

Ione science students travel to coast



Ione students enjoy the ocean

By Tiana Camarillo

With funding help from the Ione Education Foundation, the Ione High School Research Science Class was able to enjoy a weekend at the Oregon Coast. The students who participated departed early in the morning on Saturday, October 22.

Their first stop was OMSI where the students enjoyed some hands-on science. From there, they went to the Tillamook Cheese Factory where they took a break and sampled Tillamook cheese and ice cream.

On Sunday they went to the Oregon Coast aquarium and got to go on a "Behind-the-Scenes" tour. They took a glimpse at what it takes to operate the aquarium and they got to feed the sharks.

The funding from the IEF also provided money for the class to assemble a saltwater aquarium in their science classroom. To help the students understand more about the aquarium, one of the stops was the OSU Hatfield Marine Science Center. There, they learned about maintaining a marine environment.

On the last day of the field trip they went to the Evergreen Air Museum where they learned about air flight and got to go aboard the Spruce Goose.

Students participating in the field trip were Jenny Griffith, Mason Bradfield, Kayla LaRue, Brenna Rietmann, Brittnee DesBouillons, Kyle Palmateer, Tereza Sintakowa, Amber Patton, Meghan Gaines, and Priscilla Tellez.

Chaperones were Ione Principal/ Superintendent Bryn Browning, science teacher Kevin Campbell, and parents Terri Schaber and Glen Griffith.

Christmas Village tour in planning stages

Jody Chappa and Judy Hanbury would like to open their homes to visitors who would like to view their Christmas Villages. They are looking for other volunteers who would be willing to open their homes for 1 or 2 nights in December for visitors. If anyone would be interested in finding out more about this event, please call Jody at 676-8161 or Judy at 676-9936.

Ione welcomes exchange student from Mexico

Nallely Tellez is an exchange student from Chihuahua, Mexico. She is staying in Ione for the 2005/2006 school year with Mark Bruno and Adena Johnson. She comes to Ione through the American Swedish Scandinavian Exchange Program (ASSE).



Nallely Priscilla Tellez

Nallely arrived in Ione on August 27. She said that when she first arrived she was in "shock." She was used to a very big city in Mexico and Ione was so small. Now she likes it very much. She says that the people are "very cool." She likes the small school where she can talk to the teachers and she finds them "very nice." Her school in Mexico has 600 students with 63 students for every teacher.

She has been able to travel to the Oregon coast with other exchange students and has gone on several fieldtrips with students from school. She has visited other area towns such as Condon and Heppner.

Nallely thought that she might get bored, but her host family keeps her busy. She has been on several family outings. She likes to read, clean the house and e-mail her friends. She likes to play basketball and volleyball. She got to help with the Ione Volleyball team this year. She is helping a Spanish-speaking child in the Elementary School in the mornings.

When she returns home to Mexico, she would like to attend college and become an English teacher.

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community. Two high school students are also volunteering.

The Read-n-Play program for children from infants to five years is continuing and has been moved to the Creative Care Preschool. The Box Tops grant enabled funding for assembly of activity boxes that families can check out between sessions. The boxes contain puppets, children's books, puzzles, coloring pages, crayons and toys and activities to do as a family. Themes are Barnyard, Under the Sea, Things That Go, Cats and Dogs and Jungle. Read-n-Play meets from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. every other Tuesday.

The Site Council met, reviewed the fall assessment schedule and discussed ways to improve the "winter window." A parent flyer, that ads in grade-specific information will be sent out in January. The teacher group will sort the data from the fall window and determine what information they want to see from the winter scores.

The council decided to create a school survey for parents to be administered in the spring. The purpose is to find out information about their perception of the school including areas of strengths and areas for improvement.

The council also learned that the publications class has taken on public relations for the school and has submitted several articles for the Gazette.

The council addressed the decision to have only honor roll students' names published in the newspaper, but both honor roll and honorable mention in the school newsletter.

The school has had two colleges visit and has traveled to one college with the junior and senior classes, coordinated by Ryan Rudolf. Allison Rudolf is in the process of arranging individual student visits to colleges.

Students, beginning with seniors, will work on completing their education profile plans.

Shop program students are creating projects such as folding tables, sawhorses, garden benches and bird houses, many of which were on display at the meeting. Future projects will include metal work.

Elementary teachers received a grant from the Cardinal Booster Club to purchase additional Accelerated Reader quizzes for K-first grade. The original request for \$400 was doubled by the Booster Club. Local businesses have offered to sponsor monthly parties for students who have met their reading goals. This month the students are decorating a turkey with feathers as they meet their goal. Students who meet their goal this month will be treated to root beer floats.

The elementary school celebrated National Children's Book week, with many junior high and high school students contributing. High school teachers were guest readers and "book fairies" left books in classrooms as a surprise. Teacher Jim Raible's drama class did a reader's theater and each morning the school held an assembly to chant cheers and read a book as a group. Middle school students dressed up to join the younger students by partner reading. On Dec. 12, students in grades six through eight who pass a quiz on the book, "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe," will attend the movie.

In other business the board:

-Approved the first reading of a policy on student health services and requirements which is mandated by the state.

-Approved the first reading of a policy on reporting suspected child abuse.

-Changed the time of the next meeting to be held from 5-6 p.m. on December 19, to accommodate the school's Christmas program, which is scheduled to be held at 6:30 p.m. No work session will be held that evening.

-Approved the following staff contract recommendations: Dennis Stefani, head high school boys' basketball coach; Jim Swanson, assistant high school boys' basketball coach; Bink Ramos and Mike Garret to share duties as middle school boys' basketball coaches; Lyn Dee Ramos, middle school girls' basketball coach; and Ryan Rudolf, head high school girls' basketball coach.

-Approved a contract for services for Northwest Leadership to provide Donna Murdock as library media services assistant.

-Agreed to allow Morrow County Health District to provide a Medicare drug benefit workshop on November 30.

-Held an executive session concerning negotiations on extra duty contracts.

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Friends and relatives are welcome to attend.

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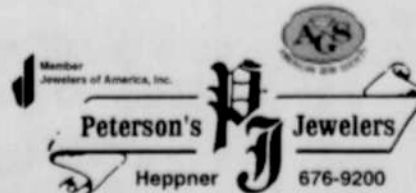
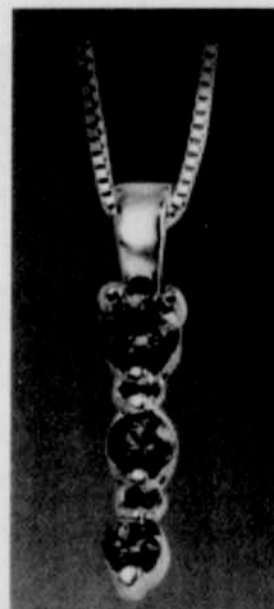
TAYLOR'S RESTAURANT in Ione

The restaurant will be closed
November 24-25 for Thanksgiving



The lounge will open on
Nov. 25 at 4 p.m.

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