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Hollis graduates from basic combat and advanced individual training

Army National Guard Pvt. Cody Hollis has graduated from One Station Unit Training (OSUT) at Fort Knox, Ky., which included basic combat training and advanced individual training (AIT). During the first nine weeks of initial entry training (IET), the trainee completed basic combat training which included instruction in drill and ceremony, weapons, marksmanship and bayonet training, chemical warfare, field training and tactical exercises, marches, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, and Army history, tradi-

tions, and core values. During AIT, the soldier completed the armor crewman course to receive skill training in conducting tank unit defensive and offensive combat operations. The soldier was trained to operate, service and maintain armor tracked and wheeled vehicles, load and fire tank weapon systems, perform ammunition handling and supply duties, and assist in target detection and identification.

He is the son of Scott and Carol Hollis of Bunker Hill Road, Heppner. The private is a 2006 graduate.

Hendricks graduates from basic combat training

Army Pvt. Christopher E. Hendricks has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C. During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching,

rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches, and field training exercises. Hendricks earned distinction as an honor graduate. He is the son of Diana Sharp of Heppner and Philip Hendricks of Irigon. The private is a 2009 graduate of Heppner High School.

Obituaries

Shirley J. (Smouse) Ferguson

Shirley J. (Smouse) Ferguson was born Sept. 30, 1928 in The Dalles, Oregon to Henry Vincent Smouse and Anne Christine Smouse. She attended Lone Grade and High School and graduated with a bachelor of science degree from the University of Oregon in 1951. Shirley worked as a registered medical technician at the Letterman Army Hospital in San Francisco, CA and The Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN.

She served as a rush chairman/advisory board chairman at the Sigma Kappa Sorority on the U of O and OSU campuses. Shirley married Richard Baker, they had four children and she lived in Corvallis, OR until 1992.

After raising her family, she attended Linn Benton Community College. Shirley worked as a unit secretary at Good Samaritan Hospital and as a secretary in the Oceanography department at OSU. In 1992, Shirley married Don

Ferguson and they lived in Keizer until her death on April 11, 2010.

Shirley is survived by: her husband, Don; four children, Debbie, Marty, Elizabeth and Dick; Don's two children, Bob and Janet; the children's spouses; seven grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. Shirley's beloved older sister, Helen Martin, of The Dalles, is Shirley's remaining sibling and her sons Robert and Dean Martin. Shirley's brother Ken's family, Frances, Kenneth, Cherilyn and Karl Smouse, still live on the family homestead.

Some of Shirley's fondest memories were growing up and driving wheat truck on their lone ranch. She also loved hunting, fishing, and trap shooting. More recently, she and Don enjoyed cruises, especially to Alaska, Mexico, Australia and the Scandinavian countries.

A memorial service will be held Sunday, April 18, at 1 p.m. at Valby Lutheran Church.

Studded tire season extended

ODOT is extending the studded tire season through Saturday, April 17. Weather forecasts call for continued difficult driving conditions in some snow zones until early next week. Motorists should have their studded tires removed from their vehicles by 12:01 am Sunday, April 18. ODOT encourages drivers to not wait until the deadline if they aren't driving in snowy conditions.

ODOT is working closely with the Washington State Department of Transportation, which is announcing the same decision.

ODOT encourages drivers to consider other types of traction tires or chains because studded tires cause at least \$11 million damage each year on city streets, county roads and state highways. Other types of traction tires are available. These traction tires meet Rubber Manufacturers Association standards for use in severe snow conditions and carry a special

symbol on the tire sidewall showing a three-peaked mountain and snowflake. Research shows these tires provide better traction than studded tires when used on bare pavement.

Drivers with studded tires on their vehicles in Oregon after the deadline can be charged with a Class C traffic violation, which currently carries a minimum \$190 fine.

Know Before You Go: visit www.TripCheck.com or call 511 for the latest road conditions.

M.C. Health District celebrates National Medical Laboratory Professionals Week

To recognize the people in our organization whose expertise is necessary for the performance of laboratory testing, Morrow County Health District is celebrating National Medical Laboratory Professionals Week, April 18-24.

Medical Laboratory Scientists (MLS) and Medical Laboratory Technicians (MLT) are the healthcare professionals who perform laboratory tests on patient samples to provide information needed to diagnose diseases or monitor treatment. Examples of common laboratory tests include tests to detect anemia, diagnose diabetes or strep throat, or doing blood typing tests to provide a transfusion to an accident victim.

Pioneer Memorial

Baker, Gutierrez announce upcoming wedding



Dannielle Baker and Joshua Gutierrez

The parents of Dannielle Rene Baker and Joshua George Gutierrez, both of Pueblo, CO, are announcing their engagement.

Dannielle is the daughter of Dale and Charlene Baker of Boardman.

Joshua is the son of Kim and Gayle Gutierrez of Heppner.

Dannielle is a 2006 graduate of Riverside High School. She attended Linn-Benton Community College and is presently working as a pre-school teacher in Pueblo.

Joshua is a 2005 graduate of Heppner High School. He is currently attending Colorado State University in Pueblo.

The couple will be married August 7, 2010, at the Port of Morrow in Boardman.

Circuit Court Report

The Morrow County Circuit Court Office has released the following report:

-Richard J. Fisher, 50, was convicted of Failure to Register as a Felony Sex Offender, a Class C felony, and was sentenced to eight months incarceration, two years post-prison supervision, and pay \$513 in fines, fees and assessments.

Community men's prayer breakfast to be held

A men's prayer breakfast will be held on Sunday, April 18, at the United Methodist Church in Heppner from 8-9 a.m. Community members are invited to attend.



Pictured L-R are Tareena Healy, Diana Sharp, and Betty Hickerson. -Photo by April Sykes

Laboratory is staffed and available throughout the day and night by three individuals: medical laboratory scientist and department manager, Betty Hickerson; medical laboratory technician, Diana Sharp; and laboratory assistant, Tareena Healy.

The tests performed at Pioneer Memorial often have an immediate impact on the medical treatment of our patients. The professional duties of the lab staff include operating computerized instruments, identifying abnormal cells, assuring safe transfusion of blood products, culturing and identifying bacteria and viruses, and correlating test results with the patients' condition.

The service these professionals provide is invaluable to the provision of the care many people receive.

**Vote for Justin W. Nelson
Morrow County District Attorney**



"A Lifelong Commitment to Morrow County"

Endorsed by local law enforcement:

Ken Matlack, Morrow County Sheriff; City of Boardman Police Department employees, Oregon ASCME Local 4742; Umatilla County Deputy DA AFSCME Local 3742-4; Dean Gushwa, Umatilla County District Attorney; Roy L. Drago, Retired Morrow County Sheriff (1983-1998); Earl R. Woods, Jr., Morrow County District Attorney (1991-1998); and many current local police officers and deputies.

Platform:

1. Swift and serious consequences for violent crimes
2. Will work closely with law enforcement to aggressively and fairly prosecute cases
3. Prosecute property and drug crimes to the full extent of the law to protect our community.
4. Fully utilize both the Morrow County Courthouse and Justice Court
5. Open door policy for citizen concerns

Experienced prosecutor:

1. Current Umatilla County Deputy District Attorney
2. Successfully tried numerous felony and misdemeanor criminal matters in the Umatilla County Circuit Court
3. Represented the state in front of all current judges in the Umatilla/Morrow County Circuit Court
4. Up to date on criminal law legislative changes, court rulings, and procedures.

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