

Mustangs open season with loss to Pirates

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustang baseball team couldn't get the clutch hit they needed as they left 11 runners on base in losing to the Riverside Pirates 4-2 on Thursday, March 16 in Boardman. The Mustangs will host defending state champion Grant Union on Tuesday, April 4 at 4 p.m.

Things started out good for the Mustangs as they scored two runs in the first inning when Colton Hanson walked, Quinn Peck reached on an infield single, Dan Basile was hit by a pitch, Matt McCabe reached on an error to score one and Peck scored on a passed ball.

Mustangs lose twice at Mac-Hi

By Rick Paullus

The Mac-Hi Pioneers jumped out to early leads twice, which carried them to wins as they swept the Heppner Mustang baseball team 11-1 in six innings and 17-2 in five innings on Tuesday, March 21 in Milton-Freewater. The Mustangs, now 0-3 on the year, will be at home against the defending champions, the Grant Union Prospectors on Tuesday, April 4 at 4 p.m.

In the opener, the Mustangs fell behind 5-0 after one and trailed 9-0 before they got on the board when Andre Rauch doubled and scored on a Colton Hanson single. The Pioneers ended it in the bottom half, scoring two runs enforcing the 10-run mercy rule.

Hanson was two for two and Rauch was one for two with the double.

In the second game, the Pioneers put 10 runs on the board in the first, eventually pushing it to a 17-

Blue Mountain Old Time Fiddlers to perform in Condon

The Blue Mountain Old Time Fiddlers are gearing up for a grand time in Condon on April 8 at the Gilliam County Fairgrounds in Condon. The festivities will begin at 5 p.m. with the Condon FFA Chapter sponsoring a barbecue pork loin dinner complete with dessert. The price for the barbecue is \$8 per person or \$20 for a family of four.

The fiddling festivities sponsored by the Gilliam County Fair Board will begin at 6 p.m., with musicians using fiddles, guitars and other acoustic instruments as well as vocalists. The cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. The group has talented musicians ranging in age from six to over 90 years

The Pirates scored two in the third to tie it and went ahead with two more in the fourth to move ahead and held on for the win.

Tony Bolin went two for four and Kyle Carlson went one for one with a double.

Heppner 200 000 0-2 4 1
Riverside 002 200 x-4 5 2

Kyle Carlson, Quinn Peck (4), Nathan Kennedy (6) and Robbie Smith; Joey Parrish, Bryce Doherty (5) and Riley Hancock. W- Parrish. L- Peck. 2B- Carlson (H); Cody Nailor (R). 3B- none. HR- none.

0 lead before the Mustangs scored twice in the top of the fifth.

Game One
Heppner 000 001-1 3 2
Mac-Hi 500 132-11 8 1

Nathan Kennedy, Andre Rauch (4) and Robbie Smith, Quinn Peck (6); Garcia, Gonzales (6) and Ruvalcaba. W- Garcia. L- Kennedy. 2B- Rauch (H); Gonzales (MH). 3B- J. Gonzalez (MH). HR- none.

Game Two
Heppner 000 02-2 2 3
Mac-Hi (10)43 0x-17 14 1

Tony Bolin, Kyle Carlson (2), Matt McCabe (4) and Smith; Walker, Ruvalcaba (4), J. Gonzalez (5) and Ruvalcaba, Walker (4). W- Walker. L- Bolin. 2B- Ruvalcaba, J. Gonzalez (2) (MH). 3B- Garcia (MH). HR- Garcia (MH).

old. The Blue Mountain Old Time Fiddlers was formed about 38 years ago by folks who wanted to preserve old time music. The main purpose of the group is to have fun and provide a good time for all who attend. For quality family entertainment at a reasonable price, plan on attending the Blue Mountain Old Time Fiddlers Show April 8, in Condon.

Tickets will be pre-sold by the Condon FFA Chapter for the pork loin dinner. Please contact Erin Heideman at (541) 384-2441 to purchase tickets.

