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A large crowd gathered on the grass in Lone Saturday for the annual Fourth of July Blues Festival. The day also included a parade, classic cars and of course the traditional fireworks display after dark.

Heppner, Lone girls take trophies in b-ball tourney



Photo by Joyce Hughes

The Heppner girls' summer league team took first place and the Lone girls' team second place at a basketball tournament held at LaGrande June 12-14.

Pictured above (left to right): Back row-Jennifer Thompson, Janelle Healy and Nikki McElligott (both holding trophies), Camie Burright; middle row-Trisha Adams, Kathleen Greenup, Ashley Ropp, Macy Rhea, Stephanie Clough, Allison Sykes, Allison Halvorsen, Brandi Brantley, Amelia Peck; front row-Amy Papineau, Casey Ingraham, Jaci Hughes, Kim Pointer, Jill Barber, Charissa Gates, Adrienne Swanson and Jeanette Brantley.

The Lone coach was Dana Heideman. The Heppner coach was Dana Reid.

Allstott family plans reunion Additional \$100 reward offered

Descendants of Johann Caspar Alstadt (1673-1742) through his eldest son, Johann Martin Alstadt (1699-1769), have planned a reunion at the Morrow County Fairgrounds in Heppner, Saturday July 18, beginning at 9 a.m. A potluck dinner will get underway at 1 p.m.

Johann Martin Alstadt, his wife and son came to the U.S. from Freinsheim, Germany, arriving in Philadelphia August 17, 1729.

Sixth-generation descendant, John Wesley Allstott, came to Morrow County sometime after 1850. He died in 1907 and is buried in Heppner.

Among his children who lived in this area were Robert E. Allstott and R. Dell Allstott. Ninth and 10th generation families still make their homes in Morrow County.

All friends and family are invited to attend.

Another \$100 has been added to the reward for information leading to the conviction of individuals responsible for vandalizing Heppner High School June 13.

A private individual, who wishes to remain anonymous, donated the additional money to bring the reward up to \$200. The Morrow County School District offered the first \$100 reward.

OTPR plans 76th annual celebration

By Sue Gibbs

This year a big red, white and blue 76th celebration is planned for the Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association (PRCA) shows in Heppner.

The Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo will bring all the fast action events the crowd loves such as bull-riding, barrel racing, calf roping, team roping, steer wrestling, saddle bronc riding, bareback riding and the popular mutton bustin'.

This year's stock will be provided by Big Bend Rodeo Company. They will be providing both the 1997 Bucking Horse of the year, Skoal's Spring Fling, and the bull of the year, Rapid Fire. Two of the sponsors of the Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo, Bank of Eastern Oregon and Les Schwab Tire Center of Heppner, are each putting a \$250 bounty up to the cowboy who draws and rides the bounty animal. The Bank of Eastern Oregon is putting a \$250 bounty up for both the saddle bronc and bareback horse, Les Schwab is putting a \$250 bounty up for the bull.

The announcer this year is Steve Kenyon, from Adams. Steve tours the Pacific Northwest as a professional rodeo announcer. The bullfighters will be Danny Newman and Tim Vredenburg for the 1998 rodeo and entertaining the fans this year will be the famous Bert Davis from Copperopolis, CA. Bert is known for his comical and spectacular animal acts and he has won numerous awards for his specialty acts which include dogs, birds and horses.

In conjunction with the pro rodeo, the town's county fair will also be in full swing Aug. 19-23. The Morrow County Fair/Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo Queen Macy Childers, Princess Lindsey Ward and Princess Bobbie Rankin will be on hand to assist and greet our guests. The attractions for the fair include the famous "Star

Lab" (an inflatable space planetarium). There will be a classic car show, wine and hors d'oeuvres tasting, live entertainment and singing, Karaoke, All Alaskan Pig Races, a teen dance and a Petal Power Tractor Pulling Contest.

Another added attraction is the town itself. The entire downtown just completed a multi-million dollar renovation. Everyone is invited to come see the new and improved downtown Heppner.

The Heppner Main Street parade begins on Aug. 22 at 10 a.m. There will be live music Friday night at the Elk's Lodge and Karaoke at Bucknum's Tavern. Breakfast will be available both Saturday and Sunday morning, along with a walking tour. The Morrow County Museum will be open, and tours of the courthouse will be available. If the weather is hot, bring your swimming suit and experience the new public swimming pool.

