

Library plans summer reading program for kids

The Heppner branch of the Oregon Trail Library District has begun its summer reading program.

The summer program is open to all children. Readers will be given log books in which to record time spent reading. Pre-readers may also participate by having mom, dad or someone else read to them. Each child who records 10 hours of reading time in his or her log book and returns it to the library will receive a new book.

The library has also planned summer events as follows:

Friday, June 19, storytelling. Mother Goose and Mother Hubbard will be on hand for storytelling and entertainment;

Friday, June 26, pet show. Bring your pet and compete for prizes in obedience, grooming,

most unique pet, most beautiful pet and pet knowledge.

Friday, June 3, postal adventure. Send yourself on a postal adventure. Color a picture of yourself and mail it to anyone in the U.S.

Friday, July 10, sidewalk art show. Each child will select a picture to draw on the sidewalk outside the library. Art will be judged by Mayor Bob Jepsen.

Friday, July 17, book swap and bingo. Each child will receive a ticket, good for a used book for every used book he or she brings in.

Friday, July 24, ice cream party. Prizes will be awarded this day.

All programs begin at 1 p.m. Anyone who brings a friend into the library to sign up for a new library card will receive a

coupon for an ice cream cone at the R&W Drive-In.

Willow Creek Road construction update

The U.S. Dept. of Transportation lists its planned construction activities on Willow Creek Road for the week of Monday, June 15.

Tidewater will continue the clearing, grubbing, placing silt fence and burning of debris operations, working ahead on line from the beginning of the project which is near the south limits of Cutsforth Park and continue towards the top of Coal Mine Grade and the end of the project. The surveyors are on the project, placing slope stakes for cuts and fills, rock embankments areas and for the various culverts located along the project.

Willow Creek Road (Coal Mine Grade) is closed to through traffic from the south entrance to Cutsforth Park to the intersection of Forest Service Roads 5320 and the FS 53, main line, and 21, Penland Lake Road. This intersection will remain open, for the present time, until construction activities close it sometime in late June.

Willow Creek Road will remain open to local traffic only to the south entrance to Cutsforth Park. Cutsforth Park will remain open during the construction season.

The road closure will continue through the length of the contract, which has a completion date of October 9. The detour route through the Shaw Creek Road will be the main travel route through the four corners to Penland Lake and Ukiah.

The road closure has been accomplished by placing barricades with flashing lights across the Willow Creek Road at both ends of the construction zone. Please observe the warning signs prior to the detour route and barricades at both ends of the construction zone. Have a safe summer and remember that the barricaded road closures are for the traveling public's safety.

Federal Highways asks the traveling public for their patience, consideration and cooperation during this construction season and hopes that the work will be completed with a minimum of delays.

For more information, contact Robert G. Toops, project engineer, at 676-5904 in Heppner for additional information.

Lexington News

By Delpha Jones

Bill Dyer, formerly of the Fossil area, is a visitor at the Bob Taylor home; Dyer, a past participant in the Senior Pro Rodeo, will rope in Hermiston this weekend.

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School board adopts drug, alcohol policy

The Morrow County School Board, at its regular June meeting, adopted revisions to the district's drug and alcohol policy which will broaden the schools' authority and provide harsher penalties for student athletes "determined to be in violation" of the district's policy.

Student athletes will no longer have to be "caught" using drugs or alcohol or admit to use. Now school administrators need only "determine" that a student is actively involved with the use of drugs or alcohol. For example, a student athlete who is at a party where illegal drugs or alcohol are being used, but who does not drink or take the drugs, may be just as culpable as a student who does, according to school officials.

The punishment for a first offense remains much the same, with a two-week suspension from extracurricular activities. A second offense within three years brings a year-long suspension from the activity.

The policy will be applied throughout the calendar year. Previously suspension could not extend from one school year to the next.

The board also approved a teacher evaluation plan which will evaluate competence of all probationary and contract teachers starting this fall. The evaluation will consist of goals, classroom observations, probationary portfolios and final evaluation. If the administrator determines through evidence that a contract teacher is not performing at his level, the teacher may be placed on a plan of assistance. If the plan of assistance is unsuccessful, the administrator may recommend that the teacher be dismissed or his contract not extended.