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Mustang JVs rally to beat Pirates

By Rick Paullus

The Heppner Mustang JV baseball team evened their record at 1-1 as they rallied to beat the Riverside Pirates 18-4 on Thursday, March 23 in Boardman. The Mustangs scored four runs in the top of the third to take a 5-2 lead in the second game when it was called because of darkness. They will be back in action on Monday, April 3 at Stanfield.

The Pirates scored three runs in the bottom of the first before the Mustangs got on the board with two runs in the second when Nacho Elguezabal doubled and scored on a single by Ben McCarl who later scored on an error.

The Mustangs took the lead with two runs in the third when Justin Archer was hit by a pitch, Josh Shank walked, Sam King and McCarl each reached on an error with Archer scoring on a wild pitch and Sean Murray walking to force in a run.

After the Pirates tied it in the bottom half, the Mustangs came back with four more runs in the fourth when Archer singled, Shank walked, King scored both with a single, McCarl walked, Murray had an RBI

BMCC to offer variety of class in Boardman and Heppner

Spring term for Blue Mountain Community College will get underway the week of April 3. A selection of classes will be offered in Morrow County for interested students. Please contact Anne Morter, BMCC Coordinator for Morrow County at 422-7040 for more information. ED 169, Overview of Students with Special Needs, is a compressed, three-credit class offered at the BMCC center in Boardman. The class meets four Fridays during spring term including April 14, April 28, May 5 and May 19. This is the second education class taught live at the Boardman center, but plans call for at least one education class to be taught there per term from now on. The class is designed for educational and classroom assistants who need skills and information to deal with special needs students. It also satisfies requirements for those working towards their paraeducator certificates or elementary education degree.

Another class of general interest is Handgun Proficiency, set for Saturday, April 22 at BMCC Boardman. This one-day

single and another run scored on a wild pitch.

In the fifth, Chris Wellington walked, Quinn Chick singled, Shank singled, Wellington scored on a wild pitch, King walked, Elguezabal scored two with a double, McCarl and Murray walked and Ricky Martin walked to force in a run and make it 12-4.

They put it away in the seventh on six walks, an error and two RBI singles by King to make it 18-4.

Shank went the distance on the mound giving up three hits and four walks while striking out eight.

King went two for four with four RBI and scored three times with Elguezabal going two for five scoring three runs and having two RBIs. Murray went one for two with two RBIs and Shank and Archer each scored three times.

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Riverside 301 000 0-4 3 4

Josh Shank and Sean Murray; Yoder, Corpus (4), Flores (5), Calvillo (7) and Garrett. W- Shank. L- Yoder. 2B- Nacho Elguezabal (H); Flores (R). 3B- Calvillo (R). HR- none.

class includes a morning classroom session, stressing handgun safety followed by an afternoon firing session on a nearby shooting range. Successful completion of this class satisfies the proficiency requirements needed to obtain a concealed weapons permit. Interested students should get registered as soon as possible as enrollment is limited. Cost is \$35 plus a \$5 lab fee.

Learning Spanish Gently is a term-long class offered once a week at BMCC Boardman. Term 1 is offered on Thursday evenings for beginners and Term 2 is scheduled on Tuesday evenings for those who have completed Term 1 or have some beginning Spanish skills. Both classes meet from 6-8 p.m. and the cost of the class is \$60.

In South Morrow County, Intro to Computers and Microsoft Word are scheduled for the month of April. Call for details.

A free College Orientation seminar is available in Heppner on May 4 for anyone interested in going to college or returning to college. Interested people who cannot make that date are urged to call Morter at 422-7040 for a personal advising appointment.

Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes, Exec. Dir.

The Heppner Chamber of Commerce welcomes new members Dan Van Schoiack, CPA; Rita Van Schoiack; St. Patrick's Senior Center; the Oregon Trail Pro-Rodeo Committee and Hope, All Saints and Valby Shared Ministries. We're pleased to have these people join forces in helping to keep vitality in our community.

