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Sheriff encourages smart, safe driving

"A safe driver is a smart driver," Morrow County Sheriff Roy Drago recently stated. "And it's really simple to be a smart driver by reminding yourself of the safety rules and laws in operating a motor vehicle."

The sheriff reminds all Morrow County residents to follow these safety tips:

- * Always shift your attention every few seconds, constantly scanning the road ahead and behind you. Never blankly stare ahead nor fix your gaze on one point on the road.

- * When passing an automobile, always glance at the ground beside the front wheel of the car you intend to pass. You will know instantly if

the car is about to veer...giving you an extra few seconds to respond.

- * You should pull out into the opposite lane of traffic when passing while you are still well behind the car in front. This should give you some time and space to build up speed and, yet, will enable you to pull back into your own lane should the need arise. Never cut abruptly out of your lane into the opposite lane when passing.

- * Always signal your intentions with your brake lights, turn signals, horn and/or headlights so that other drivers will see you well before you change course.

- * Drivers should always "aim

high" in steering. That is, you should glance frequently at points well ahead of you. Not only will this help your steering, but it will also help you check the position of vehicles in front of you as well as oncoming ones.

- * Never follow too close. Remember that, as your speed increases, it takes you substantially longer to stop. Also remember that it's good to have an extra cushion of space in front of you if you're being tail-gated, or on a slippery road, or in low visibility conditions.

- * Lastly, I would remind all motorists to practice the Golden Rule when driving. Be courteous and tolerant of other drivers. Please don't get angry with bad drivers or reckless ones—just get out of their way," Sheriff Drago said in closing. "Let's make this summer a safe one on the roads in Morrow County."

Volunteers sought to help Boy Scouts paint pool

Heppner's Boy Scout Troop 661 will earn money for camp by painting the Heppner City pool Saturday, June 8.

The Scouts have been "hired" by the city of Heppner to paint the city

pool building inside and out. Anyone wishing to help the scouts and the city is invited to meet at the pool on June 8 at 10 a.m. Helpers should bring their brush and/or a roller. The city is providing the paint.

Goodwill center opens in Heppner



Jan Erb

A Goodwill Donation Center officially opened its doors in Heppner Friday, May 24.

The store is located in the Farley building 126 E. May Ave. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. The store is closed Sundays and Mondays.

Jan Erb, Hermiston, long time Goodwill volunteer and John and Lynne Wilson, manager of the Hermiston Goodwill donation center are staffing the center's Heppner

location. Erb said that the store will accept houseware, clothing, furniture, toys and books. She also said that they will fill special requests for items and will pick up items.

Erb said that the store has been busy. "We've had tons of people," she said.

Proceeds from the center go toward vocational rehabilitation programs for disabled citizens.

Amy Greenup, Ty Lappen win hospital foundation scholarships



Amy Greenup

Amy Greenup and Ty Lappen have been named by the trustees of the Hospital Foundation as this year's recipients of the Earl and Hazel Wilson scholarships. These scholarships are awarded each year to students majoring in the health care field.

First year awards of \$300 each will go to Greenup and Lappen. Daughter of Greg and Janet Greenup of Heppner, Amy plans to attend

Oregon Institute of Technology and major in ultrasound radiology.

Ty, the son of Mel and Linda Lappen of Boardman, plans to attend nursing school and specialize in trauma care.

Two awards of \$500 each went to JJ Osmin who is a junior in nursing at Southern Oregon College and Andrea Ball who is a senior in community health education at Portland State University.

Graduation ceremonies planned at county schools

Graduation ceremonies will be held at Morrow County schools this week.

Ceremonies are scheduled for Riverside High School in Boardman

on Wednesday, May 29, 7:30 p.m.; Ione High School on Thursday, May 30, 8 p.m.; and Heppner High School on Friday, May 31, 7:30 p.m.

OSU commencement June 9

More than 3,600 degree candidates will be honored Sunday, June 9, during the 122nd annual commencement at Oregon State University.

Ceremonies are scheduled to begin at 2 p.m. in OSU's Gill Coliseum.

Featured will be the presentation of honorary degrees to author Betty Friedan, black historian John Hope Franklin, and Gurij Ivanovich Marchuk, the president of the U.S.S.R. Academy of Sciences.

A total of 3,659 students are expected to receive degrees during the ceremonies, with 100 students receiving two or more degrees. Approximately 209 doctorates, 622 master's degrees and 2,932

bachelor's degrees will be conferred.

