Local cowboy 6th in standing

Heppner Cowboy Chance Dixon is number six in saddle bronc riding in the Copenhagen Cup Series standings as of May 28.

Dixon has 35 points.

Fog sealing planned in area

Morrow County Public Works will be fog sealing in the Heppner area June 18-21. Motorists should expect delays in the following areas:

Willow Creek Road, Willow Creek Park and Boat Ramp, High School Road and Dee Cox Road.

For more information, contact the Morrow County Public Works at 989-9500.

DA's Report

Morrow County District Attorney David C. Allen has released the following report:

Donald Cory Pearson plead no contest to Attempted Manufacture of a Controlled Substance, a Class C Felony. He was sentenced to 18 months probation and 80 hours community service and was ordered to complete a drug treatment program, pay $1079 in fines, fees and assessments, pay restitution to the victim and have his driver's privileges suspended for 90 days.

Nicollette Ann Kopp plead guilty to Possession of a Controlled Substance-Morphine, a Class C felony; Possession of a Controlled Substance-Demerol, a Class C felony; Possession of a Controlled Substance-Dilaudid, a Class C felony; and Recklessly Endangering Another Person, a Class A misdemeanor. She was ordered to serve 180 days in the Umatilla County Jail, with credit for 180 days served, complete 24 months probation and 240 hours of community service, complete a drug treatment program, write a letter of apology to Pioneer Memorial Hospital, have her driver's privileges suspended for 90 days and pay $572 in fines, fees and assessments.

Brenda Kay Worden plead guilty to Theft II, a Class A misdemeanor, and Possession of a Controlled Substance-Methamphetamine, A Class C Felony, and was ordered to serve 30 days in the Umatilla County Jail, with 18 months probation, 80 hours community service, complete a drug treatment program and pay $544 in fines, fees and assessments.

Jesse Allen Getz plead guilty to Criminal Mischief II, a Class A misdemeanor, and was sentenced to 30 days in jail, suspended on the condition that he successfully complete probation conditions, 18 months bench probation, write a letter of apology to the Sheriff's Department, complete a misdemeanor alcohol treatment program, make restitution to the Morrow County Sheriff's Office and pay $660.40 in fines, fees and assessments. He also plead guilty to Possession of Less Than One Ounce of Marijuana, a violation, and ordered to pay a $500 fine.

Robert Gene Morley plead guilty to Assault IV, a Class A misdemeanor, and Menacing, a Class A misdemeanor, and was sentenced to 120 days in jail, 24 months bench probation and ordered to have no offensive physical contact with the victim, complete a drug treatment program and a domestic violence treatment program and pay $1,493 in fines, fees and assessments.

BMCC graduation scheduled June 15

Blue Mountain Community College is celebrating its 39th graduation ceremony on Friday, June 15, at 7 p.m. The ceremony will be held in BMCC's McCrae Activity Center on the BMCC Pendleton campus. Guest speaker for the celebration is Debbie Wooten from Tacoma, Wash.

During the ceremony, college degrees and certificates, GEDs, and high school diplomas will be awarded to approximately 150 students for the 2001-2002 academic year.

OSU Foundation announces awards

Oregon State University Foundation Scholarship Awards Committee has announced its scholarship awards for the 2001-2002 academic year.

Local scholarship winners include Samantha Henry, Irrigon, sophomore in pre-nursing, $1,000 Margaret Dowell-Gravatt Scholarship, established by Arthur E. Gravatt and Margaret Dowell-Gravatt.

Justice Court Report

The Morrow County Justice Court office at the courthouse annex building in Heppner reports handling the following business:

Delbert Darrel Dungan, 45, Lexington-Driving while License Suspended Misdemeanor, 180 days in jail, suspended, 35 hours community service with no further violation of law, reimburse for court-appointed attorney, two years bench probation, $1131 fine; and Driving while License Suspended Misdemeanor, $1131 fine;

Vicky Nicole Van Etta, 22, Heppner-Violation of the Basic Rule, 75 mph in a 55 mph zone, $87 fine;

Joshua Jeremy Stenovich, 25, Hermiston-Disobeying Traffic Device, $132 fine;

Christopher L. Peck, 18, Heppner-Failure to Use Seatbelt, $59 fine;

Robert Henry McConnell, 30, Heppner-Failure to Carry Proof of Insurance, $132 fine;

Mario Edgar Trujillo, 28, Stanfield-Violation of the Basic Rule, 80 mph in a 55 mph zone, $177 fine;

Ryan Lee Miller, 29, Heppner-Failure to Use Seatbelt, Failure to Display Plates, $118 fine;

Timothy John Van Cleave, 41, Heppner-Failure to Use Seatbelt, $59 fine;

Dolores May Cooper, 67, Heppner-Violation of the Basic Rule, 73 mph in a 55 mph zone, $77 fine;

Elizabeth Pettibone, 34, Heppner-Violation of the Basic Rule, 75 mph in a 55 mph zone;

Dawn Marie Dungan, 26, Hermiston-Violation of the Basic Rule, 78 mph in a 55 mph zone, $132 fine;