Two April Chamber luncheon meetings will be held at the Senior Center. On April 13, Steve Brucker of Oregon International Speedway will be answering questions about Morrow County's new visitor attraction. April 20 will be the Candidates' Forum with those running for District Attorney, County Commissioner and Circuit Court Judge present. Both meetings are open to Chamber members as well as non-members; however, an RSVP to the Chamber office would be appreciated.

Are you a "possibility" person? I define that as someone who has trouble throwing things away because there might be a use for items or ideas or decorations or good books, or files, or photos, or... the list goes on and on. Now, granted some of these things do come in handy more often than not; however, if you can't lay hands on them when you most need them, then it's time to put both your house and office on a diet. With Trivia Night coming up on Saturday, April 1, April Fool's day, this is the opportune time to weed out your white elephants. To make the evening even more fun, people are asked to drop off gently used or new white elephants at the Chamber Office or to Sharon Harrison at the Bank of Eastern Oregon this week. If you are

a participant on a team of six, chances are you may go home with an exciting white elephant or you may even be the big prize winner. Win, lose or draw, the evening guarantees a lot of laughs as people play to promote our community. Do you have your registration in? Some of the entries include the "Knowitalls," "Triple Jeopardy" and "Lounge Lizards." Questions... call Doris Brosnan or Sharon Harrison.

And speaking of promotion... the Chamber is looking for photos depicting Oregon's Rugged Country around the Heppner area. Excellent quality photos or high-resolution digitals are needed of animals, families, children, OHV, golf, scenery, history and anything that would attract a variety of people to this area. We will be using them two-fold, as part of the Cycle Oregon welcome packet, at the Bite of Oregon and as a piece to include in the regional Oregon Rugged Country packet. A creative and fun theme is planned around the slogan, "Are You Tough Enough?" So, take a moment and find some photos for which credit will be given if used. Look forward to some tours in Oregon's Rugged Country and call if you are interested in being a part of Willow Creek Valley and Morrow County tourism.

This week at Chamber enjoy meeting and hearing BMCC President John Turner. The following week all entities report. (Remember, on Sept. 10, Cycle Oregon will be coming to Heppner.)

Desert Arts Council to hold final presentation of the season

The Hermiston Desert Arts Council's final presentation of the season will be The Juan L. Sanchez Ensemble on Thursday, April 6, 7 p.m. at the Hermiston High School Performing Arts Center. Tickets are available at the Hermiston Chamber of Commerce, 600 1st Avenue, 567-6151, and at the door. Prices are \$17.50 for adults, \$7.50 for children.

Juan L. Sanchez is a charismatic modern-day troubadour born in Málaga, Spain, and educated in Madrid, Germany, Croatia and the U.S. A guitarist and singer, he is joined by blind-

since-birth Hawaiian native Dayan Kai on piano, flute, zampoña (reed pipes), saxophone and clarinet, Californian Steve Uccello on bass and percussionist Armando Mafufo, born in Tabasco, Mexico. The group has a unique performing style full of warmth and humor that focuses on tolerance, self-esteem and multicultural celebration.

The Ensemble is rooted in the Nueva Canción (Spanish/Latin American New Folk), but incorporates rhythmic and melodic nuances that can be traced to Cuban folklore, contemporary urban jazz and Middle-Eastern music, reflecting the backgrounds of the players.

As well as touring extensively throughout the western U.S. and Canada, the Ensemble members have done extensive outreach and residency activities, reflecting Sanchez' seven years as a bilingual elementary school teacher. They will spend a full day with Hermiston area school students, sharing the joy of their music and the richness of their multicultural message.

Thought for the Week: "A white elephant is something that has made a round trip to the attic and back."

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Ooh La La...
Adrienne Swanson is opening a Salon!
Please help us celebrate with an *Open House*
Saturday, April 8 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at 2 p.m.
213 South Main Pendleton, OR 97801
541.561.8617
Salon open April 3 - Call for an appointment