

Estes named Volunteer Coordinator of the Year

Cyde Estes, Volunteer Coordinator for Pioneer Memorial Hospice, was recently recognized by the Oregon Hospice Association as Volunteer Coordinator of the Year.

Cyde has served as the Volunteer Coordinator for Pioneer Memorial Hospice since August of 2003. Pioneer Memorial Hospice provides palliative care for terminally ill patients throughout Morrow and Gilliam counties, mostly in their places of residence, and has more than 30 trained volunteers throughout the two counties.

This prestigious award was first presented in January 2004 and has become a tradition Oregon's hospice providers' look forward to every year. Oregon is among the nation's leaders for hospice care; Oregon families have come



Pictured left to right are Robanai Disque, Cyde Estes, and Molly Rhea.

to depend on the commitment and compassion of the professionals on Oregon's hospice care teams.

The Oregon Hospice Association is a statewide, not-for-profit public benefit membership organization whose goal is to make sure that all Oregonians can have excellent care as they or their loved ones approach

the end of life.

In 2007, 62 hospices provided a full array of supportive, palliative health care services for terminally-ill Oregonians and their families throughout the state of Oregon. In 2007, all Oregonians had access to hospice in their communities and access to comfort care.

DA's Report

Morrow County District Attorney Elizabeth Ballard has released the following report:

-Marvin A. Pourier, 43, was convicted of possession of a methamphetamine, a class C felony and was sentenced to 90 sanction units with 30 jail units, 18 months supervised probation, six months driver's license suspension, 80 hours of community service, other numerous conditions, and pay \$1,788 in fines, fees and assessments.

-John Richard Ledoux, 54, was convicted of theft in the second degree, a class A misdemeanor and was sentenced to 180 days in jail with 180 days suspended, 18 months bench probation, complete 25 hours of community service, other numerous conditions, and pay \$988 in fines, fees and assessments.

Pinochle players invited to Greenfield Grange

Greenfield Grange hosts a Pinochle game every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The group enjoys a luncheon together as well as eight games of pinochle. There is plenty of room for more players.

For more information contact Jane Dean at 481-5223.

Birth Announcement

Clara Nash Conner - Eric and Irene Conner of Fall City, WA are proud parents of their first child, Clara Nash Conner.

She was born Friday, February 1, 2008 and weighed nine pounds, six ounces.

Grandparents are Raymond and Bonnie Olson of Wolf Point, MT and Shirley Conner of Heppner.

Birth Announcement

Klynn Marie McNamee - Abe and Kristi McNamee of Irrigon announce the birth of their daughter, Klynn Marie McNamee, on Thursday, January 31, 2008, at St. Anthony's Hospital in Pendleton.

At birth, she weighed eight pounds, four ounces and was 20 1/2 inches in length.

Grandparents are Pat and Vickie McNamee of Irrigon and Bob and Pam Worden of Heppner.

Great-grandparents are Wilbur and Rita Worden of Hermiston, Richard and Grace Morin of Portland, and Jo McNamee of Madras.

Ione American Legion & Auxiliary to hold Texas Hold 'Em Poker and Bingo Fund Raiser Extravaganza

The Ione American Legion & Auxiliary Post #95 will hold their 2008 Texas Hold 'Em Poker and Bingo Fund Raiser Extravaganza on Saturday, March 8, at the Ione Legion Hall.

Attention all poker faces, buy-in for the poker tournament is \$40. Registration will begin at 6 p.m. with poker play to begin at 6:30 p.m. No late buy-ins will be allowed. Whether you Hold 'Em or Fold 'Em, if you are one of the last four poker players still bluffing your way to the final table, you'll walk away with a fist full of cash by the end of the night.

Anticipation and anxiety grows with the call of each number until some lucky duck breaks the antagonizing silence by screaming at the top of their lungs for all the world to hear clearly and precisely...BINGO. Die hard bingo players will enjoy 25 cent bingo cards and the cash that comes with each win.

Treasure hunters

Second annual Boardman Art & Craft Show to be held

The second annual Boardman Art and Craft Show will be held March 7 and 8 at the Greenfield Grange from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Ribbons will be awarded in many categories. Anyone may enter arts and/or crafts. Check-in time will be Thursday from 1-3 p.m. or Friday morning from 9-10 a.m.

The showing is free to the public.

For an application or for more information call Jane Dean at 481-5223.

Fair Board to meet, coronation to be held

The Fair Board will meet on Sunday, March 2, at 4 p.m. The MC Fair & OTRP Court coronation will be held late that night at 6 p.m.

will be in awe over the silent auction items up for bid this year. A 'no minimum bid' agenda has been adopted for this year's auction action. Don't be shy about your bidding....as it has been said before...."A big bid will get you what a little bid won't."

Did someone say Bake Sale? You better believe it. Betty and the Dough Boy had better run for cover because the best bakers in town are strappin' on their aprons, pullin' out their spatulas and are getting ready to mix up the best. Be ready for the biggest bakery bazaar this place has seen in a long time. You had better whip out your cash and slap it down fast, buddy, this stuff will be selling quicker than flapjacks at IHOP!!

Don't even think about leaving the Legion Hall hungry. A sandwich and salad bar with a variety of scrumptious sandwich fixings and salads will be available for a donation of your discretion. Taylors Beverage

Bar will be there stirring things up a bit by creating thirst quenching beverage concoctions for all ages at a reasonable price.

