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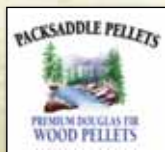
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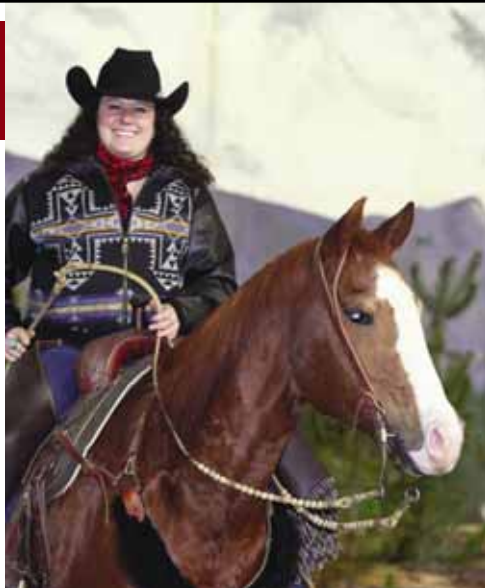
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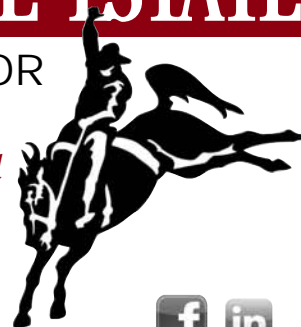
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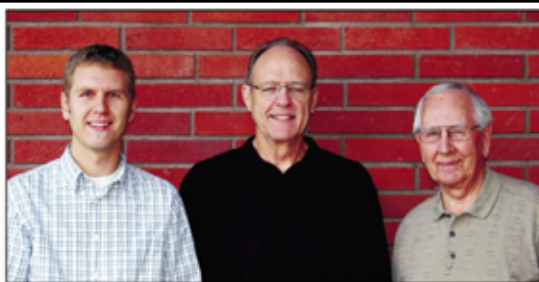
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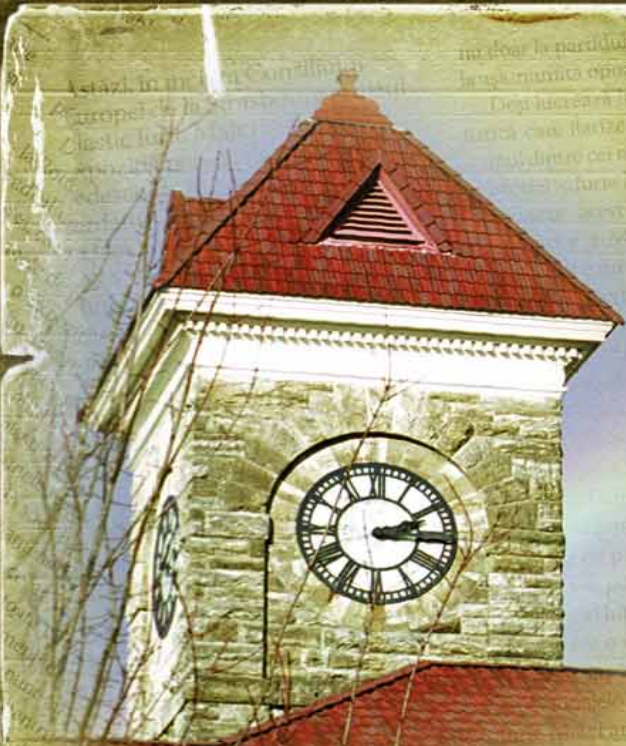
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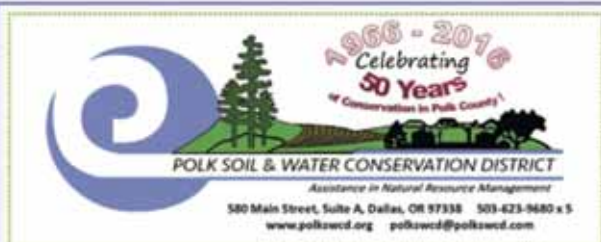
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Back row (l-r): Sharon Whittemore, Eagle Home Mortgage (2nd Vice President); Jean Love, Monmouth-Independence Chamber of Commerce; Marilyn Morton, Independence Downtown Association; Larry Sykes, Mungo Signs & Screen Printing; David Clyne, City of Independence; Lori Abel, Washington Federal; Tommy Love, Western Oregon University; Miranda Garrison, Arena Sports Bar & Grill; Cec Koontz, Central School District 13J; Molly McDermond, Oregon State Credit Union; Steven Goto, Waddell & Reed



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- Hosts annual community events
- Provides business services and educational opportunities

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