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HES holds geography bee



L-R: Blair Keithley, Lilly Calvert and Brendan McElligott

The Heppner Elementary School finals for the Geography Bee were held January 6 in the school library. Sixth grader Lilly Calvert won the school championship. Brendan McElligott, a fourth grader, was runner-up, and Blair Keithley, sixth grade, placed third. Participants for the school finals were selected before Christmas vacation from the results of a written test given to fourth, fifth and sixth graders. These finalists were: fourth grade-Casey Maben, Brendan McElligott; fifth grade-Rory Kilkenny, Michael Merrill, James Van Liew; sixth grade-Lilly Calvert, Ryan Campbell, Kyle Huddleston, Blair Keithley, Cara Kennedy, Robert McElligott, Shanna Rietmann, Brandon Seitz and Kelly Straley. The students were required to compete in seven preliminary rounds to determine the six to be

included in the final round, but because of ties, it actually took 18 rounds to select these finalists. The six who competed for a chance to be in the championship round were: Lilly Calvert, Ryan Campbell, Blair Keithley, Brendan McElligott, Robert McElligott and Michael Merrill. In the championship round, Lilly Calvert and Brendan McElligott were presented with the same three questions and responded in writing. Calvert was the winner, 2-0. The final question asked was, "When the new Canadian Territory Nunavut is created in April of 1999, it will be controlled by the predominant group of people who live there. Name this group of native people." Calvert correctly answered, "Inuit." Linda Shaw, HES TAG coordinator read the questions; Nancy McElhany, HES media technician, served as scorekeeper and timer.

**Evangelist to speak at
Christian Life Center**

Evangelist Pieter Bos of the Assemblies of God will speak at the Christian Life Center, 535 W. Morgan St., Heppner, Wednesday through Friday, Jan. 13-15, at 7 p. m. and Sunday, Jan. 17, at 10:30 a. m. and at 6 p. m., according to Tim Van Cleave, pastor. Bos was born in the Netherlands and was raised in a Dutch Reformed home. His desire to become involved in ministry and missions started when he was about 10 years old, while he was attending a Sunday School class where missionaries were talking about their experiences on the field. "Having been raised under extremely difficult circumstances and after a period of teenage rebellion, he forgot about his vision, but God didn't." When God regained Bos' attention, he recommitted his life to the Lord and was baptized with the Holy Spirit. Before long he was involved in a Pentecostal church and in inner-city ministry. A few years later he married an American girl who was raised in a Mennonite home and then worked with Youth With A Mission in Amsterdam, The Netherlands (Holland). Bos and his wife, Jo Anne, have two children. Upon arrival in the U.S. Pieter taught evangelism and discipleship and worked as a counselor/teacher and training center director in the ministry of Teen Challenge in Pennsylvania and Washington as a pastor and as an evangelist with a heart for missions. He is an ordained minister of the Assemblies of

God. Bos says of his vision that as we get closer to Christ's return, it is his hearts desire, now stronger than ever before, "to see the lost reached for Christ to see the power of God manifested in all the churches ... just as we read in the Book of Acts." It is his desire to "see the churches on fire for God, glorifying God by walking in unity, and see the body of Christ filled with the Holy Spirit to see God grow His church daily with those who are newly saved." (Acts 2-47) Bos says he wants to "motivate the body of Christ to prayer, to pursue Revival, to be filled with the Holy Spirit, to operate in the gifts of the Spirit, to build and strengthen relationships, and to become active participants in fulfilling the great commission." And it is his prayer that "all people will be saved, delivered, healed, restored, and reconciled by the power of God." The public is invited to hear Bos Jan. 13-15 and 17 at Christian Life Center.

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**Pioneer Memorial Clinic
will be CLOSED
Monday, January 18th
for Martin Luther King Jr. Day**

Ione Booster Club meets

The Ione Booster Club met Monday, January 4 at the Ione High School library. President Debbie Raidie reported Boardman Foods will donate the wood for the new championship volleyball board and Harold Reitmann will be contacted to do the framing. It was reported that Umatilla's district and state champion flags were made for \$800. The athletic director at Umatilla will be contacted to see who made the flags. Teacher Dean Robinson announced the basketball tournament schedule for next season. Three tournaments will be played in December. The girls and boys will travel to Enterprise the third and fourth. The following weekend will be the Ione Basketball Bonanza. The Morrow County Tournament will be in Ione December 17 and 18. The coaches hope to provide a hospitality room for the visiting referees and coaches at the Ione tournaments. The club voted to donate the leftover pop from the basketball tournament to the sixth grade. It was noted the middle school made \$235 for the Booster Club by doing the half time three-point shoot. The total net income

