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EOU announces fall term dean's list

LA GRANDE, Ore.—Three local students were among the 541 students Eastern Oregon University named to the dean's list for fall term 2015. Earning the distinction were Justin Bailey, Heppner, Jaqueline Juarez, Ione, and Joseph Doherty, Lexington.

Qualifying students achieve and maintain a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale while completing a minimum of 12 hours of graded coursework for the duration of the term.

Chamber lunch meeting

The next lunch meeting of the Heppner Chamber of Commerce will be an all entities report on Thursday, Feb. 4, at noon in Heppner City Hall conference room.

Cost of lunch is \$10. Chamber lunch attendees are asked to RSVP at 541-676-5536 no later than the Wednesday before to guarantee a lunch.

Community lunch menu

St. Patrick's Catholic Parish volunteers will serve lunch on Wednesday, Jan. 20, at St. Patrick's Senior Center. Lunch will include pork chops, stuffing and gravy, green beans, sliced tomatoes, hot rolls, and banana cream pie.

Milk is served at each meal. Suggested donation is \$3.50 per meal. Menu is subject to change.

Obituaries

Randolph E. 'Randy' Lott

Randolph E. "Randy" Lott, 91, of Heppner, died Saturday, January 9, 2016 at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner. Funeral Mass will be held Thursday, January 14, at 11 a.m. at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Heppner. Concluding service with military honors will follow at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

He was born September 15, 1924 at Hattiesburg, MS the son of Clarence and Edna Rainey Lott. He was raised and attended school at Hattiesburg, where he graduated from high school in 1942. Randy then entered the Army Air Corps, where he was a flight of-

icer and flew B-24 Liberator Bombers. Following his honorable discharge in 1946 he moved to Walla Walla, WA. It was there that he met his future wife. On August 17, 1946 he married Bernice Kennedy at Walla Walla. In 1948 the couple moved to Lexington, where he began working for Redd Leonard at the Lexington Implement Company. In 1958 Randy opened Lott's Electric Appliance Store in Heppner. He retired from the store in 1996.

In 1973 Randy devel-

oped the Rasmussen-Lott addition, which included Willow View Drive and several homes. He enjoyed golfing, gardening, traveling and spending time with his family. He was a member of the Heppner Elks Lodge and the Willow Creek Country Club. He will be remembered as a generous and caring person who helped many people in many ways.

Survivors include his wife, Bernice Lott of Heppner; son, Michael Lott of Portland; daughter, Patti

Pappas of Heppner; grandchildren, Lance Lott, Jenessa Lott, Conner Pappas and Emily Pappas; and sisters, Irene Kahler and Ethel McGee.

He was preceded in death by a son, Donald Lott; his parents, Clarence and Edna Lott; a sister, Mary Lillian Aultman; and a brother Curtis Ray Lott.

Memorial contributions for those who wish may be made to the Heppner High School, Jr./Sr. Athletic Fund, PO Box 67, Heppner, OR 97836.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.



Randolph E. "Randy" Lott

Clinton Kenneth 'Ken' Peck

Clinton Kenneth "Ken" Peck died on Saturday, January 2, 2016 in Heppner. A lifelong resident of Morrow County, he was 96 years old. A memorial service will be held on February 2 at 11 a.m. at the Lexington Airport.

Clinton K. Peck was born on February 2, 1919, on the family wheat farm near Lexington. He was the first child of George N. Peck and Emma Millet Peck. His brother Ellwynne was born two years later and both boys grew up on the family farm and attended school in Lexington.

Kenneth graduated from Lexington High School in 1937, and enrolled at Oregon State College (now Oregon State University) that fall. Following his graduation in May 1942 with a F.S. degree in Forestry, he went to Navy Midshipmen's School and then was assigned to service aboard the aircraft carrier, USS Enterprise, where he was a gunnery officer for 40 mm. anti-aircraft guns. He remained on the Enterprise ("The Big E") until the end of World War II in

1945. In July 1943 when the Enterprise steamed into the Bremerton Naval Yard for repairs, Kenneth married his college sweetheart, Lucile Urey. Early in 1946 they moved to the family farm in Lexington, where Clinton took over the day-to-day farming operation from his parents.

Kenneth was very interested in progressive farming methods, new varieties of crops, and soil conservation practices. He took great pride in his nearly weed-free fields. He was one of the first farmers in Morrow County to lay out his wheat fields in contour strips to control soil erosion, and one of the first beef ranchers to raise Black Angus beef cattle. In 1956 he was named Oregon's Soil Conservation Man of the Year.

