

## Heppner volleyball state, district all-stars named



Amber Peck

Casey Ingraham, Heppner High School junior, was named to the 2A all state volleyball second team. The HHS team finished in fifth place in the state volleyball tournament held Nov. 12-14 at Lane Community College in Eugene.

Ingraham was also named to the Columbia Basin Conference first team, along with seniors Jill Barber and Brooke Boyer. Senior Amber Peck was selected for the CBC second team.

### Sheep growers meeting slated

The Oregon Sheep Growers annual meeting has been planned for Dec. 3-5 at the Hood River Inn.

Early registration must be received on or before Friday, Nov. 27. Those who register early will receive a ticket for a drawing for a Pendleton Chief Joseph blanket.

Late registration are those received after Nov. 27 or on site. For reservations, call the Hood River Inn, 1-800-828-7873.

Marketing will be one of the major topics for the meeting. Lorin Moench, Jr., president of the American Sheep Industry Association, will attend to bring Oregon producers up to date on the progress of the Sheep Industry Transition team. Dave Williams, director of Wildlife Services will update producers on the status of the Livestock Protection Collar in Oregon and discuss the Wildlife Services requirements for the next biennium.

Dr. Jim Thompson will provide a current report on research activities at OSU and Dr. James Males, new head of the animal sciences department at OSU, will be available to talk with producers. Greg Walden will also be in attendance.



Brooke Boyer

### Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes, Chamber Manager

"Giving thanks is a course from which we never graduate." As we join family and friends around Thanksgiving tables this November we remember those no longer with us, those enduring hardships in Honduras unfathomable to most of us, and we give thanks for health, food, family, friends, and community. May one and all have a thankful, thoughtful day.

Heppner businesses have great hometown fun in store for the community on Thursday, December 3. Begin the day with a "stroll" of Heppner. Participating businesses are hosting open houses from 2-7 p.m. with holiday food and door prizes. What an opportunity to enjoy relaxed shopping close to home and to greet friends.

The little ones will have the opportunity to be photographed with Santa at St. Patrick's Senior Center, to view the live Nativity next to the Shoe Box and to hear the music provided by the band and vocal students. There is nothing like the excitement of children to get you in the spirit of the season.

Chili and baked potatoes by the Heppner High School senior class or a hot meal at local restaurants will get everyone warmed up for the 2nd Best Ever Holiday Light Parade at 6 p.m. Vehicles must be well lit, the more lights the better. Participants are asked not to throw candy due to the potential danger. Prizes of \$200, \$150, and \$100 will be awarded for first, second, and third place. Remember last year... let's do it again.



Casey Ingraham



Jill Barber

## Mural dedicated to memory of town of Kinzua

From the Condon Times-Journal

The community of Kinzua and its people were remembered in a ceremony at Fossil last weekend (Nov. 7) that dedicated a mural to the memory of the former mill town.

"Lots of history, lots of memories are represented here," said Fossil community leader Marilyn Garcia, herself a former Kinzua resident, during the dedication ceremony at what is now called Kinzua Memorial Park, the minipark located between the telephone company office and Fossil Cafe.

Nearly 130 Fossil and former Kinzua residents gathered on a dreary Saturday afternoon Nov. 7 to pay tribute to the company-owned mill town that made Wheeler County's economy flow for 50 years. At one time the mill employed as many as 330 workers.

On the wall of the Fossil Cafe now is a colorful monument to the activities and lives of the Kinzua community. What began as a rather stark, people-less painting of mill operations and landscape, has been completed with scenes of mill and community activities, people and personalities.

Artist Larry Kangas is pleased with the finished product, and is impressed with the people he has met in collecting information and ideas for the project.

"Working on this mural has really been a joy," Kangas said at the ceremony. "I've enjoyed hearing the stories."

He started the mural last month, and only a few minor details remain-the finishing touches to a couple of faces and a clear-coating that will help preserve the mural.

According to John Kautenberg, the idea for the mural sprouted nearly a year and a half ago when Kangas and his wife made a "pit-stop" while passing through Fossil. Kautenberg, the owner of the Fossil Cafe, began a conversation with Kangas after seeing the advertisement about murals painted on his pickup.

Kangas is noted for his large artwork and has painted murals at Kennewick, Wash., Canyon City, Baker City and elsewhere.

Persons contributing to the mural fund, which has accumulated over \$6,000 in private donations, were automatically entered into a drawing. Winners of the drawing, five of them, have their likenesses painted into the mural. Winners were David Wyman, the James O'Donnell family, Chester Mael, Betty Elder and Harry Steuchel.

