

## Cardinal JV boys defeat Echo

Ione Cardinal junior varsity men easily defeated the Echo Cougars, 56-26.

Leading the Ione squad on the scoreboard was Koby Rea with 16 points. Rea also contributed three rebounds, six assists and five steals to the team effort.

Karl Morgan was unstoppable with 15 points and eight rebounds. He also blocked two Cougar basket attempts. Billy Gates scored nine points, snared seven rebounds, issued one assist and snatched three steals. Brian Gutierrez played a strong game and added six points to the board.

Gutierrez also apprehended three rebounds, handed out four assists and grabbed three steals.

Zac Fabian added four points, two steals and two assists to his team's venture. Cayle Krebs scored two points, captured six rebounds, and one steal. Paul Neiffer added two points, caught five rebounds and delivered three assists to his teammates.

The Cardinals shot 39 percent in the first half and 59 percent in the second half from the field against the Cougars and shot 60 percent from the free throw line.

## Cardinal JV defeat Pirates

Cardinal junior varsity women easily defeated the Cascade Locks Pirates, 49-19. The Cardinals nearly kept Cascade Locks scoreless in the first quarter to lead 18-2 and were successful in keeping the Pirate score to 19 points at the end of the third quarter.

Emily Key hustled on the court and led the Ione team with 12 points and seized five Cascade Locks possessions.

Meghan McCabe scored 10 points for the Cardinal crusade. Olivia Thompson added eight points, handed out four assists and nabbed four steals. Caitlin

Orem contributed six points, led the team with 13 rebounds and aided in the larceny with four steals.

Salli McElligott launched two missiles from the three-point range in the fourth quarter for a total of six points. Natalie McElligott scored four points and dispensed four assists to her Cardinal teammates. Tracy Griffith tabulated three points and aided Orem on the boards with 10 rebounds. Megan E. McCabe assisted the team by taking over four Pirate possessions.

## Ione varsity women conquer Cascade Locks

Ione Cardinal varsity women conquered Cascade Locks, 58-21.

Ione jumped put to a 11-1 lead in the first quarter and led 28-13 at the half. The Lady Cardinals added an additional 30 points to their score, holding the Pirates to only four points in each quarter in the second half, sealing the fate of Cascade Locks.

Natalie McElligott led the Ione team with 16 points. McElligott also snared five rebounds, five steals, blocked one shot attempt and delivered four assists.

Diana McElligott heated up the court with 14 points, three rebounds and three steals. Kristina Powell was a force to reckon with under the basket.

Powell scored 10 points, captured 11 rebounds and robbed the Pirates three times.

Amelia Peck added eight points, two rebounds and three steals to her team's endeavor. Salli McElligott shot 100 percent from the three-point sector for a total of six points; she also grabbed three rebounds, delivered three assists and nabbed two steals.

Cyndi Heagy scored two points, grabbed five rebounds, three steals and handed out three assists. Emily Key and Olivia Thompson each added one point in the second quarter from the charity stripe when accosted by their Pirate opponents.

## Mustang JVs outlast TigerScots

A third quarter letdown let the Weston-McEwen TigerScots back in the game, but the Heppner Mustangs JV boys held on for a 58-44 win in Athena on Friday, Jan. 19. The Mustangs stayed unbeaten with the win, at 9-0 on the year.

The first half was all Heppner as Brian Rust's six points helped the Mustangs to a 16-2 lead after one. Chuy Elguezabal scored eight and Brad Adams, five, as the Mustangs took a 34-6 lead at halftime.

The TigerScots outscored the Mustangs 23-10 in the third to get within 44-29 going into the fourth and got to within nine

points in the fourth, but Rust hit four of four free throws and scored six points as the Mustangs held on for the win.

Adams finished with 16 points to lead the Mustangs, followed by Rust with 14 and Elguezabal with 13.

