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Umatilla National Forest firewood permits available May 1

Umatilla National Forest personal-use firewood permits will go on sale Saturday, May 1, through several local vendors. Firewood permits will also be available via mail beginning Monday, May 3, by contacting the Forest Supervisor's Office in Pendleton during regular business hours.

Firewood permits can be purchased for \$5 per cord with a minimum purchase of four cords for \$20. The maximum limit for personal-use firewood on the Umatilla National Forest is 12-cords-per-household-per-year.

Local vendors will sell firewood permits in four-cord packets. An additional vendor fee, up to \$2, will be charged for each four-cord, \$20 firewood permit purchased at a local vendor. A list of vendors is available on the Forest website at www.fs.usda.gov/umatilla.

"Our vendors provide a great service to our woodcutters by selling firewood permits during hours that are convenient for the public," said Eric Watrud, Forest Supervisor. Most vendors are open early mornings, late evenings and on the weekends. An additional fee is not charged if you purchase a permit from a Forest Service office.

All Umatilla Nation-

al Forest offices are still offering virtual services to the public. Individuals interested in purchasing a personal-use firewood permit from the Forest directly may call (541) 278-3716 or send an email to r6_umatilla_public_inquiries@fs.fed.us. A Forest Service employee will assist individuals with completing the procedures to receive the personal-use firewood packet in the mail upon receipt of payment.

Firewood cutters are required to carry an axe, a shovel, an 8 oz. capacity or larger fire extinguisher, and have their chainsaw equipped with an approved spark arrester when cutting wood.

Some areas on the Umatilla National Forest are still not accessible due to mud, snow or snow drifts. Forest visitors are asked to use extreme care to avoid getting stuck or causing extensive and illegal resource damage to the land and vegetation. Woodcutters are asked to:

- Contact the local Ranger District office before heading out to make sure the area you're traveling to is accessible.

- Avoid driving off roads and onto wet, unstable ground or fragile meadow environments to load firewood.

- Be prepared. Pack additional food, water, clothing and other emergency supplies.

- Let someone know your destination and estimated time of return.

The public is reminded that some roads and trails are closed in areas with significant flood damage from the 2020 February and May flood events. Detailed closure maps and updates on flood repair activities are available on the Forest website and at any Forest office. Closure signs will also be posted on the ground.

Tribal members exercising their Treaty rights are reminded that permits are not required but they should be in possession of valid enrollment identification when cutting or transporting firewood.

As we move into the hot, dry summer months, Public Use Restrictions (PURs) may be implemented. Restrictions will be announced by 6 p.m. on the day prior to the restric-

tion(s) going into effect. Weekend restrictions will be announced by 6 p.m. on Friday. An updated recording at 1-877-958-9663 will let you know if firewood cutting is: allowed all day; restricted to specific hours (i.e., 1 p.m. chainsaw shut-down); restricted to specific areas of the Forest; or closed completely due to wildfire danger. Restrictions will also be posted on the forest's website. The public is responsible to check if firewood cutting is allowed.

Firewood season on the Umatilla National Forest will end Nov. 30, 2021.

For more information on firewood cutting, please contact the Supervisor's Office at (541) 278-3716 or your local District Office.

- North Fork John Day Ranger District: (541) 427-3231
- Heppner Ranger District: (541) 676-9187
- Walla Walla Ranger District: (509) 522-6290
- Pomeroy Ranger District: (509) 843-1891

Additional information about the Umatilla National Forest is available at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/umatilla>.

Heppner student wins scholarship

A former Heppner High School student, Morgan Correa, has won a scholarship from The OSCP Educational Foundation for the 2021-22 academic year: Correa is an accounting student at Eastern Oregon University.

