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## Hands on Science classes scheduled

"All About Me" is the title and theme of the summer Hands On Science classes for younger children to be held at three sites in the county this summer.

The classes will meet Monday through Friday for 2 1/2 hours each day for two weeks. Heppner Day Care will hold classes Aug. 3-14 from 8:30-11 a.m. Classes will be held at Ione at the Ione Fire Hall meeting room on Aug. 3-14 from 9-11:30 a.m. Boardman Child Development Center will hold classes Aug. 10-21 from 8:30-11 a.m.

Any child who is four years old as of Dec. 31, 97, any five year old or any six year old who is entering first grade this fall is eligible to register. The Morrow County Commission on Children and Families is partially funding this program; because of the grant dollars from the commission, the registration fee is \$8.

According to a Hands on Science news release, in the class, children will make life-size skeletons of themselves. They will experience through movement, games, music and specific science activities how the parts and systems of their body "machines" work together. The students will locate and name major body parts and describe their functions. They will identify and use their five senses in obtaining information about their environment.

These Hands On Science classes are an excellent way for the preK-1 child to experience the excitement and fun of science, said area coordinator Sarah Carlson. Science concepts and skills will be introduced as the children actively participate through inquiry. Observing, measuring, classifying, predicting and hypothesizing will be emphasized in each of the 10 classes. Materials and products of the lessons will be sent home with the participants so that the science experiments and activities can be done again at home.

The program is being made available through the Umatilla-Morrow ESD. Enrollment is limited to 15 children at each site. Those interested may obtain registration forms at the community day care facilities in Heppner and Boardman and at the public libraries and post offices in Boardman, Heppner and Ione.

For more information, contact Lisa Smith at the Boardman Child Development Center, 481-7559, Sue Norton at the Heppner Day Care, 676-5429, or Carlson, 422-7245.

## Progress made on new ag. museum



Ag museum building near Green Feed in Heppner

photo by Andy Sykes

Progress is being made on the elevator and grounds which will house the Morrow County Museum's agricultural collection. The collection, featuring Harold and Edna Peck's "Shorty's Museum" collection and donations from many others, has been moved into the former MCGG elevator on Riverside.

This past spring the roof was repaired, doors, windows and screens were replaced and the building was painted. This work was financed by a grant from the U.S. Forest Service, Regional Strategies and a donation from Jean Nelson.

Morrow County Grain Growers

has donated trees and a watering system to extend the trees along the old railroad right-of-way. Dan Brosnan, chairman of the Morrow County Museum Commission, reports that a "planting party" is planned for September, the next appropriate time to plant trees.

In the meantime, Brosnan says the commission is organizing work parties to clean up the concrete and gravel around the elevator in hopes of doing some preparation work on the site for future outdoor displays of farm equipment.

The FARM Foundation, a fund-raising support organization for the museum, was inaugurated by

Mrs. Nelson's "generous gift". The foundation has completed application for its 501(c)(3) IRS status and, according to Larry Mills, will soon begin fund-raising efforts for short and long-range projects.

The foundation also anticipates establishing a membership organization and an endowment for future support of the museum.

Anyone interested in learning more about or becoming involved in the present activities and future development of the Morrow County Museum, including the agricultural collection project, should contact Dan Brosnan, Larry Mills or Marsha Sweek, museum director.

Apart from the large objects in the elevator, the museum's collection is housed in the Heppner Main Street park site and is open 1-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. The museum also has a website at ourworld.compuserve.com/homcpages/mcmuseum. Visits, both real and virtual, are free.

## Oregon's Best awards to be presented

Twelve Oregon growers and producers will enrich the awards at the Morrow County Fair, opening August 19 as part of the annual Oregon's Best celebration in foods competitions.

Special awards include cash, clothing and kitchen ware for the fifth annual series which also includes a county-wide Hermiston Watermelon Seed Spitting contest for the entire family.

New to this year's events is the 1998 Judge's Choice category, rewarding excellence in major divisions. For baked goods, Gold.n.Soft Stick Margarine has cast a special Gold.n.Soft Gold Medal; the Oregon Hazelnut Marketing Board offers a custom crafted wood and steel nut cracker for any recipe using hazelnuts, and Steinfeld's Products will give a premium product package for the best jar of pickles and \$25 from The Best From Oregon Inc. for the best jar of preserves in the county.

Other awards include: \$25 for the best loaf of bread made from Bob's Red Mill grains and flours, a custom sweatshirt for a stuffed mushroom recipe from Pictsweet Mushrooms, cobalt blue coffee

mugs from Hurst's Berry Farm for blueberry bread, a set of four custom Oregon Fruit coffee mugs and a commemorative cap from Oregon Fruit Products for a quick bread using Oregon Fruit Products; a kitchen cutting board, 1998 T-shirt and Santiam sports bottle for a cornbread recipe using Santiam corn, a butter yellow fleece cardigan and free two-pound baby loaf of Tillamook Cheese for the best muffin produced for the Tillamook Cheese private recipe muffin contest.