from the tournament was \$893.96. Debbie and Virgil Morgan were thanked for their work at the tournament and were presented with a gift certificate from the club. Helen Heideman asked that a section be reserved for the stat people at the basketball games. It was also suggested the club put up visitor signs so fans know where to sit. An electrician will check the walls for wires before work begins on the new tape room. Robinson will supervise rewiring the score clock. Pee-wee basketball has begun. Students in grades one-five are encouraged by the club to participate. Several high school boys are coaching the boys and Tom Bedortha is supervising the girls' program. Loa Henderson donated a quilt to be raffled off by the club. Tickets will be sold at all home games, with the drawing at the end of the season. Laurel Cannon will be contacted to check with Shop-n-Kart about a grocery raffle at the Condon or Echo games. The Ione Community Band will begin performing on January 16. The next meeting of the Ione Booster Club will be Monday, February 1, at 7 p. m. at the high school library.

Swanson ties season-high at EOU

Luke Swanson, Ione, a sophomore and member of the varsity basketball team at Eastern Oregon University, tied his season-high with 11 points against Southern Oregon in Ashland on Saturday, Jan. 9. Swanson is 14th in the Cascade Collegiate Conference

in three-point shooting. Swanson's record stands at 14 out of 40 shots in 12 games for 35 percent for the EOU Mountaineers. Eastern is 1-11, 0-6 in Cascade Collegiate Conference games. The Mountaineers men's varsity will play Cascade College (also 0-6 in conference games) on Saturday, Jan. 16, at home beginning at 7:30 p. m.

Obituaries

Harold Edward Craber

Harold Edward Craber, 87, a resident of The Dalles since 1927, died at his home on Saturday, Jan. 2, 1999, after a lengthy illness. Graveside services were held at The Dalles IOOF Cemetery on Tuesday, Jan. 5, with Pastor Hal Glover officiating. A gathering of family and friends at First Christian Church followed the services.

Mr. Craber was born May 20, 1911, in Hardman, the oldest of four children to John Edwin and Maude Mae (Rice) Craber. He grew up in Eastern Oregon and graduated from The Dalles High School in 1931.

He married Mildred R. Reynolds on July 30, 1939, in The Dalles. They celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary last summer.

Mr. Craber was employed at The Dalles Soda Works, The Dalles Delivery and later retired from Ted Walker Cleaners.

He was a member of the First Christian Church and the Teamsters Union Local #670 Retirees. He drove for Meals on Wheels and belonged to the Mid-Columbia Senior Center. He enjoyed gardening, collecting antique tools, woodworking and visiting, as he never knew a stranger.

He is survived by his wife Mildred; daughters, Donnamm Davidson Grannemann and her husband Glenn of St. Louis, MO, and Marie Belleche and husband Fred, Portland; four grandchildren, five great-grandchildren; brothers, Dallas Craber, Lexington, and Gordon Craber, Heppner, and sister Creth Harris, Heppner. He was preceded in death by his son Loren.

Memorials may be made to: Hospice of the Gorge, P.O. Box 1288, The Dalles, OR 97058 or a charity of choice.

Klamath First auction results told

Klamath First Bancorp Inc. has announced preliminary results of the Modified Dutch Auction tender offer that expired on Friday, Jan. 8. Based upon a preliminary count, shareholders tendered approximately 3,066,000 shares, approximately 1,983,000 of which are expected to be purchased. Subject to verification, the price will be \$19.50 per share for all shares purchased in the tender. The actual number of shares to be purchased and the price per share will be announced within several days upon completion of the verification process. It is currently expected that payment for all shares purchased will be made on or about Friday, Jan. 15. The tender offer was commenced on Oct. 9. Under

the terms of the offer, Klamath First Bancorp Inc. offered to repurchase up to 1,983,353 shares of its common stock within a price range, as adjusted and published on Dec. 4, 1998, of \$18 per share to \$20 per share. Based upon the preliminary results, the value of the shares to be purchased will be approximately \$38.7 million. The preliminary number of shares to be purchased represents approximately 20 percent of Klamath First Bancorp Inc.'s 9,916,766 shares of common stock currently outstanding. Headquartered in Klamath Falls, Klamath First Federal Savings and Loan Association, the principal subsidiary of Klamath First Bancorp Inc., has a statewide presence currently operating out of 35 offices covering 22 Oregon counties.

