

WVSC to hold raffle



Quilt made by Judie Laughlin.

Willow Valley Service Club will raffle a quilt on Dec. 2 during the Light Parade. The quilt was made and donated by Judie Laughlin. The quilt is being displayed at Artisan Village in Heppner.

Ticket prices are \$1 each or six for \$5. Tickets will be available at Artisan Village.

Inland Northwest Musicians to perform in Boardman

Inland Northwest Musicians presents their second set of concerts for the 2004/2005 season in Pilot Rock on Saturday, Nov. 6 at 7 p.m. at the Pilot Rock Elementary School, 200 McGowan Dr., Pilot Rock and in Boardman on Sunday, Nov. 7 at 4 p.m. at the Port of Morrow, 2 Marine Dr., Boardman.

HLL to hold meeting

Heppner Little League will hold a meeting on Nov. 8 at 7 p.m. at the Neighborhood Center. All members should attend.

A Wee Bit O'

By Claudia Hughes and Cara Osmin

Sure 'n beghorrah it's leprechauns in October. The St. Patrick's Committee is meeting, the 2005 brochure is almost ready to go to press as soon as entertainment is finalized. Irish groups are being screened for the Saturday evening entertainment. If there are businesses who wish to have the large ad in the annual brochure, there is one space available. New ideas for entertainment or events? Now is the time to let the committee know.

The search is on for an Irish family or Grand "Leprechaun" to honor in 2005. Get in touch with Shanny Farley Miller at 989-8541 with suggestions. Now would ye be Irish?

Change is taking place with a new event, "Luck O' The Irish Casino Night" replacing the Friday night auction. The event is being chaired by Sharon Harrison and Diana Ball, who will soon be recruiting volunteers to deal, decorate, solicit, etc. Give them a call if you'd like to pitch in.

An additional chairperson or organization is needed to oversee a variety of races. People have been asking for the return of the O'Shanty race, Bed races, Bartenders Race and Irish ski race. 'Twould be a day at the races, so to speak.

The Irish family flags are being retired. Some have literally disintegrated. New ones are going to be made and once the fabric has been selected there will be a few evenings for "painting on the green." Once the new ones are complete, the old ones will be returned to the families, at least.

Appreciative we are of the people behind the scenes, in addition to the above mentioned, who help make the decisions and chair the events: Doris Brosnan, Judie Laughlin, Joe Lindsay, Cliff Green, Dick and Lynnea Sargent, Molly Rhea, Marti Mitchell, Jo Burlison, Ed Baker, Rene Devin, Jerry and JoyceKay Hollomon, Gary and Doris Jones, Mary Hamilton, Brian Thompson, Mike Duffy and the community at-large.

To get you in the Irish spirit, one and all are encouraged to join the Shenanigans on Thursday, Oct. 28, at 7 p.m. at the Heppner Elementary School gym as they share their music and trip to Ireland with Heppner and others. Just come and enjoy, we're told. It's their gift to the community for supporting them in their travels and it's the community's chance to sit back and enjoy.

Christmas Bazaar coming Nov. 5

The annual Methodist Church Bazaar will be held in the basement of the church on Friday, Nov. 5 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. There will be baked goods, crafts and a quilt to be raffled. The drawing will be held during the Light Parade.

Lunch will be served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The luncheon will feature their famous chicken casserole, pie and drinks. The price will stay the same: \$5 for adults and \$3 for children.

The Methodists ladies are the hosts. The monies will be used in a variety of ways from mission projects to needed upkeep. The ladies pay for most of the upkeep and renovations in the parsonage.

Morrow County Health District

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resources to assist the proposed clinic in obtaining staffing. Migrant clinic programs for Fossil, Prineville and White City, all in Oregon, were also approved.

-heard from Vander Does concerning informational meetings on the district's levy and financial situation. Vander Does said that he felt he had made good inroads in all communities except Boardman. He also said that he had not heard of any organized opposition to the levy. He also received a report that there were almost 400 more registered voters in the county than in the previous election. The informational meetings also included voter registration.

-learned that MCHD will receive an additional \$33,570 in taxes, because of an increase in county tax revenues. This translates to an additional \$3,730 per month. The county's estimated valuation has increased from \$970 million to over \$1 billion.

