burnside.

Allison Halvorsen, Adrienne Swanson, Shelby Krebs, Corey Morgan and Jeremy Rietmann are the 2000 recipients of the Outstanding Service Award given by Ione Ecumenical Youth Group.

"The award is the highest honor given by the group and reflects four years of full participation and sincere commitment and service to others," noted youth group leader Jeri McElligott.

Garden Club plans program

The Heppner Garden Club will meet Monday, Jan. 8, at the St. Patrick's Senior Center at 7 p.m. The program will be on the progress that the Willow Creek Valley Assisted Living committee has made.

The club is also planning to provide the decorations for the annual Town and Country banquet.

At the club's December meeting and Christmas party, the Sentimentalists sang several Christmas songs. A 4-H group, the Kool Kitchen Kids, brought the group a plate of cookies.

The garden club welcomes all who are interested in gardening.

The recipients, all seniors at Ione High School, have regularly attended meetings and sold and delivered Christmas trees to make money for group projects. They have helped with the annual food drive to benefit the Neighborhood Center outreach programs and helped with the Jason Halvorsen Scholarship Bazaar. They youth have all made trips to Burnside in Portland to serve the poor. They have toured agencies, served in soup kitchens, passed out hygiene kits in the local hotels and have made sandwiches and sorted clothing for the poor of the area. Krebs, Halvorsen and Swanson recently spoke at local churches, sharing their November service trip

Terrace Drive closed intermittently

Morrow County Public Works Director Burke O'Brien has announced that Terrace Drive, which is located next to the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner, will be closed intermittently during the winter due to safety concerns.

experiences.

Morgan, Rietmann, Halvorsen and Krebs are members of the Ione United Church of Christ. Swanson is a member of St. William's Catholic Church.

Soup supper planned Saturday during HHS game

A soup supper will be held this Saturday, January 6, from 3-7 p.m. at the Heppner High School home ec room, during the Heppner vs. Sherman County basketball game.

The supper will include homemade soup, a homemade roll, cake and punch or coffee for \$4 each.

Everyone is invited to attend.

The 3 p.m. starting time has been extended from the previously scheduled time of 4:30 p.m., so seniors and parents bringing soup or cakes are asked to have them at the home ec room by 3 p.m.

Any seniors who have not been contacted, but who would like to bring a crockpot of soup or a cake should call April Sykes, 676-9939 home or 676-9228 work.

Proceeds will benefit the Class of 2001 trip to Couer d'Alene.

Election position

The deadline to register for office for the March 13 election will be Thursday, January 11, at 5 p.m. at the Morrow County Courthouse.

As of Tuesday, January 2, the following people had registered for positions:

-Jerry M. Healy, Heppner-Port of Morrow Commission Position 3;

-Deane Seeger, Irrigon-Port of Morrow Commission Position 1;

-Dan Creamer, Irrigon-Port of Morrow Commission Position 2;

-Wayne Hams, Ione-Ione Rural Fire Protection District At-Large Position;

-Wayne E. Rietmann, Ione-Ione Rural Fire Protection District At-Large Position;

-Billy J. Rietmann, Ione-Ione Rural Fire Protection District At-Large Position;

-Kathy Neal, Boardman-Morrow County School District Boardman-Irrigon Advisory Committee Position 3;

-Albert Partlow, Irrigon-Irrigon Park Board Position 5;

-Burrel L. Cooley, Irrigon-Irrigon Park District Position 1.

SWCD, Livestock Growers to hold joint meeting

The Morrow County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) and Morrow County Livestock Growers will host a joint meeting on Thursday, Jan. 11, at the Heppner Elks Lodge beginning at 1 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

The agenda includes presentations by:

- Karen Wagner, noxious weeds outreach assistant with the Resource Conservation and Development Area, at 1:30 p.m. She will speak about her outreach efforts to show that the noxious weed problem has connections greater than can really be seen;

- Dennis Miller, Oregon Dept. of Agriculture Pesticide Division, at 2 p.m. He will explain House Bill 3602 Pesticide Use Reporting and activities of the Division;

- Don Butcher, Dept. of Environmental Quality, will follow at 2:30 p.m. with an explanation of Total Maximum Daily Loads, what they are and how they will affect those in the Willow Creek Watershed;

- Randy Mills and Bill Broderick from OSU Extension Service will present information on the Clean Water Act at 3 p.m. and discuss how Morrow County residents are being affected and what they can expect in the future.

There will be time for questions during the presentations.

"Hopefully, by providing this information, Morrow County residents can take a proactive approach to laws, regulations and legislation that is affecting our daily lives," said a Morrow SWCD spokesperson.

The Morrow SWCD will hold a brief annual meeting and presentation of awards at 4 p.m., followed by a regular meeting to elect officers and appoint committee members for the coming year, hear the treasurer's report and brief partnership reports.

After a short break, the Morrow County Livestock Growers will hold their annual meeting at 4:30 p.m., with election of officers and a report from the Oregon Cattlemen's Association.

