

Ione Middle School team "tenacious"

By Jeremy Rietmann
The Ione Middle School's (IMS) basketball program was launched last week and is off to a good start. Dale Holland, the IMS boys' coach for the past three years, says he is looking forward to working with "such a tenacious team."
"We have many eager players, although not a lot of height," Coach Holland said. He also does not think that the limited number of players will be a factor this year because it

will mean more playing time for everyone. Holland's main goal is to "turn young players into fundamentally sound players."
There will be a "A" team and a "B" team as there has been in the past. Holland feels that his sixth graders have "a lot of potential and will be a tremendous help to the team."
The IMS Cardinals' first game will be Friday, Dec. 6 at 3 p.m. against the Arlington Goslings in Arlington.

Heppner Booster Club seeks by-laws

The Heppner Booster Club has lost the original copy of its by-laws and members are soliciting help in finding them. Anyone who has a copy of the club's by-laws is asked to contact Debbie Koffler, 676-5192.

The Booster Club will have its regular meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 11 at 7 p.m., in the home ec. room at Heppner High School.
Anyone interested is invited to attend.

St. Patrick's Senior Center Bulletin Board

There were 62 people present for the Senior Center birthday dinner Nov. 27 and four meals were delivered. Bob Taylor won the free meal ticket and Joe Engleman, the birthday candle. Members of the Willow Creek Baptist Church served. Blood pressures were taken before the meal. Those members of the Nutrition Site Committee who were present for the meal met with Carol Mitchell after lunch.

The menu for Wednesday, Dec. 11 will be chicken pot pie with biscuits, jello, coleslaw with green peppers, chilled pineapple and cookies. Members of the All Saints' Episcopal Church will serve. The Senior Center Board will meet following the meal at 1 p.m.

One table of pinocle was in play Friday afternoon. Velma Wight showed a video of elk in Wheeler County on Friday evening. The video was made by Velma's son, Gary Wight, and was excellent. Eleven people came to watch.

Eight people watched the movie, "It Takes Two," Sunday evening.

All the seats have been filled for the trip to Hermiston to see the Singing Christmas Tree, Saturday, Dec. 14. Ed Baker will be the bus driver.

Other dates to remember: Tuesday and Thursday exercise, 10 a.m.; Wednesday blood pressure clinic, 11 a.m., senior meal, noon; Friday cards, 2 p.m.; Sunday movie, 7 p.m.

17 out for lone varsity

By Jennifer Thompson
The lone High School Cardinal boys' varsity Coach Del LaRue says, "everything is going very well so far and this year the team will be very competitive." Seventeen players turned out this season.
Coach LaRue says the strong points of the team include its experience, the number of players, and shooting ability. The team's main objective is "to make it back to Baker City and win the state championship."

This year, LaRue says, his team will be tough defensively. He says that they are quick and have "great court awareness." Although they lack size, he said they will try to overcome this weakness by putting continuous pressure on the other team. LaRue says this year "will be very exciting and will keep the fans on the edge of their seats."

Bowling League

Koffee Kup Keglers		
week of Nov. 21		
	W	L
The BJ's	27	13
M.C.G.G.	26	14
No Pin Hitters	24	16
The Dregs	22	18
The Alley Cats	18	22
High series: Linda Schultz 495.		
High game: LaJuana McKenzie 183.		

week of Nov. 26		
	W	L
The BJ's	29	15
M.C.G.G.	30	14
No Pin Hitters	28	16
The Dregs	24	20
The Alley Cats	18	26
High series: Bonnie Lindsay 507.		
High game: Bonnie Lindsay 201.		
Splits converted: Susan Atkins 9-10.		
Pat Gutierrez 3-7-10.		

Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes, Chamber Manager

It was a "Town and Country" happening as eight people within the Heppner city limits and six from the country gathered to refurbish the Heppner Christmas wreath decorations at the fire hall. Many hands made light work and within an hour the job was complete, leaving the "workers" to enjoy refreshments provided by Yaw's.

It's not too early to begin planning for the 1997 decorations, as the current wreaths will have to be retired or moved out of the Main Street blocks. Longtime Chamber lighting chairman Bill Kuhn threatens to retire with the decorations. He was on hand along with Fred Toombs of Columbia Basin Electric Co-op, Tom Rawlins of Heppner TV, Dan Brosnan and Randall Peterson to hang the wreaths - no easy task. What would we do without our "behind the scenes" people? Things would be very different. Let them know they are appreciated.

