

Local Lion honored with award



Jim Wishart (center) and his wife, Cam

Jim Wishart of the Heppner Lions Club has received the Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation Fellowship award.

Wishart first joined Lions as part of the Prairie City Lions Club in 1963. While in the Prairie City Lions Club from 1968 to 1975 he held all club offices except secretary/treasurer, serving three different terms as club president.

In 1975 he transferred to the Heppner Lions Club and has been there since, except for an eight-year period when, because of his work duties he had transferred to the Arlington Lions Club. At Arlington he was an active Lion and held most of the offices, including club president, before transferring back to Heppner.

While a member of the Heppner Lions Club he has been one of the most active members, a mainstay of the club. He has held all the offices in Heppner, including club president numerous times. "Whenever there is a project to either serve the community or raise

funds for the club Wishart is always the first to step up and volunteer his service in the best of tradition of Lions," said Roger Trueax, past district governor and secretary.

Wishart has spent hours operating the sign up table whenever the Mobile Screening Unit has visited the community. He assisted the club in obtaining a loan so that the club was able to sponsor and pay for the installation of a solar heating source for the old Heppner Swimming Pool. He also co-signed as a guarantee for the loan. He did the same when the Lions Club decided to build a new track and football field for Heppner High School. He is always available to work in the fireworks booth, said Trueax.

Every year for the Heppner Lions Club Ruler Raffle, Wishart not only chairs the committee but also puts the money up to obtain the raffle at the start of the project until the club has sold enough tickets to pay the investment back. Wishart then spends his time selling tickets for the raffle. He also sets up a table on Main Street during the Heppner St. Patrick's Day Celebration to sell tickets.

4-H News

Phat Photos 4-H Club

By Kyle Huddleston, reporter

On Thursday, June 14, Phat Photos held a meeting. The group (leader Kelly Boyer, President J.C. Sherritt, Vice President Tyler Boyer and Reporter Kyle Huddleston) all met downtown in Heppner. The group was joined by Susan Hisler, an experienced photographer and former 4-H leader.

From there members headed to the mountains to take pictures. The first stop was Coal Mine Grade, where pictures of the running waterfall were taken. Tyler and J.C. climbed to the top of the waterfall to get some more exiting pictures.

The next stop was Penland Lake, where member took pictures of animals, nature and of people. On the way home the group stopped at Cutsforth Park to take a few last minute pictures.

Kelly and Susan did a wonderful job of helping members with their pictures, and they all had a fun time.

The club will now be working on what pictures they want to enter for fair and how to display them.

Books and More Books

By Shannon Clay, reporter

The Book and More Books 4-H Club met May 25 at Miranda Hunts' home. Members discussed the book, "The Robber and Me." Club members decided to go to the Pendleton Aquatic Park to spend money from a fund raiser. The club learned that there would be a "speakeasy" in Fossil on June 13 and decided to go.

Thank you cards will be sent out to people who helped the club with their project to get new copies of old books for the Ione Public Library.

The club will take a break from reading together and start up again in the fall. The next meeting will be in August at the Pendleton Aquatic Park.

UofO student to help design new Heppner park



UofO student Trisha Martin talks over plans for a new park in Heppner with community leaders Larry Mills (left), Jerry Breazeale and Bob Jepsen. Dominic Monahan (right), now of Eugene, helped arrange for Martin to do the project. The proposed park would be built on the old oil distributor property (in the background).

Heppner is getting a little help from a UofO student in designing a new park for the city.

Trisha Martin, a third year landscape architect student from Oregon, has been hired using grant funds to lay out a plan for the proposed park at the old

Unocal property across from the ag museum in Heppner.

Martin was in Heppner Monday to look over the site and get input from the community on how the park should be used.

Heppner native Dominic Monahan, who now lives in

Eugene, arranged to have Martin do the project.

Money to develop the park has not yet been found, but city officials feel grant money or help from the Oregon National Guard may help build the new park.

Riverfront Hotel sets grand opening

Riverfront Lodge Hotel in Boardman announces its ribbon cutting and grand opening ceremonies on Friday, June 29, from 6-9 p.m.

The formal ribbon cutting ceremony starts at 6 p.m., followed by hors d'oeuvres and entertainment in the lobby. Guests will be given a tour of the luxurious, two-story, 58-room hotel, restaurant and lounge, which is located next to the Port of Morrow's Riverfront Convention Center.

