

### Mayor Tim VanCleave reads to Head Start children



Mayor Tim VanCleave poses with the children from Candy Green's Head Start classroom.

During the month of November, children at Heppner Head Start have been participating in the RIF program (Reading is Fundamental).

Classroom staff say they have planned fun, literacy based activities, where parents and community members were invited to participate. On November 10, fifth and sixth

graders from Heppner Elementary read to the children. On November 23, Heppner City Mayor Tim VanCleave volunteered his time and read two books to the Head Start class.

In conjunction with these activities, the children were given the opportunity to choose a book to have for their own and to take home with them.

Umatilla Morrow Head Start is a recipient of a Reading is Fundamental Grant. "With this grant and the generosity of businesses and organizations within the communities we serve, we are able to offer free quality books to the children enrolled in Head Start and our partnering ESD classroom three times each year," said a Head Start spokesperson.

### OWC to hold meeting Dec. 6 in Rufus

The Oregon Wheat Commission will hold a regular meeting to discuss commission business on Tuesday, Dec. 6, beginning at 10 a.m. at Bob's Texas T-Bone, (541-739-2559) 101 Main Street, Rufus, Oregon.

The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. The ADA prohibits discrimination

against persons with disabilities. Anyone may request an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities, contact the Oregon Wheat Commission office 48 hours in advance at (503) 229-6665 or TTY (503) 986-4762.

Anyone who would like to receive future meeting

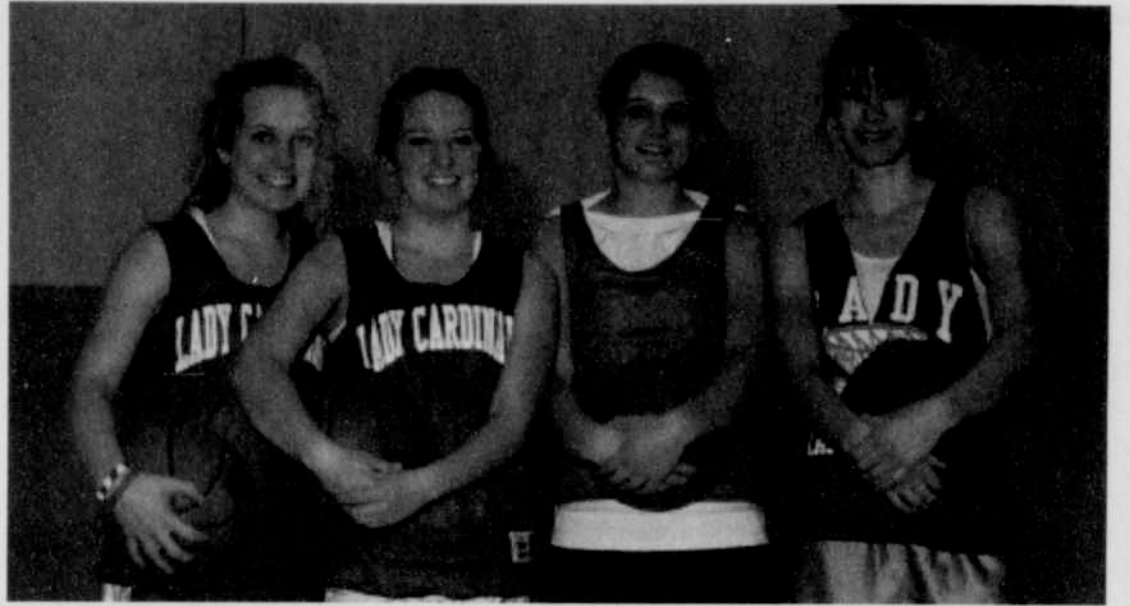
notices via e-mail may contact Diana Thompson by phone (503)229-6665 or e-mail [dthompson@oregonwheat.org](mailto:dthompson@oregonwheat.org) at the commission office.

Commission meetings are open to the public and anyone wishing to attend is welcome to do so. Dress is business casual.

## Ione Cardinals to host Basketball Bonanza Tournament



Returning starters for the Cardinals Tony Bolin, Tyler Brown, and Kelly Thompson.



Returning starters for the Lady Cardinals Emily Rietmann, Ashly Grams, Jenny Griffith and Amber Patton.

This weekend the Ione Cardinals will host the annual Ione Basketball Bonanza Tournament. The Cardinal boys and girls are looking forward to their upcoming season and welcome the challenge of hosting 2-A and 3-A schools. Attending the tournament are the Riverside Pirates, the Mac-Hi Pioneers, and the Enterprise Outlaws. The tournament runs Friday, December 2 and Saturday, December 3. Tip-off on Friday is at 1 p.m. and Saturday at 10 a.m. on Saturday.

The Ione Cardinals were the only 1-A team in the state that sent both boys and girls to the state championships in Baker City last year. The Lady Cardinals placed sixth at state last year and are hoping for an even more successful season this year. The Lady Cardinals graduated two seniors last year, but will be returning with four of their starters. In addition to the new ninth graders, the girls have two exchange students: Priscilla Tellez and Terri Sintakova.

The Cardinal boys placed third in the state tournament last year and graduated only two of the five starters. The three returning starters (all seniors), along with the rest of the returning squad and the incoming freshmen, welcome some new faces to the team. Exchange students, Michael Mayer and Nicholas Kemp, as well as transfer, Derek Davidson, will join the Cardinal roster.

#### ABOUT THE HEPPNER GAZETTE-TIMES NEWSPAPER

##### News articles

The Heppner Gazette welcomes news articles that are of interest to the communities of Ione, Lexington, Heppner and the surrounding area.

You can submit your article through mail, fax, email or bring it to our office (see below under how to contact us).

There is no charge for news articles, but if the article is a moneymaking activity for a person or business other than a non-profit or community service organization, it must run as a paid advertisement.

##### Advertisements

There are several different types of advertisements in the Heppner Gazette.

Display ads are the boxed ads that run throughout the newspaper and are charged for by the amount of space. The larger the ad the more it cost. Photos and graphics may be used in display ads.

Classified, or want ads, run in the section near the back of the newspaper and are charged by the number of words in the ad.

Business directory ads are boxed ads at a discounted rate. You must agree to run the ad unchanged (except for minor corrections) for a minimum of three months.

Legal notices. The Gazette is the legal newspaper for various public entities and is able to satisfy publishing requirements for Morrow County.

##### Letters to the Editor

Letters to the Editor must be signed. The Gazette-Times will not publish unsigned letters. Please include your address and phone number on all letters for use by the G-T. The G-T reserves the right to edit. The G-T is not responsible for accuracy of statements made in letters. (Any letters expressing thanks will be placed in the classifieds under "Card of Thanks" at a cost of \$10) Letters in poor taste or libelous will not be published.

##### Photos

The Gazette welcomes photos to run with news articles. We accept either black and white or color photos and they can be returned. We also accept digital photos. Email or bring the digitals to the office on a disk. We also accept digital camera "chips" to download the photos from your camera. Please contact us if you are unsure how to submit your photo.

##### Hours & Deadlines

Open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Advertisement and news article deadline is 5 p.m. Monday for that week's paper. The newspaper publishes on Wednesday of each week.

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