

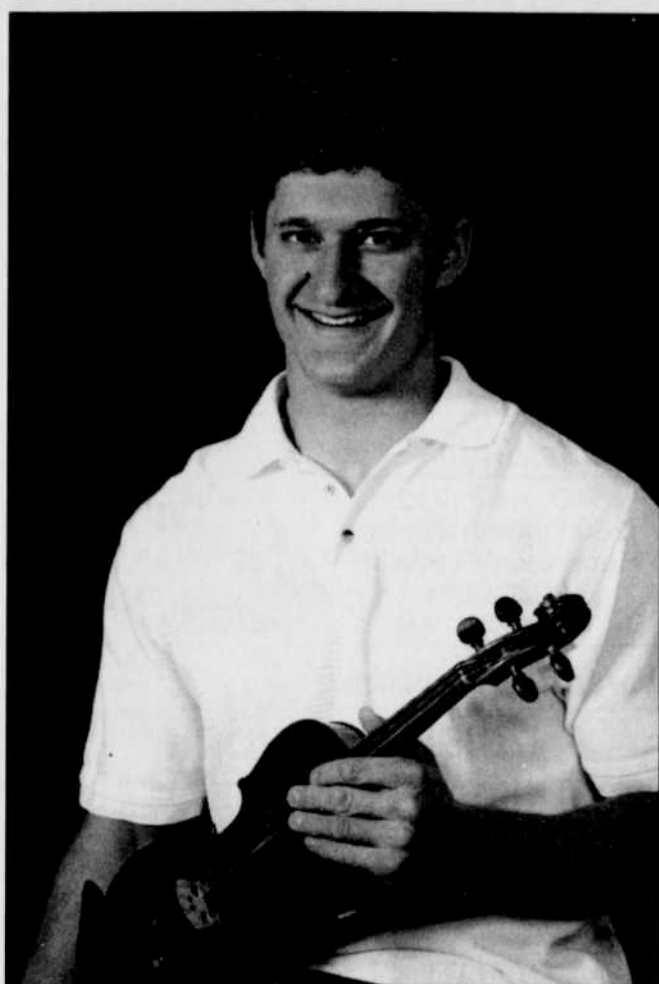
## Local violinist to solo with Grande Ronde Symphony Orchestra

Ione native Eric Jepsen, a freshman at Eastern Oregon University, will feature in an upcoming concert at the La Grande university. He will be performing the first movement of Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto with the Grande Ronde Symphony Orchestra on Wednesday, May 25 at 7:30 p.m. in the MacKenzie Concert Hall.

Jepsen entered a concerto competition with the Grande Ronde Symphony in February and was selected along with three other soloists to perform in the May concert. The symphony is under the direction

of Leandro Espinosa and is comprised of college, faculty and community members from the Grande Ronde Valley area. Jepsen has been playing violin for 13 years, and studies with Lisa Robertson of Eastern Oregon University.

On May 26, Jepsen will be singing as a member of the Eastern Oregon University Concert Choir. He will also accompany the group on violin for three selections from the Broadway show, The Lion King. The choir concert begins at 7:30 in the MacKenzie Concert Hall. Tickets are available at the door for both events.



Eric Jepsen poses with his violin, which combined with his talent to help earn him a place in the Grande Ronde Symphony Orchestra. -Contributed photo

## Marriage Licenses

The Morrow County Clerk has issued the following marriage licenses:

May 4: Edgar Alejandro Calderon-Castro, 22, Boardman and Diana Calvillo Rosas, 20, Boardman.

May 6: Wade Glen Bonner, 37, Irrigon and Lori Ann Smith, 33, Irrigon.

May 10: Manuel Benjamin Garcia Figueroa, 27, Irrigon and Cristina Elizabeth Aquino Zuniga, 19, Patterson, WA; Marcelino Rodriguez Prado, 21, Lexington and Jesse Marie Cribbs, 26, Lexington.

May 12: Rick D. Martin, 21, Lexington and Julianna Grace Vanden Brink, 22, Lexington; Paul Douglas Young, 58, Irrigon and Kathy Lynn Hawley, 49, Irrigon.

May 13: Justin Chad Miller, 36, Ione and Nicole Marie Wilson, 26, Ione.

