

First 2002 snow to hit in Heppner



Snow covered vehicle

Oct. 29 marked the first day of snow seen in the town of Heppner. The snow did not stick on the ground but did manage to get on some vehicles.

WVSC November meetings listed

Programs by Barbara Hayes and Cyde Estes, and a business meeting are the agenda items for the November meetings of the Willow Valley Service Club. Meetings are held at John's Other Place in Heppner from 12-1 p.m. Anyone may attend these no-host luncheons.

The "Healthy Start Program" of the Veterans Administration Program and Transportation will be discussed by Barbara Hayes on Monday, Nov. 11.

Cyde Estes will explain the responsibilities of the Morrow County Unified Recreation District at the Thursday, Nov. 21 meeting. Estes is a native of

Heppner. She has filled the position of Chairman of the Board of MURD since 1996. She and husband, Rusty, have two grown sons living in Portland. Estes enjoys volunteering, public service, golf and crafts.

The club will conduct a business meeting on Thursday, Nov. 7, including the final plans for the Artifactory arts and crafts event at the Morrow County Fairgrounds on Saturday, Nov. 23. Any vendor wanting to be included in the Artifactory may call Judie at 676-9781.

As an October service project, WVSC made a donation to the "Chess Mates" at Heppner Elementary School.

Dobyns offers new service

Dobyns Pest Control in Ione is now offering to report pesticide usage on-line, in compliance with the PURS law, for interested persons.

The Pesticide Use Reporting System (PURS) law went into effect on Jan. 1, 2002. Under this law, pesticides applied for every day for-profit businesses must be reported to

the Oregon Department of Agriculture. ODA does not accept reports on paper; reporting must be done on-line only. Businesses/individuals have until Jan. 31, 2003 to report pesticide usage for the 2002 year.

Those interested in having Dobyns Pest Control do their on-line reporting may call 422-7180 for more information.

55 Alive class scheduled

AARP and Blue Mountain Community College have scheduled a 55 Alive class for Tuesday, Nov. 5 at the St. Patrick's Senior Center in Heppner from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. with a break for lunch.

55 Alive is classroom instruction for mature drivers age 55 and over, stressing laws and safety. Most insurance companies offer premium discounts to drivers age 55 and

over who have completed the class. The cost of the class is \$10, payable to AARP on the day of the session.

Pre-register by contacting Anne Morter, BMCC coordinator at 422-7040, or John and Judi Swanson, instructors, at 922-9568. Pre-registration is required, as a minimum enrollment must be met for the instructors to travel to Heppner.

Oregon Center for the Book to hold student writing contest

The Center for the Book in the Library of Congress will continue their sponsorship of Letters About Literature, along with the Weekly Reader Corporation. This national essay contest invites students to write a letter to an author—living or dead—explaining how that author's work somehow changed the student's way of thinking about the world. This year's contest was officially launched Oct. 1 with all contest entries to be postmarked by Dec. 6.

Letters About Literature 2003 is sponsored in Oregon by the Oregon Center for the Book at the State Library, along with co-sponsors, the Oregon Educational Media Association and the Children's Services Division and Oregon Young Adult Network of the Oregon Library Association.

Letters About Literature 2003 offers three competition levels: Level I for students in grades four through six; Level II for students in grades seven and eight; and Level III for students in grades nine through 12. Judges for the Center for the Book and Weekly Reader Corporation will select a national winner for Level I, Level II and Level III. Each national winner will receive a cash award. In addition, the Oregon Center for the Book will select the top essayist in the state on all three levels. The state winners will

each receive a cash award and will be honored at a celebration during National Library Week from April 6-12, 2003.

An official entry coupon must accompany each essay. For a copy of the guidelines and an official entry coupon, call the Oregon Center for the Book at (503) 378-2112 ext. 239. The official entry coupon is also available at the Center for the Book web site <http://www.osl.state.or.us/home/libdev/lalit.htm>.

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Sheriff's Report

The Morrow County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) reports handling the following business:

-MCSO received a report from a caller that the Boardman westbound rest area toilets in the women's restroom were flooding.

-MCSO deputy cited a juvenile for MIP.

-MCSO, Boardman Police Dept. received a report from a caller in Boardman that he could hear people at the new school construction site getting into construction vehicles and messing around.

Sept. 17: MCSO deputy cited Carlos Flores Henandez, 25, for Failure to Obey Traffic Control Device.

-Boardman Police Dept. officer cited Emilio Manuel Rodriguez Martinez, 27, for Driving while License Suspended-Misdemeanor and Failure to Obey Traffic Control Device. The vehicle was impounded.

-MCSO, Boardman Police Dept. received a report from a caller in Boardman of a single gunshot fired in the "A" section of the Outback Apts. in Boardman. The noise was very loud and had set off vehicle alarms. It was determined to be a backfire from a vehicle in the parking lot.

-MCSO received a report from a caller in Irrigon that she received a phone call threatening her husband who is lodged at EOIC.

-MCSO received a request from a caller to do a welfare check on a male subject. The subject's mother had not been able to locate him.

-MCSO received a report from a business in Boardman that his office had received a cell call from a female subject soliciting sex.