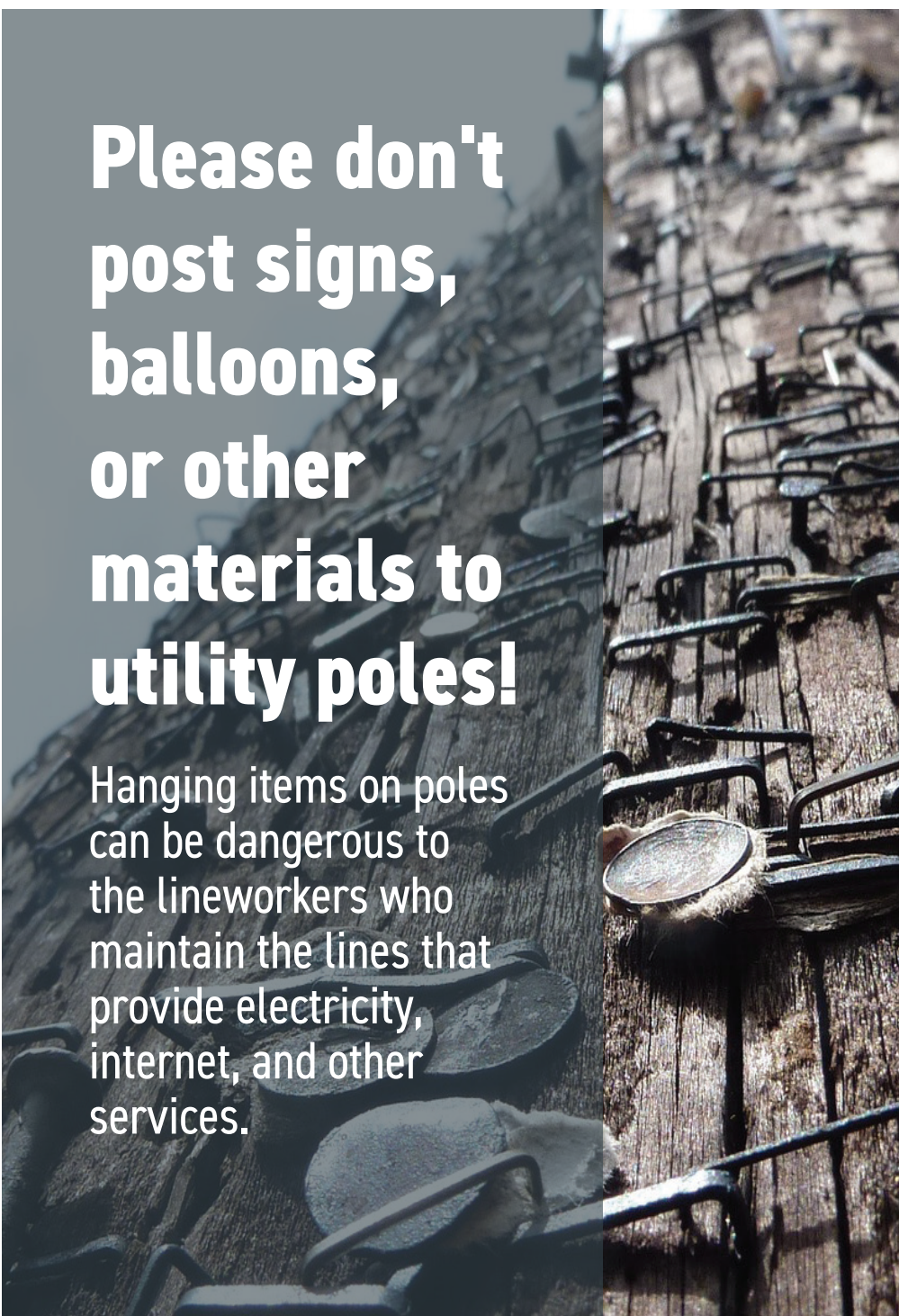
from \$2,000-\$4,000 were awarded to 44 students based on academic performance and intent to both pursue a CPA career and work in the state of Oregon. Founded in 1985, the foundation has awarded more than \$2.4 million to over 1,350 students.