## OSU EXTENSION Tupper Outdoor School teaches kids forest studies

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home economics.

The Extension mission then—and still today—is to engage with the people and communities of the state, focusing on community livability, economic vitality, natural resource sustainability, and the health and well-being of the people of the state. The first county Extension agents began in Marion and Willowa counties in 1912. Legislation permitting counties to appropriate money for Extension work that would be matched by state funds was enacted in 1913. Then, in May of 1914, nearly three years after Oregon had established its Extension Service, President Woodrow Wilson signed the federal Smith-Lever law. The act provided federal money for establishment of Extension services in all states for developing off-campus programs. Its purpose was "to aid in diffusing among the people of the United States useful and practical information on subjects related to agriculture and home economics, and to encourage the application of the same."

During floor debate on the bill, Rep. Asbury Lever of South Carolina was asked what these agents would do. He responded, "The County Agent is to assume leadership in every movement, whatever it may be, the aim of which is, better farming, more education, better living, more happiness, and greater citizenship." Lever noted that the agricultural colleges and the USDA were in possession of valuable information. He insisted that if this information were made available to the farmer, it would form "a complete and absolute revolution in the social, economic and financial condition of our rural population." Sen. Michael Smith of Georgia considered the Smith-Lever Act to be the most important piece of legislation he ever sponsored, and Lever described Extension Services as the "greatest educational work along these particular lines in this or any other generation."

During the Oregon Extension Service's first 40 years, it concentrated on three traditional program areas: agriculture, home economics, and 4-H. The first home Extension agents in Oregon were hired in August of 1917 to do wartime emergency work, and several of the agents were retained by counties after World War I. By 1937, all counties had at least one county Extension agent. After World War II, four more programs areas were added — forestry (late 1940s), the Marine Advisory Program (late 1940s and greatly expanded to Sea Grant in the 1960s), Community Resource Development (1960s), and the Extension Energy Service (1970s).

Extension is the third function that defines Oregon State University as a Land-Grant University — teaching, research, and extension. As the first 100 years comes to a close, the Oregon Extension Service continues as a unique partnership between Oregon counties, the state legislature, the federal government and OSU, Oregon's land-grant university.

Open House While the Morrow County Extension office celebrates 100 years, they are also bidding farewell to long-time office coordinator, Darcee Mitchell and saying welcoming Ashley Mund, a Monument, Oregon native who has been hired to replace Darcee. All are invited to the Morrow County Extension office located at 54173 Hwy 74 from 10 am to 2 pm on Thursday, May 26th for a catered pulled-pork lunch. This will be a great opportunity for Ashley to meet the folks of Morrow County. Come out for lunch, or just stop by and say hi. RSVPs for lunch are greatly appreciated by May 20. For questions, please contact the Extension office at 541.676.9642.

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Top: Johnny Collin teaches Ione 6th grader Amanda Rea how to measure a tree. Collin, a former student camper and high school counselor, is and now an employee of the Forest Service and teaches forest study to 6th graders. Bottom: Counselors (high school kids from Heppner and Ione) and the 6th graders at Tupper Outdoor School. -Contributed photos

Tupper Outdoor School, which started in 1973, teaches 6th grade students in Heppner and Ione a variety of outdoor classes. Tupper Work Center is the Forest Service's fire training camp, and is located about 40 miles from Heppner near Madison Butte.

The students are in the mountains Monday through Thursday. They experience a variety of outdoor classes ranging from Forest Study to Wildlife to Soil Study.

Students went to Bull Prairie reservoir (in neighboring Wheeler County) last Wednesday. There, they had classes in water study, fish dissection and survival. In the afternoon they fished, hiked and cooked Hobo Stew over their campfires.

## Sheriff's Report

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

**March 8 (cont.):**  
-MCSO was notified that Douglas Carter Robertson, 40, was arrested by Hermiston PD on a Morrow County Circuit Court warrant for Failure to Appear/Failure to Report as Felony Sex Offender. Robertson was also arrested on: a Morrow County Circuit Court warrant for Failure to Appear/Failure to Report as a Felony Sex Offender; Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/Driving While Suspended; and Morrow County Circuit Court warrant for Failure to Appear/Possession of Methamphetamine.