Richard Alan McConnell, 36, LaGrande-No Driver's License (Expired), $77 fine;

Jason J. Trickel, 21, Heppner-Driving while License Suspended Infraction, Driving Uninsured, Illegal U-turn, $585 fine; and Driving while License Suspended Infraction, Driving Uninsured, $704 fine;

Randy J. Harshman, 38, Hardman-No Driver's License, Driving Uninsured, $404 fine;

Laurence Harold Sullivan, 30, Heppner-Driving while License Suspended Infraction, Driving Uninsured, $474 fine;

Donna Mae Maben, 32, Heppner-Violation of the Basic Rule, 83 mph in a 55 mph zone, $132 fine;

Mathew H. Baker, 19, Heppner-Failure to Use Seatbelt, $59 fine;

Michael T. Haugen, 18, Heppner-Failure to Use Seatbelt, $59 fine;

Steven Montie Crum, 20, Heppner-Disobeying Traffic Device (Stop Sign), $147 fine, Violation of the Basic Rule, 75 mph in a 55 mph zone, $87 fine;

Glenn Dennis Anderson, 47, Lexington-Failure of Driver Entering Roadway to Yield Right-of-Way, $132 fine;

Steven E. Fletcher, 60, Lexington-Failure to Use Seatbelt, $59 fine.

Boardman Chamber to meet

The Boardman Chamber of Commerce will hold its monthly luncheon meeting on Wednesday, June 20, at the Boardman Marina Park at the Harold Baker Pavilion, at 12 p.m. "What is Your Chamber Doing for You" is the topic of this luncheon meeting.

"Find out how the chamber spends it money, how they promote business and growth within our community. This is the time for input from chamber members. Join us down by the riverside for a picnic in the park," said a chamber spokesperson.

Mario's Basque Barbecue will cater the lunch. The menu will include hamburgers, salads, beans and beverage. The cost of lunch is $6.50, to be paid at the park.

Contact the chamber by Monday, June 18, to RSVP for this luncheon meeting at 481-3014. There is no charge to attend the meeting and public is invited to attend.

Basketball tourney at Boardman 4th

Boardman is seeking teams to join in the three-on-three basketball tournament for the July 4th festivities at the Boardman Marina Park.

Each team will play three games on the six hoops available. All participants will get tournament T-shirts. Cost per adult team is $10 and cost per youth teams are $75.

For more information, contact Mike Dipo at 481-3014.

Boardman Chamber coordinator

The Boardman Chamber of Commerce announces the hiring of Angie Davis of Boardman as their new office coordinator.

Davis started her new part-time position on Monday, June 4.

Davis may be a "new face" at the Chamber office to some, but to others will know her because she has lived in Boardman her entire life. Her grandparents (the Partlows) homesteaded t here many years ago.

Davis is a busy mom of a four-year-old son, who will be graduating preschool shortly. She has been a volunteer at the Boardman Child Development Center preschool and hopes with working part-time at the chamber she will be able to stay involved in school activities.

Davis is a graduate of Riverside High School. She has had various jobs in our community and is currently the care taker for the Bank of Eastern Oregon as well as an employee for At The Movies.She has reenrolled in classes to obtain her associate's degree in accounting.

Davis says that "Boardman is a great community to live in and a safe place to raise kids." She says she is excited about the new development within Boardman and is grateful to be apart of it.

UI announces scholarships

The University of Idaho in Moscow, Idaho, has awarded more than $9 million to cover over 4,700 students who may attend UI for the 2001-2002 academic year. Students received scholarships for excellent academic records as well as activity and leadership involvement on campus and in communities.

Recipients from the local area and their scholarships are:

Heppner-Craig Scott, presidential, and Scott VanWinkle, academic tuition waiver 2001 and presidential.

Ione-Shelby Krebs, presidential, and Jeremiah McElligott, top non-resident award.

DEQ, SWCDS work to improve water quality

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and the Morrow and Gilliam County Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCDs) have begun working on a water quality report and management plan for the Willow Creek Basin. The report, known as a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL), and management plan will define steps needed to meet clean water standards and protect watershed health in the Willow Creek Basin.

The Willow Creek Basin consists of 880 square miles of public and private land in Morrow and Gilliam Counties, including the communities of Heppner, Lexington and Ione. Major water bodies in the basin include Willow Creek, the Willow Creek Reservoir, and Eight Mile, Hinton and Rhea creeks.

"Water quality suffers in streams throughout the Willow Creek Basin. Unnaturally high stream temperatures and pH levels are endangering steelhead and trout populations. In addition, exposure to unnaturally high bacteria levels, from swimming or other contact recreation, poses a public health risk," said a DEQ news release.

The Willow Creek Basin TMDL will set goals for the reduction of temperature, bacteria, pH, and other factors that are causing poor water quality. The management plan, which will describe how these goals can be met, will address pollution from various sources, including run-off from agricultural lands, forest lands and urban areas, and elevated stream temperatures caused by stream-side vegetation removal and channel widening.