In other business, the board: -heard a report from Bob Baker, project supervisor, that the Heppner High School and Heppner Elementary School building projects are nearing completion and that the lone project will get underway within the month.

-authorized Baker to accept a total bid package for the Ione Elementary School basement renovation project not to exceed \$180,000.

-adopted the 1998-99 board meeting calendar with two substitutions of south end meetings with north end meetings.

-adopted resolutions to amend the approved budget, adopt and appropriate the budget and impose and categorize taxes.

-accepted the first reading of a policy for administering non-injectable medicine to students.

-approved resignations for Tauna Johnson, fifth/sixth grade teacher at Heppner Elementary School; Jill Patten, Columbia Middle School language arts/social studies teacher; Mark Bird, extra duty position as annual advisor; Tony Pupo, CMS assistant football coach; Barb Peterson, Heppner Junior High School head track and assistant volleyball coach; Randy Barton, Riverside High School head softball coach; Al Trachsel, HJH assistant football coach; Marilyn Stewart, A.C. Houghton food service clerical position; Debbie Basile, HES three-hour per day special ed assistant; and Ray Godin, Sam Boardman Elementary assistant custodian.

-approved employment, transfers or promotions for Barb Orwick, HES fifth/sixth grade teacher; Mary Kay McKenzie, HHS counselor; Jason Just, HJH/HHS science teacher; Anita Otterness, RHS English-as-a-second-language teacher; Winston Cook, RHS music teacher; Steve Empey, computer technician assistant; Lupe Colin, from part-time to full-time SBE ESL assistant; Christina Altamarano, part-time SBE ESL

assistant; Karli Cook, transfer from CMS to RHS as educational assistant; Dawn Dyer, SBE ed assistant; Parris Doherty SBE ed assistant; Doreen DeBoard, transfer from one-on-one special ed assistant to regular ed assistant at SBE; Shanna Evans, one-on-one special ed assistant at SBE.

-denied a grievance at the board level on the use of an intern in a regular teaching position.

-approved all extra duty contracts/positions for the 1998-99 school year as follows:

Heppner Elementary: Linda Shaw, TAG coordinator; Georgia Van Winkle, computer trainer.

Heppner Junior High: Ron Neighorn, half time chorus; Ralph Werner, half time band; Juan Elguezabal, head football coach; Lana Orr, head volleyball coach; John McCabe, head boys' basketball coach; Tony Pupo, assistant boys' basketball coach; Ron Brisbois, head girls' basketball coach; Tim Van Cleave, assistant girls' basketball coach; Keelie Keown, assistant track coach. The assistant football, assistant volleyball and head track coach positions remain unfilled.

Heppner High School: Linda Dutcher, annual, TAG coordinator; Dave Fowler, computer trainer; Ron Neighorn, half time choir; Ralph Werner, half time pep band; Les Payne, head teacher, assistant football coach; Lynn Harmonson, FFA; Kari Keown, rally; Greg Grant, head football coach, head golf coach; Chris Rauch, assistant football coach; Terri Gentry, head volleyball coach; Dana Reid, assistant volleyball coach, assistant girls' basketball coach; Chuck Matteson, head boys' basketball coach; Juan Elguezabal, head girls' basketball coach, head softball coach; Rollee Marshall, assistant girls' basketball coach; Robin Graft, head baseball coach; Tony Pupo, assistant baseball coach; Dale Conklin, head track coach; Steve Brownfield, assistant track coach. The positions of athletic director, dance team advisor, assistant volleyball coach, two assistant boys' basketball coaches and assistant softball coach remain vacant.

Ione Elementary/Middle Schools: Bobbi Childers, computer trainer; Diana Kincaid, TAG coordinator; Betty Rietmann, head teacher; Dean Robinson, head football coach, head track coach; Steve Schaber, assistant football coach, head girls' basketball coach; Barb Peterson, head volleyball coach; Dale Holland, head boys' basketball coach, assistant track coach.

Ione High School: Ron Neighorn, half time music; Dean Robinson, athletic director; Robin Graft, head football coach; Dennis Stefani, assistant football coach, head boys' basketball coach; Charity McElligott, head volleyball coach; Cathy McCabe, assistant volleyball coach, head tennis coach; Scott Burrig, assistant boys' basketball coach; Del LaRue, head track coach. The positions of annual advisor, rally advisor, head girls' basketball, assistant girls' basketball and assistant track coaches remain vacant.

