

KT's Bunny Barn co-owners win best of breed rabbit show awards

Kathy Tellechea and Pam Renfro, co-owners of KT'S Bunny Barn in Lexington, returned from the Washington State Convention held in Ellensburg on June 22-24 bringing home two Best of Breed and a Best Opposite Sex Breed awards. There were over 250 mini rex entered in each of the two shows. Winning Best Of Breed on Saturday was KT'S Small Town Girl, a junior broken black doe. It was the first time out of the barn for her. Best Opposite Sex Breed went to KT'S Moonstruck, a senior white buck.

On Sunday, Best Of Breed was KT'S Moon Dancer, a senior white doe.

This was a goal the pair had for five years, to win best of breed at Washington State. "It is the biggest show held in our area," said Tellechea. "It was a great weekend. A wish come true."

At the annual banquet, Tellechea and Renfro were presented five-year pins for membership in the Washington State Rabbit Breeders Association. They were also presented with plaques, bags and a cash award for being first



Moonstruck



Moonstruck

place in "Open" and "Fur" sweepstakes for Washington among all rabbit breeders for the year 2006. This was their third consecutive year winning these awards.

An auction was held during the banquet to benefit the youth going to the American Rabbit Breeders Convention in Grand Rapids, Michigan this fall. Tellechea and Renfro donated a junior buck and doe mini rex to the auction. They sold for a record \$450.

Tellechea and Renfro will be kept busy the next few months traveling to the various rabbit shows held in Washington, Oregon and even Edmonton Alberta, Canada. Their winnings for 2007 so far include three Best in Shows, two Reserve



SmallTown Girl

in Show, 10 Best of Breed and nine Best Opposite Sex Breed.

Sheriff's Report

The Morrow County Sheriff's Office reports handling the following business:

June 16: BPD received report from a woman that her sister's car was keyed the previous night.

-BPD received report of a kitten in the road that was apparently hit and bleeding. The kitten was transported to the Hermiston Veterinary Clinic.

-BPD received report from a man that someone had attempted to break into his vehicle the previous week.

-Irrigon Ambulance received report from an Irrigon man that his 66-year-old wife was complaining of chest pain and was vomiting. EMS responded.

-Boardman Fire Department received report of fires on Hwy. 730 near the viaduct.

-BFD received report of a fire burning several railroad ties. He advised that it will be burning for 24 hours.

June 17: MCSO cited David Avalos, 20, for Failure to Obey Traffic Control Device/Failure to Register to Appear.

-MCSO received report that a green Four Taurus left Umatilla with four small kids in the car without seatbelts or car seats. A deputy was unable to locate the vehicle.

-MCSO arrested Efrain Franko (Barrera), 23, on a Morrow County Circuit Court warrant for Possession of Methamphetamine, Cocaine and Criminal Trespass. He was lodged at Umatilla County Jail. According to the report, at the time of his arrest he was also in possession of meth.

-A Heppner man reported that he had found a debit card and turned it into the sheriff's office. A message was left on the owner's phone.

-MCSO received report of two Black Angus cows on Tower road. The owner was not located, but the cows were returned to the pasture.

-MCSO cited Paul Matthew Johnston, 21, for Violation of the Basic Rule, 77 mph in a 55 mph zone on Hwy 17.

Wheatland Insurance hosts Chamber 'After Hours'



Morrow County Commissioner Ken Grieb, second from left, presents a plaque to Swedish visitors (left to right) Jan-Haken Hansson, Anita Larson, Lena Hansson and Johnny Hansson.



Those attending the Heppner Chamber 'After Hours' open house at Wheatland Insurance enjoy a catered outdoor buffet.

Wheatland Insurance of Heppner hosted a catered outdoor buffet for all visitors to the Heppner Chamber of Commerce "After Hours" open house held Friday, June 28.

Also during the evening, Morrow County Commissioner Ken Grieb presented a plaque to visitors from Sweden proclaiming June 28 Swedish Heritage

Day in Morrow County. The visitors, from Lindsberg, Sweden, were in Heppner visiting the Louis and Betty Carlson family and had attended a Carlson family reunion at Sun River. While in Oregon, they visited the Oregon coast, Crater Lake, took a trip up the Rogue River and saw other areas of interest. They were also able to buy several pairs

of Levis, which are very expensive in Sweden, says Louis Carlson. They arrived on June 26 and will be leaving for Sweden July 10. They had been to visit the Heppner Carlson family four years ago and the Carlsons had visited them in Sweden.

The city of Heppner also presented them a letter of greeting to take to their home town of Lindsberg.

New system waters hanging baskets automatically



Hanging baskets gracing downtown Heppner enjoy a drink of water courtesy of the new drip watering system installed by the city of Heppner crew.

The hanging flower baskets on downtown Heppner Streets are benefiting from a new drip watering system installed by the city of Heppner crew. City of Heppner Public Works Director Brian Harmon said that installation on the new drip system started last week and is expected to continue until the end of next week. Drip systems have been installed in around 14 of the baskets, with another 14 yet to do.

Harmon said that the new system will not only save around 50 hours of overtime for the city, but the plants should end up looking better with the consistent watering.

Previously the flowers were watered by city crew members driving from basket to basket. This pro-

cedure took around an hour each morning and an hour each evening, said Harmon. The watering system now goes right up the pole to each basket and is set to a timer for 15 minutes, three times a day. The basket wa-

tering system is on the same system as the shrub watering system, said Harmon.

Harmon said that Heppner City Manager Dave DeMayo thought up the idea and DeMayo and he came up with the system.

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Mary McLeod is celebrating her 80th birthday on July 15 with family and friends at the Rockwood United Methodist Church, 178th S.E. Stark, Portland at 11:30 a.m.
Anyone wanting to send her a card may send it to 816 N.E. Fleming Ave., Gresham, OR 97030

Caledonian Games
July 14th - 15th in Athena, Oregon
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Wedding Tables
Jennifer Patton and Joshua Smelser
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Becky Jones and Brandon Young
 Wedding on Saturday, July 7, 2007
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 Wedding on Sunday, July 22, 2007
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