The Willow Creek Basin TMDL and management plan are scheduled for completion by December 2001. There will be a 30-to-60-day public comment period before the documents become final. Public input and participation is encouraged throughout the TMDL process.

For more information contact the Morrow or Gilliam County SWCDs, or call Don Butcher, DEQ Willow Creek TMDL Coordinator, at 278-4603.

Fair & Rodeo Court keeps busy

The 2001 Morrow County Fair and Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo Court's Queen Tammy Booth and Princess Kelsey Greenup are off and running, promoting Morrow County.

On May 5, the court traveled to Arlington, where they participated in the parade and grand entry. On May 26, the girls traveled to Spray where they were awarded first prize in the Queens and Court division. They participated in the grand entry and stayed for the rodeo.

On June 8, the court went to Union for the parade and grand entry. On June 9, the girls and their mothers were guests at the Umatilla Sage Riders luncheon and grand entry. Princess Kelsey also entered the barrels competition at the rodeo that night.

On Tuesday, June 19, the court will be a guest at the Heppner Chamber of Commerce luncheon. On Wednesday, June 20, the court will attend the Boardman Chamber of Commerce luncheon, and on Thursday, June 21, they will attend the Willow Creek Valley Service Club luncheon. They will also be present at the 4th of July parade in Boardman.

The court is also busy selling raffle tickets for a shopping spree at the Red Apple grocery store in Heppner.

Mary Cerbyar Gallery features exhibit

A new art exhibit, featuring Mary Cernyar's oils on canvas from the "Kosovo" series is now open through Sunday, July 1.

The show also features Theresa Sharrer with "Volcanoes" paintings and Lee Christenson's "Paintings of Summers Past."

The Mary Cernyar, M.F.A., Gallery is located at 134 S. Main Street, Condon. Hours are Thursday through Sunday from noon until 6 p.m., phone 384-3800.

Graceland U announces grad

Commencement ceremonies were conducted May 20 on the Graceland University, Lamoni, Iowa, campus. U.S. Senator Orrin Hatch (R- Utah) presented the commencement address to a class of more than 430.

Local graduates included Traci M. Dickenson from Heppner who received a BA in biology.

Ione proclaims tobacco free week

The city of Ione has proclaimed the week of July 9-14 as "Tobacco Free Week" for the city.

In their proclamation, the city also challenged any other "city or town in the state of Oregon to proclaim a tobacco free day or week."

Softball players chosen for all state team

San Juanita Elguezabal

Marissa McCabe

Two Heppner High School softball players, Marissa McCabe and San Juanita Elguezabal, have been selected for the state all-star team.

The girls will play in two games at Keizer this Saturday, starting at 6:30 p.m., and two games Sunday, starting at 4 p.m.

Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes
Chamber Executive Director

Representative Greg Smith has renewed his membership in the Heppner Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber has appreciated his monthly conference calls and looks forward to having him in person at some of our summer meetings.

School is out and summer is here even though we're having the rain and cool weather we needed in May. Rain, whenever we can get it, is a blessing. It's about water, crops, green hills and less fire danger.

Events in Heppner mean traffic in Heppner. Coming up this weekend is the Willow Creek Invitational at the Willow Creek Golf Course. June 24-26 will bring Jr. Oregon Hereford families to Heppner for the Jr. Show at the Morrow County Fairgrounds.

Merchants meet the first Tuesday of every month at 8 a.m. at Gary and Diane's. All merchants are welcome to attend. Discussion is centering around "Celebrate Heppner" scheduled for Friday, July 27. The annual sidewalk sale will be held, with the possibility of a Farmer's Market (home-grown and homemade products) and lawn mower race. Groups are encouraged to have booths. The dunk tank will return and certain individuals will be jailed during "the Chamber Jail and Bail" with proceeds targeted toward a new Heppner brochure. Mark your calendars for this "Heppner Happening".

Next week the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo Court and Grand Marshal will be guests during Chamber. The Fair Board and Rodeo Board representatives are invited to attend and give an update on their activities. This annual event with the theme "Rolling Into The Future," along with the Fair and Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo brings many visitors to town. Plan now to enter the parade and the fair.

Thought for the week: "Goals are dreams with deadlines."

Skills contest winners announced

The winners of the Umatilla-Morrow Skills Challenge 2001 have been announced.

Creative Writing Showcase: second place-Jesse Gutierrez, Leland Rill; third place-Julie Proctor.

Job Interview (junior): first place-Sibbea Jones.

Logo Contest: first place-Kelli Bates.

Accounting: first place-Jon Bennett; second place-Tyler Henderson; third place-Samuel Van Liew.

Egg Drop: second place-Justin Botefuhr.

General Math: first place-Brian Smith; second place-Josh Lankford; third place-Terra Wilson.

Algebra I: second place Shanna Rietmann; third place-Marcy Miller.

Geometry: third place-Conor Kilkenny.

Algebra II: second place Shelley Rietmann.

Jazz and Popular Music: third place-Amanda Sneddon.

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