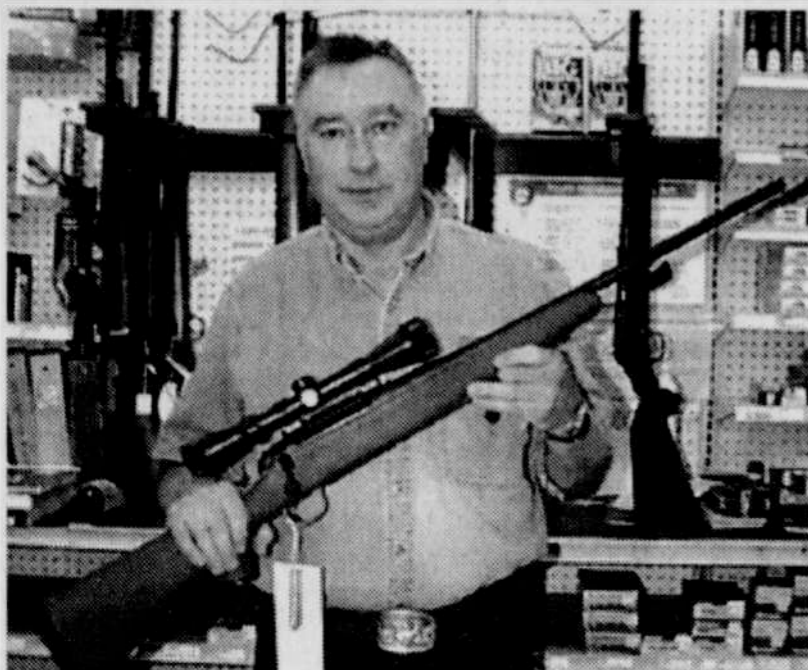


Booster Club steak feed & auction planned Oct. 13



Cliff Green of Heppner Hardware. A Remington 700 30-06 will be raffled off during the Heppner Booster Club steak feed and auction planned for Saturday, October 13, at the Heppner Elks Club.

The Heppner High School Booster Club's annual steak feed and auction is planned for Saturday, October 13, at the Heppner Elks Club.

Dinner, which includes a New York steak, baked potato, a variety of salads, homemade bread and homemade desserts, will be served from 6-8 p.m. Cost is \$10 each.

The auction, which will get underway at 8 p.m., also includes raffle items and a silent

auction. A television set and a gun will be raffled off and a large variety of donated items will be auctioned.

Tickets will be available at the Shoe Box and Heppner Hardware.

Anyone interested in donating or contributing to the feed and auction may call Greg Grant, 676-5257, John and Sonja McCabe, 676-5231, or Angie Hanson, 676-9041.

4-H News



Left to right: 4-Hers, Megan Orr, Krystal Nairns, Emily Bergstrom, and Brianna Jones, made a "quillow" to donate to the Heppner High School Booster Club Steak Feed and Auction. The Booster Club is represented by Angie Hanson (right).

Pins and Pots and Patterns and Pans
By Emily Bergstrom, reporter
On Sunday, Sept. 16, Pins and Pots and Patterns and Pans 4-H group

had a meeting. Members filled out record books and got everything from fair caught up in the books. Members also donated a quillow that they made to the Booster Club for their auction.

Assisted Living construction halted

Construction of the Willow Creek terrace has been temporarily halted. On Sept. 20, the Willow Creek Valley Assisted Living Corp. board of directors met with representatives of the O'Brien Construction Co., the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development, the Bank of Eastern Oregon, the city of Heppner and the Oregon State

Building Inspectors Office. The meeting was called to address the state requirements for water pressure at the building site. Solutions are being studied and as soon as this situation is resolved, O'Brien will proceed with construction. The board expects this to be soon, said a board spokesperson.

Blue Mountain Community College is sponsoring two business training opportunities through BMCC Small Business Development Center.

E-Commerce (Electronic Commerce)
YOUR BUSINESS - YOUR INTERNET
October 1, 3, 8, 10 from 6:30-9:30 p.m.
at the Heppner High School
Cost: \$29 fee, including text

Every small business owner should be asking the question... What can E-commerce do for my business? This hands-on internet class will help entrepreneurs, home-based businesses, main street merchants, farmers and others discover how electronic commerce will impact their businesses and how they can take advantage of the opportunities it provides.