BMCC releases honor roll

Fifty Blue Mountain Community College students received a perfect 4.0 grade point average (GPA) during fall term 1998. This GPA reflects a straight A report in all courses taken by the student. Fifty-four students qualified for the president's list by attaining a GPA of 3.85 or higher. One hundred thirty-six students qualified for the dean's list by receiving a GPA of 3.4 to 3.84 and 130 students qualified for the fall term honor roll by receiving a GPA of 3.00 to 3.39. To earn a position of any of the three lists, a student must carry a full-time load of classes, which translates to 12 graded credit hours. Students may not have received an F in any class to be so honored. Also, a pass grade does not count toward the 12 graded hours necessary to be included on the lists. Included on the president's list are: Danielle Stefani, I-Kuang

Alight Tsai, Marie Tworek and Lindsey Waterland, all Pendleton; Mark Tarpenning, Boardman; Chung-Wen Lui and Ruth Norton, Heppner; Daniel Moore, Irrigon. Dean's list: Brooke Barton, Lynsi Garcia and Tommie Hancock, all Boardman; William DeBoer, Heppner; Renate Eppenbach, Jessica Moore and Daire O'Brien-Richards, all Irrigon. Honor roll: Jim Kang and Mindy Qualls, Pendleton; Jeffrey Bipes, Jessie Davila, Cynthia Dieter, Elizabeth Martinez, Joan Ratchford, Jessica Renkin, Elizabeth Schmidt, all Boardman; Sarah Baker and Mindy Binschus, Heppner; Spring Garetto and Karra Grabeel, Hermiston; Phillip Tellechea, Lexington; Mandi Gutierrez and Len Rietmann, Ione; Antonio Mejia, Amanda Miller and Ilene Osborne, Irrigon.

Senators plan Pendleton bipartisan town hall

Oregon Senators Republican Gordon H. Smith and Democrat Ron Wyden have announced that they will begin a series of bipartisan town halls this week in Portland, Eugene and Pendleton. The town hall in Pendleton will be held on Saturday, Jan. 16, at

the Pendleton Convention Center starting at 11 a. m. Amidst the first Senate Impeachment trial in 131 years, Oregon's two senators will return to the state together this week to receive input from Oregonians to help them create a joint agenda for the 106th Congress.

In light of the Senate impeachment trial, the remaining town halls, scheduled for Medford and Astoria, will be rescheduled at the earliest possible date. The Senators' comments discussing the bi-partisan town halls are available via satellite at 2:45 p. m.

County wheat seminar planned

The annual Morrow County Wheat seminar will be held Thursday, Feb. 4, at the Ione Grange from 8:30 a. m. to 4 p. m. Topics include pesticide safety, disease-pest management and a demonstration of nozzle wear and calibration by a T-jet representative. Those attending are asked to bring their spray nozzles to be tested. Pesticide recertification credits are pending. A \$7 charge will cover the cost of the lunch and handouts. For more information or to register, call the Extension office, 676-9642 or 1-800-342-3664.

Ione JV boys lose heartbreaker

The Ione JV boys lost a heartbreaker game to Dufur in overtime, 39-41. Freshman Adam Neiffer controlled the ball at the tip off and pretty much kept control throughout the first quarter. Dufur scored the first basket two minutes into the game. Neiffer had a key steal under the Dufur basket. He passed the ball down to Steve Crum to score the first Ione basket. With one second remaining in the first quarter, Neiffer launched up a

shot for three points. Ione led the Rangers at half time, 23-17, and scored eight points each in the third and fourth quarters to tie the game at 39. The Cardinal men were unable to score in overtime but Andrew Wolf and Brian Wolf of Dufur each canned one free throw to put the Rangers on top. Neiffer led the Cardinals with nine points for the game, followed by Justin Hagewood with six points. Lead rebounder for Ione was Ryan Bennetto.

Mexican Fiesta!
Fund Raiser for the Creative Care Preschool
Monday, Jan. 18th from 5:30-7:30 p. m.
at Becher's Restaurant in Ione
Menu: Beef & Chicken Enchiladas
Beans, Rice, Chips, Salsa
Cinnamon Sugar Custos
Regular & Non-alcoholic Margaritas
Advance tickets at Wheatland Insurance & Murray Drugs
Adults: \$8, Children under 12: \$6, Family: \$25
(Children 2 and under, free)
Tickets at the door- Adults: \$10
For more information, call 422-7243

G-T FOOTBALL PICKS CONTEST
It's down to the wire for the football contest experts...

PICK THE WINNER! Bold-Pro	Chris Sykes	Greg Grant	Butch Laughlin	Larry Mills	George Koffler	Molly Rhea	Dennis Stefani	Les Payne	Kim Gutierrez	Rick Paullus	Stef Jensen	Guest Expert Jeff Shank
New York Jets @ Denver	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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LAST WEEK'S RIGHT SCORE WRONG	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	2 2	4 0	3 1	4 0	4 0	2 2	4 0
TOTAL RIGHT SCORE WRONG	122 70	106 58	116 64	134 58	131 61	101 79	124 68	126 54	132 60	118 74	123 69	128 64

Mr. Really Bighead: First Place-It's Larry in the lead! Mr. Bighead-Top Score for the Week! Almost all the experts had perfect scores!