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First annual Lexington May Day Parade Saturday, May 1

The first-annual May Day Parade is happening in Lexington, Oregon, starting at 11 a.m., Saturday, May 1. The day's festivities include a car show, food, a pie social, bike raffle, crafts for the kids and "lots of visiting and making memories." Everyone is invited to "come meet our Grand Marshal Ray Papineau," said Mayor Juli Kennedy.

Tacos Hometown will

also be in Lexington Saturday, May 1. "Come support them, eat some fantastic food and then have pie at the pie social," said Mayor Kennedy.

"We received a donation of a kid's bike for the May Day Parade," said Kennedy. "Come to the parade and bring your kids or grandkids. The kids each get a ticket for the free

raffle." The Hermiston Classic Car Club will also be in Lexington that day. Everyone is invited to "come on down, check out the cars and meet the group," added Kennedy.

Parade sign-up sheets are located at Murray's Drug in Heppner and the Sinclair Station in Lexington.

Wranglers report April 25 playday results

The Wranglers riding club April 25 playday results are as follows:

Stick Horse Race: 3 & Under: 1st-Kinsley Schlaich; 4 & 5 Yr. Olds-1st- Truu Stewart, 2nd-Hayes Pottala, 3rd-Pierce Miller, 4th-Randy Wise; 6- & 7-Year-olds: 1st-Pearl Miller, 2nd-Grady Henderson, 3rd-Ella Mullins, 4th=EllieGene Fennern

Barrels: Lead-line: 1st- Pierce Miller 41.149, 2nd-Kinsley Schlaich 49.947, 3rd-Price Hines 53.187, 4th-Randi Wise 58.533; PeeWee Wranglers 7 & Under: 1st-Jaylee Schlaich 23.03, 2nd-Kathryn Knowles 23.185, 3rd-Devyn Pottala 23.530, 4th-Leo Ashbeck 39.931; Lil Wranglers 8 - 11 Yr. Olds: 1st- Beau Broeckel 20.369, 2nd-Joshua Bales 23.843, 3rd-Brooklyn Hen-

dricks 26.542, 4th-Mary Ashbeck 29.940; Junior Wranglers 12 - 15-Year-olds: 1st Zaleta Masterson 17.187, 2nd Quaid Jensen 20.27, 3rd Saige Jensen 21.608 4th Claire Lindsay 31.051; 16+ Glori Clabaugh 17.043.

Poles: Lead-line: 1st Price Hines 18.372, 2nd Pierce Miller 19.401, 3rd Kinsley Schlaich 26.194, 4th Randi Wise 32.575; PeeWee Wranglers 7 & Under: 1st Devyn Pottala 28.182, 2nd Jaylee Schlaich 33.090, 3rd Pearl Miller 47.777, 4th Hayes Pottala 50.919; Lil Wranglers 8-11-Year-olds: 1st Rowdie Jo Broeckel 28.368, 2nd Beau Broeckel 30.911, 3rd Brooklyn Hendricks 31.462, 4th Joshua Bales 32.198; Junior Wranglers 12-15-Year-olds: 1st Zaleta Masterson 26.332, 2nd Quaid Jensen

29.893, 3rd Saige Jensen 34.706, 4th Olivia Humphreys 41.577; 16+ Glori Clabaugh 23.466.

Stake Race: Lead-Line: 1st-Price Hines 18.372, 2nd-Pierce Miller 19.401, 3rd-Kinsley Schlaich 26.194, 4th Randi Wise 32.575; Pee Wee Wranglers 7 & Under: 1st Kathryn Knowles 9.348, 2nd Jaylee Schlaich 9.884, 3rd-Devyn Pottala 10.290, 4th Leo Ashbeck 12.121

Egg Race: Lil Wranglers 8-11-year-olds: first-Mary Ashbeck 33.710, 2nd-Morgan Milligan 40.690, 3rd-Gus Stevenson 42.859, 4th-Catherine Lindsay 46.058; Junior Wranglers 12-15-year-olds: 1st Saige Jensen 19.155, 2nd Claire Lindsay 36.839, 3rd Olivia Humphreys, 4th Scotlyne West 54.478; 16+ Glori Clabaugh 40.001

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