

South Morrow County Scholarship Trust announces scholarship winners

The South Morrow County Scholarship Trust is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2007 scholarships in the amount of \$750.00 each. They are Kayla Teague-LaRue, Regina Seitz, Sarah Price, Aaron Allstott, and Stephanie Holland. The five students were selected out of 11 applicants on the basis of academic achievement, chosen field of study, financial need, school participation, degree of effort the student has made in seeking sources for college, and personal characteristics for success and school citizenship.

Kayla Teague-LaRue is the daughter of Robin and Melissa LaRue from Ione. She is planning on attending Oregon State University in the fall to pursue a bachelor's degree in business administration. Kayla is very active in school with varsity letters in volleyball, basketball, and track all four years of high school. She served as class president, class representative, and ASB Sec. Treas. Kayla has participated in many community activities, serving as 4H Counselor, directed youth track meet, volunteered as lifeguard, fed homeless on Burnside and worked on the elementary school carnival for two

years. She has received the national honor roll award for three years, big sky scholar athlete for three years and has been on the lone High School Honor roll for all four years of High School.

Regina Seitz attends Heppner High School and will be attending college to get her bachelors degree, majoring in political science or communication, putting her on track for law school. Regina is the daughter of Wayne and Lori Seitz from Heppner. Regina has been on the honor roll for three years, with a 4 point GPA in 2005 and 2006. She is a member of Stars, FBLA, Knowledge Master Open, Outdoor Club, International Club, Drama Club, teacher's aid, 4-H ambassador, and on the parent newsletter staff. Regina volunteers in the community working on Cycle Oregon, youth basketball and volleyball mentor, assisted living interaction and Booster Club. She has been very involved in sports, with three varsity letters in basketball, two varsity letters in volleyball and four varsity letters in softball.

Sarah Price of Heppner is the daughter of Keith and Deana Price. She is considering Corban College and George Fox University. She is planning on entering the field of

education. Sarah is a member of National Honor Society, Wild Horse Club, Class Officer, Drama Club, and teacher's assistant. She is active in sports, playing varsity basketball and varsity letters for two years in track. Sarah is active in community activities, working on vacation bible school, sonnets in spring, Jericho, Colt Basketball, Children's Church and Youth Lead services.

Aaron Michael Allstott from Heppner is the Son of David and Patti Allstott. He is considering University of Oregon, Lane Community College or Eastern Oregon University. He is planning on studying physical therapy. Aaron is an active volunteer in his community, working on Cycle Oregon, Booster Club Auction, helping at the assisted living center, cleanup of town, food drive and golf course grounds. He is a member of National Honor Society, Drama Club, and served as Jr/Sr. Class President. Aaron lettered in football all four years serving as team co-captain. He was Football 2nd team all conference for 2005 and 2006, basketball for three years.

Stephanie Holland from Ione is the daughter of Dale and Karen Holland, II. She is considering attending

Oregon State University, majoring in business administration. She has taken college business classes through Blue Mountain community college. She is active in 4-H, Spanish club, drama club and Ione Youth Group. She has been on the honor roll for all four years of high school. She has received the Scholar Athlete Award for three years. She was a United Nations Pilgrimage Award Winner in 2006. Stephanie has been very active in sports, playing varsity volleyball, varsity basketball and track and field through out high school. She is an outstanding volunteer in her community.

The board of directors of the scholarship trust include Bill Rietmann, president; Barb Hayes, vice-president; Del LaRue, treasurer; Sharon Harrison, secretary; Missy Cutsforth, Martha Munkers and Carri Grieb. The South Morrow County Scholarship Trust was established several years ago with the mission to grow funds to provide scholarships to graduating senior from Heppner and Ione High schools and to eventually take the place of the Troedson Scholarship fund, which will be discontinued in the year 2023.

Luciani, Archer plan wedding

John and Karen Luciani of Echo announce the engagement of their daughter, Rachel Mandell Faber-Luciani of Echo, to Adam Caine Archer of Hermiston.

Rachel is a 2000 graduate of Heppner High School. She received an Associate of Business degree from Blue Mountain Community College and is a graduate of Pendleton College of Hair Design.

Adam is the son of Vivian Razburn of Hermiston and Gregory Archer of LaGrande. He is a 1997 graduate of LaGrande High School. From June



Rachel Luciani and Adam Archer

1997 to July of 2005 he served in the Marine Corps as a Plt. Sergeant. He is currently employed in Hermiston.

The wedding is scheduled to take place on June 16, 2007 at Bennett Botanical Gardens.

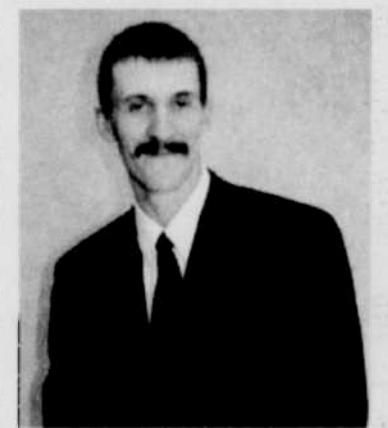
Rice joins BEO lending team

Tucker Rice has joined Bank of Eastern Oregon as an Agricultural and Commercial Loan Officer. Rice will have office hours in both the Ione and Heppner branches of the bank.

