Nursing home petition drive under way

By LAURA NORTON

Despite plenary predictions of high taxes and increased social spending, the old-people's lobby of Oregon has decided to stay in business, and many of its members have been elected.

Easter egg hunt just around corner

What would Easter be without the Easter baskets, the Easter bunny, Easter dinner, an Easter egg hunt?

And of course, Easter egg hunts are a popular event for all ages. If you're planning to host an Easter egg hunt at your school, church, or community center, be sure to check out these tips from the experts:

- Plan the location: Choose an area with plenty of space and minimal obstacles.
- Set a theme: A theme can make the hunt more fun and exciting for kids.
- Prepare the eggs: Fill the eggs with small toys, candy, or other surprises.
- Send out invitations: Make sure to invite all your friends and family.
- Have fun!

Building ready for business

Appraisal district opens new location

This month, a new appraisal district building will be completed. The new building will house the appraisal district's offices, providing a modern workspace for the staff.

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By CHARLES McLURE

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At least one group of local residents has organized an effort to keep an elderly home open in their community. They are currently circulating a petition to gather signatures on behalf of the nursing home.

The petition drive is being led by Joy and Michael Johnson, who own the nursing home. They say they are concerned about the lack of care for elderly individuals in the community and want to keep the home open.

The petition is being circulated in the community and residents are encouraged to sign it.

Emergency number to be on line in approximately two years

Commissioners approve 9-1-1 system

The commissioners have approved a new 9-1-1 system for the county. The new system will provide faster response times and better coordination between emergency services.

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Best time in years to buy home

Real estate market offers opportunities

Pamela Crotts is currently enjoying an active real estate market.

"The housing market is very active and there are many buyers looking for homes," said Crotts. "It's a great time to sell, but it's important to have a good agent working on your behalf."
Area renters looking to buy

The median rental rate for houses in the area has increased by 10% in the past year, making it more difficult for renters to find affordable housing. Some potential buyers are considering purchasing a home to avoid the high rental costs. Many renters are looking to buy houses to secure their future and gain more control over their living situation. The increasing rental market and the rise in home prices have led to a shift in the housing market, with more people considering homeownership.

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Pony Profile

Panola College mascot placed eighth best in nation

Smith is a true blue Champion

By CHARLES BEALLMAN

Panola College's newest mascot is standing tall and proud these days. Champion is a blue pony, and his arrival has sparked excitement across campus.

Champion was purchased by the college earlier this year with the goal of introducing a new spirit of enthusiasm and pride. The 17-year-old gelding was chosen after a thorough search for a suitable model that would represent the college in a dignified and respectful manner.

Since his arrival, Champion has been enthusiastically welcomed by students, faculty, and staff alike. His presence has added a unique touch to sporting events and other college activities, and he has quickly become a favorite among the student body.

"Champion is more than just a horse," said Dr. John Smith, President of Panola College. "He embodies the spirit of our institution, and we are proud to have him as a symbol of our college's tradition and excellence."

Champion's arrival has also prompted a new fundraising campaign to support his care and maintenance. The college has set a goal of raising $10,000 in the next six months to ensure the pony's well-being.

For more information about Champion and the fundraising campaign, visit the Panola College website or contact the college's Development Office at 903-688-4000.

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Beckville releases honor rolls, principal's list

Beckville High School recently released its honor roll list for the first quarter of the 2023-2024 academic year. The following students made the honor roll:

- Principal's List:
  - John Smith
  - Mary Johnson
  - Robert Williams
  - Elizabeth Garcia
  - David Thompson

- First Honors:
  - Sarah Price
  - David Taylor
  - Emily Brown
  - Michael Lee
  - Sarah Martinez

- Second Honors:
  - Jonathan Adams
  - Emily Johnson
  - Michael Davis
  - Sarah Garcia
  - David Thompson

These students have maintained an exceptional academic performance and are to be congratulated for their dedication and hard work.

Sports Midweek

Carthage shut out for first time in 82 games

Dogs lost title match to Airline

Dogs rap 11 hits in opener

Carthage explodes, buries Southwood

Robinson sparks 3-0 victory

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Rushworth hurls third shutout
Ponies sweep two from Kansas club

The Ponies won the second game of a doubleheader against Kansas with a 3-1 victory. Rushworth pitched a complete game, striking out 10 batters and allowing just one earned run. The Ponies scored three runs in the third inning and held on for the win.

Maberry wins 6-5 in relief
Ponies gain split with Red Devils

Ponies catcher John Rodgers had no chance for a play as Derek Anderson bunts for a base hit. Maberry picked up the win in relief with a scoreless ninth inning. The Ponies won the first game of the doubleheader 14-3, but lost the second game 6-5.

Blinn rallies, rips Panola, 87-69

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### Area deaths

**WILLIAM CROSTON CRUZH**

Served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He passed away on Monday, March 13, 2023, at the age of 98. Burial services were held on March 15th at the Crawford Cemetery. The family wishes to extend their gratitude to the medical staff at the Pine Valley Medical Center for their care.

**KENNETH A. GALLOWAY**

Kenneth, a long-time resident of Deadwood, passed away on March 13th, 2023. A memorial service will be held on March 17th at the Trinity Lutheran Church. The family requests that donations be made to the American Cancer Society in his honor.

**TAMARA LOIS STONE**

Tamara passed away on March 14th, 2023, at the age of 76. Her family requests that donations be made to the local animal shelter in her memory.

**WILLIAM H. PRESCOTT**

William, a former resident of Deadwood, passed away on March 14th, 2023. A memorial service will be held on March 18th at the First United Methodist Church. The family requests that donations be made to the local children's hospital.

**VIOLETA C. MURIEL**

Violeta, a long-time resident of Deadwood, passed away on March 15th, 2023. A memorial service will be held on March 19th at the Trinity Lutheran Church. The family requests that donations be made to the local food bank.

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**Grady Estate and Moving Auction**

March 23, 2023, at the Civic Center, 9:00 A.M. Time

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**Middle school show**

The members of the Deadwood Middle School Orchestra performed a concert at the Smokey Bear Show on March 16th. The orchestra was led by Mr. J. Brown and Mr. D. Johnson. The performance included a variety of classical and contemporary pieces.