Who says that you have to wait until March 8 to get the action started? Two raffle items are up for draw this year. The Legionnaires are selling raffle tickets for a Winchester 1300 pump action shotgun. As for the Auxiliary, they are selling raffle tickets for a 15" digital photo frame.

All tickets are selling for \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5. Tickets may be purchased at Colliers Market, Taylor's Restaurant, and the Bank of Eastern Oregon Ione Branch or from any legion or auxiliary member.

For more information call: poker and bingo questions, shotgun raffle tickets: Lloyd McNary 422-7569; silent auction and bake sale questions, photo frame tickets: Irene Holtz 422-7487, Jean Jepsen 422-7421, or June Crowell 422-7171.

Morrow SWCD Board meeting to be held

The Morrow SWCD Board will meet Tuesday, March 4, at 5 p.m. at the Ag Service Building in Heppner.

Agenda items include: minutes of February meeting, treasurer's report, written staff report, OACD Dues, 08-09 budget, WFD, partner agency reports. Meetings of the Morrow SWCD are open to the public.

Crop science class teach lessons to Ione grade school students



J.J. Dixon and Busta Alzate help the first graders learn about apple production.



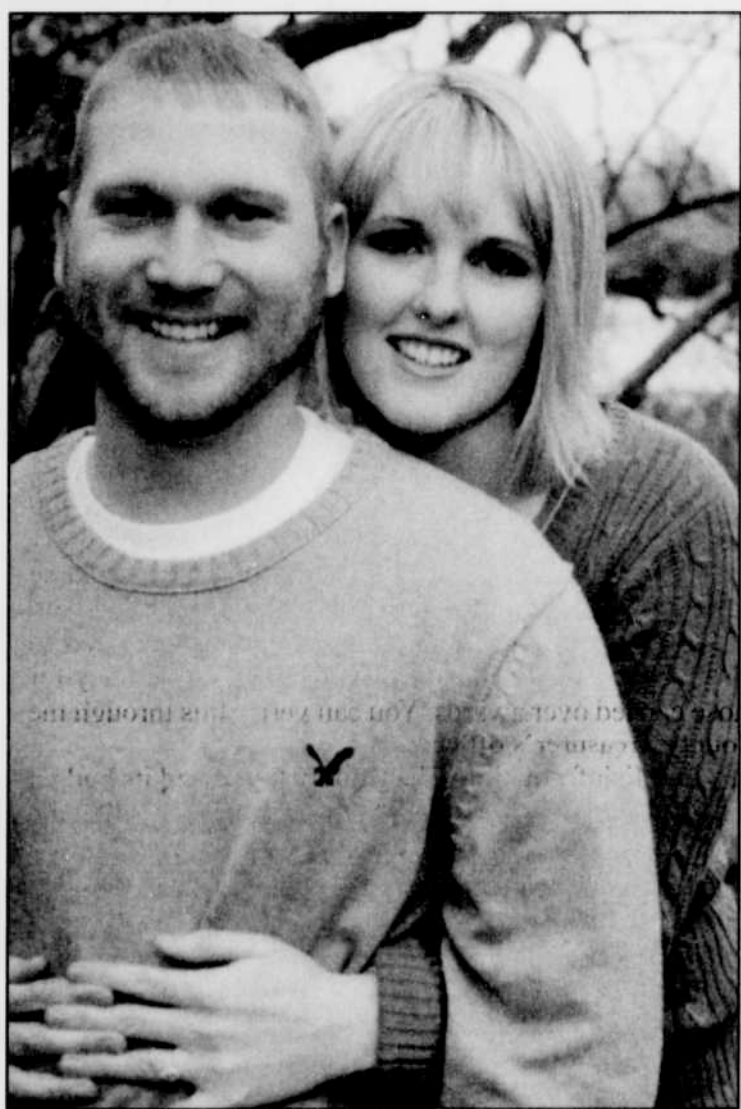
Fourth and Fifth graders make ice cream in a bag. (L-R) Jessie Flynn, Lauren Garrett, Juan Mendez and Jason Juarez



Junior Brenna Rietmann help kindergartner Paul Taylor string a noodle necklace after the wheat industry lesson her group helped present.

"I need help" was a common phrase heard when members of Erin Heideman's crop science class made presentations to the Ione grade school students last week. The crops class was responsible for creating a lesson plan related to agriculture that included a 'teacher' outline, handouts, worksheet and an activity. "It was fun to get to do. I didn't know I would like teaching so much," said high school junior J.J. Dixon.

Drake, Gunderson plan July wedding



Derek Gunderson and Amy Drake

Douglas and Carley Drake of Heppner announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy Nicole Drake, to Derek James Gunderson. Derek is the son of David and Tricia Gunderson of Heppner.

Amy is a 2000 graduate of Heppner High School. She earned a bachelor of science degree in merchandising from Oregon State University. She will graduate in June from the surgical technology program at Mt. Hood Community College.

Derek graduated from Heppner High School in 1999. He attended Eastern Oregon University and then completed four years of service with the United States Air Force in January of 2008. He is currently a student at Central Oregon Community College with a major in forestry.

The wedding will take place on July 5, 2008 at the Drake Ranch near Heppner.

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Thursday, March 6th
Ladies' Night

**Menu: Steak, Cheesy Potatoes,
Vegetable, Salad and Roll.**

Hosts are Tim and Beth Dickenson