Students receiving degrees from Heppner are: Ken R. Curtis, bachelor of arts, anthropology, with high scholarship; Loran S. Hayes, bachelor of science, business administration; Nancy W. Martin; bachelor of science, speech communication; Steven T. Miller, bachelor of science, speech communication.

Ione candidates are: Eric M. Pointer, bachelor of science, agricultural engineering technology; Brett M. Sherer, master of science, agricultural engineering.

James L. Simmons, Boardman, will receive a master of science degree in science education.

Lutheran churches to observe confirmations

The congregations of Hope and Valby Lutheran churches will celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion and observe the rite of confirmation on Sunday, June 2.

Kimberly Bedortha and Jessica Stefani will be confirmed at the Valby worship service at 9 a.m.

Charene Coe, Kelsie Evans, Dani Hill, Andrea Miles and Rondi Robinson will be confirmed at the 11 a.m. service at Hope Lutheran.

Pastor Hoobing will preach at both services on the theme, "Remember the Value of Worship," based on the reading from the book of Deuteronomy 5:12-15. The confirmations will also lead various parts of the worship service and provide special music "Spirit of Gentleness".

Search and Rescue needs more volunteers

Do you like the outdoors? Do you volunteer your time to help others? Do you consider yourself dedicated? If your answer is 'yes', Search and Rescue is for you.

Search and Rescue is a non-profit volunteer organization affiliated with the Morrow County Sheriff's office. Members meet once a month on the third Tuesday, discuss upcoming events, schedule training drills and talk over problems within the organization, etc.

The members volunteer their time

for training, meetings, times when Search and Rescue is activated, fund raisers and other activities. The training varies from around eight to 16 hours a month, normally on weekends. Past activities included fund raisers for members of the communities within Morrow County that needed assistance, purchasing equipment for search operations, assisting with tuition fees for training classes directly related to search operations and coordination of resources.

A background investigation will be conducted on all applicants, in-

cluding fingerprinting, criminal history records, driving records and wanted files will be researched. The application is forwarded to a search and rescue review board and then to the next regular meeting for a vote by the attending members.

Anyone interested in expanding experiences and wish to be of assistance, contact Terri Denton at the Morrow County Sheriff's office 676-9061 for questions or applications. Please provide a call back number and best time for contact.

HHADD encourages 'Fatality Free May'



T.R. Riehl and Joe Healy

Monday was declared "Blackout Day" at Heppner High School as a part of HHADD's (Heppner High Against Drinking/Drugs and Driving) Fatality Free May campaign.

Joe Healy and T.R. Riehl dressed in black for the day and did not speak to fellow students. They symbolized the number of young people who, according to statistics, could be killed in accidents in Morrow County this year. These vehicle fatalities are the result of drinking and driving and/or failure to use seat belts. The members of HHADD said they wanted to impress on fellow students

what it would feel like if one of their friends were not with them any more.

May has been declared a month to concentrate on reducing the number of fatal traffic accidents which occur on Oregon's highways. The local OSSOM chapter at Heppner High School, Heppner High Against Drinking/Drugs and Driving, is mounting a campaign to make this a fatality free May for the students of Morrow County.

Members of HHADD strongly urge everyone to buckle up. In the

year of 1987 10,000 lives could have been saved world-wide if people had used their seat belts.

Among front seat passenger vehicle occupants, safety belts saved an estimated 4,000 lives in 1987 in the United States. Three thousand, one hundred of these lives were in states with belt use laws. Among front seat passengers safety belts prevented about 48,000 moderate to critical injuries in 1987.

Safety belts do save lives. HHADD encourages everyone to wear their seat belts and make this a "Fatality Free May" for Morrow County.

BLM offers two free camping days

Campers at Bureau of Land Management campsites in Oregon and Washington will get two overnight stays free of charge on June 7 and 8 in recognition of National Fishing Week.

The Bureau is cooperating with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Washington Department of Wildlife which are offering license-free fishing in state waters that weekend.

June 8 is the free fishing day in Oregon. In Washington both June 7 and 8 are free fishing days.

BLM-managed public lands in Oregon and Washington provide over 3,500 miles of fishable streams and 75,000 acres of lakes and reservoirs in which anglers can "wet a line". Last year more than 1100 people participated in BLM sponsored events in conjunction with National Fishing Week.

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