

St. Patrick's Senior Center news

The Heppner Christian Church will provide volunteers to host the April 19 noon meal at the senior center. The menu is chicken rice casserole, vegetables, green salad, assorted veggie tray, whole wheat rolls, pudding and fruit juice.

Some changes among the apartment's residents have occurred over the last few months. We will remind readers of long-time residents and introduce them to the new ones. We are beginning with two who are natives of the area.

Bill French was born in Heppner in 1925. He attended local schools and has worked here all his life, except for two years in the Navy during World War II. He worked for Heppner Transfer and Freight, which carried both mail and freight in the 1940s. His grandfather, Henry C. Gay, is one of the pioneers in the historic picture of early leaders in Morrow County. The picture hangs in the Center's Main Street lobby, in the Court House and in other public buildings in the county. French remembers being in constant fist fights with a schoolmate, Albert Bailey. The principal finally decided to have a boxing match between them, with ring, referee, etc. Both

fought hard- to a tie. They never fought again and became very close friends. French has lived at the Center for five years and says he enjoys it very much.

Alice Wagoner has lived in the apartment complex about three and a half years. During the 1940s, she was a beauty operator in the original hotel building (where the dining room is now.) In 1956, she and her husband moved to Eugene. There she said she earned more "doing hair" than her husband did in construction. They adopted four children and cared for a total of 40 children over the years who still call her "Mom." During World War II, John McRoberts, her brother, was awarded a double Distinguished Service Cross. She moved back to Heppner in 1992. One daughter and son-in-law, Jack and Sue Lytton, also live in Heppner. Sue volunteers at the center by delivering Meals-on-Wheels, each Wednesday and Jack is a volunteer driver. She also has three grandchildren in Heppner, Kevin Chick, Janice Gilson and Robert Martin and her brother, Ellis McRoberts.

Board members are reminded of the regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 18 at 12:30 p.m., in the center office.

Heppner Chamber holding Candidates' Forum

The Heppner Chamber of Commerce will be holding a Candidates' Forum luncheon on Thursday, April 20, at 11:30 a.m., at the Heppner Senior Center. The public is welcome to attend.

Present will be candidates for Morrow County Commissioner: Loyal Burns and Ken Grieb; candidates for District Attorney: Elizabeth Ballard, Valerie Doherty and John Ballard; and candidates for Circuit Court judge: Christopher Brauer, Steven Fogelson and Ann Spicer. Each person will be given three minutes to speak, followed by a 10-minute question and answer period.

If there are any questions, or to reserve a seat, please call the Chamber office at 676-5536 by April 14.

Morrow County School District prepares for district math contest

Morrow County School District will be holding their annual district math contest on Thursday, April 13 at 6:30 p.m. at Riverside Jr/Sr High School. Qualifying students in fourth through eighth grades will gather to take a rigorous math test to determine the top performing math students in Morrow County.

Eligible students from each campus were chosen based off of their current performance on the statewide mathematics TESA (Technology Enhanced Student Assessment) test.

According to Jannie Allen, fifth grade teacher at Heppner Elementary School, "It is an honor for a student just to qualify to take part in the district competition. All participants should be proud of their accomplishment regardless of their performance next Thursday."

Approximately 20 students in each grade will take a rigorous 50-question multiple-choice test designed specifically for advanced math students. The exam covers a wide array of mathematical concepts such as measurement, algebra, data interpretation, numeration and geometry. Student results will be tallied

while they enjoy snacks and punch. All students will receive a ribbon for their participation. The top 10 performers in each grade will receive specific placing ribbons and the top performer will receive an engraved plaque.

The district math contest is put on by the Talented and Gifted (TAG) coordinators from Morrow County School District. Although not all students participating are identified TAG students, the coordinators feel strongly that recognizing the academic achievement of all students is important. According to Theresa Proctor-Reece, TAG Coordinator for Windy River Elementary School, "It is important that we provide opportunities for students with academic talents to showcase and use their skills in a fun, yet competitive venue."

For more information on the district math contest, or on Morrow County School District's Talented and Gifted Program, please contact Wade Smith, assistant superintendent, or visit the website at www.morrow.k12.or.us/curriculum and click on the talented and gifted link.