The evening will conclude with a social hour sponsored by the Morrow County Grain Growers at 6 p.m., followed by the Town and Country Banquet at 7 p.m. The banquet will feature a prime rib dinner, music, Chamber of Commerce awards and speaker Jack Ohman, political cartoonist.

Hospital commemorates new CAT scan with open house

By Molly Rhea

The staff at Pioneer Memorial Hospital is celebrating the installation of their new Picker PQS, a Computerized Axial Tomography (CAT scan) unit. The public is encouraged to share in this commemoration by attending an open house from 3-7 p.m. on Thursday, January 11.

A CAT scan is an imaging method in which an area of the body is scanned in successive layers by a narrow beam of x-ray. It provides a cross-sectional view of the body and distinguishes difference in the densities of various tissues.

This technique has a greater sensitivity in showing the relationship of structures than conventional radiography and has been used most successfully in diagnostic studies of the brain and abdomen. A CAT scan provides precise anatomic and pathological information for a wide array of conditions such as, brain infarctions (strokes), ventricular displacement (useful in patients with head trauma), as well as masses or tumors.

The radiology department is currently scheduling elective scans with a radiologist (a

physician who specializes in radiology) present to interpret and oversee the studies.

PMH has the technology to perform CAT scans in emergency situations without a radiologist present. Using a digitalizer, the radiology technician can produce a hard copy, that looks much like a standard x-ray, scan the hard copy and transmit the image to St. Charles Medical Center in Bend, Oregon, where it is read by the radiologist on-call.

St. Charles is working toward upgrading the computer link to enable direct image capture of raw data. This technology would allow an off-site radiologist and the provider and/or technician at PMH to view the images simultaneously.

Physicians from other areas can utilize the unit at PMH by calling an order into the radiology department of Pioneer Memorial Hospital at 541-676-9133.

Having this state-of-the-art unit at PMH is more than just a convenience for area residents, it has the potential to help us save lives by providing emergency personnel immediate diagnostic information.

Jack Ohman, Oregonian political cartoonist to be Town & Country speaker

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Jack Ohman, syndicated cartoonist, will be the speaker at the annual Heppner Chamber of Commerce Town and Country Banquet on Thursday, Jan. 11, beginning at 7 p.m. at the Heppner Elks Club.

While still in college, Ohman became the youngest cartoonist ever to be nationally syndicated. He has two features now in syndication--his political cartoons for The Oregonian and the "Mixed Media" comic strip.

According to People magazine, Ohman's political cartoons are "probably the most uncompromising, the most wicked and the most pointedly funny" on today's op-ed pages.

Ohman's work appears regularly in Time, Newsweek, U.S. News and World Report, Business Week and The Economist. He had also contributed drawings to ABC News Nightline in the mid-80s.

Ohman has won the national Mark of Excellence Award from the Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi and the Exceptional Merit Media

Award from the National Women's Political Caucus.

Ohman began his cartooning career while attending the University of Minnesota, drawing for the Minnesota Daily. After signing a syndication agreement with TMS, Ohman moved on to the Columbus Dispatch. From there, he joined the Detroit Free Press and finally The Oregonian, where he has been since 1983.

In addition to his cartoon work, Ohman is the author of five books, "Back to the 80s", "Drawing Conclusions", "Fear of Fly Fishing", "Fishing Bass-Ackwards" and "Why Johnny Can't Put", all published by Simon and Schuster.

Born, September 1, 1960, in St. Paul, Ohman entered the political fray early as an aide to a Minnesota congressional candidate and bus driver for former presidential candidate, Walter Mondale.

Ohman and his wife, Janice Dunham Ohman, a public relations executive, have a son, Eric, born in 1988, and a daughter, Julie, born in 1991.

Town & Country Banquet

Jack Ohman, Portland Oregonian political cartoonist, will be the featured speaker at the annual Heppner Chamber of Commerce Town and Country Banquet on Thursday, Jan. 11 at the Heppner Elks Lodge. Ohman's appearance is co-sponsored by CenturyTel.

Morrow County Grain Growers will host the social hour at 6 p.m., prior to the prime rib dinner at 7 p.m.

A blend of classical and contemporary music will be provided during dinner by Amy Jepsen, a young Morrow County musician. Jepsen has won honors for both piano and harp performances and performs in the Willow Creek Symphony and the East Oregon Symphony and Chorale.

Man, Woman, Educator, Business and Lifetime Achievement recipients for 2000 will be announced.

Peterson's Jewelers will donate a necklace to some lucky person. Tickets are available at the Heppner Chamber of Commerce,

Klamath First Federal, Murray Drugs and Bank of Eastern Oregon in Heppner and Ione.

For several years, tickets have sold out prior to the event, so people are encouraged to get them early, said Chamber executive director Claudia Hughes.

Lexington Town Council plans special meeting

A special meeting of the Lexington Town Council will be held this Thursday, January 4, at 6 p.m. at town hall.

New city council members will be sworn in and a new recorder will be selected.

The regular town council meeting will be held Monday, January 8, at 7:30 p.m. at town hall.

The agenda for the January 8 meeting has not yet been determined.

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