One and all are invited to "Deck the Tree" with the Chamber on Sunday, Dec. 8, at 4:30 p.m. Bring a large, weatherproof ornament and holiday enthusiasm. There will be hot chocolate and caroling led by members of the South Morrow Community Choir. Where's the tree? By the Post Office.

Have you noticed the community bulletin board located at Central Red Apple Market? Community sponsors provided this opportunity for scheduled events to be posted in one location. Watch for the December schedule soon. Organizations should contact the Chamber office, 676-5536, or Twice Upon A Time, 676-5886, to be included on the monthly calendar of events. Call right away.

Thought for the week: "Giving thanks is a course from which we never graduate."

Lube and Oil Change Service

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16 Lady Cards playing this season

By Shelby Krebs
Sixteen players, one manager and one statistician have turned out for lone Middle School (IMS) girls' basketball.
Coach Steve Schaber says he is "impressed" with the turn out and said his main objective this season is "to educate his players and to further their knowledge in basketball." He

Ione JV season looks promising

By Shelby Krebs and Jeremy Rietmann

Dean Robinson, coach of the lone High School JV Cardinals, says his top priority this season is "to teach and help his players reach varsity level."

"Adjusting to different players will be the biggest problem this season," he said, but also says he has the strongest team he's coached in three years. Although experience is the team's weakest area, Coach Robinson hopes to have a successful JV season.

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Heppner is eligible to apply for a 1997 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) from the Oregon Economic Development Department.

Community Development Block Grant funds come from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development through the Oregon Economic Development Department. The state will accept applications between March 3, 1997 and March 7, 1997 for Community Facilities, Housing Rehabilitation and Technical Assistance projects. Applications for Public Works projects are taken all year.

Approximately \$16 million will be awarded to Oregon non-metropolitan cities and counties in 1997. The most any city or county can receive will be up to \$750,000 for a construction project and/or \$10,000 for a technical assistance grant.

A public hearing will be held by the Heppner City Council at 7:00 p.m. on December 9, 1996 at the City Hall, 188 W. Willow Street.

The purpose of the is hearing is for the City Council to obtain citizen views and to respond to proposals and questions about:

- * Community development and housing needs, especially the needs of low and moderate income persons, as well as other needs in the community that might be assisted with a Community Development Block Grant project.

- * The performance of Heppner in carrying out its community development responsibilities.

Written comments are also welcome and must be received by 5:00 p.m. December 9, 1996 at City Hall, 188 W. Willow Street. Both oral and written comments will be considered by the City Council in deciding whether to apply.

A second public hearing will be held prior to completion of an application for a specific project.

The location of the hearing is accessible to the disabled. Please let Gary Marks at City Hall at 676-9618 know if you will need any special accommodations to attend or participate in the meeting.

More information about Oregon Community Development Block Grants and records about the City's past use of Community Development Block Grant funds is available for public review at 188 W. Willow St. during regular hours. Advance notice is requested. If special accommodations are needed, please notify Gary Marks at City Hall at 676-9618 so that appropriate assistance can be provided.

Gary B. Marks
City Manager
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also hopes his players will "keep a great attitude and have a positive experience." A main goal is "defeating Heppner," and "capturing the Helix trophy would be great," he added.

The IMS Lady Cardinals have 11 scheduled games, with the first in Arlington on Friday, Dec. 6.

PUBLIC NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR
AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management
[OR-100-6321-01; G-3-119]
(Case File #OR-51858)

ACTION: NOTICE OF INTENT, PLAN AMENDMENT, NOTICE OF REALTY ACTION, NOTICE OF EXCHANGE PROPOSAL

SUMMARY: In accordance with 43 CFR 1610.2 and 1610.3 and 43 CFR 2200, notice is given that the Bureau of Land Management in the State of Oregon, Vale District, Baker Resource Area, intends to analyze a potential amendment to the Baker R.A. Resource Management Plan (RMP). The potential amendment will involve adjustment of land tenure designations. Currently the Baker RMP designates only two land tenure adjustment categories. The potential amendment would reclassify those areas with special designations into a "retention only" zone, thus adding an additional category. If necessary, the purpose of the plan amendment would be to make available for exchange certain lands located in Baker, Umatilla, Union, and Morrow Counties in Northeastern Oregon and would facilitate exchange proposals that involve the Prineville District BLM, Baker R.A., numerous private property holders, and a third party facilitator.

