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Letters to the Editor

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Fans should act appropriately

To the Editor:
I have always been proud to live in Heppner. We have a good community and it is exciting that our sports teams are doing so well this fall. But what I have seen and heard for several years is horrible sportsmanship from the Heppner fans.
I know that there will be a large attendance at the playoff games, and hope that we will show good

sportsmanship and attitudes. Our public display puts off a negative image that is not what our community is about.
We learn what we live, and we need to start acting like leaders for the next generation. All of us can say what is right, but it takes a very big person to stand up for what they know is right and act appropriately.
(s) Macy Rhea
Heppner

Relay Challenge seeks volunteers

"Bringing youth and adults together for one day of work, fun and turning strangers into friends without violence, tobacco, alcohol or drugs" is what the sponsors of Morrow County 24-Hour Relay Challenge hope to offer.
Youth and adults from varied backgrounds and abilities form 10 member teams. Each person walks or runs a mile, then passes off a baton to a teammate in a cycle that repeats continuously for 24 hours. "By the end of the relay, everyone involved has a strong sense of personal accomplishment and has made new friends," said a spokesperson. While teams are circling the track, a community picnic will take place with continuous entertainment, food and camping.

Emergency medical technician personnel will be on-site, as well as other health care professionals. All proceeds will fund youth programs that promote drug and alcohol prevention, eliminate juvenile crime and other related youth programs.
The relay is seeking individuals who want to be involved in planning, volunteering and other aspects of this event. A planning team meeting is scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 23, from 3-5 p.m. at Morrow Estates Community Center, 220 Anderson Circle, in Boardman. All interested persons are invited to attend, or call 676-9161 or 676-9675.

Justice Court Report

The Justice Court office at the courthouse annex building in Heppner reports handling the following business during the past week:
Roger Merritt Meacham, 45, Weiser-No Oregon Operator's License, \$67 fine;
Jenny Tyler, 29, Heppner-No Angling License, \$57 fine;
Kyle Alan Tyler, 28, Heppner-No Angling License (illegal possession of fish), \$164 fine, Assault IV, \$1,620 court appointed attorney fees, 180 days in jail, 154 suspended with credit for 26 days served, \$500 suspended, two years probation with no further violation of the law, undergo alcohol education and anger management classes, report to Heppner each month until completed;
Michael A. Ephrem, 22, Portland-No Valid Deer Tag, \$57 fine;
Jimmy J. Ephrem, 24, Portland-No Deer Tag, \$57 fine;
Anthony J. Ephrem, 34, Portland-No Deer Tag, \$77 fine;
Debbie Ephrem, 36, Portland-Illegal Possession of Deer, \$172 fine;
Robin Lee Gallo, 36, Walla Walla-Violation of the Basic Speed Rule, 85 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$148 fine;
Chuck Ephrem, 24, Portland-Illegal Possession of Deer, \$172 fine;
Johnny B. Ephrem, 34, Portland-Illegal Possession of Deer, \$172 fine;
Linsey Marie Ropp, 18, Lexington-Failure to Yield Right-of-Way, \$122 fine.

Bulldogs feast on Cardinals

By Adam Neiffer and Adam McCabe
The Culver Bulldogs improved their season record to 9-0, after beating the Ione Cardinals, 70-34, on Saturday, Oct. 25.
Culver came out strong, excited about their homecoming, and established an early lead over the Cardinals from which Ione never recovered. Culver had several fast players, for which Ione had no answer.
Ione's Kyle Johnson kicked off for the first time in a game, a 40 yard line drive that was received by Culver's number 20. A reverse on the play temporarily faked out Ione, but the Cards made the tackle about 30 yards down the field. Culver's first play was a triple reverse that resulted in a touchdown run by number 26. The Bulldogs also kicked an extra point.
The remainder of the half continued to go in Culver's favor, which could be seen on the scoreboard, 41-6. Despite the score, Ione did have some good drives, but came up short of the end zone more than once.
At halftime, Culver announced their homecoming court, while Ione regrouped and prepared for the second half.
Ione came out stronger in the second half, scoring 12 points, while keeping Culver to 14 in the third.
Ione finally gained momentum in the fourth quarter when they outscored Culver 16-15, but it was not enough and Culver won the game, 70-34.
Statistics:
Culver 70, Ione 34
Ione- 0-6-12-16 34
Culver- 21-20-14-15 70