-MCSO was notified that a male subject was arrested by Portland Police on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/No Angling License and Angling with too many Poles.

**March 9:** -MCSO issued a citation to Drion Mark Donner, 22, for Criminal Mischief III.

-MCSO issued a citation to Bonnie Jean Thornton, 25, for Maintaining a Dog as a Public Nuisance.

**March 10:** -MCSO received multiple 911 calls regarding a wrong way driver. MCSO issued a citation to Leo Edward Gwazdaez, 88, for Failure to Stay Right on a Divided Highway.

**March 11:** -MCSO arrested James R. Parrish, 33, for DUII.

-MCSO was notified that Kayla Danielle Barnett, 20, was arrested by Oregon State Police on

an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/Harassment.

**March 12:** -MCSO issued a citation to Tiffanie Ann Bowles, 37, for Maintaining a Dog as a Public Nuisance.

-MCSO was notified that Delbert Darrel Dungan, 55, was arrested by Deschutes County Sheriff's Office on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/DUII.

-MCSO issued a citation to Dustin Thomas Starkweather, 22, for Violation of the Basic Rule by driving 79 mph in a 55 mph zone.

-MCSO arrested Gordon Allen Wegworth, 23, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/Failure to Appear.

-BPD received a report of a male subject who had driven to the Shell station and was very intoxicated. Andrew Dale Baker, 23, was arrested for DUII.

**March 14:** -MCSO issued a citation to a 27 year old male subject for Maintaining a Dog as a Public Nuisance.

**March 15:** -BPD issued a citation to Jose Alberto Fregoso, 20, for No Operator's License and Driving Uninsured.

**March 16:** -MCSO issued a citation to Benjamin Ryan Foster, 24, for Violating the Speed Limit by driving 80 mph in a 65 mph zone.

-MCSO issued a citation to a juvenile for Harassment.

-MCSO was noti-

fied that Larry G. Clinton, 48, was arrested by Oregon State Police on a Morrow County Circuit Court warrant for PV/Felon in Possession of a Weapon.

**March 17:** -MCSO issued a citation to Deborah LeVonne Evans, 48, for Maintaining a Dog as a Public Nuisance.

-MCSO was notified that Joseph Arthur Manning, 25, was arrested by Umatilla PD on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Harassment.

-MCSO arrested Jacey Shay Riddle, 19, on a Umatilla Circuit Court warrant for Failure to Appear/Theft I.

**March 18:** -MCSO arrested Albert Ronald Burgess, 61, for Driving While Suspended Misd.

-BPD arrested Juan Tellez, 19, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Appear/Minor in Possession.

**March 19:** -MCSO arrested Roy Michael Hale Proctor, 23, on a Heppner Justice Court warrant.

-BPD issued a citation to a 25 year old male subject for Disorderly Conduct.

-BPD issued a citation to Dustin Moran, 21, for Disorderly Conduct.

**March 21:** -MCSO was notified that Curtiss Robert Pullum, 43, was arrested by Umatilla County on a Morrow County Circuit Court warrant for Probation Violation/Unlawful Possession of Methamphetamine.

**March 22:** -MCSO

issued a citation to Deanne Kay Kasten, 46, for Violation of the Basic Rule by driving 75 mph in a 55 mph zone.

-BPD arrested British Lee Williams Jr., 23, for DUII. MCSO assisted.

**March 23:** -MCSO received a report of a motor vehicle accident on Little Butter Creek Road. MCSO arrested Jeanne Marie Daly, 57, for DUII Refusal, Driving Uninsured, Driving While Suspended, and Refusal to Take Alcohol Test.

-MCSO arrested two male juveniles for Assault IV-DV and they were lodged at NORCOR. Both juveniles were also cited for Possession of a Controlled Substance (Marijuana less than an ounce).

-BPD arrested Padam Bahadur Subba, 22, on a Morrow County Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Appear/Original Charge Harassment.

**March 24:** -MCSO was notified that a 42 year old male subject was arrested by Jackson County on a Morrow County Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Appear/DUII.

-MCSO was notified that James Jeffery Nelson, 45, was arrested by Umatilla County Jail Staff on a Morrow County warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/False Info to a Peace Officer.

-BPD arrested a 29 year old male subject on a charge of Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle.

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