Statistics  
 Heppner: 16 18 10 14 - 58  
 Weston-McEwen: 2 4 23 15 - 44  
 Heppner: (58) Brad Adams 7 1-1 16, Brian Rust 5 4-6 14, Chuy Elguezabal 6 1-2 13, Sam Van Liew 3 0-2 6, Kevin Drake 1 0-0 3, Donald Adams 0 2-4 2, Adam Bergstrom 1 0-2 2, Kelly Paullus 1 0-0 2, Brad Bowman, Leland Rill, Jon Bennett, Luke Murray, Tanner Britt, Brian Hagewood. 24 4-17 58. Three-pointers: Adams, Drake.  
 Weston-McEwen: (44) Joseph 7 4-4 22, Jorgensen 5 0-0 10, Tucker 4 0-0 8, Duncan 1 0-1 2, Delph 1 0-1 2, 18 4-6 44. Three-pointers: Joseph (4).

## Ione JV beat Cascade Locks

Ione junior varsity men hosted Cascade Locks on Friday, Jan. 19. A lack of Pirate team members held Ione to only two quarters but Ione led Cascade Locks 27-14 at the end of the second quarter.

Ione jumped out with a 17-5 lead on the Pirates in the first quarter. The Cardinal men apprehended 13 rebounds in two quarters and the Pirates captured only five rebounds.

Karl Morgan was the leading point producer with 14 points. Morgan also led the team on the boards with four rebounds.

Billy Gates scored seven points, grabbed two rebounds and delivered one assist. Brian Gutierrez scored four points, dished out one assist and apprehended two steals. Cayle Krebs contributed two points, captured three rebounds and gave out one assist.

## Local youth gear up for rodeos

With the coming of the new year, area high school rodeo participants are eagerly awaiting the spring Oregon High School rodeo season. The area boasts several youth who are at the top of the standings after four fall rodeos.

Condon's Marne Wilkins leads the contingent with the first place in pole bending for the state. Wilkins is also 11th in goat tying, 14th in breakaway and barrel racing and 27th in team roping.

Heppner's Lacey Matteson is ninth in the all-around, with fourth place in barrel racing and 13th in pole bending. She is teamed with Meghan Bailey of Heppner in team roping for 20th place. Bailey is 21st in breakaway roping.

Ione is represented by Ann Shear in sixth in pole bending and Katie Bacon in 13th in barrel

racing.

In the boys' standings, Heppner's Blake Knowles is sitting second in steer wrestling, sixth in boys' cutting and fourth in team roping with Ryan Matteson. Matteson holds sixth in calf roping. Heppner is also represented by Jerid Penturf with fourth in bareback and fifth in bull riding.

Plans are being developed for a Morrow County High School Rodeo to be held in Heppner April 19-21.

"Community support is essential to make the rodeo an annual event," said Lynn Wilkins, Columbia Basin High School Rodeo Club director.

A group is needed to sell concessions at the rodeo. Anyone interested in supporting the rodeo financially or by volunteering to help is asked to contact Ken Bailey, 676-5110.

## Mustang JV girls pull Tiger by the tail

The junior varsity Mustang girls brought out the catnip Saturday, January 20, and pulled the Stanfield Tigers around by the tail, winning 36-31. Heppner grabbed the lead in the first quarter and never trailed. Stanfield mounted a fourth quarter drive, but the Mustangs held on for the win.

Jesse Kempas led the Mustangs in scoring with 10 points, with Brooke Rust and Kelsey Greenup adding six points each.

Stanfield 5 7 9 10 - 31  
 Heppner 9 7 13 7 - 36  
 Heppner (36) Kempas 3 4-9 10, Smith 1 1-4 3, Hanson 1 1-2 3, Penturf 1 1-2 3, Rust 3 0-1 6, McCauley 1 0-0 2, Piper 0 1-2 1, Greenup 3 0-0 6, Sisk 0 2-5 2, Loosley, Miller, Woodward.  
 Team Totals 13 10-25 36.

## Ione JV women defeat Falcons

Ione Cardinal junior varsity women scored 21 points in two quarters against Wheeler, defeating the Falcons, 21-12.