Pioneer Memorial Clinic will be closed Tuesday, November 11 for Veterans' Day

Wheat League meets



Ken Grieb and Suzi Frederickson

Forty-five Wheat League members and guests were in attendance at the fall meeting and prime rib dinner October 13 at Beecher's Cafe in Ione.
The afternoon session brought growers up to date on the new cleaning facility at terminal five in Portland, what's in store for the local FSA office, and field trial updates. Speakers were Randy Cartmill, Columbia Grain; Skip Mathews, Farm Service Agency; Kathryn Kettel; and Mike Stoltz, OSU Extension Service.
Morrow County Grain Growers hosted a social hour between sessions.
The evening meeting included a prime rib dinner and guest speakers Gary Neal, Port of Morrow, and Glenn Vanselow, Pacific Northwest Waterways Association, on the Columbia River navigation system. Officers elected for the coming year are Suzi Frederickson, Irrigon, president, and Ken Greib, Lexington, vice president.
The door prize, a weekend for two on the Oregon Coast, was sponsored by The Bank of Eastern Oregon.

Jam session scheduled

Since May, individuals from the Heppner/Ione/Condon area have been taking violin instruction from Peg Willis on Fridays in Heppner. To celebrate the past six months of practice, a "jam session" will be held for the public at the Morrow County Museum, Friday, Nov. 7 at 7 p.m.
"The public jam session is not only for others to hear the students play, but for the students to hear themselves play with other musicians," said Willis. "Everyone is invited to attend. If you play an instrument, you can even join in on the fun." This session is also an opportunity for those thinking about stringed instrument instruction for themselves, or their children to hear the results of her instruction.
Willis has been teaching music in the Pendleton area for 25 years; her instruction also includes guitar, bass and mandolin. Students range in age from 5-75 years old. She teaches beginning students by the "Suzuki" method, which emphasizes musicianship, holding instruments properly, intonation and sound quality. Students are then taught to read music when they are ready to do so.
Willis's Friday instruction in Heppner includes both private and group lessons. For more information about the session or lessons, contact Willis at 276-0350.

Fair committee seeks 1998 theme

The Morrow County Fair Committee is seeking a theme for the 1998 fair.
Everyone is invited to think of a theme for this year's fair that encourages cooperation around the county to raise funds for a new multipurpose building at the fairgrounds.
Winner of the contest win \$20 worth of tickets for the committee's holiday shopping spree raffle and two free passes to the fair.
Entries should be sent to CJ Johnson, P.O. Box 158, Heppner 97836.
Winner of the shopping spree raffle wins a two-minute shopping spree at Central Market for up to \$500.

Fair Committee plans shopping raffle

To help raise funds for a new multi-purpose building at the Morrow County Fairgrounds, the Fair Committee is raffling off a Holiday Shopping Spree, valued up to \$500, to be held at Central Red Apple Market in Heppner.
Tickets are one for \$5, three for \$10, or eight for \$20, and may be purchased from a Fair Committee member by calling 989-8253 or the fair office at 676-9474. The drawing will be held Tuesday, Dec. 9, and the shopping spree on Saturday, Dec. 13 at 9 a.m.
The winner of the raffle can fill as many shopping carts as possible in two minutes within the \$500 limit. No alcohol, tobacco or pharmacy products will be allowed. If the winner is unable to run, a substitute approved by the committee may be selected.
The Morrow County Fair Board has been working the past year with plans to erect a multi-purpose building on the south side of the pavilion. During fair week, the building will hold all of the 4-H and FFA livestock, as well as the show rings. Other times of the year, it would be available for rent to the general public for a variety of uses, such as motorcross racing, auctions, sales, equestrian events, roping/rodeo practice, off-season ball practice and barrel racing.

MCGG reports good year

The Morrow County Grain Growers co-op reported a good year, turning in record profits, co-op members were told Monday night.
Co-op manager Larry Mills, who is retiring early next year and was attending his last annual meeting, said the co-op's prospects also look good for the coming year.
Mills cited the new convenience store and the recent expansion at the Wasco operation as positive signs for the long term health of the co-op.
Gross sales for the co-op were up from \$40.4 million last year to \$48.1 million in 1997. Net income showed a 14 percent increase from \$892,144 to \$1,018,113 prompting co-op accountant and auditor Steve Green to say that the co-op's financial strength is "very strong and improving."
Mills earlier announced he would be retiring as manager of the co-op. A search for his successor is now underway and the board of directors expects to name a new manager in the spring.

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