

R & W awards over 500 reading certificates

The R & W Drive In's reading incentive program at Heppner Elementary and Middle School concluded with another year of enthusiasm and participation by students. In its sixth year a total of 190 students from grades one to seven earned a total of 521 certificates.

The awards are donated by Tom and Helen Riehl, owners of the R & W, as a way to encourage students to read. The program goals are development of a life-long habit of reading and the motivation to read more challenging material. Students of every age and reading level are able to participate because the teachers design criteria specifically geared to the age and ability of the child.

The number of the certificates has more than doubled since the first year of the program. In 1986-87 students earned 190 certificates; '87-88, 334 certificates; '88-89, 376 certificates; '89-90, 167 earned 418 certificates; and '90-91, 193 earned 546.

Following are names of students earning certificates this year:

First grade: Brad Adams, Donald Adams, Conor Kilkenny, Cassie Marvin, Jerry Shank, Tylynn Smith, Ashley Ward, Teah Deardorf, Tracy Baker, Sally Calvert, Alesha Geer, Dan Jepsen, Jesse Kempas, Trent Lowe, Marcy Miller, Douglas Orwick, Nicole Wilson and Joshua Winters;

Second grade: Claire Anderson, Tabatha Bladwin, Brett Barber, Rachel Bratcher, Jodie Carlson, Jessica Gutierrez, Jake McDaniel, Eddie Meek, David Norton, Kelly Paullus, Julie Proctor, Teresa Victorio, Shelley Rietmann, Leland Rill, Olivia Sagely, Daniel Traylor, Molly Turrell, Kyle Waterland, Rhonda Wilhelm, Tane Deardorf, Jon Bennett, Brad Bowman, Kevin Drake, Kelsey Greenup, Jody Maddern, Stefan Matheny, Michael McCabe, Shelbi Padberg, Paula Spicerkuhn, Samuel VanLiew, Rondi Williams, Meghan Bailey;

Third grade: Shawna Benjamin, Jeanette Brantley, Autumn

Chick, Sarah Eckman, Michael Drew, Amber Flaiz, Wes Haynes, Blake Knowles, Matt Looney, Marissa McCabe, Michelle McCloskey, Kyle McDaniel, Danielle McDowell, Robby Nichols, Tara Ozment, Joe Papineau, Jennifer Warren, Adam White, Samantha Wilhelm, Jennifer Dilley, A.J. Perez, Krista Adams, Katie Bacon, Beth Baker, Matthew Baker, Nikki Clark, Jessica DeLeon, Cheryl Hargrove, Shad Hisler, Travis Lowe, Jenni Patton, David Piper, Craig Scott, Bryce Struckmeier, Tai Sweek, Scott VanWinkle, Lindsey Ward, Brandon Young;

Fourth grade: Chris Bowman, Stephanie Clough, Stanley Cutsforth, Ben Goodyear, Kimberly Hansen, Mike Haugen, Casey Ingraham, Matt Jepsen, Cheri Jones, Abby Kahl, Corey Miller, Darrin Ployhar, Tracy Rankin, Anita Richards, Delia Victorio, Jared Wilson, John Setness, Trisha Adams, Brandi Brantley, Jenni Constantine, Leah Denton, Amy Drake, Levi Geer, Lindsay Greif, Melissa Harshman, Josh Hill, John Looney, Kristen Marshall, Kimmy Marvin, Laurie Michael, Justin Nelson, Erik Patton, Kim Pointer, Heidi Turrell, Matt

VanLiew Brian Wick, Tommy Skultety;

Fifth grade: Matt Baird, Jill Barber, Audra Bunch, Monica Burkenbine, Heather Davis, Tim Dickenson, Casey Evans, Kathleen Greenup, Sarah Greif, Janelle Healy, Shane Matheny, Treve Palmateer, Ryan Pettyjohn, Dusty Rollis, Ian Sweek, Phillip Traylor, Travis Winters, Kristi Worden, Matt Berretta, Brooke Boyer, Amy Burkenbine, Danny Coiner, Jared Eckman, Jacob Gavin, Tony Greenup, Derek Gunderson, Jaclynn Hughes, Christy Kenny, Jessica Maben, Scott McDaniel, Angela Munkers, Bobbie Rankin, Hoss Sharp, Ross Van Etta, Jeff Waterland, Julie Watkins, Jamie Perez;

Sixth grade: Sarah Baker, Mindy Binschus, Melissa Cutsforth, Adam Doherty, Jessica Keersemaaker, Caleb McDaniel, Josh Roy, Lexie Short, Sherry Sieler, Tim Sumner, Cam Sweeney, Crysti Taylor, Katie Nichols, Brian Burnside, Jarrod Clark, Jayme Hansen, Carrie Hargrove, Jonas Healy, Katie Kenny, Judy Peck, Josie Proctor, Linsey Ropp, Keith Scott, Jessica VanWinkle, Kay Foster;

Seventh grade: Jenny Gavin and Jenny Richards.