For information regarding the parade, call 676-5536. For information about the fair, call 676-9474.

The Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo committee has been working hard to present a brand new office and handicap facilities. The office is on the northeast side of the arena and the handicap access will be on the west side of the grandstands. The handicap access will begin by the stairs with an aluminum ramp which leads to a platform on a concrete slab near the roping boxes. The design of the facilities will be such that wheelchair access will be accessible by simply driving up to the ramp, and unloading directly onto the ramp.

The Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo takes place on Friday Aug. 21, at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 22, at 1:15 p.m., with slack being held Friday night following the

performance. Mutton Bustin' will be held 1/2 hour before the PRCA Rodeo. The Morrow County Jackpot rodeo will also be held on Sunday, Aug. 23, at 1:15 p.m. for all fans to watch local Morrow County cowboy and alumni competitions.

The ticket prices are \$8 for adults and \$5 for children seven-12 years; children six years and under are free. The new stadium seating will also be available with chair VIP seating. Ten seats for three days are available for \$360. For VIP seating or to purchase tickets contact Nicole Mahoney at (541) 676-5157. For more information about the above events, contact Marlene Currin at (541) 676-9711 (eves).

We hope to see you for our fabulous 76th celebration.

Several incidents occur on Fourth

A 16-year old Lone boy was transported to Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner after he allegedly passed out in the yard of a residence in Lone from drinking alcohol on July 4. The Heppner Ambulance and the Morrow County Sheriff's Office responded.

The youth was cited for minor in possession of alcohol by consumption.

Also on July 4, the Lone EMTs, the Heppner Ambulance and the MCSO responded to a report of a woman down in front of the stage at the Lone Park around midnight.

In a separate July 4 incident, the Oregon State Police and MCSO responded to a report of six adults who were fighting at Penland Lake. The six were reported to have chased everyone out of the campground at Penland Lake.

Little League All-Stars to play on Saturday



The 1998 Major Little League All-Stars (11-12 year olds) will play their first game on Saturday, July 11 at 2 p.m. at Boardman.

Team members, pictured above, are as follows: front row (L-R)-Kiel Nairns, Nick Christman, Luke Murray, Kyler Lovgren, Kory Paullus and Jode Coil; and back row (L-R)-Randi Duchemin, Zack Skaggs, Billy Gates, Zack Lantis, J.J. Rosenbalm, Michael Sallee and Ben Turrell.

Coaches are Rick Paullus, Ric Rosenbalm and Jay Coil.

Local people to fight Florida fire 4-H fair registration due July 24

Five Heppner Ranger District employees have been sent to Florida to help fight the extensive wildfires there.

Andrew Lacey, computer specialist from Heppner, left June 28 for Florida.

Dave Kendrick, silviculture staff member, and the Tupper-based fire crew, consisting of Art Osmin, Mollie Helliwell and Lewis Monge, left July 7.

One of the Heppner Ranger District's fire-fighting trucks was shipped out on a lowboy from Pendleton July 6 destined for Florida.

Sheri Gregory from the Heppner Ranger District office said that the crew will be in

Florida for at least 21 more days.

She said that the Heppner Ranger District was assisted by other districts when fires broke out here and now our district is returning the favor by helping fight the fires in Florida.

She said that there had been no additional requests for fire fighting personnel as of Tuesday morning.

Chris Anthony of Heppner has also been sent to Florida to help fight the fires. Anthony, who works for the Bureau of Land Management out of Vale, left Tuesday morning to fly to Redmond and then to Florida. He will assist the fire suppression effort as part of a three-man team on a heavy truck.

4-H members, leaders and parents are reminded that 4-H fair registrations are due Friday, July 24, by 4:30. Registrations may be turned in at the Morrow County Extension office, the Irrigon Annex, the Boardman Pharmacy or by mail. Late entries will not be accepted.

4-H Presentations will be on Wednesday, August 5, at the Fairgrounds 4-H Annex in Heppner from 3 to 8. Those planning to make presentations must register for the presentations as well.

For more information contact Bill Broderick at (541) 676-9642 or 1-800-342-3664.

HARVEST HOURS

Starting Monday, July 6th

7 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday thru Friday

7 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday

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