

Local students awarded scholarships

Claire Grieb, Jaiden Mahoney, Keegan Gibbs and Gibson McCurry will each receive \$1,000 scholarships from the South Morrow County Scholarship Trust. They were selected on the basis of academic achievement, chosen field of study, financial need, school participation, degree of effort in seeking sources for college and personal characteristics for success and school citizenship.

Claire Grieb is the daughter of Ken and Carri Grieb of Lexington. She attends Heppner High School and after graduation, plans to study psychology at Western Oregon University with a career goal of being a behavioral therapist. Grieb has maintained a 4.0 GPA and received many academic excellence awards throughout high school. She is a member of the National Honor Society, Future Business Leaders of America and held class offices. Claire has participated and lettered in volleyball, basketball and golf. She volunteers at Heppner Elementary School in the Community

Counseling SPURS Mentoring Program, Willow Creek Assisted Living, St. Patrick's Day activities, fair and rodeo activities and a variety of school and community activities.

Jaiden Mahoney is the daughter of Mike and Nicole Mahoney of Heppner. She attends Heppner High School and after graduation, plans to major in Animal Science Pre-Veterinary Medicine with a minor in Agricultural Business at Washington State University with a goal to become a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine specializing in equine sports medicine. Jaiden has maintained a 4.0 GPA while being a member of FFA, FBLA and National Honor Society. She is a member of the Oregon High School Rodeo team and has been an event director and finals qualifier. She has volunteered in the Adopt-a-Family Program, bingo at Willow Creek Assisted Living, food drives and many other school and community activities.

Keegan Gibbs is the son of Jay and Sue Gibbs of Heppner. He attends

Heppner High School and after graduation, he will serve as the Oregon FFA State Treasurer for one year then plans to study Agricultural Education at Oregon State University in Corvallis, OR. Keegan is an active member of FFA, 4-H and FBLA receiving many awards in each program. He has participated or lettered in football, basketball and baseball. He has been involved with the Heppner Elementary School and Community Counseling's SPURS Mentor Program helping students learn life skills. Keegan has helped with many school and community activities including 4-H Camp counselor, Tupper Outdoor School counselor, food drives and Veteran's Day Celebration to name a few.

Gibson McCurry is the son of David McCurry and Tiffany Clement of Heppner. He attends Heppner High School and after graduation, he plans to attend Blue Mountain Community College then transfer to Oregon State University to pursue a degree in Civil Engineering. Gibson is a

member of FFA, FBLA and TSA receiving awards within these programs and academically. He has participated or lettered in cross country, basketball and track and field. Gibson has volunteered in school and community activities including 4-H Camp counselor, Booster Club Auction, Mustang Mop Up, Awana's Bible Study and helping design/build the city gazebo.

The board of directors include president Adam McCabe, vice president Ginger Bowman, treasurer Tricia Rollins, secretary Brandi Sweeney, Martha Munkers, Carri Grieb and Karen Holland. The South Morrow County Scholarship Trust, Inc was established several years ago with the mission to grow funds to provide scholarships to graduating seniors from Heppner and Ione High Schools and to take the place of the Troedson Scholarship Fund which will discontinue in 2023. Tax deductible donations can be sent to SMCS Inc, PO Box 102, Ione, OR 97843.

Coach Del LaRue scholarship awarded

The Coach Del LaRue scholarship was awarded to Laura Ayala, the daughter of German Ayala and Seferina Corcuera, Irrigon.

Ayala attends Ione High School and after graduation, plans to study sociology with a minor in Spanish at Eastern Oregon University, with a goal to become an immigration social worker. Laura has served as a class president and the current student body vice president. She is a member of her local church youth group and helped with church cleanup, car washes, cancer fundraiser and was a library volunteer. She participated and lettered in track and field receiving district and state medals.

