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Bradfield graduates from Air Force basic military training

Air Force Airman Dale M. Bradfield graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, TX.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is the son of Adena Johnson-Rea of Ione and Chic Bradfield of Eugene.

Bradfield is a 2007 graduate of Ione High School.

Kauffman graduates from U.S. Navy basic training

Navy Seaman Recruit Levi B. Kauffman, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command in Great Lakes, IL.

During the eight-week program, Kauffman completed a variety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, firefighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis was also placed on physical fitness. The capstone event of boot camp is "Battle Stations." This exercise gives recruits the skills and confidence they need to succeed in the fleet.

Kauffman is a 2009 graduate of Riverside High School. He is the son of Renee and stepson of Jerry W. Zielinski of Boardman.

Bradfield graduates from Army basic combat training

Army Pvt. Lucas T. Bradfield has graduated from Basic Combat Training at Fort Sill, in Lawton, OK.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission and received instruction and training exercises in drill and ceremonies, Army history, core values and traditions, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, rifle marksmanship, weapons use, map reading and land navigation, foot marches, armed and unarmed combat, and field maneuvers and tactics.

He is the son of Adena Johnson-Rea of Ione and Chic Bradfield of Eugene.

Bradfield is a 2009 graduate of Ione High School.

Halloween Haunted Shop to open again

The fourth annual Haunted Shop on Union Street (Jim Kindle's residence) will open for all brave people at 8 p.m. on Halloween and close when the last person has screamed. The cost this year is \$1 per person.

The Haunted Shop will also be accepting canned goods for the Neighborhood Center.

Follow the screams to find out what is waiting for you around the next corner.

BEO maintains profitability in 2009

BEO Bancorp (OTCBB:BEOB) and its subsidiary, Bank of Eastern Oregon, announced consolidated year to date earnings of \$437,000. "BEO Bancorp remains profitable for 2009 despite charging \$2.7 million year to date to income to buttress the allowance for potential loan losses along with a \$1.034 million charge to account for a decrease in collateral value in other real estate," said Chief Financial Officer Mark Lemmon.

"Total assets grew 3.5% year over year to just over \$230 million; net loans increased 3.5% year over year to \$179 million; and shareholders' equity increased 12.2% over the same period," according to President and CEO Jeff Bailey. "The third quarter itself was a challenging quarter. Our strong core

earnings allowed us to take some aggressive steps to address potential future charges to the loan loss reserve as well as writing down other real estate. The total charge to income for the quarter was \$3.172 million. These unusual charges to income along with our bank's share of the FDIC special assessment, which amounts to \$234,000, contributed to a third quarter loss of \$306,000, or \$0.34 per share at the Bancorp," added Bailey.

"Our deposit base continues to grow within our market area and regularly exceeds \$200 million," said COO Gary Prophet. "Total deposits ended the quarter at \$197.8 million, up 10.9% from third quarter 2008. The strength and professionalism of our branch teams allows us to continue building trust with our cus-

tomers and continue our long-held commitment to our rural eastern Oregon communities," continued Prophet.

"The Board of Directors continues to aggressively address challenges to the loan portfolio brought on by the global recession and regional economic factors. We continue to make sure the provision for loan loss is funded at an appropriate level to address potential future loan losses," said President and CEO Jeff Bailey. "Our core earnings remain strong and we are pleased to show a profit year to date 2009," added Bailey.

Bailey went on to say "The Board of Directors will continue the safe and prudent course of building capital and aggressively addressing problem credits. While we read that the

national economy is growing and recovering from the global recession, the banking industry continues to work through the effects of the past two years. National, and more critically, local unemployment levels in the counties we serve will continue to hamper regional economic recovery. I expect during the balance of 2009 and into 2010 challenges in our market will crop up. Turbulent economic times call for conservative approaches to how the bank is run and a huge part of this conservative tone is to grow capital. In light of this, the board of directors has voted not to pay a cash dividend for third quarter 2009."

For further information on the company or to access internet banking, please visit our website at <http://www.beobank.com>.

Ione students attend Girls in Science Camp at EOU

Thanks to an anonymous donation, seven girls from Ione Middle School had the opportunity to attend a Girls in Science Camp at Eastern Oregon University on Saturday, October 24. The camp was design to encourage girls to develop their skills in the area of science.

Eighth graders Emily Holland and Jaqueline Juarez said that the experience was really cool. "The best part of the whole camp was dissecting the fish," said Emily Holland. "You could use the tools or just your hands. It didn't even smell that bad."

"The best part for me was looking at insects under microscope," said Jaqueline Juarez. "I had no idea they had so many legs!"



