

## Head Start recruiting families

Umatilla Morrow Head Start is recruiting families for the 2006-2007 program year. Head Start is a comprehensive program for families of 3 and 4 year old children that include education, nutrition, social services and parent involvement. Head Start is primarily for low-income families, but assistance also is available for families with children with disabilities.

The Heppner center is a combination model, where children receive a preschool experience 3 days per week, part day, and in

addition, families receive one home visit per month.

The cut off date for determining the age eligibility for children is Sept. 1. Families also must meet federal income guidelines. Applications are available at Heppner Head Start, located at Heppner Elementary and at various locations within the community. For information, contact Candy Green, Child and Family Advocate in Heppner at 676-5482 until May 12, or the main office in Hermiston after May 12 at (800) 559-5878.

## 4-H Livestock Field Days coming to Morrow County

The 4-H programs in Wheeler, Gilliam and Morrow counties are teaming up to provide a host of opportunities for 4-H and FFA youth with livestock projects. Three livestock field days have been planned for the upcoming months. The topics of each workshop will build upon the previous workshop but be broad enough that youth will learn something new from each one. County OSU Extension staff encourages youth to participate in as many field days as possible.

Workshop topics will include, but are not limited to: Livestock judging, the basics and more advanced skills; Showmanship; Fitting; Nutrition; Health and Handling; and Animal Olympics at the Gilliam Field Day

All field days will be held on Saturdays with the dates, starting times and locations as follows: May 6, 9:30 a.m., Gilliam County Fairgrounds, Condon; June 10, 10 a.m., Wheeler County

Fairgrounds, Fossil; July 22, 8:30 a.m., Morrow County Fairgrounds, Heppner.

We hope to see all our livestock youth there, as there will be something for the beginners as well as the more advanced.

## HHS to celebrate prom May 6

Heppner High School will be celebrating Prom on Saturday, May 6, from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. at the Fairgrounds in the Annex Building.

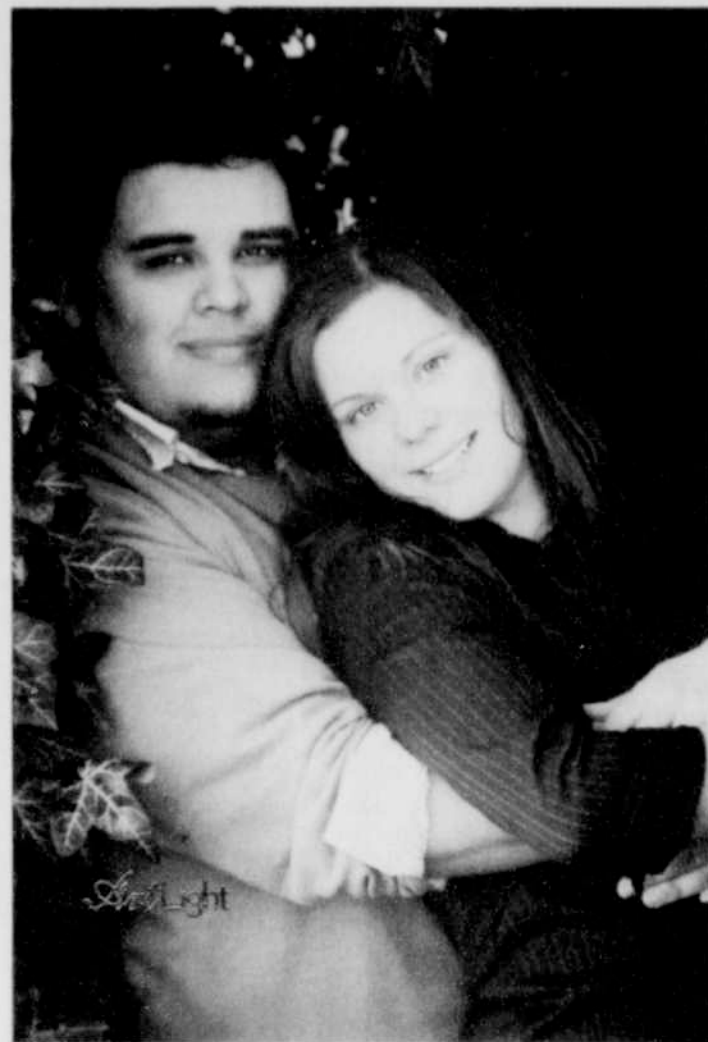
TNT Entertainment will provide the music.

The prom court this year includes: Princes Rory Kilkenny, Daniel Basile, Matthew Van Cleave, Peter Geer and Mikel Britt and Princesses Heather Yocom, Heather Rill, Laurie Murray, Abby Key and Brittney Herbison.

The queen and king will be announced at 10 p.m. during the dance.