Kenneth and Lucile had two children, Stephen (born 1946) and Martha (born 1948), who became the third generation to grow up on the family wheat farm. In 1988 the Peck farm was designated as a "Century Farm" in recognition of 100

years of continuous farming by the same family.

In addition to agriculture, Kenneth and his wife Lucile had many interests: genealogy, history, model railroading, Oregon geology and archaeology, weather, skiing, and aviation. He particularly enjoyed U.S. Navy history and keeping in touch with his Navy shipmates from the USS Enterprise. In the 1960s Kenneth surveyed the terrain and promoted development of a ski area on Arbuckle Mountain. In 1980 he and Lucile earned their private pilot licenses, and enjoyed flying their Piper airplane around eastern Oregon. They also both enjoyed travel and had visited all 50 of the United States and several of the Canadian provinces. In September 2015, accompanied by his son Stephen, Kenneth was aboard the Honor Flight of military veterans from Oregon who traveled to Washington, D.C.

Kenneth was a member of the Lexington Christian Church; Delta Tau Delta fraternity; Heppner Elks

Lodge; the Heppner Masonic Lodge; American Legion; Oregon Wheat Growers League; the Big E. Association; and the Starbottle Ski Club of Pendleton.

His wife Lucile passed away on May 9, 2015.

He is survived by his son, Stephen Peck and his wife Kaye Peck of Walla Walla; daughter, Martha Andrews and her husband James E. of Portland; five grandchildren, Jennifer Peck Dobson, Christopher P. Andrews, Hilary Peck Mahoney, Benjamin J. Andrews, and Joseph N. Peck; five great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; and two first cousins, George "Bud" Peck of Pendleton and Hubert "Bud" Millett of Junction City, OR.

Memorial contributions in memory of Clinton Kenneth Peck may be made to the South Morrow County Scholarship Fund, PO Box 367, Ione, OR 97843 or to the charity of your choice.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

Cabin Fever show coming to Heppner this month

The popular "Cabin Fever" variety show will be coming to Heppner this year at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 31, in the Heppner Elementary School gym.

This will be the eighth annual show by John Wambeke and Friends. The first performance this year in Hermiston on Jan. 16 is already sold out, but tickets for the Heppner event, which includes a Dutch-oven dessert in the \$15 ticket price, are currently

available at the Bank of Eastern Oregon in Heppner or Ione, at Cottage Flowers in Hermiston, or at the door.

This year's show is filled with music and humor to break the winter doldrums. Stage band musicians include singer/songwriter John Wambeke with son Frazer (piano/vocals), former Heppner resident Luke Basile on bass, Derek Munson on drums, Pat Ward (vocals/mandolin), and local fiddler Eric Jepsen. Joe Lindsay of Heppner will team up with Cory Cooley for some vocal and comedy antics. John and Pat are back again with



John Wambeke accompanies Eric Jepsen on the fiddle at last year's show in Ione. —Contributed photo

and new episode of "Thelma and Eunice." Also showcased will be the talents of Jimmy Creason of Irrigon and 11-year-old Abbi Her-

nandez of the Tri-Cities.

For more info, search Facebook for "Cabin Fever Concert."

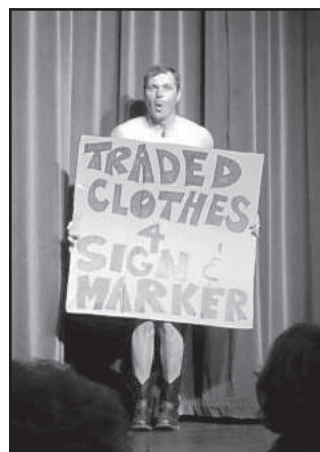
Cultural Coalition announces award recipients

The Morrow County Cultural Coalition, supported by Oregon's Cultural Trust Foundation, announces the following

grant recipients for 2016 projects in Morrow County schools and communities: Obo Addy Legacy African Drumming workshops and assemblies, Idaho Shakespeare Festival theater performances, Irrigon and Boardman Elementary schools Artist in Residence, Morrow County Historical Society Chronicles, Hampstead Stage Co., and Inland Northwest Musicians with performances in Boardman, Irrigon and Heppner. Applications for 2017

cultural-based activities in Morrow County are now being accepted. Projects supported in the past have also included quilting and art groups, art displays, historical library books, cultural entertainment, structures and kid's activities for parks.

Grants can be awarded up to 50 percent of total project cost. For complete guidelines and application form, contact Susan Russell at 541-481-4277 or smsel@hotmail.com.



Joe Lindsay in one of his humorous skits. —Contributed photo

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