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New trees installed at Heritage Park in honor of Arbor Week



Mayor Bob Jepsen, City Manager Jerry Breazeale, volunteer Steve Brudevold and Jack Meligan, who volunteered tractor and operation time, install the first tree of six at Heritage Plaza in Heppner.

Arbor Day was first celebrated in 1972 when Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees. In 1970, President Richard Nixon proclaimed the last Friday in April as National Arbor Day. Today, the holiday, Arbor Day, is observed within communities throughout the United States. Millions of trees are planted every year for Arbor Day.

The citizens of Heppner, along with the Oregon State Legislature, recognize the first week in April as Arbor week.

In recognition of Arbor Week, and the importance that trees play in our lives and community, we have chosen to use this occasion to plant the first six trees in Heritage Plaza, stated Mayor Bob Jepsen. These trees have been planted to

welcome visitors and provide comfort to our citizens through their beauty and shade. Trees can help prevent erosion of our precious topsoil, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife. "The trees planted in Heritage Plaza will be a source of pride and enjoyment in our city for many years to come," said Mayor Jepsen.

"As Mayor of the City of Heppner, I, Robert Jepsen, hereby proclaim the first week in April to be Arbor Week and that the planting of these three scarlet oaks and three sugar maples, to be our recognition of Arbor Week 2004," stated Mayor Jepsen.

Citizens of Heppner are urged to plant trees to gladden the hearts and promote the well being of present and future generations.

Easter Egg Hunt to be held

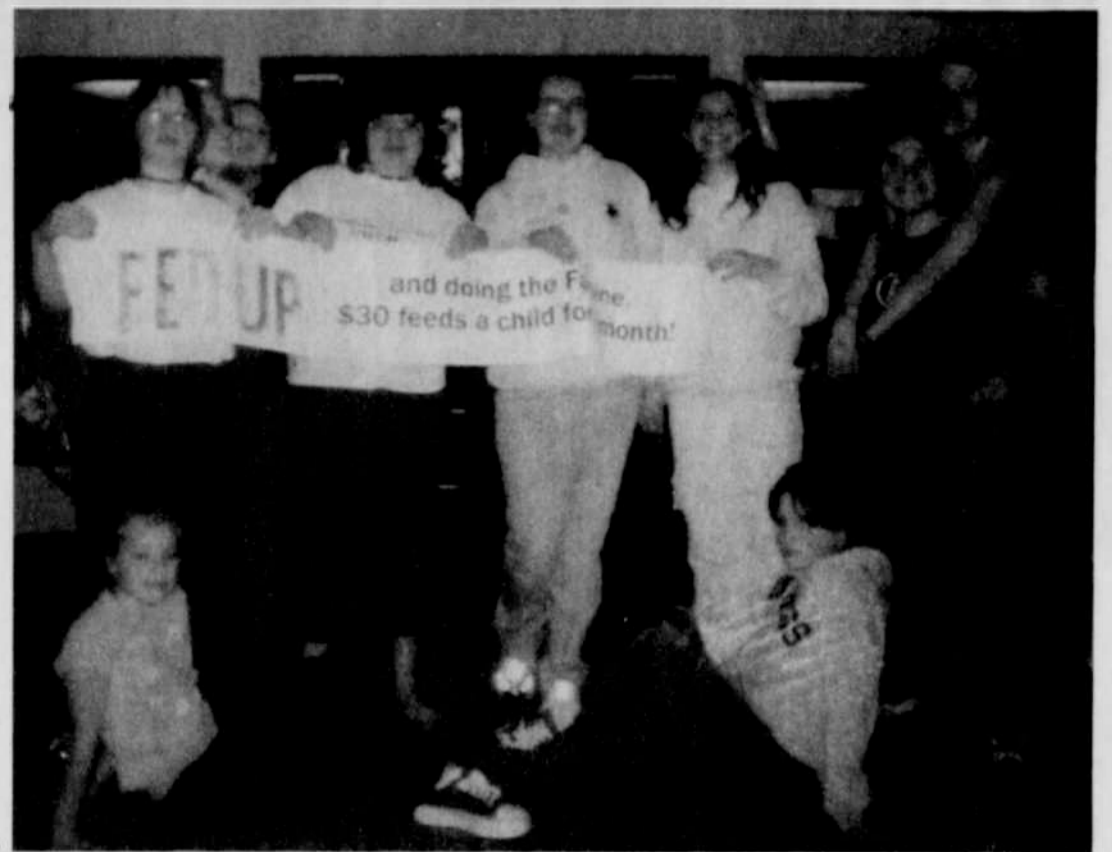
The Heppner Elks Lodge is sponsoring an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 10 at 10 a.m. Preschool and kindergarten children will hunt at City Park, Heppner, first and second graders will hunt in the lower field at Heppner Elementary School and third and fourth graders will hunt at Hager Park, Heppner.