-MCSO received a report from a caller that she is involved in a property dispute with her son.

-Boardman Police Dept. officer cited Jared A. Gowan, 19, for Reckless Driving.

-Boardman Police Dept. officer cited William J. Foden, 29, for Permitting a Dog to Run at Large.

-MCSO received a report from a caller in Irrigon that a Rottweiler came onto her property and attacked her ducks.

-MCSO received a report someone cut through a fence in Irrigon.

-MCSO received a request for a deputy contact in Irrigon regarding a dog ownership issue.

-MCSO, Boardman Police Dept. received a request for backup in Boardman regarding a possible domestic disturbance in progress. Frank David Ayers, 51, was arrested on a Lane County warrant for Parole Violation/DUII. He was lodged at the Umatilla County Jail.

-MCSO deputy cited Jared Wicklund, 26, for Keeping an Animal with a Revoked Permit.

-MCSO, Irrigon ambulance received a request for an ambulance from a caller in Irrigon whose husband, who had a history of heart problems, collapsed in the front yard. The patient was transported to Good Shepherd Medical Center in Hermiston.

-MCSO received a request for a deputy contact from a caller in Ione regarding trespassing on his property.

-MCSO deputy arrested Jesse Thomas Moore, 21, on a Hermiston Police Dept. warrant for COC Failure to Pay Fine/Criminal Mischief. He was lodged at the Umatilla County Jail.

-MCSO received a report from Umatilla County Sheriff's Office that David Wayne Divelbliss, 38, was arrested on a Morrow County warrant for Parole Violation/Attempting to Manufacture a Controlled Substance, and on local charges. He was lodged at the Umatilla County Jail with a hold placed for Morrow County.

-Boardman Police Dept. officer cited Maria Y. Cloutro, 34, for Endangering the Welfare of a Minor.

-MCSO received a report that Jose Joel Ramirez, 26, was arrested on a Morrow County warrant for Assaulting a Police Officer/Attempting to Elude. He was lodged at Two Rivers Jail.

-MCSO received a report from a caller in Lexington of a bull out on Highway 74. The owner was notified.

-MCSO, Heppner Fire Chief received a report from a caller in Heppner of the smell of smoke and a bad odor; the caller could also see a small flame.

-MCSO, Boardman ambulance received a request for an ambulance at the Boardman Sentry Market for a male subject who walked in and said he needed an ambulance then walked out. It was determined the subject was having difficulty breathing with alcohol withdrawals. The patient was transported to Good Shepherd Medical Center in Hermiston.

-MCSO deputies arrested Ray Sherman Whitbeck, 19, for Unlawful Possession of a Firearm, No Operator's License and Driving Uninsured. The vehicle was impounded.

Sept. 18: Boardman Police Dept. officer cited Javier Manzo Aguillar, 19, for No Operator's License and Driving Uninsured. The vehicle was impounded.

-MCSO received a report from CSEPP that an exercise would be held sometime today.

-MCSO received a request for a deputy contact from a caller regarding a male subject making threats against him and his property.

-MCSO received a request for a deputy contact in Heppner for a child that was almost hit.

-MCSO, MC Road Dept. received a report of a deer hit on Highway 74 in front of the mill. The driver was fine but did not know about the deer.

-MCSO received a report from Wallowa County Sheriff's Office that Arthur Haskins, 43, was arrested on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/Driving while License Suspended.

-MCSO received a request for a deputy contact in Irrigon regarding the caller's stereo being stolen out of her vehicle.

-MCSO, Irrigon ambulance received a request for an ambulance from Columbia Middle School in Irrigon for a male student who collapsed. It was determined the student was conscious and breathing, but dizzy and incoherent. The patient was transported to Good Shepherd Medical Center in Hermiston.

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-MCSO deputy cited Jared Wicklund, 26, for Changing Floodway Without a Permit.

-MCSO received a request from the Dept. of the Navy for a background check on a male subject. One active warrant was found.

-MCSO received a report from a caller in Boardman that a big rig threw a rock and broke her windshield.

-MCSO received a report from a caller in Stanfield that a female subject has 60 puppies and appears to be breeding dogs without a license.

-MCSO received a report that Eddie Joe Rios, 39, was arrested on a Morrow County warrant for Failure to Appear/Felon in Possession of a Firearm, and on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/No Insurance, Violation of the Basic Rule. He was lodged at the Umatilla County Jail.

-MCSO received a 911 hang-up call from a residence in Boardman. It was determined all

was okay; it was juveniles playing with the phone.

-MCSO received a report from the Weary Traveler Motel in Irrigon of a possible domestic disturbance in a room. The female subject left on foot and the male subject was still in the room.

-MCSO received a report from a caller in Irrigon of several juveniles hanging around the caller's truck.

-MCSO received a report from a caller that he hit a deer one mile south of the Kinzua mill. ODOT was notified.

-MCSO received a report from a caller in Boardman that he served a 20-day eviction notice to a renter; the renter had threatened twice to burn his trailer down before he was evicted. The caller requested a house watch.

-MCSO, Oregon State Police received a report of a domestic disturbance in Irrigon. A male suspect left the area and an Attempt to Locate was sent out.

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