

Palmers to celebrate 50th anniversary

Lee and Mary Ann Palmer are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. All friends and family are invited to a reception on Sunday, Feb. 26 from 2-4 p.m. at the Willow Grange Hall in Ione. (No gifts)



Lee and Mary Ann Palmer

Lee Palmer and Mary Ann Jensen were married on Feb. 26, 1956 at the Heppner Methodist

Church. Lee is a farmer and Mary Ann is a retired head cook for Ione Schools, Morrow County School District.

They have four children- Barbara and Norm Zeller of Ione; Debora and Dan Wood of Hermiston; Donna and Joe Rietmann of Ione; and Anita and Dave Pranger of Heppner; nine grandchildren; five step-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren.

They are members of the Willow Grange and Ione Community Church. They enjoy spending time watching their grandchildren at sporting events.

OTLD receives telescopes and GPS units for patron check-out

Telescopes and global positioning units for patron check-out have been provided to the Oregon Trail Library District libraries by LEO (the Libraries of Eastern Oregon).

Area residents will be able to check the new equipment out from the library just as they do with other library materials, according to Marsha Richmond, library director. The GPS units and telescopes are available at the Boardman, Heppner and Irrigon libraries.

Grant funding was provided to LEO for telescopes and global positioning units by the Ann and Bill Swindells Charitable Trust and the Oregon Community Foundation. With the funding LEO was able to purchase telescopes and GPS units for each of the 45 public libraries in the 14 counties served by the nonprofit library association.

The red Astroscan telescopes have a high-powered 6-inch lens and are extremely easy to use. Nearly indestructible, the telescopes are constructed to sit on a tabletop and are made of the same material as professional football helmets. Library patrons will be able to borrow a night sky guide that accompanies the telescopes.

The Explorer GPS units are hand-held mapping models that are also easy to use and that have advanced features for users of all ages. Instruction booklets accompany each unit.

LEO will be assisting area libraries this spring and summer in using the telescopes to host stargazing parties for persons of all ages in local communities and in

using the GPS units for local orienteering and geocaching community events.

Both the telescopes and GPS units support regional programs launched by the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry (OMSI) in partnership with LEO.

The OMSI-LEO partnership is called the STARS Program- Science, Technology and Rural Students- and supports distance education, professional development of librarians and teachers, delivery of video conferencing programs to rural areas and lifelong learning for persons of all ages.

LEO's mission is to develop gold medal library services in eastern Oregon. LEO supports the development of telecommunications infrastructure and the availability of innovative programming and technology tools in order for public libraries to meet the information and technology needs of the 21st century.

Episcopal Church to hold pancake supper

All Saint's Episcopal Church is holding their annual Shrove Tuesday pancake supper on Tuesday, Feb. 28 from 5-7:30 p.m.

The menu will include pancakes, ham, fruit and beverages. The meal is all you can eat. Price for the meal is \$4 for adults, \$3 for students and \$14 for a family. Proceeds from the meal will go towards mission and outreach in our community.

Everyone is invited to attend.

South Morrow County Scholarship Trust receives bequest

A spokesperson for the South Morrow County Scholarship Trust has announced a recent gift from the Bob Campbell estate. "Mr. Campbell bequeathed the trust fund a substantial amount that frees us from concern about fundraising, allowing us to focus on our essential purpose of granting scholarships," the spokesperson explains.

Robert "Bob" Campbell died at the age of 83 over a year ago. A native of the Willow Creek Valley, he was raised on the family ranch on Social Ridge, near Lexington. When Campbell retired from his work with cattle and farming, he moved into the home of his parents in Lexington, remaining with them as a caregiver in their later years and continued to live in the Lexington home.

Don Campbell remembers his brother Bob as a "tender heart" who took great delight and interest in the nieces and nephews. He especially enjoyed sharing his knowledge in various school subjects with them. This shy star athlete in Lexington High School attended one semester on a scholarship to Pacific University and now his appreciation of education and interest in young people will continue to be reflected in the South Morrow

scholarship program.

The South Morrow County Scholarship Trust was established in 1993 to fund scholarships for Heppner and Ione graduates. Though the trust now provides four scholarships per year, expectations are that it will more fully replace the Troedson Scholarship Fund when that one is discontinued in the year 2023. Scholarships are awarded from the interest earned on the principal in the account and the Campbell bequest will mean larger amounts and faster growth of these available funds. The present Board of Directors - Bill Reitmann, Barbara Hayes, Del LaRue, Sharon Harrison, Missy Cutsforth, Carri Grieb, and Martha Munkers - "are available to speak to individuals or groups about the scholarship program and how a person can invest money, at a tax saving, in the future of our youth," says the spokesperson.

Applications for this year's scholarships for additional training or study after high school, from both funds, will become available on March 1 at the high schools and at the Bank of Eastern Oregon. Contributions to the trust will be accepted at South Morrow County Trust, PO Box 367, Ione, OR 97843.