The Easter Bunny will be at City Park so have those cameras ready.

Correction

The TV Shoot is on Saturday, April 17, not Wednesday, April 14 as stated in the March 31 edition of the Gazette-Times.

IUCC teens participate in 30-hour famine



Teens at IUCC get "Fed Up" with world hunger during the 30-hour famine.



Teens at IUCC break their fast after going 30 hours without food.

Eleven Ione United Church of Christ middle and high school students joined a half million American teens in getting "Fed Up" enough to do the World Vision 30-Hour Famine February 28-29.

The teens sought pledges to feed and care for children in countries worldwide, including the United States, then fasted together for 30 long and hungry hours. They asked family members and friends to pledge them individually and also asked support from church members at a "third world" coffee hour and by providing cans to fill with loose change and return. The final tally of pledges and donations showed the local group raised \$1671.37, nearly \$1000 more than they raised in 2003.

During the Famine, the group went door to door in Ione and collected 359 food items for the Neighborhood Center. They studied Bible passages about feeding the hungry, read about some of those who are helped by the funds the Famine brings in, and prayed together for those in need. The teens also bowled at Shamrock Lanes (smelling the pizza) and spent the night together at the church. They broke their fast with communion followed by a meal prepared by parents.

Youth participating in the 30-Hour Famine included Brenna Rietmann, Brittnee DesBouillons, Tiana Camarillo, Beka DesBouillons, Kara Clay, Tori Heagy, Shannon Clay, Ashley Jakabasky, Missy Baker, Lynzee Sjurset and Jessica Morris. The group leader, who also fasted, is Terri Clay.

Founded in 1950, World Vision is a Christian humanitarian organization serving the world's poorest children and families in nearly 100 countries, providing health

care, education, water, sanitation, food, and small business projects without regard to religious beliefs, gender, race or ethnic background.

Friends of the Library solicit book donations

At the March meeting of the Friends of the Library, members decided that a good time to hold a book sale would be in July during the Celebrate Heppner festivities. In order to have a good selection of books for the sale, the group is soliciting donations of new and gently used paper or hardback books from anyone who would like to help the library.

The books may be dropped off at the Spicer-Kuhn Law office on Main Street or to Pastor Keith Brudevold at the Methodist Church.

The book sale money is used for library needs that do not have budgeted funds. As a current example of previous book sale fund use, the Friends of the Library are commissioning Bob DeSpain to build a new sign, which will include the fact that our library is now a branch of the Oregon Trial Library system. We expect the new sign will be installed sometime before the book sale in July.

If you would like to be a member of the Friends of the Library group, you may do so by getting an application from Barb Orwick or Margaret Flaherty at the library, filling it out and returning it to them.

"We can always use new members with new ideas, so join us in supporting the library," said a Friends of the Library member.

Scholarship applications available

The Gertrude L. McRae Scholarship Committee announces that grant applications are now available to all graduates of Grant County high schools. Graduates of high schools within Morrow, Wasco or Wheeler counties may also be considered for a scholarship award if too few Grant County applications are received.

Preference will be given to Grant County high school graduates who reside in Oregon and have completed one or more years of college.

For an application and student criteria list contact the McRae Scholarship Committee c/o Grant County Court, 201 S. Humbolt, Suite 280, Canyon City, OR 97820, or call (541) 575-0059. Completed application packets must be received by the Grant County Court office before 5 p.m., Friday, July 30.

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