

DEQ schedules hearing on Coyote Springs

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has scheduled a hearing for public comment on Portland General Electric's proposed Coyote Springs Cogeneration Project in Boardman on Monday, March 7 at 7 p.m. in the Riverside High School auditorium. An informal question and answer session is scheduled at 6 p.m. prior to the formal hearing.

The Portland General Electric (PGE) company proposed to build and operate a combined cycle cogeneration facility in Boardman. The project includes two combustion turbines fueled by natural gas, two heat recovery steam generators, two steam turbines and two 300,000 pound per hour auxiliary boilers. The facility would supply approximately 492 megawatts of electricity to PGE and have a capacity to supply about 600,000 pounds per hour

of process steam to other industrial users in the immediate area.

This facility is required to obtain an air contamination discharge permit from DEQ. The expected types and levels of pollution from the facility operating approximately 8,760 hours a year are: Particulate 79 tons a year; Nitrogen Oxides (NOx) 263 tons a year; Carbon Monoxide (CO) 513 tons a year; and Volatile Organic Compounds, 25 tons a year.

In the cases of particulate NOx and CO, the levels of pollution are greater than the levels where ambient air quality may be affected. However, the area in which this facility is proposed currently meets all federal standards for air quality, and modeling of the impacts indicates they will be within acceptable limits. Because of the levels of par-

ticulate, NOx and CO, this facility is required to implement best available control technology, either by process modifications or emissions control devices.

The proposed permit is only a draft and final action will not take place until all public comment is received during the public comment period. For those unable to attend the hearing written comments will be accepted until 5 p.m. March 14. Written comments should be sent to: DEQ, Attn: David Kauth, 2146 N.E. Fourth Street, Suite 104, Bend, 97701. Copies of the permit are also available for viewing at the DEQ office in Bend.

In order to accommodate people with disabilities, please notify DEQ, as far in advance of the hearing as possible of any special physical or language needs you may have. Contact Bonnie Hough at the DEQ office in Bend, 388-6146.

RHS students to attend festival

Riverside High School students are among the 12,000 participants expected to visit Moscow Feb. 23-26 for the 27th annual Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival. The students are directed by Jill Woodis and Smokey Joe Wightman.

According to Lynn Skinner, festival director, about the same number of enthusiastic jazz fans as a year ago are expected to come for one or more days of the four day event which kicks off with the Pepsi International World Jazz Concert at 7 p.m. Feb. 23.

A "Tribute to Hamp" concert was held Feb. 22.

In addition to winners concerts Feb. 25 and 26, there will be a Delta Air Lines Special Guest concert at 7 p.m. Feb. 24, an All-Star Concert at 8 p.m. Feb. 25 and the GTE Giants of Jazz Concert at 8 p.m. Feb. 26.

Judge Gray complete law course



Charlotte Gray

Morrow County Justice of the Peace Charlotte Gray has received notice that she has successfully completed the National Judicial College's Legal Institute law course.

Gray said that the course equals the education of the first year of law school.

Gray began the course in December of 1992 with two weeks of residence classes at the college campus at Reno, Nevada. The residence courses were followed by four months of homework assignments and final exams, another two weeks of residence classes and then another four months of homework and final exams.

Gray says that the course gives her "a better understanding of the law." She added that it helped her in analyzing cases and finding cases that apply to certain situations. "It enhances my analytical skills," she said. Gray said that the course "was very intense. It was a lot of work."

The course covered contracts, uniform commercial code, constitutional criminal procedures, property, remedies and torts.

Gray emphasizes that the funds which enabled her to take the course were provided on a scholarship basis. Everything, except for \$300 of the costs, was provided by the scholarship, including books, lodging, tuition and videotapes. Gray estimates that the scholarship grant amounted to around \$4,500.