Babysitters complete course

Twenty-six future baby sitters completed an eight-hour training course in Heppner on June 9 and received certificates of training. The students had "hands on" opportunities to practice interviewing employers, hold and diaper babies, make safe nutritional snacks, observe children at play, learn positive discipline skills, be aware of accident prevention and how to handle emergencies.

Trainers included Ginny Nairns, Laura McElligott, Carol Michael-Bennett, Kathy Tellechea, Sue Thompson and Kathleen Lowe. Trainers were recruited and coordinated by Kathleen Lowe, R.N. Infants and toddlers who helped with the

training included Mark McCabe, Kathryn McElligott, Torrie Lovgren, Kyler Howell, Kody Howell and Alena Schmeltzer.

Certificated sitters anxious to care for children are: Jill Barber, Bri Beachler, Matt Berretta, Joanne Bingham, Alena and Mindy Binschus, Audra Bunch, Macy Childers, Melissa Cutsforth, Tracie Dickenson, John Ferguson, Lela Gribskov, Bonnie Hill, Matt Jepsen, Jessica Keersemaaker, Danielle McBride, Katie Nichols, Mindy Qualls, Amber Peck, Kelly Rafferty, Macy Rhea, Robyn Struthers, Brooke Sweeney, Crysti Taylor, Jessica VanWinkle, Julie Watkins and Sarah Grief.

Health care project ends

The Community Decision Making Project on health care in Morrow County has officially reached its end. The need for continued public input and support for medical services, however, has not, said Pam Sagely, Morrow County Encourager. The final meeting of the Morrow County Health Care Council held June 4 saw the completion and adoption of the last two recommendations to be passed on to the Morrow County Medical Board. These non-binding recommendations, along with those previously presented, will now be considered for their feasibility in implementation.

It was recommended that all necessary and reasonable steps be taken to retain Morrow County's three physicians. These steps could include adequate time off, compensation and benefits, and support staff. It was further determined that the Medical Board promote and sponsor an ongoing program of doctor appreciation. Also a health care liaison committee should be formed to work with the medical board (much the same as the school board's local advisory groups) to ensure ongoing community involvement in health care issues.

The council recommended that the number of acute care, inpatient beds at Pioneer Memorial Hospital should be reduced from 12 to six with the excess beds changed to skilled care nursing home beds. There would be no net loss in bed space, just a reclassification and change in use.

The use of midlevel practitioners as partial coverage for the emergency room should be pursued and the Medical Board should investigate state and federal programs that create new licensing categories for rural hospitals. The last portion encourages the Medical Board to continue in its work toward improved communications on health care issues county-wide.

Recommendations already forwarded to the Medical Board in

medical fund dollars should be distributed throughout the county medical system on a "needs" basis;

A quarterly health care newsletter should be sent to box-holders throughout the county in an effort to better inform the residents about county-wide issues and their impact on health care services;

No health districts should be formed at this time. This issue should be re-evaluated in three years when the full effects of Measure 5 are more certain;

Aggressive recruitment and use

Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes, Chamber Manager

As I drove across Morrow County Sunday, it was a treat to see beautiful white billowy clouds against the blue sky of Eastern Oregon. I almost forgot what clouds looked like. What a blessing when the skies turned grey and dropped much needed moisture on our county. Guess we should have cut the hay a month earlier. That usually brings rain.

Last week was national garden club week. Heppner members, though small in number, make a big difference in the appearance of our Main Street with their hard work. Give them a pat on the back, although like most volunteers, you can't always catch them at it.

From the U.S. Department of Labor comes a "Snapshot of Volunteers": they are composed equally of men and women, the largest number ranging in ages from 35 to 44. (I might challenge these statistics.) They are usually well-educated and employed either full or parttime. Women tend to volunteer for churches, schools, hospitals, social or welfare organizations; while men chose churches, civic or political groups, sports, social or welfare organizations. The "snapshot" goes on to say that one of every five Americans volunteer. Many thanks to all the volunteers in Heppner and Morrow County who make the impossible happen.

Thought for the week: "If we are unable to travel the 'road of success', we can at least refrain from scattering tacks along the way."

of midlevel practitioners for relief of current physicians should be instituted;

A bilingual facilitator should be considered for the Hispanic population of the county, particularly in the Boardman and Ir-rigon areas.

A spokesperson for the council said that members of the Morrow County Health Care Council felt their efforts have helped to identify the major issues confronting the Medical Board in continuing to provide the best possible health care system for all of the residents of Morrow County.

