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Ione celebrates Bush inauguration



Mrs. Laura Bush (Faith Owens) and President George W. Bush (Evan Rietmann) dance at the inaugural ball held at Ione Schools.



Former Secretary of State Colin Powell (Skylar Kendrick) dances with a young "Bush constituent."

Following in many years of Ione tradition, the students at Ione Elementary School in the first through fourth grades reenacted the 55th Presidential Inauguration of President George W. Bush on Thursday, Jan. 20.

Students were selected to play key roles in the inauguration and received a chance to experience each aspect of the inauguration including the president and vice president taking the oath of office, the president's speech and an



Color Guard Leader Jaqueline Juarez leads the guard procession. Not only were but also state and county national leaders represented, leaders.

HHS holds fundraiser for Southeast Asia tsunami relief



Greg Grant and Shanna Rietmann serve up popcorn, while Brittney Herbison and Cara Kennedy help customers at the HHS concession stand during Friday night's game.



Regi Seitz and Mahaley Huddleston help at the counter, while Ron Bowman serves up the popcorn and Principal Wade Smith and Mark Huddleston work in the background.

In the wake of Southeast Asia's devastating tsunami, the students and staff of Heppner High School have joined together to participate in fundraisers benefiting the victims of that disaster. Wade Smith, principal of HHS, along with students, teachers, coaches, aides and even their families worked together in the concession stand at Friday

night's basketball game to earn money for the tsunami relief fund.

The Heppner Booster Club, who is in charge of concessions, very generously allowed them to keep the gross profits made during that night. Students and staff worked furiously at times and by the end of the evening had made \$1007.30. This, combined with previous moneymakers, brought the total to \$1087.80 to be sent to UNICEF.

ASB president Shanna Rietmann, who was

in charge of the fundraising commented, "I feel bad for those people and I wanted students to be able to help them. We have it pretty easy here compared to what the people in Southeast Asia are going through." The desire to help others in need was evident at HHS as both students and staff responded with overwhelming enthusiasm. It reinforced the school's philosophy of "working together to achieve more." As principal Wade Smith said, "I think it's wonderful how the staff and students came together for such a great cause."

HES to hold Winter Carnival

It's Carnival time. The HES Parent Teacher Club and the staff of Heppner Elementary School will be holding their annual school carnival on Thursday, Feb. 3 from 6-7:30 p.m., in the HES gym.

The Winter Carnival will have many fun games and activities including the ever popular Junk Food Walk and Pop Ring Toss. Hot dogs, corn dogs and nachos will be for sale in the cafeteria throughout the evening for those who need a little extra energy to play the games. Tickets will be .25 each or 5 for a \$1 and will be used for games as well as food. We hope to see everyone there.

GEODC to hold membership meeting

The Greater Eastern Oregon Development Corporation (GEODC) annual membership meeting will be held on Friday, Jan. 28, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Port of Morrow in Boardman. Call (541) 276-6745 to RSVP for lunch.

WVSC elects officers

Willow Valley Service Club announced the 2005 officers at their Jan. 6 business meeting held at John's Place in Heppner.

Barbara Bloodworth, Heppner, was elected president; Ginger Keithley, Heppner, secretary; and Margo Sherer, Ione, was elected treasurer. This new group will provide leadership at the monthly, first Thursday no-host luncheon business meeting, 12-1 p.m. at John's Place.

The third Thursday of each month offers the group various speakers. At the Jan. 20 meeting, Noah Fleischer, a Heppner High School exchange student from Hamburg, Germany spoke of life and interests and the differences he experiences between German life and that in the U.S. He is with his host family, Bill Kuhn and Ann Spicer of Heppner.

The program for Feb. 17 will be guided by Carolyn M. Willey as participants learn their

personality color and how such affects their lives through an exercise and conversation.

WVSC gives service to the community and raises funds for high school scholarships and for not-for-profit organizations. Interested persons are invited to attend a no-host lunch. Annual dues are \$24. Questions regarding WVSC may be directed to one of the officers.

All Saints' to hold annual pancake supper

All Saints' Episcopal Church will be holding its annual Shrove Thursday Pancake Supper on Tuesday, Feb. 8 from 5-7:30 p.m. The all-you-can eat meal menu includes pancakes, ham, fruit, coffee, tea, juice and milk.

All Saints' Episcopal is located at 460 N. Gale Street.

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