Megan Bailey wins writing contest



Back L-R: Frank Amotisto, president state Elks Assoc., Agri-Williams, 7th vp, state Elks Assoc., Dave Hanna, exalted ruler, Robert Lovgren; front-Olivia Sagely, Claire Anderson, Megan Bailey

Megan Bailey, daughter of Ken and Kaedene Bailey, Heppner, was the first place winner in the 'Americanism' contest sponsored by the Heppner BPOE #358. Claire Anderson and Olivia Sagely, both Heppner, tied for second place. Claire is the daughter of Charlie and Marcia Anderson and Sagely's parents are Bob and Pam Sagely. The girls were honored at the 97th Heppner Elks Annual Saturday, Feb. 19, in Heppner. The event was chaired by Robert Lovgren.

The fourth grade classes of Ione and Heppner were each given a picture of the American Flag and asked to write a story or poem about the flag. There were about 40 entries.

Following is Megan's entry: "The Flag"

The flags' great colors
Red, White and Blue
The flag means
Peace and Freedom, too.
The flag is a symbol
Nothing could beat it
The other countries
They'd just cheat it.

Ione library expands hours

By Anne Morter

The Ione Library will open one night a week starting Wednesday, March 2, for the convenience of those unable to take advantage of the regular hours. The new extended hours will be Wednesday evenings from 7-8:30 p.m. Regular library hours are Mondays and Wednesdays from 3-5 p.m.

The Ione Library is operated by the Ione Topic Club and is open to everyone in the Ione area. The

library features a good selection of recent best-sellers and children's books. No library card is needed to check out books.

Market Report

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Fillies beat Vikings 54-30



Sara Greenup (20) fights for a rebound against Umatilla Vikings.

The Heppner Fillies made sure they would enter District Tournament play as the number two team as they ended a two game losing streak to come back and beat the Umatilla Vikings Saturday night, Feb. 19, 54-30. Kelsie Evans kept the scorekeeper busy with a game

high 25 points while Holli Eckman added 12 and Char Coe dished in seven for the Fillies.

Amber Dickenson scored 10 points for the Vikings.

The Fillies will play Pilot Rock Friday, Feb. 25 at 7 p.m. in a loser out game at the Pendleton Convention Center.

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Off the Wall

By Meryn Robinson

It's easy to become a couch potato while watching the winter Olympics on television. Those highly-skilled athletes in top shape make me aware that each of us could improve on our own physiques. However my favorite exercise involves the use of my fingers and mouth.

Too bad that those Olympic participants can't all be medal winners. Years of hard work and dedication go into being selected for this event. The United States can be proud of having some of the finest athletes in the world who are making a great showing. Too bad that the U.S. is now famous for an ice skating saga that has nothing to do with talent.

From the cozy view point in our living room, watching the Olympics is better than being there in person, me thinks. I wouldn't make a very good Viking in that land where temperatures hover around zero. Somehow I've lost my enthusiasm for snowballs and sledding. And I don't have a yen to drive a reindeer or ride in a sleigh pulled by fuzzy Norwegian Fjord horses. It's unreal how those hardy Norwegians make a heyday of camping out in the snow and cold.

According to the media, the expensive laundry situation there leaves some Americans wondering if the Norwegians freeze-dry their clothes for sanitation or if they just keep switching layers. But it's amazing that with plenty of forethought the small city of Lillehammer can accommodate so many people.

Temporary housing for the Olympics will be used in other parts of Norway, they say. But how they managed to tunnel under a frozen hill to build another ice pavilion is unbelievable. I guess residents on top of that hill, like Californians, survived months of shaking from all that blasting.

Ski and luge runs there were built so as to avoid cutting many trees. However it's a wonder that there weren't objections to infringing on moose habitat. Farmers there were assigned to feeding hay to the moose to keep them away from the area. With all the other risks that these athletes take, they could easily become mincemeat from meeting a moose on a downhill run.

Since our area here isn't conducive to training for most winter Olympics, perhaps an option is to get in shape for the St. Patrick's bedraces. But for those that are hesitant about becoming a public figure or the chance of falling down, they can quietly search for clues leading to the hidden shamrock that will beget \$90 worth of silver Oregon Trail commemorative medallions. Meanwhile don't forget to dry out your Irish walking stick and concoct a parade entry.

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