All are invited to attend and see the Riverfront Lodge Hotel on the Columbia River at Boardman. The hotel is located off Interstate 84-exit 164, then go north and follow the signs to the Riverfront Conference Center.

Patterned after Mt. Hood Lodge, the hotel's facade features timber, rock and shingle siding and panoramic windows with sweeping views throughout. "Riverfront Lodge Hotel is a fine example of how careful planning can achieve harmony with its surroundings and still create a pleasing balance between visiting the past and maintaining the demands of today's business persons and travelers," said a spokesperson for the hotel.

For more information, call 1-888-988-2009.

Labor commissioner to address cattlemen

Oregon Labor Commissioner Jack Roberts will address the mid-year conference of the Oregon Cattlemen on Friday, June 22. The speech will be at 4 p.m. at the Red Lion in Pendleton.

As both Labor Commissioner and Lane County Commissioner, Jack has been a supporter of balanced natural resource policies," stated Lynn Snodgrass, former Speaker of the Oregon House. "But Jack doesn't just talk the talk. He uses real shoe leather when he commits himself to a cause."

Auxiliary raises funds for hospital, nursing home

The Pioneer Memorial Hospital and Nursing Home Auxiliary has had a very busy year.

On January 1, the group had only \$12.28 in their checking account. At the end of March 2001 they had a balance of \$2,299.37.

Over the last year they have purchased new holiday decorations for the nursing home, flowers for the residents for special occasions, had a Mother's Day tea for the ladies and lunch out for the men for Fathers Day. The group also have set aside \$250 towards the purchase of a new

extra-wide wheelchair, purchased new equipment for the activities department, had a residents' barbecue and worked on planting flowers in the residents' baskets.

To earn these monies over the last year the Auxiliary has had raffles, bake sales and yard sales. "Without your support we could not have accomplished what we have in our first year," said an auxiliary spokesperson.

Donations to the Nursing Home Auxiliary should state "auxiliary" on the check or mail checks to Tonia Adams, 600 S Chase, Heppner, OR

97836.

The auxiliary is having their yearly yard sale on Saturday, June 23, from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. at 465 Gale Street across from the Episcopal Church.

Anyone who would like to donate to the yard sale should contact Pennie Miller at 676-5848, Tonia Adams, 676-9616, or Nancy Vander Does, 676-5860.

Those interested in joining the auxiliary should call Pennie Miller at 676-9133 for more information about dates and timew.

BEO supports America's promise

The Bank of Eastern Oregon has joined over 2000 community banks nationwide supporting Americas Promise, an alliance for youth, chaired by General Colin Powell.

BEO is part of a large scale national commitment to fulfill one or more of the "Five Promises"- ongoing relationships with caring adults in their lives-parents, mentors, tutors or coaches; safe places with structured activities during non-school hours; healthy start and future; marketable skills through effective education; and opportunities to give back through community service.

In connection with this program the Ione Branch of BEO has sponsored a summer reading program at the Ione City Library. The program started June 13 and is scheduled for Wednesdays at 2 p.m. This program will run until mid-August.

The employees of the Ione branch will donate time as well, reading to children and assisting them in activities.



Fran Barnett (right), representing the Bank of Eastern Oregon, Ione Branch, presents a check to Christy Crowell (center) and Anne Morter, representing the Ione City Library

Wedding Rill-Christensen

Tiffany Nicole Christensen and Lance Corporal Laurence W. (Lonnie) Rill were married March 19, 2001, in Jacksonville, North Carolina. Christensen, the daughter of Vickie Christensen of Kilgore, Texas, is currently pursuing a degree in music.

Rill, the son of Cecil and Molly Rill of Heppner, is serving with the U.S. Marine Corps and is stationed at Camp LeJeune, North Carolina, where the couple now resides.

A wedding reception will held in their honor on July 22, 2001, from 1-4 p.m. at the Heppner Elks.

Births

Loyal Russell Burns, IV -a son Loyal Russell was born to Deborah and Loyal Burns III of Ione on June 7, 2001 at Good Shepherd Medical Center in Hermiston. The baby weighed 6 lbs. 9 oz.

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