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Obituaries

Charles Cecil Jones

Charles Cecil Jones, 95, longtime Lexington resident died Sunday, April 25, 2010 at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner. Funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, April 29, 2010, at the Lexington Community Church. Concluding service and burial will follow at the Lexington Cemetery.



Charles Cecil Jones

He was born February 16, 1915 in Baker, the fourth of five children born to Charles H. and Rhoda Gillkison Jones. He was raised and attended school at Union where he graduated from high school in 1933.

On August 12, 1937 he married Delpha K. Merritt at La Grande. In 1945 the couple moved to Lexington. He has resided on his ranch three miles northwest of Lexington for the past 48 years. He has

participated in many organizations for the benefit of Morrow County including the Lexington City Council, the Odd Fellows Lodge, the county planning commission, the Grange and many others over the years.

Survivors include: son Kenneth L. Jones of Lexington; daughter Charlene F. Whitney of Portland; grandsons Michael Jones of Kennewick, WA, and Christopher Jones of Redmond; and great-grandson Tanner Jones.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 63 years, Delpha, and granddaughter Kimberlee Ann Whitney.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Heppner Odd Fellows Lodge #66, PO Box 642, Heppner, Oregon 97836.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

BEO Bancorp reports first quarter earnings

BEO Bancorp (OTCBB:BEOB) and its subsidiary, Bank of Eastern Oregon, announced first quarter 2010 consolidated net income of \$443,990 or \$0.49 per share, compared to \$179,586 or \$0.20 per share for first quarter 2009. Total assets were \$238.5 million up 4.7% year over year. Net loans of \$175.39 million were down 1.0% from the same period in 2009, while deposits were at \$206.28 million up 13.5% year over year.



Jeff Bailey

"We are very pleased with our first quarter results. Our staff has worked extremely hard to control expenses during the past year. Our core earnings are strong and we are making gains on our non-performing assets," said President and CEO, Jeff Bailey. "During February, we celebrated our 65th anniversary of providing banking services to eastern Oregon. We are very proud of this milestone and look forward to many more years of serving our communities."

Chief Financial Officer, Mark Lemmon, said, "Return on Average Assets is 0.74% and Return on Average Equity is 11.96% compared to 0.31% and 5.15%, respectively, year over year." Lemmon went on to say, "Our low cost source of funds is adding to the bottom line in a favorable manner."

Chief Operations Officer, Gary Propheter, said, "Total deposits remain strong even in the existing rate environment. This new record level of deposits is indicative of the faith our customers have in our employees and institution."

"We continue to see improvement in our credit quality and overall performance of the loan portfolio," said EVP and Chief Credit Officer, E. George Koffler. "We are seeing increased loan demand and opportunities throughout our trade area,"

added Koffler. "We are well capitalized by all industry standards and have a Tier One capital ratio of 10.18%. Capital retention through sustained profitability will be key over the next year. The strength and speed of the economic recovery in our trade area remains to be seen as high unemployment is disconcerting. Therefore, the board of directors has voted not to pay a cash dividend for first quarter 2010," added Bailey.

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

The statements contained in this release that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements based upon management's current expectations and beliefs concerning future developments and their potential effect on BEO Bancorp. There can be no assurances that future developments affecting BEO Bancorp will be the same as those anticipated by management.

Actual results may differ from those projected in the forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to:

Competitive pressures in the banking and financial industries.

Changes in interest rate environment.

General economic conditions, nationally, regionally, and in operating markets.

Changes in regulatory environment.

Changes in business conditions and inflation.

Changes in securities markets.

Future credit loss experience.

M.C. selected for leadership program

The Boardman Chamber of Commerce recently received notification from the Ford Family Foundation that Morrow County has been selected for the Ford Institute Leadership Program, beginning in January of 2011.

This fall the Ford Institute will select a class of 25-30 students from around Morrow County to participate in a series of classes held over the course of five years with such topics as Leadership Development, Effective Organizations, and Community Collaborations.