Morrow County Gun Club news

Seven shooters were at Morrow County Gun Club on Sunday, April 9 to compete.

In singles, Jimmy Walton and Bill Schlichting had 20 of 25. Dick Goodhead had 18 of 25 and Steven Crum had 17 of 25.

In handicap, Walton had 22 of 25. Mark Schlichting and Goodhead had 21 of 25 and Roger Mortimer had 17 of 25.

Annies were shot with B. Schlichting, M. Schlichting and Goodhead all winning at least one.

The next shoot will be held Sunday, April 12 at 12 noon.

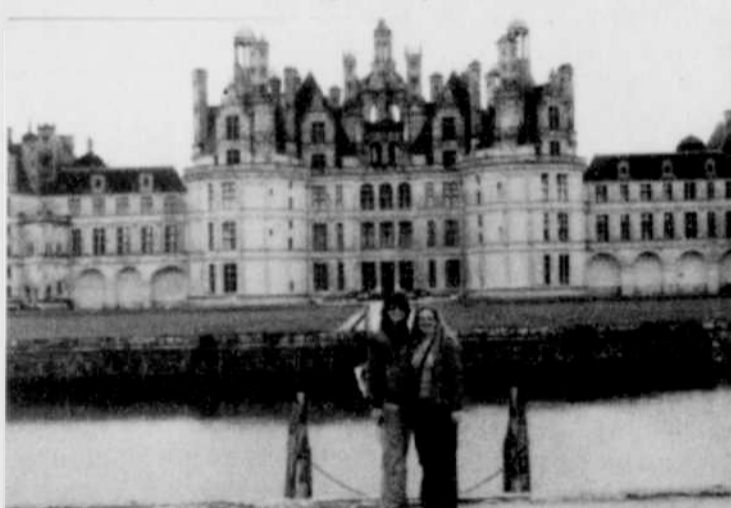
Students take Spring Break trip to France



Students in front of the Eiffel Tower: (L-R): Mahaley Huddleston, Teonna Vandever, Kylee Svetich, Katie Kilkenny, Juli VandenBrink, Aaron Allstott, Kayla LaRue, Kody Lovgren, Emily Rietmann, Tony Haguewood, Kaylee Palmateer, Regi Seitz, Ashly Grams, Kyle Palmateer, Kelly Thompson. Not pictured: Chaperones Ryan Rudolph, Laura Parks, Monica Swanson and Jim Swanson. Photo by Monica Swanson.



Regi Seitz, Tony Haguewood and Katie Kilkenny inside a bunker at Normandy Beach. Photo by Mahaley Huddleston.



Mahaley Huddleston and Emily Rietmann at Chambord Castle. Photo from Mahaley Huddleston.

Students from Ione and Heppner high schools traveled to Paris, France March 21-31 as part of the Ione International Club's bi-annual trips. The event was coordinated by Ryan Rudolph, an IHS teacher, and the club traveled with EF Tours. Nine Ione students, six Heppner students and four chaperones made the journey.

The group went to Paris; Chartres; the Chateaux of Loire Valley-Chambord, Chenonceaux and Amboise; Mont St. Michel; the walled city of St. Malo; Normandy- Omaha Beach, the site of the 1944 allied invasion and to the American Cemetery; World War II museum in Caen; Rouen; and then back to Paris.

Their first view in Paris when getting off the subway was the Arc De Tromphe. They also visited

the Louvre, went to the top of the Eiffel Tower, saw Napoleon's tomb, saw Notre Dame, visited Leonardo DiVinci's house, and saw many other French landmarks.

"It was all amazing," said Mahaley Huddleston, an HHS student who went on the trip.

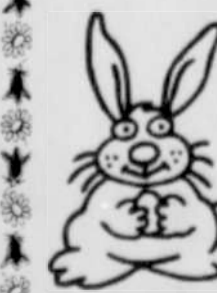
While in Paris, chaperones Jim and Monica Swanson also were able to visit with, Thierry, an Ione High School exchange student who lived with them during the 1994-95 school year.

"Everyone had a great time and we made it home with all our kids, it was a great experience," said Monica Swanson, one of the chaperones.

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