FREE OSHA WORKSHOPS
SAFETY AND THE SMALL BUSINESS OWNER
October 11 and 25 from 12 noon-1 p.m.
at the Hermiston BMCC Center
Cost: FREE

Oregon OSHA will present two free seminars for the small business owner designed to help owners develop their safety and health programs. Topics covered by attending the two one-hour lunch meetings will include:
• The program overview • 10 abbreviated training modules • instructors manuals • employee training manual • a guide to written requirements • 16 master forms suitable for copy.

For registration information for either class, call toll free: 1-888-441-7232.

Visit our new web site at: www.bizcenter.org/pendleton

HES students write to President Bush

President George W. Bush
White House, Washington D.C.
To President Bush:

Here are some letters that my class wrote last week. They are all very concerned about what has happened in our nation. We would like you to know that all of us are thinking about this situation and are offering our help in any way we can.

I am sure that millions of other school age children share our thoughts and offers.

(s) Molly Rill
Second-Third Grade Teacher
Heppner Elementary School
Heppner

Dear President Bush,
I will do anything I can do to help make them stop.
Love, Courtney George

Dear President Bush,
What can we do to help our country? I'm sorry for what happened. I want this to stop happening.
Sincerely, Lacey Davison

Dear President Bush,
Please tell the people to stop crashing into New York. I hope you can stop it.
Camron Day

Dear President Bush,
I'm very sorry about what happened. What can I do?
Sincerely, Justin Pranger

Dear President Bush,
I am very sorry your United States is being attacked. If I can do anything I will.
Bye.
Sincerely, Zach Hintz

Dear Mr. Bush,
I'm sorry that happened. I wish it did not happen.
Love, Justin Smith

Dear President Bush,
I am very, very sorry about what happened the other day and I'm happy that you are o.k.
Sincerely, Eric Chick

Dear President Bush,
I am really sorry about New York. I hope they stop. Who is it, do you know? I will try to help as much as I can.
Sincerely, Ian Murray

Mr. President Bush,
I'm sorry this happened. I hope this never happens again.
Sincerely, Justin Yocom

Dear President Bush,
I'm sorry this happened. It is really sad. I hope you can stop it. What can I do to help? I hope no more people do destructive things.
Sincerely, Devin Robinson

Dear Mr. President,
I'm really sorry this whole thing happened. Please tell these people to stop if you can. What can I do to help our country? Well, I better go.
Sincerely, Shae-Lee Arbogast

Dear President Bush,
I'm sorry what happened in New York. Were those guys bad that crashed? Do you think those guys are jealous?
Bye.
Sincerely, Lindsay Cutsforth

Dear Mr. President,
I'm sorry for all the trouble that happened. I want to help.
Sincerely, Natalie Rauch

Dear President Bush,
I saw what had happened on the news. Please make them stop.
Sincerely, Conner Pappas

President Bush,
You should make them stop doing that. How are you doing? I am doing good. We are doing good in school. We are making letters to you, to make them stop doing that. That was nice talking to you. I'd better go.
Sincerely, Amber Gray

Dear President Bush,
I feel really sorry what happened yesterday. Those people should stop fighting. Now the kids will not have their parents with them. I just wish we all would not get hurt. What is it like in Washington? I would really talk to you right now but I can't because Oregon and Washington are so far away from each other. I can write my name in cursive. What can we do to help?
Sincerely, Carrie Anne Haguewood

Dear President Bush,
Aren't they bad? I feel terrible, don't you?
From Kelsi Putman

BMCC offers computer classes

Blue Mountain Community College will offer a Basic Word and Introduction to Excel class in the very near future in Heppner. Students wishing more information or to preregister should contact Anne Morter, BMCC coordinator for South Morrow County, at 411-7040.

Basic Word is a four-week class set for Tuesday evenings beginning Oct. 9. The class will be held at Heppner High School from 7-9 p.m. This is a good class for a beginning user of the program Microsoft Word or someone wishing to get more out of the program. Learning the basic concepts in the Word program is helpful to other computer operations

too, said a news release. Those taking the class will learn cutting, pasting, copying, page set-up, font changes and more. Tuition is \$30 and students should pre-register as class size is limited.

Introduction to Excel is scheduled for consecutive Saturday mornings, October 6 and 13, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each day. Class will cover the basics of creating, saving and formatting basic formulas. Copying, moving, deleting, inserting and sorting will also be included. Students should be familiar with the use of the keyboard and mouse. Tuition is \$40 plus a \$5 lab fee and pre-registration is required.

