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School starts in Morrow County Fort Henrietta Days Sept. 7-8



Newly hired Heppner High School principal Ron Anthony discusses student handbooks on the first day of school with office aides Nicole Van Etta (left) and Traci Dickenson, both seniors at HHS. School started for Morrow County students on Tuesday, Sept. 3.

Tiffanie Munkers wins Condon rodeo all-around

The first high school rodeo of the season was held Labor Day weekend at Condon. Tiffanie Munkers rode away with all around honors, placing in cutting, barrels, goat tying and breakaway. The team championship title which consists of Katie McCain and Angela and Tiffanie Munkers, went to the Columbia Basin Ladies' Team. Ladies' reserve champion went to Janci Hannen, Central Oregon.

All around cowboy was Jared McFarland. Reserve champions were Ross Coleman, North Valley, and Emmet Evans.

Following are the results of the rodeo:

Goat tying-first Tiffanie Munkers, fourth Angela Munkers, both Columbia Basin (CB), 10th Janci Hannen;

Barrel racing-second A. Munkers, third T. Munkers, fourth Hannen, fifth Lexi Matteson, and ninth Annie Hisler, both Intermountain (IM);

Pole bending: second L. Matteson;

Cow cutting (girls)-first Han-

nen, second T. Munkers, third Hisler;

Cow cutting (boys)-first Jared McFarland, third Emmet Evans, IM;

Breakaway roping-fifth Katie McCain, CB, seventh Hannen, eighth T. Munkers, ninth L. Matteson, 10th Amber Evans, IM;

Bareback riding-second Nate Filbin, CB;

Saddlebronc-first and second tie Filbin and Zane Gibbs, IM, third Ty Wilkins, CB, fourth J. McFarland, fifth Ross Coleman;

Calf roping-second Justin Matteson, IM;

Steer wrestling-fourth E. Evans;

Team roping-first J. Matteson and Brian Rosebrook, second J. McFarland and Bobbie Alexander, fifth E. Evans and Marissa Finley;

Bull riding-first Wilkins, second Coleman;

Five high school rodeos will be held this fall in Oregon, at Klamath Falls, Burns, Cottage Grove, Condon and La Grande. The remainder will be in the spring.

Thirteen is going to be a lucky number in Echo on Sept. 7-8, when the 13th annual Fort Henrietta Days and Rendezvous begins. The Fort Henrietta Park, a National Historic Oregon Trail site, will return to the look of the fur-trader era when area black powder groups set up camp. The Rendezvous is one of the high points of this historic experience.

During the celebration, the Fort Henrietta Park, which is located on the bank of the Umatilla River, will be filled with the tips of mountaintops and black powder enthusiasts. The Sagebrush Freetrappers, a Hermiston-based black powder club, organizes the rendezvous competitions and activities.

Over \$500 worth of prizes will be awarded in events such as the Tomahawk Throw, Dutch Oven Cooking Contest, Rolling Pin Toss, Frying Pan Throw, Jr. Fire Start and Cayuse Run. The Cayuse Run is a mountainman-style competition where the competitors race along the Umatilla River bed to set a beaver trap, throw a tomahawk, shoot a bow and arrow, and discharge a musket. The event is scored on accuracy and time.

The festival will also include a craft market, clothing style show, parade, entertainment, quilt and art shows, five and 10 K runs, golf tournament and plenty of food.

Stokes Landing plans sale

A garage-rummage sale will be held at Stokes Landing Senior Center in Irrigon on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 6-7, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Lunch will be available at the center-chili will be served on Friday, and potato soup on Saturday with rolls and dessert. Cost for the meal is \$1.50.

Man dies of self-inflicted gunshot

William Harold "Hal" Dinkins, 71, Heppner, died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head on Thursday, Aug. 29, at approximately 3:15 p.m., according to Heppner Police Chief Doug Rathbun.

Dinkins was discovered at the back emergency entrance to the hospital by people who had heard the shot.

The Heppner Police Dept. responded to the scene.

Ione School hires two new teachers



Helen-Marie Marshall

By April Hilton-Sykes

There are two new faces in the halls at the Ione Schools, one a veteran teacher and the other, while fairly new to teaching, with varied experience in the business field.

Helen-Marie Marshall, 55, with over 30 years experience as a teacher, has been hired as a science and math teacher at Ione High School.

Marshall received a bachelor of arts degree in physical education at the University of California at Berkeley and completed her fifth year in biology and physical education at Western Oregon State College at Monmouth.

Over her many years in education Marshall has taught fourth grade through junior college and her experience includes teaching "just about everything that's been taught in high school."

Originally from a small agricultural community in northern California, Marshall is most recently from Bend where she has taught the last three years.