Emily Key played an exceptional game and scored a total of 11 points, including connecting with one shot from the three-point range in the second quarter. Meghan McCabe

scored two points and delivered two assists. Caitlin Orem scored two points and led the team with four rebounds.

Salli McElligott scored two points and handed out two assists. Megan E. McCabe led the team larceny with five steals. Tracy Griffith and Jeanette Brantley each contributed two points to the team score.

## Local man wins snowmobile



Gene Orwick (left) and Tom Penner (right) present Chad Robie of Heppner with the keys to a brand new Mountain Cat Artic Cat snowmobile Monday. Robie won the snowmobile in a state-wide drawing held to raise money for the Oregon State Snowmobile Assoc. Orwick is a member of the local 4 Corners snowmobile club, which sold the winning ticket to Robie, and Penner is a member of the Oregon Trail snowmobile club in Pendleton. Robie, who works for Columbia Basin Electric, was happy to receive his new snowmobile, but couldn't believe it, Orwick said, when first told he held the winning ticket.

## Chamber Chatter

**By Claudia Hughes, Executive Director**

During the annual Chamber luncheon, attendees were treated to a surprise skit by Craig Stroebel and Monica Hunter, accompanied by Pam Wunderlich. The topic was a tongue-in-cheek "What is the Chamber" dialogue with songs written especially for Heppner. Continually we are impressed by the many musical talents of local folks in Heppner. What about a special event just to honor and recognize local talent in the Willow Creek Valley, maybe a talent show?

But, back to the Heppner Chamber of Commerce. What are we about? It's the time of year when our board members devote a day to setting goals. They look at what is working and try to develop new ideas to continue fulfilling the mission: "a non-profit organization dedicated to creating a positive environment where business, community and people thrive." We try to accomplish this mission in the following ways:

**Ambassadors:** a great group of volunteers who deliver packets to area newcomers with area information and donated items from local businesses.

**Communication:** the first Tuesday of every month is dedicated to hearing from entities such as Chamber committees, Retail, Legislative, County, City, Port, Medical, HCC, WCVED, Ranger List, Extension, Schools, etc. This gives the 25 to 30 in attendance a chance to ask questions and keep the lines of communication open. The weekly Chamber Chatter also serves to inform, as well as the Chamber presence on www.heppner.net

**Economic Development:** your Chamber continues to work with and send delegates to Heppner Coordinating Council and Willow Creek Valley Economic Development meetings to promote and encourage new jobs and work on the strategic plan. Jobs mean more dollars for schools, infrastructure, businesses, liveability. The Chamber just prepared 50 large packets for the Army Depot to encourage families to relocate in Heppner.

**Events:** the Chamber oversees Town and Country, Citizens Awards, St. Pat's Auction and Parade, Celebrate Heppner, Rodeo Parade, Christmas parade and reindeer visitation, Volkswalk, etc.

**Information:** the Chamber is always ready to assist people traveling either through (or away) with informational materials ranging from the Eastern Oregon Visitor Guide to Where To Stay In Oregon to our local visitor amenities such as the museum, retail brochure, RV park, TREO, Ruggs Ranch, Willow Creek Water Park, etc. We also respond immediately with relocate packets.

**Legislative:** just returned from a trip to the Legislature for Rural Oregon Day; will be scheduling conference calls with our local legislators on a monthly basis; take stands when it is determined that a measure would have detrimental or positive effects on our ag and retail area, whatever the case must be.

**Main Street:** the Chamber adopted the highway entering Heppner through town to the fairgrounds and works with numerous volunteers and the city to reflect community pride on a regular basis but especially prior to our major visitor events. The tree maintenance, Christmas lights and banners are a part of the total picture.

**Membership and Non-Dues Income:** thanks to great volunteers who assist in the Chamber activities by volunteering and to those who invest in the Chamber through membership, we are able to keep Chamber moving forward into the 21st century.