The class will consist of individuals, from high-school students to retired seniors, with leadership experience ranging from emerging to seasoned. This training is designed for a diverse mix of citizens representing business, government and non-profit sectors. The class will select a project to work on together, such as a local park improvement, and the Ford Institute provides up to a \$5,000 match in support of the project. Participants are expected to volunteer outside the class to complete the project within one year.

The purpose of the Ford Institute for Community Building's Leadership Program is to promote vitality in rural communities. The institute's programs are based on the belief that vital rural communities develop from a broad base of knowledgeable, skilled and motivated local leaders, a diversity of effective organizations, and productive collaborations among organizations and communities. The institute selects four new communities to enter the program each spring and each fall. Applications will be accepted online through Rural Development Initiatives later this year.

For more information on this training, call the Boardman Chamber of Commerce at 541-481-3014.

Fossil concert, Mother's Day weekend concert to be held

Lisa Robertson and Denise Fujikawa, music faculty members at Eastern Oregon and Portland State Universities, will present a concert of music for violin and harp at the Fossil United Methodist Church on Sunday, May 2, at 3 p.m.

There is no admission charge for the program. Donations will be accepted for the Heifer Foundation, an international relief organization, and the United Methodist Women will serve dessert.

Robertson and Fujikawa will perform music from a wide variety of styles and composers, including dances from the Renaissance and music by Astor Piazzolla, John Williams, and French Romantic composers. The concert will last about one hour. The program is sponsored by the Wheeler County Cultural Coalition and ArtsEast.

In addition to the Fossil Concert, the duo will be performing a Mother's Day weekend concert featuring music and dessert at the Pendleton Arts Center on Friday evening, May 7, at 7 p.m. Tickets are available at the Oregon East Symphony Office in Pendleton by calling 541-276-2320

Holly Rebekah Lodge to host monthly card party

Holly Rebekah Lodge will be hosting their monthly card party this Saturday, May 1, at the Lodge Hall in Lexington. Play will begin at 7 p.m. and is open to the public. The cost remains \$5 per person and includes coffee, snacks, sandwiches, chips and prizes. Come and enjoy an evening of visiting, laughs and fun.

Correction

In last week's edition of the Heppner Gazette-Times the Shepherd Flats headline on Page EIGHT should have read "FAA puts hold on big Shepherd Flats wind projects."

Ione Youth Violin Project students perform



Students of the Ione Youth Violin Project recently performed at the Tri-Cities Recital. Pictured left to right are Thomas Rudolph, Kayla Rodriguez, Hailey Heideman, Haylie Peterson, Cecelia McElligott, Grace Ogden, Morgan Alldritt, and Teacher Alex Carlson. -Contributed Photo

Heppner Daycare and Preschool to hold fall registration

On Monday, May 17, Heppner Daycare and Preschool will be open from 5-6:30 p.m. for fall preschool registration for three and four year olds. Kids will do a craft and have fun playing while parents fill out paperwork.

Parents are asked to bring immunization records to the registration. Children who are returning to the program need to have their records updated.

Merry Chandler and the board members will be available to answer questions and take suggestions.