"I feel lucky to be here," says Marshall. "I'm really pleased. It's going to be challenging, but I look forward to the small classes."

In addition to the small classes, Marshall's move to the Ione area will also bring her closer to one of her children, who lives in Spokane. Another child lives in Sacramento, CA. Marshall also has four grandchildren.

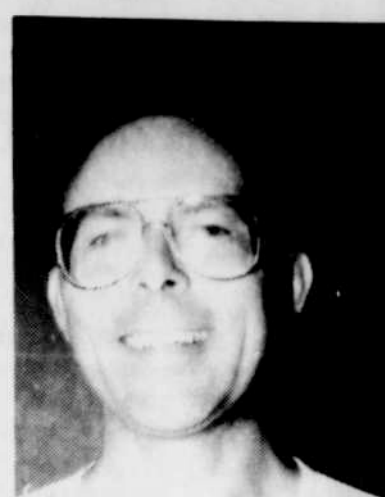
Besides teaching, Marshall has plenty of activities to keep her busy. She enjoys sewing, cooking, crocheting, traveling, gardening and sports and has been an avid snow skier and scuba diver.

Mark Bird, 41, has been hired to teach business at IHS.

Bird received a bachelor's degree in business administration in 1977 at Portland State University and a bachelor's degree in secondary education in interdisciplinary studies at Western Oregon State College in 1994. He has been a teacher for two years.

Bird had a varied career before embarking on a career in education. He worked 10 years for Campus Crusade for Christ, five years in Tucson, AZ, recruiting and training new staff, and five years in San Bernardino, CA, training and fund raising.

After leaving Campus Crusade for Christ, Bird worked two years for a long distance



Mark Bird

company in southern California. While in California, he also substitute taught and then decided that teaching was the career for him. "I really enjoyed the kids. That's what got me into teaching," said Bird.

In 1991, Bird moved back to Oregon to be closer to his parents who live in Portland, and in 1992, he went back to school. The first year of teaching, Bird taught in Yamhill County, Polk County and Salem Keizer school districts and the second he worked exclusively in Salem-Keizer.

Bird has a previous connection to Morrow County. His father worked in the Heppner area for around two years for the Phillips. "He loves this area and wants to come up and see me," said Bird.

Besides enjoying the dry weather in Eastern Oregon, Bird enjoys athletics, including running, the outdoors and reading.

Record number turn out for HHS volleyball

A record number of Fillies have turned out for the Heppner High School volleyball team this year. With 39 girls involved in the program this year, the coaching staff looks forward to "a great season". Terry Gentry returns for her 11th year as varsity coach; Susie Hisler is coming back this year to coach the junior varsity; and Dana Reid returns for her second year coaching the "C" team.

The Fillies will start their volleyball season on Saturday, Sept. 7, with the varsity playing a tournament out of town.

Although the rosters will be somewhat variable, at this time the varsity roster includes six returning varsity players: Lori Moeller, Traci Dickenson, Stormy Howard, Annie Hisler, Mindy Binchus and Jill Barber. Rounding out the varsity team are Lexi Matteson, Amber Peck and Mandy Gutierrez.

Junior varsity includes:

The coaching staff stated they are pleased with the large turnout this year and feels that Heppner will enjoy a well-balanced team of volleyball players. Coach Hisler added, "This is a group of self-motivated girls with plenty of height, quickness and skill."

Jessica Van Winkle, Lindsay Ropp, Katie Kenny, Josie Proctor, Melissa Cutsforth, Jamie Hansen, Katie Nichols, Brooke Boyer, Janelle Healy, Kathleen Greenup, Christy Kenny, Jaci Hughes, Jessie Maben, Jamie Perez, Casey Ingraham and Kim Pointer.

Playing on the "C" team are: Jaylene Papineau, Christy Worden, Abby Kahl, Amanda McDaniel, Laurie Michael, Amy Drake, Leah Denton, Macy Rhea, Amy Papineau, Tracy Rankin, Ashley Ropp, Trisha Adams, Allison Sykes and Stephanie Clough.



Terri Gentry

Police assist in safety project

The Heppner Police Department is planning a program for area children and their parents called 'Project Kid Care', which is a children's safety program.

Families who participate in the program will receive a booklet which has space for photos and fingerprints of the child. The program is designed to enhance community awareness to prevent child abductions and to assist law enforcement officers if a missing child case arises.

Heppner Police Chief Doug Rathbun says that the program, which will begin around the end of the month, will be targeted at children up to the third grade and will include preschool and grade school children as well as home schooled youngsters.

Gordon Smith to be in Heppner

Candidate for U.S. Senate Gordon Smith, from Pendleton, will be in Heppner at the St. Patrick's Senior Center on Wednesday, Sept. 11, from 12-12:45 p.m. to visit and have lunch with the seniors.



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