This fund awards one \$1,000 scholarship to a college-bound Ione High School senior based on demonstrated academic achievement, community involvement and with preference given to students who have participated in the Ione High School Track and

Field Program. Students must be continuing their education at a community college, trade school or four-year college or university. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 accumulated GPA, attended Ione High School all four years of high school and shown involvement in community activities. The South Morrow County Scholarship Inc board of directors awards the scholarship on behalf of the family.

The Coach Del LaRue scholarship was developed in memory of Del LaRue, a long-time teacher and coach at Ione High School. Del had a passion for coaching basketball and track and field and loved seeing students set and achieve their goals. After retiring from teaching, Del continued to coach track for twelve additional years. During this time he helped many student athletes achieve their goals and was honored as national Track and Field Coach of the Year.

Over the Tee Cup

The Willow Creek Country Club ladies enjoyed a hazy, windy day for their playday held May 7.

Low gross on the field went to Judy Harris, low net to Betty Carter and least putts of the field went to Pat Dougherty.

Low gross for flight A was Karen Thompson and low net went to Carol Mitchell. Least putts winner was Eva Kilkenny. Karen Thompson got KP and Eva Kilkenny also got the long drive.

Flight B low gross went to Pat Dougherty, low net to Karen Haguewood and least putts was Sarah Rucker. Pat Dougherty got KP and Sarah Rucker got long drive.

Bunnie Lindsay took low gross on flight C and low net was Lorrene Montgomery. Least putts went to Mary Riggs. Lorrene Montgomery got KP and Sue Edson got long drive.

Kris Linder got a chip-in on hole number seven.

Columbia Basin to conduct internet speed tests

Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative, the local electric provider, is in the process of applying for an RUS Reconnect Grant through the Federal government to help fund its "Fiber To The Rural Home" project. As part of the application process, Columbia Basin Electric will be reaching out to a select number of their members asking for help in identifying areas of the service territory that have slow internet connectivity.

Within the next two weeks, Columbia Basin Electric members could receive a phone call or visit from a Columbia Basin Electric employee asking to run a speed test on the member's internet service.

This will be a legitimate request from Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative and not a scam. They will NOT request any payment or personal information from the member. This will simply be a request to find out what internet Upload and Download speeds are available to the Cooperative's rural members.

If your internet is served from satellite or cell phone coverage, CBEC will not need to document results from your location.

For additional information or concerns, please contact your local Columbia Basin Electric office at 541-676-9146 in Heppner, or 541-384-2023 in Condon.

Hunter education offered

Hunter education training is being offered in a classroom, online or with a self-directed workbook. Field days will also be offered.

The hunter education classes will be held June 11, 13, 18 and 20 at the Heppner High School from 6 to 9 p.m. with instructors Jim and Darlene Marquardt. Walk-ins are welcome to attend. The field day will be held at the Lexington Gun Club on June 22 from 8 a.m.

to noon. There is no prerequisite for the classroom course, but completion of the classroom course is required prior to attending the field day.

Registration is available at MyODFW.com or the workbook is available by sending email to ODFW.Info@state.or.us. ODFW charges a \$10 application fee at the time of registration. Additional information is available by calling Jim at 541-969-4845.

Marksmanship teams compete

The Heppner and Ione marksmanship teams have completed the third week of competition. Athletes must shoot at least 50 rounds each week, either on Sunday or Wednesday evening, at the Morrow County Gun Club.

Week three total shooting scores for the Heppner team were Tiffany Akers, 16; Madison Ashbeck, 36; Tucker Ashbeck, 34; Xavier Bohanon, 28; Zachary Bredfield, 20; Hunter Gree-

nup, 40; Justin McAninch, 39; Gibson McCurry, 35; Matt Orem, 33 and Kevin Rea, 34.

The Ione team's total shooting scores for the week were Jake Heide-man, 37; Grace Ogden, 25; Colt Parker, 33; Kalvin Rietmann, 30 and Evan Ferguson, 36.

Ken Kippley is the head coach for the team, assisted by Travis Greenup and Erin Heideman.

Obituaries

Caroline LaVonne Mader

Caroline LaVonne Mader, 85, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother and friend passed May 11.