## Engagement

### Sneddon-Pool



Thomas Pool and Amanda Sneddon

Thomas Pool and Amanda Sneddon, both of Albany, wish to announce their engagement.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Don and Tami Sneddon of Mount Vernon, WA. She is a 2001 graduate of Heppner High School and a 2005 graduate of Oregon State University. She is currently employed by the Albany School District.

The groom-elect is the son of Don and Carrie Pool of Albany. He is a 2000 graduate of South Albany High School and is employed by Research Mannikins.

The couple will be married, May 13, 2006, at the Spring Hill Country Club in Albany.

## Local student makes dean's list

Nearly 1300 Anne Leavitt, vice president for student affairs and dean of students.

One of those students was Heppner High graduate, Jonathan Bennett, a senior political science major.

UO deans' lists are compiled for fall, winter and spring terms during each school year. All undergraduate and post baccalaureate students, including National Student Exchange students, are eligible.

To qualify for the lists, students must be in good academic standing and must have completed 12 or more graded credits for the term. The required minimum grade-point average is 3.75 on a scale having 4.0 as a straight-A average.

Altogether, 1,299 students-out of 15,617 undergraduate and post baccalaureate students-made winter term 2006 deans' lists for their respective UO school or college.

## Babe Ruth baseball sign-ups to be held

Babe Ruth baseball signups are currently being held. The program is for ages 13-15. A parents' meeting will be held on May 7 at 7 p.m. in the conference room at Columbia Basin Electric Co-Op. For more information, contact Rick Johnston at 676-5562.

## BEO employees participate in Teach Children to Save Day

Sharon Harrison, Branch Manager, Bank of Eastern Oregon, Heppner Branch, gave a savings lesson to K thru third grade students at Heppner Elementary School as part of the American Bankers Association Education Foundation's Teach Children to Save Program.

Sharon Rietmann, Branch Manager, Ione Branch, gave the lesson to the K thru third graders at Ione Elementary School.

Bank of Eastern Oregon employees joined thousands of bankers across the country who traded in their balance sheets for blackboards to help fill the need for financial education.

"Studies show that kids aren't learning the skills they need to make smart financial decisions as adults," said E. George Koffler, President and CEO. "Communities and schools teach other life skills, such as driving a car, but we don't spend enough time teaching financial skills. Bankers are in the schools this week to help fill that gap and prepare future customers for financial success."

The presentation included activities about the concept of saving, how interest makes money grow, how to budget and determining needs and wants. Bank of Eastern Oregon employees also handed out piggy banks and coins to approximately 2,000 kindergarten through third grade students in its local banking communities.

Since the American Bankers Association Education Foundation's National Teach Children to Save Day began in 1997, thousands of bankers have taught money skills to more than one million students.

Bank of Eastern Oregon offers the following tips to help parents make every day "Savings Day:"

**-Help kids open up their own bank savings account and make deposits regularly.** Many banks have children's accounts that have no fee or minimum-balance requirements.

**-Make going to the bank fun.** Some banks have kids' clubs where members get newsletters or receive balloons when they make a deposit.

**-Kids love to get mail, so encourage them to keep an eye out for their quarterly statement.**

**-Talk to your child about the family budget.** Include a discussion on wants and needs. Reinforce this by budgeting for a family outing or purchase.

**-While children know that money doesn't grow on trees, they may think it comes out of a wall.** Show them how an ATM machine works and explain that to take money out of the bank you must first put it in.

**-Give your kids positive feedback.** As they get older, give them responsibility over how they spend their money.

The ABA Education Foundation, a nonprofit subsidiary of the American Bankers Association, is committed to developing and providing education programs that lead to financial literacy. The ABA Education Foundation's National Teach Children to Save Day is held every April when thousands of bankers make presentations to students on the importance of saving for their future.

BEO Bancorp is the holding company for Bank of Eastern Oregon, which operates 11 branches in six eastern Oregon counties. Branches are located in Arlington, Ione, Heppner, Condon, Irrigon, Boardman, Burns, John Day, Prairie City, Fossil, and Moro. Bank of Eastern Oregon also operates a mortgage division, loan production offices in Hermiston and Ontario, and offers brokerage services through BEO Financial Services. The bank's website is [www.beobank.com](http://www.beobank.com).

## Red Cross volunteers needed

Disaster Volunteers are needed for Morrow County in association with the American Red Cross. These volunteers respond to community disasters and house fires. Volunteers are needed to teach CPR and First Aid classes, Youth Babysitter Training courses and to volunteer at blood drives.

Morrow County lies within the Rolling Prairie District, which also serves Grant, Wallowa and Umatilla counties.

Training sessions are starting soon in the area. For more information, call (541) 276-1211, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

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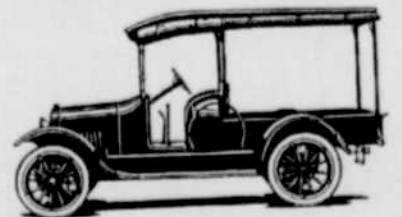
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