

## Ione Cards JV girls lose in homecoming games



Ione Jvs in action against Condon

By Kara Miller

The Ione JV volleyball team came out to do some destruction, but found the Condon Blue Devils' JV team was equal to the task. The first game consisted of many rallies, ending in Ione's favor, 16-14, but Ione lost the next two games, 3-15 and 5-15, and the match.

Jennifer Thompson and Erin Crowell both had serves on the Cardinal side of the board. Allison Halvorsen was a double threat, both on the net and the back row. Halvorsen put in three spikes and received 14 serves, for the offensive line. Jessica Krebs added a couple of saves to help Charissa Gates set up some assists for the front line. Another shin-

ing star that night was Crowell who put up six points with her awesome serves. Even though the girls didn't come out with the win, they were positive and very hard-working.

The JV team will travel to Culver on Saturday, Oct. 25, to play right after the varsity game that starts at noon.

## Mustang varsity, JVs defeat Sherman County

The Heppner High School varsity volleyball team's first game against Sherman County Thursday, Oct. 16, was a tough one for the Mustang girls. They lost to the Huskies, 15-6, in the first game, but the Mustangs turned the tables in the second and third games and defeated the Huskies, 15-4, 15-4, to take the match. The large and enthusiastic Mustang crowd added to the excitement of the game, their last home match of the season.

Jill Barber served 16 out of 19 for the game. Jaci Hughes was perfect in serving for 7/7 and Jessica VanWinkle served nine out of 10. Annie Hisler made eight out of 10 serves; Elguezabal made six out of eight serves; Amber Peck, four out of five; and Lexi Matteson 1/2.

"The girls had problems in the first game," said varsity coach Terri Gentry. "But they turned it around and showed that they have a lot of guts. The came back

and played hard."

Senior girls playing in their last home match of their high school careers were honored at the game and they introduced and presented flowers to their parents. Seniors included: Mindy Binschus, Petra Elguezabal, Jayme Hansen, Annie Hisler, Lexi Matteson, Linsey Ropp, Jessica VanWinkle, camera-Maci Childers, and stats-Josie Proctor.

The varsity defeated both Umatilla and Stanfield in two games on Saturday, Oct. 18, at home.

The Mustangs beat Umatilla, 15-5, 15-7. Jill Barber was hot in the serving department, hitting 15/15. Amber Peck also had perfect serving, making 4/4, as did Jessica VanWinkle with 2/2, and Janelle Healy, 1/1. Casey Ingraham served 7/8; Lexi Matteson, 4/5; Petra Elguezabal, 3/4; Brooke Boyer, 2/3; and Jaci Hughes, 1/2.

Heppner took the match over Stanfield, 15-3, 15-4. Janelle Healy was a perfect 9/9 in serving as was Casey Ingraham with 7/7 and Petra Elguezabal with 5/5. Annie Hisler served 7/8; Jill Barber, 4/5; Brooke Boyer and Linsey Ropp, both 2/3; and Jayme Hansen, 1/3.

"Everybody got to play," said varsity coach Terri Gentry. "We got to try different rotations."

The Mustang varsity players were defeated at Weston Tuesday night. The two teams will play off in Heppner on Thursday, Oct. 23.

The JV team remains undefeated.

## Next CRP signup scheduled

Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) general sign-up 16 will be held during a five-week period from October 14 through November 14.

"This will be another opportunity for landowners to sign up for a voluntary program to get financial and technical assistance for improving their land, water and wildlife resources," Skip Matthews said. "If you haven't tried to get into the program, if your CRP contract offers were not accepted with the 68,539.6 Morrow County contract acres (a 71 percent acceptance rate) in sign-up last spring, or if you have contracts expiring this fall, this is the time to make new contract offers."

The CRP is designed to improve America's natural resource base. Landowners enter into contracts with the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) to enroll erodible and other environmentally sensitive land in contracts for 10 to 15 years. In exchange, they receive annual rental payments and a payment for up to 50 percent of the cost of establishing approved practices.

The CCC will continue to evaluate and rank all eligible CRP offers using an Environmental Benefits Index (EBI), which is based on the potential environmental benefits from enrolling the land in the CRP. The EBI is composed of six environmental factors (wildlife habitat cover benefits, water quality benefits, on-farm

benefits of reduced erosion, benefits enduring beyond the contract period, air quality benefits, and conservation priority areas) plus a cost factor. Included in the cost factor is a provision to bid less than the maximum rental rate and receive additional points up to a maximum of 15.

The EBI's wildlife habitat cover benefits factor is revised since the last sign-up to recognize the improved wildlife benefits attributable to certain covers. The air quality factor is also modified, and an additional subfactor is added to the cost factor to further encourage the CRP's cost competitiveness.

Maximum CRP payments will be determined based on county average dryland cash or cash rent equivalent rental rates adjusted for site-specific, soil-based productivity factors. CRP payments can include an additional amount, not to exceed \$5 per acre per year, as an incentive to perform certain maintenance obligations. Cost-share assistance will be provided to establish approved cover on land enrolled in the CRP.

Interested producers and landowners should contact the Morrow County Farm Service Agency office at 430 Heppner/Lexington Hwy, 676-9011, for additional information and/or appointments.

All programs and services of the USDA are offered on a nondiscriminatory basis, without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, marital status, or handicap.

## St. Patrick's Senior Center Bulletin Board

Eighty people were present for the senior dinner Oct. 15 and nine meals were home delivered. Members of the Episcopal Church served.