Rice is a native Montanan and a graduate of Montana State University in Bozeman, MT, with a degree in Agricultural Business Management. He joins the bank from Valley Bank in Glasgow, MT, where he was on the lending staff.

Rice and his fiancé, Torie, and their children, Colt and Corey, have relocated in Ione.

"Tucker is a good fit for Bank of Eastern Oregon. He grew up in a ranching and farming family and knows what it takes to make a profit. He has good credit skills and we think he will



Tucker Rice

provide a steady hand to assist our existing and future customers," said President and CEO, E. George Koffler.

Rice joins a lending team that includes his predecessor, Ed Rollins. Rollins will continue limited lending duties in the Willow Creek Valley and assume responsibility for a growing loan participation portfolio, the problem loan area, and loan training.

Nelson graduates from Willamette University College of Law

Justin W. Nelson graduated from Willamette University College of Law on Sunday, May 13, 2007.

He graduated Cum Laude, and graduated in the top 10% of the class.

While at Willamette he was a member of the Willamette Law Review, a senior writer for Willamette Law Online, and was a teaching assistant for Legal Research and Writing Course. During the summer after his first year, he interned for Kuhn & Spicer, Attorneys at Law, in Heppner and Hermiston. During the summer after his second year, he interned for Corey, Byler, Rew, Lorenzen & Hojem, L.L.P., in Pendleton.

Nelson graduate from Heppner High School



Justin Nelson

in 2000. He is the son of Chuck and Lisa Nelson of Lexington. He was born and raised on a wheat farm in Lexington.

Nelson is currently studying for the Oregon Bar Exam, which will be held on July 23 and 24. After taking the bar exam, he plans on returning to the Morrow and Umatilla County area to live and seek employment.

Health district has good financial news

The Morrow County Health District board heard some good financial news at its monthly meeting Monday night in Heppner.

The district had another profitable month pulling in \$83,366 in net revenue on gross revenue of \$516,084. The district has been averaging over \$23,000 a month in profit over the past 10 months of its fiscal year. "All in all we are having a pretty good year," board chair Larry Mills told the board.

In other business the board heard that doctor recruiting is showing some results with one doctor verbally committing to come to Heppner, and another in the negotiating process. The district is paying a recruiting firm \$12,000 to help find doctors to come to the community.

It was also announced that the district would be taking delivery on a new ambulance in July.

Summer fun at daycare

This summer Heppner Daycare and Preschool will be offering many fun activities.

The center will be open Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. beginning Monday, June 11. Special Colt Club activities will be offered from 9 a.m. until noon for \$8 per day with a multifamily discount of \$6 per day for each additional child. They will also be going to the swimming pool in the afternoons. This will be offered at the regular daycare rate plus the cost of swimming.

Sign your child up in advance to reserve a spot for this summer. Snacks will be provided for all of the activities.

For more information contact Heppner Daycare and Preschool at 676-5429.

OR Hwy. 19 closure at Kimberly Bridge on schedule for June 2-21

Plans to close Oregon Highway 19 at the John Day River (Kimberly) Bridge are on schedule for June 2 through June 21. The bridge is located approximately one mile south of Kimberly along the western border of Grant County. The closure is needed to accommodate bridge repair work that began last month. Detour signs will be posted directing travelers to use alternate routes during the 19-day highway and bridge closure. ODOT will maintain pedestrian-only access across the structure during the closure time.

Two main detour routes are being identified around the Kimberly Bridge closure. Eastbound traffic from Kimberly will be detoured east on Oregon Highway 402 to Long Creek, then south on U.S. Highway 395 to Mt. Vernon. Westbound traffic from Kimberly will be detoured west on Oregon Highway 19 to Service Creek, then south on Oregon Highway 207 to Mitchell. Depending on starting and ending

destinations, travelers are encouraged to plan extra travel time and determine the alternate route that best suit their needs.

The Kimberly Bridge repair work is part of a \$5.75 million Oregon Department of Transportation project that includes the replacement of the John Day River (Monument) Bridge located along Oregon Highway 402 in Monument. Other than during the Kimberly Bridge closure next month, travelers can expect single lane travel with minor delays at both sites throughout the summer. Work on the Kimberly Bridge will be completed by the end of the year. Construction at the Monument Bridge site will continue over the next two years, with completion scheduled for the end of 2009.

Both structures were built in the 1930s and are in need of immediate attention. More information about this bridge project is available by reviewing the ODOT Region 5 Project Information pages on the Web at www.oregon.gov/ODOT/HWY/REGION5/kimberly_bridge.shtml, or by contacting ODOT Public Information Officer Tom Strandberg at 541-963-1330 or the ODOT Ontario Project Manager's Office at 541-823-8320.

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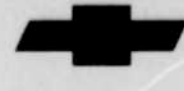
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