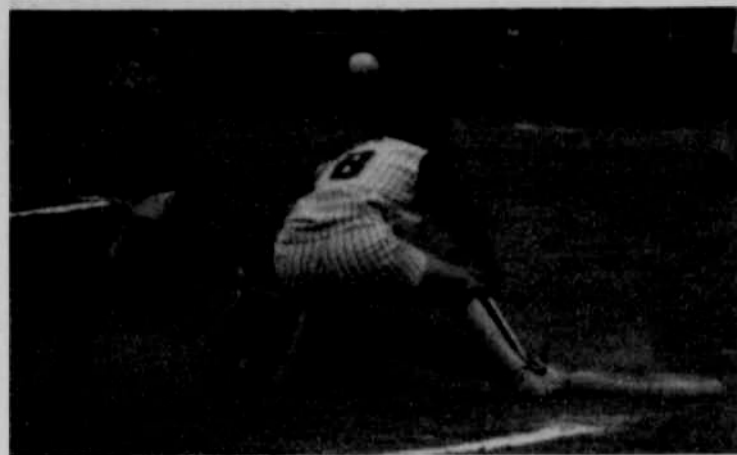


## HHS softball team takes two from Umatilla



Aftan Betsinger (#12) safely slides into third base. Photo by Sandy Matthews.



Krystal Nairns makes the tag on first base against Umatilla. Photo by Sandy Matthews.

The Heppner High School softball team had a doubleheader against Umatilla on Saturday, April 16 and won both games, 16-1 and 23-3.

Pitcher Whitney Matthews took the win in the opener, while Aftan

Betsinger was credited with the win in the second game. Lyndi Patton tripled in both games for Heppner.

The Mustangs will be at Stanfield on Saturday, April 23 at 1 p.m. and at home against Culver on Tuesday, April 26 at 4 p.m.

## Parks Commission to meet in Heppner

Morrow County will be the location of the next Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission meeting. The six commissioners, along with Tim Wood, OPRD Director and other staff, will visit Morrow County and some of our parks.

The Commission will meet at 9 a.m. on Thursday, April 21 in the Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative boardroom. After the meeting, Morrow County officials will lead the commissioners on a tour of some of the county parks.

A complete agenda for the meeting is posted at: [egov.oregon.gov/OPRD/commission.shtml](http://egov.oregon.gov/OPRD/commission.shtml) (click on

Current Agenda and then on April 21, 2005 Meeting Agenda).

The Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission was created by the state legislature in 1989 to establish policies, adopt rules necessary to execute the duties of the Department, set fees, acquire property, promote the state's outdoor recreation policy and appoint the OPRD Director. Commissioners serve four-year terms. They are appointed by the governor and confirmed by the state senate.

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## HES students receive visit from state fire marshal



HES students practice emergency evacuation during a fire with the aid of the state fire marshal's fire model trailer.



HES students enjoy a visit from Sparky the Fire Dog, who helped teach the lessons of fire safety.

Students at Heppner Elementary School were visited by the state fire marshal on Wednesday, April 13. The group brought their fire model trailer, which had smoke machines, fire

detectors, heated doors and fire escapes.

"The kids really enjoyed this experience," said HES Vice Principal Daye Stone.

## Ten Star All Star basketball camp to be held

Final applications are now being evaluated for the Ten Star All Star Summer Basketball Camp. The camp is by invitation only. Boys and girls ages 10-19 are eligible to apply.

Past participants of the camp include: Michael Jordan, Tim Duncan, Vince Carter, Jerry Stackhouse, Grant Hill and Antawn Jamison. Players from 50 states and 17 foreign countries attended the 2004 camp.

College basketball scholarships are possible for players selected to the All-American team.

Camp locations include: Thousand Oaks, CA, Prescott, AZ, Belmont, CA, Sterling, Co,

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## Oregon 4-H to select youth for national 4-H forestry event

The Oregon 4-H Forestry Invitational held in July at the Jackson's Mill State 4-H Conference Center in Weston, WV. The team will travel to the event with 4-H coach-chaperones, Broderick added.

"Selection to the 2005 Oregon 4-H Forestry Team will be based on how participants score on the 4-H Forestry Quiz that is available through county offices of the Oregon State University Extension Service," said Virginia Bourdeau, OSU Extension 4-H Youth specialist. "Contact local OSU Extension 4-H field faculty or program assistants for instructions on how to take the 100-question short answer test. An adult must monitor the youth participant during testing and completed quizzes must arrive at the Oregon 4-H Center, Salem, on or before the May 18, 2005 deadline."

This year's Oregon 4-H Forestry Team will consist of four 4-H members and two alternates, said Bill Broderick, OSU Extension 4-H field faculty in Morrow County. They will be the first state team from Oregon to attend the National 4-H

Forestry Invitational held in July at the Jackson's Mill State 4-H Conference Center in Weston, WV. The team will travel to the event with 4-H coach-chaperones, Broderick added.

The National 4-H Forestry Invitational is a five-day competition where 4-H youth participants from across the United States compete in nine different forestry skills events including tree identification, insect and disease identification, compass orienteering, topographical map reading, forest land evaluation, silviculture knowledge and a written exam.

Last year a 4-H forestry team from Tillamook County attended the national 4-H forestry invitational to learn about the event and provide leadership for developing a statewide 4-H forestry team. The youth participating were Keara Gann, Stephanie Lane and Eva DeBoer, accompanied by their coach, Carrie Averill, Tillamook County 4-H program assistant.

For more information contact your county Extension 4-H or forestry agent, or Virginia Bourdeau at (503) 371-7920.

## Bunny Barn takes several wins in Texas



Best of Variety Tort winner KT's Annie Oakley

KT's Annie Oakley won Best of Variety Tort in Belton, TX on April 2, 2005. Kathy Tellechea and Pamela Renfro, co-owners of KT's Bunny Barn, traveled to Belton with 14 of their Mini Rex rabbits for the Mini Rex Nationals. Besides having the best Tort Mini Rex they also had the best Chin buck and first place senior Tort doe.

In the Mini Rex Specialty show held on April 3 in the same place they won BOV/BOSV Torts, BOV/

BOSV Chinchillas, first place Broken Black doe and Best Colored Fur.

During the banquet held on Saturday night, Tellechea and Renfro were presented awards for third place in Open Sweepstakes, first place Tort and Blue Varieties and first place in colored and white fur for 2004.

Tellechea and Renfro are competing against Mini Rex breeders from all over the nation, many have hundreds and some over a thousand rabbits in their rabbitries. KT's Bunny Barn has 28 brood does with a maximum capacity of 100 rabbits in their barn. Tellechea and Renfro are proud of their accomplishments and feel they have done well for a couple of country girls from a little town in Eastern Oregon.

## Garden Club to hold dedication

The Heppner Garden Club, along with the City of Heppner, will be holding a dedication ceremony on April 29 at 1 p.m. at the turnaround at City Park. The dedication is to recognize the April 2003 planting of a scarlet oak tree that replaced two Dutch elm trees.

The Dutch elms were originally planted in 1932 to commemorate George Washington. The trees died of Dutch elm disease in 1999, 67 years after their planting, and at the same age as Washington at his death.

Those interested in sharing in this dedication and commemoration are invited to attend the ceremony.

## CLC to host concert

Christian Life Center is hosting a free Christian youth concert on Saturday, April 23 at 7 p.m. All youth are encouraged to attend this event and bring a friend. Adults are also welcome to attend.

Christian Life Center is located at 535 W. Morgan Street in Heppner.



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