-heard the following report for September: Pioneer Memorial Hospital had 13 admissions in September, compared to seven in August and 12 in July; 1208 lab tests were performed, compared to 1012 in August and 1280 in July; 145 x-ray procedures were performed, compared to 110 in August and 98 in July; 27 CT scans were performed, compared to 32

in August and 30 in July; 27 EKG tests were performed, compared to 21 in August; 13 respiratory therapy procedures were performed, compared to 44 in August and 12 in July; Pioneer Memorial Clinic had 390 provider visits, compared to 394 in August and 403 in July; Irrigon Clinic had 201 visits, compared to 336 in August and 204 in July; hospital visits for providers covering the emergency room numbered 121, compared to 96 in both August and July, which brought in \$27,902, compared to \$24,075 in August and \$26,681 in July; Home Health, including skilled nursing visits, aide visits, medical social worker visits, occupational therapy, physical therapy and speech therapy, visits numbered 136, compared to 219 in August and 275 in September; administered 810 drug doses for \$39,301, compared to 907-\$27,161 in August and 592-\$26,592 in July.

-heard that Dr. Robert Boss had 173 patients and his physician's assistant had 297 for September.

-received notice that a physician's assistant attempting to obtain Oregon licensing to work at MCHD has run into some minor problems. The problems pertain to a jaywalking charge over 20 years ago, in addition to a new employee at the office that handles PA licensing.

Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes, Exec. Dir.

Looks like winter is on its way. How did that happen so fast? Now that the scarecrows are about to go into storage, it's as good a time as any to start thinking about the holidays, celebrating all we have to be thankful for with Christmas just around the corner.

The Chamber is again holding the annual Christmas tree auction. It will be held after the Light Parade in the new City Hall. The proceeds will be shared with the Hospice program and everyone will be welcome to attend. Those people or businesses contributing trees should plan to have them on display by Monday, Nov. 22. Sign-up forms will be distributed soon. Committee chairpersons apologize for this early date but felt people would like more time to view the trees before the actual auction when buyers take possession on Thursday, Dec. 2.

Photographers... heads up. The Eastern Oregon Visitor Association is redoing its annual visitor guide. The theme revolves around scrapbooking, "Eastern Oregon Memories...Make S'More." Heppner businesses are participating with listings to help make it possible to have at least half a page. All of Morrow County is invited to participate. Needed are quality 35mm or 300dpi or larger photos of people having fun in this area, such as roasting marshmallows, playing in the snow, camping, fishing, riding ATM, bikes, etc. If a photo is chosen for the guide, the submitting photographer will be paid by Northwest Travel. Please bring photos to the Chamber office with your name and address on the back by no later than Monday, Nov. 1. They will be returned.

There's lots to do in Heppner from sports to Shenanigan's concert; volunteering in a myriad of ways, building a trivia team, planning events, decorating something for the Light Parade, checking out a good library book, inviting friends in, doing good deeds, doing your life's work well, spending time with your family, leisurely shopping, getting ready for the holidays, or just taking time to be and remembering that the real wonders of the world are touch, taste, smell, seeing, believing, loving, laughing, caring and freedom.

Wishing "spooks" of all ages a safe and sane Halloween.

Ione downs Echo

By Marie Key

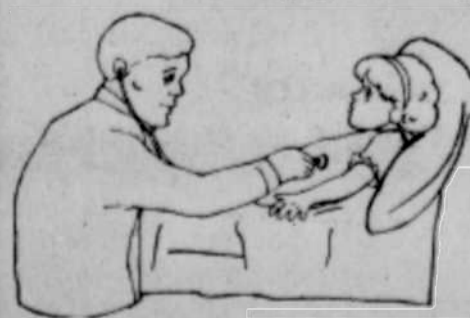
The Lady Cardinals downed the Lady Cougars in three games, 25-19, 25-13 and 25-17, at Echo on Tuesday, Oct. 19.

Jenny Griffith led the team with 15 points, one ace, 14 passes, one dump, one kill and one block. Ashly Grams followed with 12 points, three aces, two passes, one dump and 30 set assists.

Abby Key added eight points, one ace, two passes, one dump and 22 set

assists. Sara Peck had six points, three aces, 22 passes, three dumps, three kills and one block. Stephanie Holland brought in five points, three aces, one kill and one block. Alyssa Rietmann contributed four points, one ace, one dump, one block and one set assist. Barbara Holland added four kills, nine passes and two blocks and Amber Patton added three dumps, five passes, one kill and two blocks.

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