Pictured are the Ione students that attended the Girls in Science Camp at EOU. Back row (L-R) - Jessie Flynn, Ann Rietmann, Emily Holland, Hailey Jones, and Jaqueline Juarez. Front row (L-R) - Shelby Williams, Lauren Garret, and Rachel Holland. -Contributed Photo

The entire camp was centered around solving a mystery. Students were given a mystery scenario with a map and told that a particular area was

losing fish. Their job was to figure out why. Students got to be scientists, chemists and biologist all in the same day while exploring how each of those roles contrib-

uted to solving the mystery. Students went through four different rooms that each had a different subject matter; math and computers, biology and archaeology. Each girl was responsible for keeping a data section in their journals that including things like pH levels, nitrates, phosphates and oil and lead content in the water locations they were provided. They were served lunch and came home with a booklet of materials and a t-shirt.

The group consisted of Emily Holland, Jaqueline Juarez, Ann Rietmann, Jessie Flynn, Shelby Williams, Lauren Garrett, Rachel Holland and Hailey Jones.

Mike and Tobey Garrett provided transportation for all of the students.

HHS class of 1999 to hold reunion

The Heppner High School class of 1999 will hold its 10 year class reunion on Saturday, November 7, at 6 p.m. at the Elks Lodge. A social hour will be held at 5 p.m.

A steak dinner will be served. The cost is \$25 per person and kids are free. The \$25 cost covers dinner, set-up and cleanup, use of the Elks Lodge, entertainment, and a class group photo.

Weather permitting, class member will

attend at 5 p.m. at the Willow Creek Country Club at 11 a.m. on November 7.

Parents and community members are welcome to attend but are asked to RSVP.

Those planning to attend are asked to RSVP and send a check to Janelle Healy at 645 Hager Street, Heppner, OR 97836 by October 25.

For more information contact Jaci Hughes at hughes_jaci@yahoo.com.

Wheatland Ins. Plans for office in Condon

Editor's Note: The following article ran in the October 22 edition of The Times-Journal.

Representatives of Wheatland Insurance Center, Inc. were in Condon earlier this week seeing to the details of the company's anticipated move to Condon. Wheatland Vice-President Nancy Snider, who will manage the Condon office, and Wheatland's technical specialist Christi Rossi were in town to make arrangements for electrical and internet connections to the office on Main Street, which most recently housed Western States Insurance, 307 S. Main Street.

Wheatland anticipates having staff in the office by November 2 and will offer office hours of 9 a.m.

to p.m. Monday through Thursday. The office will be staffed by personnel from the Ione and Heppner offices initially, but Snider indicated the company is looking to hire personnel locally for the office.

"We like being in small towns," Snider said the various locations of Wheatland Insurance Centers are located. Wheatland's home office is in Pendleton, and other offices are located in Athena, LaGrande, Elgin, Enterprise, Baker City, Heppner, Ione, and Hermiston.

Information about Wheatland Insurance Center's plan to open an office in Condon and its services may be obtained by calling 1-800-504-9113.

Gingerbread contest to be held

A Gingerbread contest will be held on November 21 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Heppner Senior Center.

For more information call 676-8022 or see Jodi at Sweet Productions before November 10.

4-H Achievement Night to be held

The 4-H Achievement Awards program will be held on Sunday, November 8, at 4 p.m. in the Ione Community School cafeteria.

Awards will be given for record books, individual achievement,

fair awards, club attendance recognition, member and leader recognition, leader of the year and more. These awards are for the 2008-2009 4-H year. Dinner will be provided. Attendees are asked to bring a side dish or dessert.

Heppner Chamber closed through Friday

The Heppner Chamber of Commerce will be closed through Friday, October 30. The office will reopen on Monday, November 2.

Irrigon City Hall to hold Veteran's Memorial dedication

Irrigon City Hall will hold a dedication ceremony on November 7 at 2 p.m. for the Veteran's Memorial placed at City Hall by the Oregon Veterans Motorcycle Association. The ceremony will be held on the lawn south of Irrigon City Hall.

Those planning to

attend are asked to RSVP to Sandy Henry at (541) 922-2635 or to hankandme173@msn.com.

The monument was made possible by the efforts of Sandy Henry and the Oregon Trail chapter of the Oregon Veterans Motorcycle Association.

Ione School to host book fair

Ione Community School will host a Scholastic Book Fair during school conferences November 4 and 5 from 3-8 p.m. in the Ione Elementary gym.

Book Fair customers may help the school build classroom libraries and improve children's reading skills by purchasing books through the Classroom Wish List. This is a great time to pick up a holiday gift of reading.

The Book Fair will offer specially priced books and educational products, including new releases, award-winning titles, children's classics, interactive software, adult books, and current bestsellers from more than 150 publishers.

For more information, visit the school's webpage at www.ione.k12.or.us. Everyone is invited to attend the book fair.

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