Oregon's new Schoolbus Milk and Honey Bread will give a frisbee and new GR8 Bread cap for a decorated brown bag lunch made by children, 15 and younger.

For competition rules and dates, as well as a complete list of prizes, contact the Morrow County Fair office.

For 32 years, the Agri-Business Council of Oregon and its 600 members of agriculture-related members have been promoting the state's agriculture industry through education, marketing and public relations. The Oregon's Best program brings this on-going effort to the county and state fair.

## Heppner student wins writing contest

Thirteen-year-old Daniel Jepsen received the good news last week that he'd won first prize in the six-eighth-grade division of the Kay Snow Writing Contest.

The contest is sponsored by Willamette Writers, an organization for both published and aspiring writers. Winners were honored at a banquet at the Sheraton Hotel near Portland Saturday night and also received a \$50 cash award.

Daniel learned about the contest through an article in the East Oregonian. He entered because he enjoys writing stories and already had one he was working

on. Heppner Junior High English teachers Sally Walker and Linda Dutcher helped him with the final editing of his 2500-word, 10-page science fiction entry. The suspenseful story, entitled "The Opening", tells how a group of scientists on an expedition to Antarctica find their way through an opening and discover a lost civilization.

Daniel was also invited to attend another gathering of the Willamette Writers in Portland in December. He will be an eighth-grader at Heppner Junior High this fall and is the son of Bill and Nancy Jepsen of Heppner.

## 4-H News

"Sew"ers Are We  
By Jenny Atkins

"Sew"ers Are We had their second 4-H meeting on July 2 at the parish hall. Krystal Nairns, Kelsie McKinney and Jenny Atkins were there for the whole meeting. Michelle Hodgdon arrived later. The meeting lasted from 1-4 p.m.

At the meeting, members decided first to practice their modeling skills. Everyone was given a book on how to model and participated in actually modeling. Next, everyone made a needle book. Michelle came while everybody was making a needle book. She quickly caught up to everybody else.

When they were done, the members decided to put Michelle in charge of the scrapbook. After that was over with, Kelsie, Krystal and Michelle set up their sewing machines to practice straight lines. While they were doing that, Jenny cut out a jumper pattern. When everyone was done doing those things, the meeting was over.

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## Yeager family holds reunion

The descendants of Champ Connor Yeager held a family reunion on July 11 at the Morrow County Fairgrounds, with a potluck beginning at 1 p.m.

A highlight of the day was drawings for 37 lap afghans crocheted by Beatrice Underwood, and family history books.

Family members attending from Washington were: Doug, Shelly and Molly Sweyn and Laurie Yeager from Seattle; Jim and Phyllis Bell, Lakewood; Vince and Dorothy Yeager, Kent; Bev Nolan Miles, Clarkston; and Jamie, Karah and Krystalynne Hoskins, Puyallup.

Mr. and Mrs. William Atterberry from Anderson, CA., and Andrew Hooke, Santa Cruz, CA. attended, as did Pat Huff, Van Buren, AR., and Barbara Huff, Sallisom, OK.

Members from Grand Rapids,

MI. were: Ralph and Sherley Yeager, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Yeager and Rena Yeager.

From Oregon, those attending were: Beatrice and Judy Underwood, Eagle Point; Patricia Hardy, Salem; Keith and Teresa Perkins, Jackie and Leanne Thurmond, Pendleton; and from Heppner, Henry and Josie Peck, Harold and Edna Peck, John and Marge Church, Shirley Palmer and Lyle and Virginia Peck.

On Sunday, July 12, family members held a barbecue potluck at Lyle Peck's ranch.

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## BMCC releases spring honor roll

Blue Mountain Community College has announced its spring term 1998 president's list (grade point average (GPA) 3.85 or higher), dean's list (GPA 3.4-3.84) and honor roll (GPA 3.-3.39).

Following are local students who qualified for the president's list: Penny Silver, 4., Ione; Jose Monge, 4., Boardman; Chung-Chin Lui and Danielle Stefani, both 4, both Pendleton.

Dean's list: Chung-Wren Liu and Ruth Norton, both Heppner; Trent Hughes and Dawn Sheirbon, both Lexington; Ryon Johnson and Amanda Miller, both Irrigon; Marie Tworek, Hermiston; Melissa Hedman, Pilot Rock.

Honor roll: Joseph Lindsay and

## Kids invited to celebration

Children will want to join the celebration downtown on Friday, July 31. At 4 p.m., games for young people will begin in the Shamrock intersection area.

Organizers are working on final touches, but presently they are expecting to hold three events: A coin toss into a pile of hay should give one-three and four-six year-olds a reason to go searching in a hurry.

Tricycle races in the intersection will be held for one-six year-olds. Participants will have to provide their own tricycles. The committee hopes to arrange for chalk drawing on the sidewalks for ages one through 12.

More information will be available in next week's paper.

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