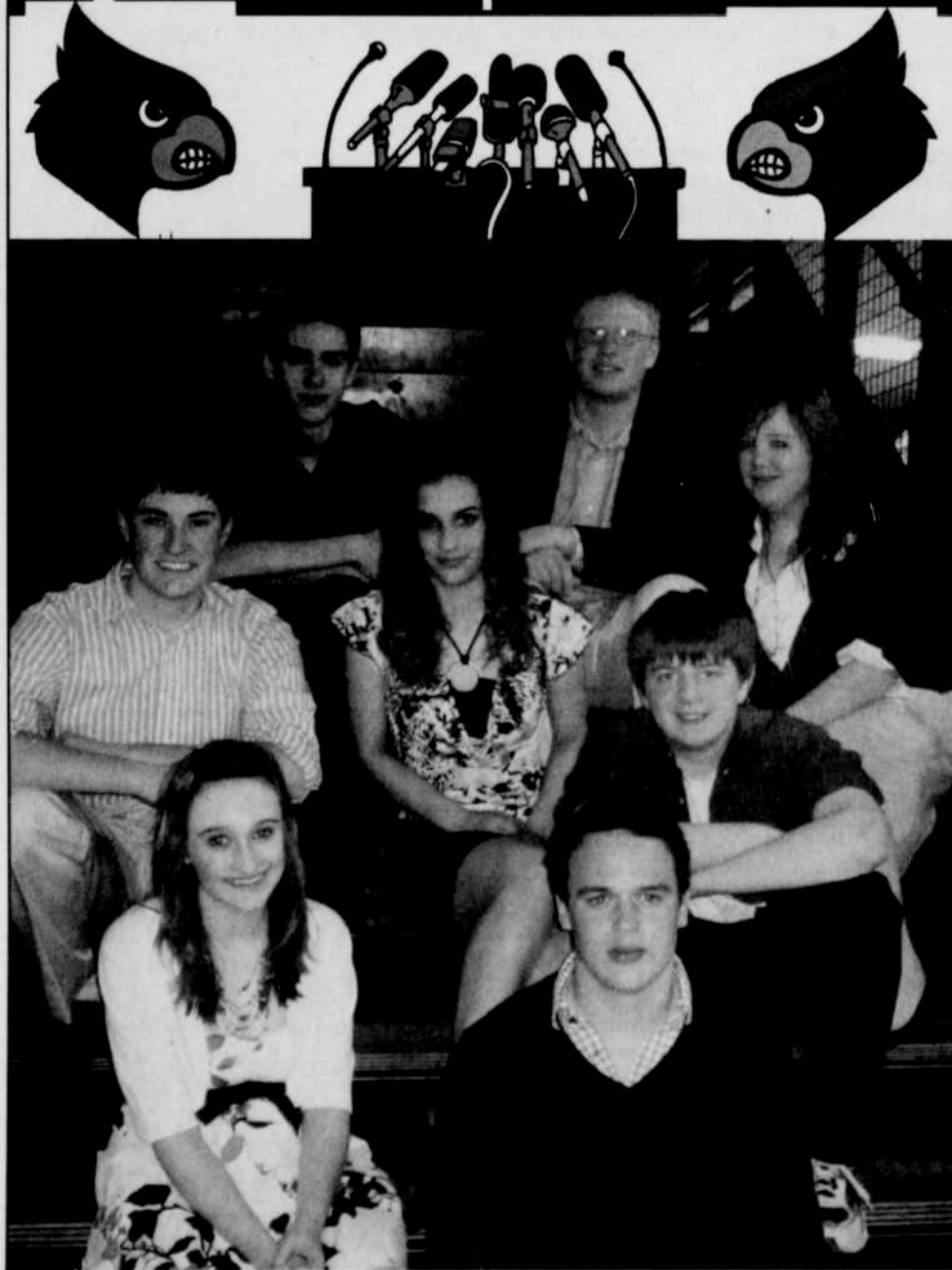
SNAP program to be reviewed at chamber lunch meeting

This week's speaker for chamber lunch meeting will be Cynthia Eardley from CAPECO to review the SNAP program. The meeting will be held at City Hall.

Lunch will served at noon. Howe's About Pizza will be the caterer.

There will not be chamber lunch meetings on Thursday, May 6, or Thursday, May 13. The next all entities meeting will be Thursday, June 3.

Congratulations Ione Speech & Debate Team!



Back row- Mikey Raible, Thomas Holland, Mary Gates
Middle row- Alex Carlson, Brianna Peterson, Jeremy Coleman
Front row- Julianne Carlson, Kevin LaRue
Not Pictured: Tanner Bass

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