The menu for the birthday Halloween dinner Oct. 29 will be oven fried chicken, potatoes and gravy, corn, rolls, fruit and Halloween cupcake. Members of the First Christian Church will serve.

Thirty people were present for the breakfast Friday and two meals were home delivered. The menu for the breakfast Oct. 24 will be breakfast casserole, fruit, hot and cold cereal, orange juice, milk and coffee.

A one table of pinocle was in play Friday afternoon.

A large crowd of relatives and friends attended the memorial service for Darlene Arrington Friday afternoon, and most stayed for refreshments provided by seniors and other friends. On the committee and clean up crew were Daisy Collins, Kathryn Hoskins, Rose Marie Buschke, Harriett Batty, Alberta Johannes and Ralph and Barbara Struthers.

Dates to remember are: Tues. and Thurs., 10 a.m. exercise; Wed., 11 a.m. blood pressures, 12 noon senior meal; Fri., 2 p.m. cards, 8-10:30 a.m. breakfast; Sunday, movie.

The Dollarie van provides rides for seniors and handicapped persons to medical and other appointments. The "Hot Lunch Express" meals are also delivered by the van. Call the Senior Center, 676-9030, the day before an appointment, leave your name, the date, time and place of appointment and where to be picked up.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

HEPPNER RANGER DISTRICT PROPOSES 1998/1999 SKOOKUM UNDERBURN  
The Heppner Ranger District of the Umatilla National Forest is currently conducting an environmental analysis for the proposed 1998/1999 Skookum Underburn Project. This underburning project would be designed to re-introduce fire into the ecosystem which will reduce the buildup of natural and activity fuels on the forest floor. This analysis area includes 22,720 acres within the Alder/Upper Skookum, Lower Skookum and Hog subwatersheds.

Additional information can be obtained by contacting Gary Clark at the Heppner Ranger District office (541) 676-9187. Public participation is encouraged in the planning process; anyone wishing to provide input or express concerns should do so in writing. Send comments to Delanne Ferguson, District Ranger, Heppner Ranger District, P.O. Box 7, Heppner, Oregon 97836.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PROPOSED MERGER

Notice is hereby given that Bank of Eastern Oregon, Heppner, Oregon has filed an application to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for prior written consent to merge with Eastern Interim Bank, Heppner, Oregon. It is contemplated that all of the offices of the above named institutions will continue to be operated.

This notice is published pursuant to Section 18(c) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act.

Any person wishing to comment on this application may file his or her comments in writing with the regional director of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation at its regional office at 25 Ecker St., Suite 2300, San Francisco, California 94105, before processing of the application has been completed. Processing will be completed no earlier than the thirtieth day following either the date of the first required publication or the date of receipt of the application by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, whichever is later. The period may be extended by the regional director for good cause. The non-confidential portion of the application file is available for inspection within one day following the request for such file. It may be inspected in the Corporation's regional office during regular business hours. Photocopies of information in the non-confidential portion of the application file will be made upon request. A schedule of charges for such copies can be obtained from the regional office.

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Bank of Eastern Oregon  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF MORROW

Probate Department IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ELMER W. STUBBLEFIELD Deceased.

Case No. 97 PR 021

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to the undersigned personal representative at the office of Thomas J. Ditton, Attorney at Law, 405 N. First Street, Suite 105, P.O. Box 802, Hermiston, Oregon, 97838, within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or they may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings are notified that additional information may be obtained regarding the estate from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the above attorney.

DATED AND PUBLISHED this 22nd day of October, 1997.

Sharon Alsup  
Personal Representative  
Published: October 22, 29, and November 5, 1997

## PUBLIC NOTICE

CIRCUIT COURT OF OREGON COUNTY OF MORROW

In the Matter of the Estate of CLISTA MAE VENARD,

Deceased

97-PR-016

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

Notice is given that the undersigned has been appointed and has qualified as the personal representative of the estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present it, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the personal representative at the offices of Kuhn, Spicer & Mills, 269 A N. Main Street, P.O. Box 428, Heppner, Oregon, 97836, or they may be barred.

All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this estate may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative or the attorney for the personal representative.

DATED and first published October 8, 1997.

(s) William J. Kuhn, OSB# 76207 Attorney for the Estate.

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## New minister hired for Hope/Valby



Rev. Dick Metz

The Rev. Richard "Dick" Metz, a graduate of Luther Theological Seminary with a master of divinity degree in St. Paul, Minnesota has accepted the call of the Hope/Valby Lutheran Parish of Heppner and Ione to be their pastor, beginning November 1.

Pastor Metz was ordained to Gospel ministry in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America on October 18 in Richfield, Minnesota. He served his year of internship in 1995-96 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Boardman under supervision of Pastor Wes Sackman of Trinity Lutheran in

Hermiston.

The Rev. Metz attended Cornell University and graduated with a bachelor of arts degree from Augsburg College in Minneapolis in 1971. Pastor Metz holds an MBA degree from St. Thomas University in Minneapolis and was employed in management positions in the Toro Company, American AGCO and Lutheran Brotherhood Insurance Co.

He has been highly involved in lay ministries in home congregations and was active in numerous community athletic associations. He has coached hockey, baseball and football and umpired.

A public festival service of installation is planned for 4 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 23, at Hope Lutheran Church in Heppner.

A new Sunday school hour for Hope Lutheran Church in Heppner has begun this fall.

An adult class and several children's classes will be offered at 10 a.m.

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Application: Contact Heppner Middle/Senior High School at (541) 676-9138 for information and applications. Successful candidates may be subject to fingerprinting.

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