A drawing was also held in the local schools for several students to have their likenesses included in the painting as well. Included in the mural are Aurelia Woods, Colin

Laing, Chase Schultz and Devin Dennis.

Major contributors to the project were the Harry Steuchel family, the James O'Donnell family, Bank of Eastern Oregon, Prairie Wood Products, Klamath First Federal and Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative. A plaque to be placed on the corner of the Fossil Cafe will note these contributors with special thanks.

To get out of the cool, damp air, the crowd moved to the Glover Memorial Hall where a potluck meal was served, more speeches were made and awards presented.

Others noted for their contributions to the project included Margaret Duke, Allen Guinn, Doug and Betty Elder and Herb Wright.

Former Kinzua resident Pat Hyatt was the project's leading fund-raiser and helping on the loosely-knit committee were her husband Waylon, Betty and Doug Elder, Roilene Allen, Jeanne Burch, Marilyn Garcia, Mike and Lyn Craig and John Kautenberg.

A model logging truck made of wood by former Kinzua resident Robert Reid of Heppner was auctioned off at the dinner by former Kinzua Rudy Rhodes, who coaxed Carol Steuchel to purchase the toy for \$150, which will go towards the mural project. Steuchel indicated she would donate the truck to the Fossil Museum.

It is hoped now, after hearing many stories of days gone by in the former mill town, that former residents will write down, video tape or otherwise record their memories of the Kinzua community, before they are lost forever. The memories will be collected and eventually compiled into a publication and preserved for future generations. People wanting to contribute to this effort are encouraged to send their memories to Pat Hyatt, who has agreed to collect the stories-13751 Rock Creek Road, Sheridan, OR 97378. Kinzua Pine Mills Company

opened the mill and company town some 10 miles east of Fossil in 1928. The mill operation was moved to Heppner in 1978 and the mill and town totally removed to return the site to its natural state.

Nothing remains of the community now, but for a mural, many fond memories... and a strong desire to preserve them.

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## Jessica Krebs to attend 4-H congress

Twenty-six 4-H members from Oregon will spend the Thanksgiving holiday in Atlanta, Georgia, joining 1,300 teens from all over the nation to participate in the 76th National 4-H Congress.

Local 4-H'ers going to Atlanta include Jessica Krebs from Ione-Cecil.

The Oregon 4-H'ers range in grades from juniors in high school to college freshmen, according to Duane Johnson, Oregon State University Extension 4-H youth development specialist.

"Our youth delegates have demonstrated leadership potential and a desire to improve their communities and the world," Johnson said.

At the congress, the young people will attend educational programs and cultural events in Atlanta. They will hear from Andrew Young, former ambassador to the United Nations; Scot Hollonbeck, Paralympic gold medalist and author; and Nicole Johnson, Miss America 1999. In addition, more than 19 educational programs will feature topics that range from conflict mediation and effective youth leadership skills to biotechnology in agriculture and global environmental policies.

The 4-H delegates will also learn community service from a hands-on perspective. During congress, they will divide into groups and perform community service projects around Atlanta at such sites as Project Open Hand,

Goodwill Industries, Metro Atlanta Furniture Bank, Park Pride and the Truitt-Fulton 4-H Center.

"The 4-H members will use the educational sessions and the community service experience as a basis for community activities when they return home," Johnson said.

The delegates will have a chance for some fun, too. They will visit a number of historical and cultural sites that reflect the development of Atlanta since the Civil War. And although many of the youngsters will miss being home for the holidays, Thanksgiving dinner should be memorable. The Oregon 4-H'ers will be served a four-course dinner at the Hyatt Hotel.

Oregon's delegates were chosen based on their 4-H project achievements, leadership, citizenship and on a personal interview. The 26 young people were selected from 120 applicants. The size of Oregon's delegation depends on private contributions from individuals, businesses and associations to the Oregon 4-H Foundation, according to Johnson.

The leaders of the Oregon delegation are Karen Jeffrey of Oregon City and Luke Monroe of Sheridan. Erick Keerins, Canyon City, will serve as the Oregon flag bearer at the opening ceremony. Accompanying the Oregon delegation are Sherri Nantz, 4-H leader from Imbler; Debera Tracy, Wallowa County 4-H agent; Vicki Avery, 4-H state office; and Duane Johnson, who serves as the coordinator.

## Ione Market program to benefit legion hall



Norm and Barb Zeller

Norm and Barb Zeller of the Ione Market have announced that they will donate a percentage of their receipts to the Ione American Legion Hall.

Proceeds from the program, which started Nov. 9 and will run until Nov. 30, will go

toward remodeling the hall's kitchen.

"This is our way to help support the community," said Norm.

The hall is used by the community for many events, projects and family get-togethers.

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