Prayer, Bible study planned

A prayer group will be held Thursdays at 1 p.m. in the basement of the United Methodist Church, Heppner, starting Oct. 4. It will be followed by a Bible study at 2 p.m. on the "Prayer of Jabez".

According to sponsors of the group, it is not necessary to attend both. "We want to encourage everyone who is interested in either to feel free to come and not feel

obligated to stay for both," said a spokesperson.

A salad potluck will be held in the basement of the Methodist church at noon on Thursday, Sept. 27. The following week's prayer and study will be discussed and the meeting will be closed with a time of prayer. For further information call the Methodist church at 676-9224 or 676-8337, Peggy Connor, 676-9408, or Grace Drake, 676-9439.

AGLOW fall retreat slated

The Eastern Oregon AGLOW area leadership team will hold an AGLOW fall retreat at Cove Ascension campground from 6 p.m. Oct. 12 through 4 p.m., Oct. 13. "Picked On or Picked Out?" will be the theme. Time will also be spent for praying for the nation. Registration begins at 5 p.m.

Friday evening, with dinner at 6 p.m. and the meeting at 7 p.m.

Cost is \$55 which includes three meals and overnight lodging. Call Jan Wheelhouse, (541) 567-3949, or Arlene Kinsey, (541) 523-4791 for further information. Flyers may also be obtained from Living Word Book Store in Hermiston.

Tags deadline Friday

The deadline to purchase tags for buck deer, cougar and bear hunting seasons is Friday, Sept. 28.

The following hunts are affected by the deadline: general cougar season for the remainder of 2001, general fall black bear, general western Oregon deer centerfire seasons, and controlled Eastern Oregon buck deer centerfire seasons.

Hunters may purchase tags at many Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife offices and more than 560 point of sale license agents.

Information on big game hunting rules and seasons can be found in the 2001 Oregon Big Game Regulations. Hunters may also call their local ODFW office for information or the general information line at (503) 872-5268.

RV parking extension topic of public hearing

By Doris Brosnan

On Sept. 12, a public hearing took testimony on a proposed zoning ordinance amendment that would allow RVs to park in RV parks 365 days per year. Planning director Tamra Mabbott summarized the application requesting the change and reviewed the present ordinance that allows 30-days parking in any 60-day period. She also explained conditions included in the proposed amendment and reported that planning staff have discussed concern about enforcement of the ordinance. The court agreed to continue the public hearing until Sept. 19 at the Boardman Annex.

The county court session then continued with a discussion of the proposed speedway in Boardman Mabbott reviewed the scope of work that the engineering analysis is to provide the county, related to impact of the speedway on roadways and other county facilities. Mabbott also reported that the planning department has not yet received a land-use permit application. Economic development coordinator Martin Davis reported that the Port of Morrow awaits information from Oregon's Department of Transportation before releasing information about the project.

County surveyor Ron McKinnis said that the new time line for the application to the county is the first of November. The discussion continued about the phases proposed for the total project and the coordination requirements among the many agencies and departments.

In a continued discussion of the transfer of Tower Road to the county, McKinnis clarified that the dedication of the right of way is from the interstate highway to Taggares Lane. The group reviewed the wording of the agreement and noted the need to address some specific questions with Threemile Canyon Farms and the assessor and surveyor.

County counsel Bill Hanlon reported on his work on an agreement with the Extension Agency for use of the 4-H building at Cutsforth Park. In his research, he found no clear documentation of ownership. The court agreed to invite Extension Agent Bill Broderick to a future meeting to determine a resolution.

Hanlon continued the discussion of the north-end dairies, as the question remains regarding the number of employees for which the buildings were designed and permitted. Mabbott agreed to check on the status of the county inspector's contact with the State Building Codes Division. She also reported having received a farm-exempt application for a south-end dairy.

The court continued a discussion of the 450 MHz radio system, which Umatilla County has agreed to administer. Of present concern is a delay in the Oregon State Police Department's commitment to that agency's share in the project.

Wayne Thomas, of the Department of Environmental Quality, appeared to report on the status of the chemical incinerator and to address specific questions. He reported that the public hearing on the surrogate trial burn plan is scheduled for Oct. 2; the deactivation furnace system is scheduled for Oct. 15; the liquid injection incinerators testing is scheduled for June 10, 2002; the trial burns for GB rockets are scheduled for February 2003.