St. Patrick's Senior Center news

The Christian Life Center Church volunteers are hosts for the March 1 noon meal at the senior center. The menu is not available at this time.

The Heppner Housing Authority meets in regular session, Tuesday evening Feb. 28 at 7 p.m. in the common room at the center. The Senior Center Board of Directors will meet with them in a joint meeting. One main item on the agenda is to discuss and update the agreement between the HHA and the senior board. Present needs and conditions will be evaluated, clarified and changes suggested, if necessary. The residents of the apartments are participants in the meeting also.

The fax machine, installed in the office, is working. The cost of its use by others and for non-center business is \$2.50 for the first sheet and \$1 for each additional sheet. CAPECO has provided this equipment from its adjustments and

rearrangements of their own office staff and offices. Also, to be added to the office equipment is a computer, made available from the same source.

To clarify recent discussions about meal cost, the board wants to emphasize that the costs posted are suggested donations; for seniors and others. The numbers come from calculations of actual costs and are for your information. No one is turned away because of lack of resources to make the donation. The suggested charges are: for seniors (60 and over and disabled); adults, 59 and under, \$5.50; for children, 12 and under \$2. Ed Baker reported that the recent annual monitoring of the kitchen operation indicated that our kitchen and crews (volunteers and staff) met the criteria to all areas. We offer congratulations to each one involved in the team effort to provide excellent meals every week.

INW to hold Young Artists Competition

Inland Northwest Musicians is pleased to announce its sixth annual Young Artists Competition, scheduled for Sunday, March 12, at the Vert Club Room in Pendleton. This competition is open to young musicians in four categories: Elementary Division (through grade 5), Junior Division (grades 6-8), Senior Division (grades 9-12), and Young Adult Division (through age 25). Instrumentalists and singers will perform for a panel of adjudicators. All participants will receive critique sheets and winners will be chosen from each division. All winners will receive \$100 cash prizes and some winners may be selected to perform with the Inland Northwest Orchestra at its October 2006 concert.

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The entry fee for the competition is \$20 and the deadline for application is March 3. For more information and application materials, contact Alice Massey, Young Artists Competition Chairman, at (541) 276-7340.

Feb. 16: Gustavo Zuniga, 33, Boardman and Alicia Ponce Madero, 31, Boardman.

Feb. 17: Felipe de Jesus Chavez Fonseca, 24, Boardman and Lucia Zavala Villegas, 18, Boardman.

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Desert Arts Council to hold annual dinner theatre

The Desert Arts Council's annual evening of dining and theatre is Saturday, March 4, 2006 at the Hermiston Conference Center. The Dell'Arte Company will present "In the Land of the Grasshopper Song" by Lauren Wilson. A no-host cocktail begins at 6 p.m. and dinner is served at 6:30 p.m. with the show to follow. Karen Bounds and Margaret Saylor chair the event. Tickets are \$45 per person and are available at The Greater Hermiston Chamber of Commerce office. Call 567-6151 for additional information and to reserve tickets. Tickets must be purchased by March 1.

Based on an award-winning, true-account book, "In the Land of the Grasshopper Song" tells the story of Mary Ellicott Arnold and Mabel Reed, who, in 1908, set out from the East Coast to be "field matrons" for the Karuk Tribe of Northern California. They were the only white women in the Indian Country of the Klamath and Salmon rivers and left after their two years of service with profound affection and respect for the people they had lived among.

Adapted by Lauren Wilson from the book by the same name, "In the Land of the Grasshopper Song" records friendships and quarrels, celebrations and disasters. Arnold and Reed traveled by horseback and by foot, by dugout canoe and swinging bridge. They acted as teachers, doctors, preachers, legal advisers and mediators. They learned about love and honor, death and courage, and were forever changed by their experience.

"Grasshopper" takes the audience on a journey, a journey that includes the conflict between

cultures," said Director Michael Fields, Dell'Arte's producing artistic director. "A journey that is not always easy, but is inspiring, and always highly entertaining. It's a production unlike most any other you will find, combining a wonderful story, the high theatricality of the Dell'Arte style, and great original songs with live music."

Based in a former logging town on California's north coast, the Dell'Arte Company is an artist-managed professional touring company with a long history of creating original work that is inspired by their region. This ongoing ensemble of artists has created more than 35 award-winning, original works of theatre since 1977, and has toured with acclaim to international festivals. Dell'Arte International is the United States center for the development, exploration, training, creation and performance of the physical theatre traditions and their contemporary applications. For more information on Dell'Arte, visit www.dellarte.com.

"In the Land of the Grasshopper Song" features Dell'Arte Company performers Dawn Falato, Tim Cunningham, Tyler Olsen and Oliver Steck along with Dell'Arte instructor/performer Jacqueline Dandeneau. Set design is by Dan Stockwell, costume design by Lynn Horigan, sound and music by Tim Gray.

Local sponsors are Gifford Medical, IRZ Consulting, RDO Equipment Co, Roger JL Bounds Foundation, Umatilla Electric Cooperative and Washington Demilitarization.

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