"They believe that as a result of the project and their work during the past 16 months, the public is now more educated as to the problems facing the future of health care in our county and to the possible solutions that exist," said Sagely. "They believe that they have opened the door for improved communications between the residents of our communities and the Medical Board. The key to ongoing success will be to keep the door open with communication moving in both directions," she continued. "Cooperation will see us to a continuation of the high level of health care that we have enjoyed."

Aquatic fitness class scheduled

An aquatic fitness class will be held at the Ione pool Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. starting July 7.

Pre-registration is suggested. Registration forms are available at the Post Office or by calling BMCC coordinator Sue Warren, 422-7040.

Tuition for the seven-week course is \$25. Nella Britt is the instructor. No prior swimming experience is necessary. For car-pool information call Britt after June 25.

PUBLIC NOTICE

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Roof Modifications at Boardman Elementary School, Boardman, OR MORROW COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT P.O. Box 368 Lexington, OR 97839-9368

The Morrow County School District invites bids for the removal and replacement of the built-up roof system at Boardman Elementary School in accordance with the project plans and specifications.

The estimated cost of this project is \$35,000 to \$45,000.

Sealed bids for the above described project will be received by the School District Administrative office until 2:00 p.m., Pacific Daylight Time, Wednesday, 8 July 1992 and then publicly opened and read aloud. Each bid must be submitted on the prescribed form and accompanied by a Certified Check or Bid Bond, payable to Morrow County School District, in an amount not less than 5 percent.

Examination of the project site may be arranged by calling the Morrow County School District, Maintenance Department Superintendent (Matt Warren, 503/989-8202).

The Contract documents may be examined at the following locations:

-Morrow County School District Administration Office, Lexington, Oregon
-Northwest Plan Center, Portland, Oregon
-Tri-City Construction Council, Inc., Kennewick, Washington
-SCM Consultants, Inc., Kennewick, Washington

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained at the office of SCM Architecture and Planning, P.C., 7601 West Clearwater Avenue, Suite 301, Kennewick, WA 99336, upon non-refundable payment of \$20.00 for each set.

Bids must contain statement that the provisions of the Prevailing Wage Rate, ORS 279.350 or 40 U.S.C. 276a, are to be complied with.

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Arts and Crafts club to meet

The Morrow County Creative Arts and Crafts club will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, June 22 at 1 p.m. at Kate's Pizza.

Workshop cancelled

A hospitality training workshop planned for June 25 has been cancelled. The workshop will be rescheduled in the fall.

PUBLIC NOTICE

On the 11th day of July 1992 at the hour of 1:00 o'clock PM at the front door of the Police Department for the City of Heppner located at 188 West Willow Street the following items will be sold at Public Auction to the highest bidder:

- 1 Green Tank
- 1 small bike
- 2 Lawn mowers (not working)
- 1 TV may need repair
- 4 chairs

Various miscellaneous items
The City of Heppner reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
Douglas C. Rathbun
Chief of Police
Phone 676-9618
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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF SESSION MORROW COUNTY BOARD OF RATIO REVIEW

Notice is hereby given that on June 25, 1992, at 9:00 a.m., the board of ratio review of the County of Morrow, Oregon will meet at the County Courthouse in Heppner, Oregon, to:

- * Examine the assessor's ratio study.
- * Make recommendations to the assessor regarding changes in property value resulting from the effect of events or activities occurring outside property.

* Hear petitions for reduction of the real market or assessed value of property because of changes in the real market value of the property occurring after July 1 and on or before June 30th of the prior tax year.

Meetings to examine the certified ratio study will be held between July 1 and August 10. The exact time of the meeting will be posted 48 hours prior to the meeting in Heppner.

Hearings for appeals of prior year's value will be held between July 15 and July 31. A schedule of hearings for those who request to be present will be posted 48 hours prior to the meeting in Heppner.

Executive sessions may be held during the session as required by ORS 308.290(7), ORS 308.411, and ORS 308.413.

All other hearings will be scheduled as time allows. Contact the board of ratio review clerk for further information.

It shall be the duty of the persons interested to appear at the time and place appointed. Petitions must be filed with the board between July 1 and July 15, 1992. Dated at Heppner, Oregon this 3rd day of June, 1992.

Barbara Bloodsworth
County Clerk
Morrow County, Oregon
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economics teacher at Churchill High School in

Eugene, Joanne developed a teen parenting

education and day care program to enhance

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development. It's just one of the many investments

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Educational Initiative.

At US WEST, we believe teachers who reach beyond

classroom walls today will make a world of difference

for future generations.



Joanne Miksis
Churchill High School

For information on US WEST's 1993 Outstanding Teacher program, write to the US WEST Foundation, 7800 East Orchard Road, Englewood, CO 80111-2526

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