The commissioners offered several "what if" questions for Thomas to consider, and he continued answering 25 detailed questions with detailed answers. Further discussion of CSEPP preparation, the OSP's role in the complex project, estimates of total costs, and the deadlines ensued.

On Sept. 19, a public hearing received testimony of the transfer of Columbia Avenue to the city of Boardman. As no one appeared, the hearing was then closed, and the court approved the proposed transfer. Also in that session of the county court, the commissioners agreed to approve and offered the first reading of a change in the RV ordinance that would allow stays of up to six months during a 365 day period (rather than the 365 days out of 365 days), meeting certain conditions.

The county court announced a resolution condemning "cowardly and deadly" acts of terrorism, supporting "the President of the United States, as he works with his national security team to defend against additional attacks and find the perpetrators to bring them to justice", and supporting relief through blood donations.

Public works director Burke

O'Brien made the following report:

The crew completed crack sealing on Basey Canyon, Upper Rhea Creek, Upper Willow Creek, Ella, and Ione-Boardman roads. They patched north-end roads and will do the same in the south-end. They will be paint striping in Umatilla County for two weeks. They have taken seven vehicles to auction. Five employees have attended an equipment operator training and skills competition. O'Brien also reported the revenue received by the parks from the fire camp at Cutsforth Park for garbage and rental.

Other actions of the court follow:

- approval of an application for a DEQ solid-waste recycling grant;
- approval of permits for CenturyTel to install a line along Alpine and for West Extension to install pressure lines along Idaho and along Third and Oregon;
- approval of the Area Commission on Transportation agreement between Baker and Morrow counties and ODOT;
- granting of an extension of time to three owners of properties contiguous to Act of Congress properties, as requested, and agreement to send registered letters to the remaining three owners explaining that the ACT properties will go up for sale in 60 days unless purchased by them;
- approval of a lease/purchase of a vehicle for the CSEPP Department;
- approval of the purchase of a computer program for the district attorney's office.

OLCC funds disbursed

Nine eastern Oregon counties and the 55 cities in these counties received \$135,264 as their share of the Oregon Liquor Control Commission's July 2001 revenue disbursement.

The OLCC's total statewide allocation - based on population - was \$9.27 million for July; \$4.84 million to the state general fund, \$865,169 to Oregon's 36 counties, and \$1.73 million distributed among its 239 cities. The state Dept. of Administrative Services' city revenue sharing account received \$1.21 million.

Fifty percent of the taxes collected on wine and malt beverages, \$606,348, went to alcohol and drug-use prevention and treatment activities funded by the state Office of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs. The Oregon Wine Advisory Board received \$16,341 from a special base of two cents of the 67 cents a gallon tax on all wines made or imported into the state.

The OLCC generates revenue through the sale of distilled spirits, privilege taxes on beer and wine, license fees, and fines for liquor law violations.

The county allocations are: Baker, pop. 16,750, \$4,217; Grant, 7,950, \$2,001; Harney, 7,600, \$1,913; Lake, 7,450, \$1,875; Malheur, 31,750, \$7,793; Morrow, 11,100, \$2,794; Umatilla, 70,850, \$17,836; Union, 24,550, \$6,180; and Wallowa, 7,250, \$1,825.

In Morrow county, Boardman received \$2,191.68; Heppner, \$1,050.65; Ione, \$244.77; Irrigon, \$1310.49; Lexington, \$199.58.

55 Alive driving class planned

55 Alive mature driving classes, for those 55 and over, will be held in the month of October. Participants will learn updated laws, new safety techniques and save money on insurance.

Classes will be held:
-Oct. 1-2, from 9 am to 1 p.m. each day at Columbia Basin Building in Heppner;
-October 4-5, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day at Blue Mt. Community College in Hermiston in room 208;
-October 23-24, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day at Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston.

Both days are required for completion certificate.

A \$10-per-person charge goes to AARP to help cover costs of the workbook and materials given out during this eight-hour course.

By state law, a completion certificate will entitle a participant to a reduction on auto insurance.

To register, or for additional information, call John or Judi Swanson at 922-9568, or Betty Crampton at 567-6535. Those calling are asked to leave their name and number (clearly) on either answering machine.