Subject to valid existing rights, most of the public lands referred to herein have been segregated from appropriation under the public land laws and mineral laws for a period of five years, beginning May 24, 1996. A complete list of specific lands segregated will be available in the same locations as the other elements of the supporting record, as noted elsewhere in this notice.

DATES: A two purpose public comment period is provided at this time. Publication of this Notice in the Federal Register starts the 45 day comment period necessary to meet public notification requirements for both the Notice of Intent to prepare to prepare plan amendments, an EIS and the Notice of Realty Action.

ADDRESS: Bureau of Land Management
Vale District, Baker R.A.
P.O. Box 987
Baker City, OR, 97

Prineville District, Central Oregon Resource Area
P.O. Box 550
Prineville, OR 97754

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ron Lane, Central Oregon R.A. Realty Specialist, (541) 416-6752 and

Dorothy Mason, Baker R.A., Staff Supervisor, (541) 523-1256.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

The Prineville District's Two Rivers (1986) and John Day (1985, 1995) Resource Management Plans and the Vale District's Baker (1989, 1992) Resource Management Plan (RMPs) currently provide general management guidelines for land tenure adjustments as well as overall land resource use allocations and resource protection or enhancement. Although it is anticipated that the final decisions for land exchanges considered through

this analysis will be in full conformance with the applicable RMPs, it is possible that portions of some actions under some alternatives may not be in full conformance with the approved plans, as required by 43 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Subpart 1610.5-3, "Conformity and Implementation". The environmental analysis and public and interagency review process anticipated for this analysis are expected to fully comply with the Bureau's regulations for land use planning, including land use plan amendments, public involvement and coordination with other Federal agencies, State and local governments and Indian tribes, (43 CFR 1610.2, 1610.3 and 1610.5-5). This will allow the analysis to consider land tenure strategies which are inconsistent with the current direction or substantially affect other resource uses and allocations in one or more of the subject approved RMPs. Any approved decisions which amend the applicable plans will be incorporated into the plans and become part of the permanent planning record. Any refinements or clarifications of management direction, priority of disposal or use of acquired lands will be incorporated into the applicable plans and documented through published plan maintenance reports, as provided under 43 CFR 1610.5-4. Copies of the three existing approved plans (as amended) will be available in the same locations as the other elements of the supporting record, as noted elsewhere in this notice.

The decisions made through this analysis are expected to be implemented through a relatively complex series of land tenure adjustment actions over a period of several years. Although the intent is to consummate the majority of the exchanges within approximately two years of the approval of the decision(s), some residual actions or independent land exchanges which are in conformance with the analysis and decisions and associated approved RMPs may occur over a period of ten or more years. In effect, this analysis will serve both to facilitate the ongoing project as well as future actions that fall under the programmatic nature of this analysis. Future exchanges or other land transfers would be subject to

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FOOT PAIN?

Dr. Donald Carlson, Podiatric foot and ankle specialist will be at the Pioneer Memorial Clinic, November 27, and December 11, for the diagnosis and treatment of all foot problems.

Call Now 676-5504 or Hermiston Clinic 567-8750

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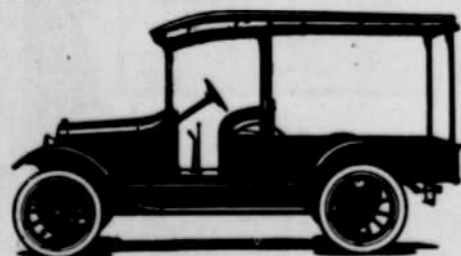
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Craig Ely, Assistant Regional Supervisor
Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife, NE Region
107 20th Street
La Grande, OR 97850
Phone: (541) 963-2138
FAX: (541) 963-6670

Please call for a proposal package. Proposals will be opened on January 6, 1997 at 9:00 a.m. The State reserves the right to reject, for good cause, any proposal if it is in the best interest of the State to do so. Bidder must indicate if they are a resident bidder as defined in ORS 279.029.

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