**Retail/Promotion/Marketing:** if businesses are not doing well, this is reflected in all areas, so the Chamber strives to work with retailers on marketing Heppner to one and all and bringing in visitors as often as possible.

**Seminars:** we held an eastern Oregon Regional Training for Chamber Executives and volunteer staff last May, which introduced 40 some attendees to our community. We also co-sponsored an Internet training for businesses and individuals with BMCC.

**Youth:** three representatives from Heppner High School attend all board meetings and join in the decision making process. A student reports on the first Tuesday of each month at the Chamber meeting. A youth is honored at Town and Country. Chamber participates in the School-to-Work program and this year will be involved in the Eighth Grade Job Awareness Day.

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## Ione Youth Group plans

### 'Souper Bowl of Caring'

The Ione Youth Group is hoping to involve the whole Ione community in the "Souper Bowl of Caring" to be held on Super Bowl Sunday, Jan. 28, at the Ione United Church of Christ.

The "Souper Bowl of Caring" is represented by all 50 states and 50 different denominations throughout the nation. Volunteers are encouraged to collect donations for the charity of their choice.

Debbie Coppenger, program director for the Salvation Army Greenhouse in Portland, will give a presentation during the service. The Greenhouse is a drop-in center that ministers to at risk youth living on Portland's streets.

Following the service, youth group members will collect monetary donations for Greenhouse. Those attending are asked to donate one dollar each on their way out but larger donations will be accepted.

To support those in need closer to home, the youth group is also collecting cans (or dry mixes) of soup on this Sunday. These food offerings will be delivered to the Neighborhood Center in Heppner.

Everyone is invited to attend the 11 a.m. service and the potluck immediately following.

Two lives, two hearts  
 joined together in friendship  
 united forever in love.  
 It is with joy that we,  
**Denise Kennedy**  
 and  
**Charlie Riddle**  
 invite you to share in a celebration of love  
 as we exchange our marriage vows  
 on Saturday, January 27, 2001  
 at 2:00 in the afternoon  
 First Christian Church, Heppner  
 Reception at the Elks Club  
 No gifts please

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**MORROW COUNTY GRAIN GROWERS  
 OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION  
 2001 GROWER MEETING**

Date: Friday, February 9th  
 Location: Willows Grange Hall in Ione  
 Time: 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
 (Lunch will be provided.)

**MEETING AGENDA:**

7:00-7:30 p.m. **Coffee and Doughnuts**  
 7:30-8:00 a.m. **Chris Zita, Syngenta Seed Treatments:**  
 Crop protectant label updates. Adage label for 2001.

8:00-8:30 a.m. **Don Horneck, OSU Extension, Hermiston:**  
 Nitrogen issues; soil nutrient management under drought conditions.

8:30-9:00 a.m. **Steve Petrie, OSU Columbia Basin Ag. Research Center, Pendleton:**  
 Nitrogen management in DNS wheat to increase grain protein.

9:00-9:30 a.m. **Bryan Kliever, Monsanto:**  
 Chemical fallow strategies with Roundup, understanding value in Roundup ready wheat.

9:30-10:00 a.m. **Tom McCoy, Oregon Wheat Growers League:**  
 Upcoming Farm Bill and agricultural issues.

10:00-10:15 a.m. **Break**

10:15-10:40 a.m. **Dave Pranger, Morrow County Weed Control District:**  
 Noxious weed updates and viable options in noxious weed control programs.

10:40-11:00 a.m. **Jim Swanson, Wheatland Insurance:**  
 Program updates and comprehension.

11:00-11:30 a.m. **Kim Kidwell, WSU:**  
 Spring Club Wheat Program and Facultative Wheats.

11:30-12:00 p.m. **Kim Campbell, USDA-ARS/WSU:**  
 Club Wheat Breeding Program.

12:00-12:30 p.m. **Larry Lutchter, OSU Extension, Heppner:**  
 Problems, Challenges and Opportunities with Chemical Fallow.

(Oregon Recertification and CCA credits have been applied for.)