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Scouts serve as "jurors" to learn about legal system



By Debbie Harper

Six Cub Scouts from the Bear den got a first-hand chance to see how the legal system works when they served as jurors in a mock trial Friday, April 4.

The scouts, aged nine and 10, heard evidence presented by District Attorney David C. Allen and the defense attorney, played by Deputy District Attorney Elizabeth Ballard. The defendant, "Bob", was played by

Morrow County Sheriff's Deputy Rory Bolter. Justice Court Judge Charlotte Gray was the presiding judge.

"Bob" was charged with criminal mischief and theft of a four-wheeler. A victim and an investigating officer testified and photos, fingerprints and other evidence were presented just like in a real trial. The jurors were serious and attentive, looking like spectators at a tennis match as

they watched the attorney and witness talking.

After the attorneys rested their cases, the jurors retired to the jury room and deliberated the case, which they took seriously, according to their den leader, Tina Raver. They asked relevant questions and really considered the case, she said.

In the end, the defendant was found guilty and taken out in handcuffs.

The cubs earned credit toward their citizenship belt loop achievement.

Valby Lutheran to hold Easter breakfast

Easter Sunday, April 20, Valby Lutheran Church will be holding special services. The public is invited to celebrate the resurrection of Christ. As per tradition, a ham and egg breakfast will be held immediately after the 8 a.m. service. The breakfast will be prepared by the men of the church and presented by the youth of the church.

A freewill offering for the breakfast will be matched by "Thrivent for Lutherans." The money will be used for local community service projects.

MC Chambers of Commerce to hold candidates' forums

Fifteen Morrow County School Board candidates have been invited by the county Chambers of Commerce to participate in two candidates' forums to be held Thursday, April 10 at the Port of Morrow Conference Center and Tuesday, April 29 at the Heppner High School cafeteria; both forums will be held from 6:30-9 p.m.

Richard Hensley of the East Oregonian will moderate the forum. The audience will be given the opportunity to submit questions prior to the forum, either at the door, or by giving them to the Heppner Chamber

of Commerce. Candidates may provide printed information for attendees.

Candidates are running for five positions: Position 1: DeAnne Tolle, Richard Rockwell, Craig Miles, Jim Doherty and John Rietmann; Position 3: John Kilkenny, Marc Rogelstad and Debbie Radie; Position 4: Kenneth Matlack and Mike Armato; Position 5: Patrick McNamee, and William Kuhn; and Position 6: Barney Lindsay, Dwayne Carroll and Denise Riddle. The election will be Tuesday, May 20.

Everyone is invited to attend and participate in the forums.

MCF and OTPR Court to hold car wash

The 2003 Morrow County Fair & Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo Court will be holding a car wash on Saturday, April 12, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. It will take place at the Bank of E.O. parking lot in Heppner.

The court is also doing other fundraisers this year, in which they are raffling off a gift basket worth over \$400 and two halves of a hog. Tickets can be bought from any of the girls or their parents. The court is also collecting Red Apple receipts with drop boxes at Murray's Drug, Bank of E.O. in Heppner & Lone, and also at the M.C.G.G. Foodmart.

Come meet the 2003 Fair & Rodeo Court and have them wash your vehicle.

Local son in Kuwait

Levi Geer, son of Harry and Shana Geer is currently serving in Kuwait. He is a heavy equipment operator in the navy. Geer is a 2000 Heppner High graduate.

For those wishing to send him a letter, his address is: EOCN Geer, Levi, NMCB-4, ALFA Co. Camp Fox, Taskforce Endurance, APO-AE 09888-0001.

Many others from this area are also serving in war areas. For those who wish to send cards and letters of encouragement, you can contact them at the following addresses:

Stacy Lauritsen, a Heppner High grad- Sgt. Lauritsen, Stacy, JSOAC-W-FWD, APO 09370.

John Martin- WO John Martin, MACG-38 MT/UT, UIC41044, FPO AP 96614-1044.



Levi Geer

Eric Schonbachler, a HHS grad- 2nd Lt. Schonbachler, Eric, B Company 1-325 Air, 82nd ABN DIV, APO AE 09368.

Joseph Baker, an Lone High grad- MN3 Joseph Baker, USS Dextrous, MCM-13, FPO AE 09567-1933.

Third grade class receives tour of new lone building



IES third-grade students receive tour of new school building.

Spring is in the air and new things are coming up everywhere including Lone's new Elementary School. Lone's third grade class recently donned their hard hats and toured the new building. The students were very excited and curious about the new classrooms and gym. The following are some comments and thoughts from the third graders:

"We saw all the classrooms and the gym was on the top of the building. Our hats were borrowed from the onion plant so our heads smelled like onions when we were done." -Steven Holland

"My new school is huge and dirty because it is not built yet." -Adam Collin

"My favorite part was the skylights in the roof." -Zac Orem

"The new school was awesome because they called

it "Lake Lone." The reason was because it rained before the roof and there were puddles." -Justyn Peck

"The construction site was awesome. I liked the classrooms, girls bathroom, skylights, and Dan's joke about the pond in the gym." -Christine Raible

"I thought the new school was dirty and interesting. If you ever saw it you would go crazy." -MaKenna Ramos

"I think the new school will be awesome because of the skylights and the gym." -Jordan Peterson

"We saw the new school. I can't wait until I go there and go to 4th grade." -Jeremy Coleman

"We were the first kids to see the new school classrooms and office." -Cassie Arbogast

"Wow. Our class got to go in the new school. It was terrific, wet and dirty." -Stephanie Schuler

"I saw the school. I like the steps." -Mason Haguewood

"We went to the new school and it was thrilling." -Levi Wells

"We went to the new school. Dan, the worker made a joke and said the gym would be Lake Lone. They haven't put fish in yet. When you catch a fish you give it the ball and they try to make a hoop." -Jessica Working

"I am really excited about our new school. I liked the gym, classes, and skylights. I wish there were more. I also love the stairs in the front. I can't wait." -Mary Rietmann

1000-Yard TV Shoot to be held in Lone

A 1000-yard TV shoot will be held Saturday, April 12 at the Frank and Joe Halvorsen Farm in Lone. Registration will begin at 9 a.m. and go until 10 a.m. There is a \$20 fee per person. There will be an all-you-can eat lunch provided for \$5. All proceeds from the event will go to the children's prizes at Lone's 4th of July celebration.

The shoot will begin at 10 a.m. sharp. Designated parking has been set up and participants are asked to proceed to the registration area with rifle (unloaded) bolt open with several bullets. Participants will be assigned a

shooting number and a safety officer will place your rifle and bullets on a carpeted trailer for display. If you do not wish to have your rifle displayed, it must remain in your locked vehicle until your turn to shoot.

A \$100 prize will be awarded for hitting and breaking the TV tube. If more than one person breaks the TV tube then a shoot off will commence after everyone has shot. Only one person will win the \$100 dollars.

Remember to bring sunglasses, spotting scope, folding chairs, coat, and a broken 27-inch TV with good

tube. Participants are asked to not bring dogs.

If you have any questions you can contact Terry Mewhinney at (541) 422-7259.

St. Pat's youth group supporting our troops

The St. Patrick's Catholic Church youth group is sending prayers, letters and goodies to service men and women serving in the war. If you have a loved one that you would like the group to remember you can contact Mary Ann Elguezabal at 676-5774.

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