Riverside High School: Winston Cook, chorus, band; Rick Danielson, FFA advisor; G. Ann Thomas-Heddle, annual, newspaper advisor; Bob Deeter, computer trainer; Robin Huxoll, rally; Larry French, athletic director, head track coach; Dan Huxoll, head football coach; Adam Eldridge, assistant football coach, assistant boys' basketball coach, assistant track coach; Ray Murphy, assistant football coach; Wendell Kreder, assistant football coach; Bingo Ganvoa, head volleyball coach, assistant girls' basketball coach, assistant

baseball coach; Marcell Downey, assistant volleyball coach; Torie Philippi, assistant volleyball coach; Clair Costello, head boys' basketball coach, head baseball coach; Kevin Gilbertson, assistant boys' basketball coach; Mike Wetherell, head girls' basketball coach, head golf coach; Daniel Daltoso, assistant girls' basketball coach; Chad Otterness, head wrestling coach; Mark Jones, assistant wrestling coach; Tom Jensen, assistant softball coach; Paul Hibbard, head boys' soccer coach; John Larson, head girls' soccer coach; Maureen McElligott, head tennis coach; Alissa Lindeman, assistant tennis coach (if sufficient numbers join); Gary Olsen, assistant golf coach (if sufficient numbers). The positions of TAG coordinator, dance team advisor, head softball coach and assistant soccer coach remain vacant.

Sam Boardman Elementary: Carol Oswald, computer trainer; Theresa Proctor-Reece, TAG coordinator.

The next regular school board meeting will be held July 13 at 7:30 p.m. at the district office.

Arts and crafts club plans project day

Morrow County Creative Arts and Crafts Club will hold a project day Thursday, June 25 at the fairgrounds.

Members and interested guests are invited to bring items or paintings they are working on, or start new projects. The doors will be open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Those attending may bring their own lunch or purchase it in town. After lunch, a short meeting will be held to finalize plans for the fair booth. Members having items pertaining to the fair booth are asked to bring them.

4-H News

Irrigon Horse Whisperers

By Kerri Herbert

A new 4-H group has been introduced and two meetings have taken place. On Saturday, May 30, the group decided on the name "Irrigon Horse Whisperers." They also chose officers for the year. For the next three months there will be two presidents. Following this election will again be held and one person will assume the job of vice president. The two presidents currently are Dawna Donohue and Lloyd Wilson. Secretary Kerri Herbert was chosen secretary. Richard Herbert was chosen for treasurer.

The group activities include attending shows, going on trail rides, showing at the fair and listening to such experts as veterinarians and farriers.

The group is still open to anyone who would like to learn more about horses, and there is one slot left open for someone interested in riding. Anyone wanting to learn more about horses but not wanting to ride is also welcome. For more information contact one of the three coordinators, Nancy Herbert, 922-0307, Belinda Cooley, 922-5204 or Annie Bunch at 922-4876.

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St. Patrick's Senior Center Bulletin Board

There were 74 present for the senior dinner June 10 and 17 meals were home delivered. Members of the Nazarene and Seventh-day Adventist Churches served.

The Senior Center Board met after the meal. Eva Mabbot of CAPECO attended the meeting. Blood pressures were taken before the meal. Bingo was played at 1 p.m.

The menu for the birthday dinner June 24 will be oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, fruity salad, green beans, rolls and cake. Members of the Catholic Church will serve.

Twenty-five people attended the breakfast Friday. The menu for Friday, June 19, will be eggs, fried potatoes, hot and cold cereal, fruit, milk, orange juice and coffee. There will be no breakfast Friday, July 3.

The Garden Club held their tea and showed videos at the center Thursday afternoon, June 11.

The senior bus with 13 passengers and driver Ed Baker made the trip to Milton-Freewater Friday. Lunch was enjoyed at the senior center followed by the AAA meeting. The return trip was made via Umapine and Hermiston.

The next bus trip is to the nutrition site at Spray will be June 25, with the bus leaving Heppner at 10:30 a.m.

The Red Cross will have a blood drawing at the Senior Center June 25.

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