LaVonne was the 9th of 10 children born to William and Mary Kate Hall Willson. She was born March 16, 1934 in the house she was brought up in near Colfax, WA. She attended Steptoe grade school and graduated from Colfax High School in 1952.

LaVonne attended the University of Idaho and was a member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority. She graduated in 1957 with a major in music and minors in physical and elementary education. She taught school one year and substituted many years.

In August 1955 she married Frank Mader in Colfax. They lived in Texas and Louisiana while Frank was in the Army. They worked and saved to buy their first cattle ranch near Jordan Valley, OR and raised their two children, Shannon and Kirk, there.

With the nearest church being 30 miles away and God being extremely important to her, LaVonne started an American Missionary Fellowship Sunday School and Bible Study that met two times a month in homes on Succor Creek. She also taught music at the country school her kids attended. In 1977 they moved to Ruby Valley, NV and then in 1979 moved to the Butter Creek farm near Echo, OR where they lived for almost 40 years.

LaVonne is survived by daughter, Shannon (Tim) Rust, Echo, OR; son Kirk (Donna) Mader, Orovalda, NV; five grandchil-

dren, Brian Rust (Jordan), Brooke Carnine (Randy), Brynna Rust, Quinn Briggs (Chase), and Kade Mader; three great-grandchildren, Karsten and Rhett Carnine and Andy Rust. LaVonne had numerous nieces and nephews who were very special to her.

She was preceded in death by her husband of sixty years, L. Frank Mader and all of her siblings.

LaVonne's greatest joys were being a mom and grandmother and investing in her friendships. Sewing, yard work, music and helping Frank achieve his goals were an important part of her life. She was a member of Hermiston First Christian Church and sang in the choir. She belonged to the Pine City Extension Study Group, Oregon Cattlemen's Association and Oregon Wheat Grower's League. LaVonne was extremely devoted to family, whether it was her siblings or her children and grandchildren.

Contributions may be made to Sharing Alongside, PO Box 33663, Seattle, WA. 98133 (Gary and Miriam Mader Barckert) or First Christian Church Memorial Fund, 775 W. Highland Ave. Hermiston, OR 97838

Services will be held at the First Christian Church on Monday, May 20 at 1 p.m. with a luncheon to follow. A graveside service will be in Colfax, WA on Tuesday, May 21 at 11 a.m. at Colfax Cemetery. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements. The online condolence book for the family is available at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com



Caroline LaVonne Mader

Free movie night scheduled

Hopeful Saints Ministry will host their free Friday movie this Friday, May 17 at 7 p.m. at the All Saints Parish Hall.

The award-winning new release movie, rated PG-13, tells the story of two American men in the 1960's who couldn't be more dif-

ferent, but learn to respect each other's race, gifts and perspectives on life.

Pizza and beverages will be available and everyone is welcome to attend. More information is available by calling the Hopeful Saints Ministry office at 541-676-9970.

Birthday Party
Everyone is Invited!
Judy Rea's 80th Birthday
Sunday, May 19th 2-4pm
Ione Community Church
Homemade Desserts
No Gifts Please

ATTENTION!

Morrow County would like to notify residents that, due to bridge deck and guardrail replacement that will be taking place on the Keene and Snyder bridges, both on Rhea Creek Road, between Brenner Cyn Rd and Social Ridge Rd will be CLOSED from May 13th- June 7th 2019. Please use alternate routes.

Any questions of concerns, Morrow County Public Works Dept., 365 W. Hwy 74, Lexington 541-989-9500

COMMUNITY CLEAN UP

Organized by the City of Heppner

FREE DUMPSTER for garbage collection available at the City yard on Riverside Ave. Thursday May 16th through Monday May 27th.

There will also be a spot to leave yard debris and burnable material.

The City will not accept tires, hazardous waste or household chemicals.

City of Heppner residents only

Please contact the City of Heppner for more information 541-676-9618.