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Gilliam County DA takes over prosecution One more arrested in drug investigation; 12 high school students believed involved

The Morrow County Sheriff's Office has made an additional arrest in connection with a recent drug investigation in Heppner.

Mindy Michelle Davidson, 27, Heppner, was charged with six counts of endangering the welfare of a minor, six counts of distribution of a controlled substance to a minor and one count of frequenting a place where controlled substances are used. Her bail was set at \$192,000. She was lodged on June 20 and has also since been released.

Sean Patrick Richards, 18, Heppner, was arrested June 2, Angela M.Cady, 26, Heppner, was arrested June 8, and Terrence Kristopher Parret, 18, Heppner, was arrested June 13.

A fourteen-year-old was also arrested earlier and has been placed in the North Oregon Regional Correctional Center at The Dalles.

Matlack said that a variety of drugs were involved, including marijuana, cocaine and

methamphetamine, and added that not all of those charged were involved with all of the types of drugs.

Gilliam County District Attorney Marion Weatherford will prosecute the cases because Morrow County DA David C. Allen has recused himself due to a conflict. Weatherford said that the Umatilla County DA also had a conflict.

Weatherford told the Gazette-Times Tuesday that an additional 12 young people are involved, all believed to be Heppner High School students. "We are prepared to make an offer to all of the young people that provides accountability, but at the same time won't hurt their future opportunities." "Without the cooperation and honesty of the students, we didn't have much of a case against the adults," said Weatherford, who added that the young people "have been very forthcoming and upfront about what was going on both inside and outside the school."

Weatherford said that there may be two to three additional adult defendants.

Boyer receives national honor

Tyler Boyer, 19, son of John and Kelly Boyer of Lexington, was named to the National Collegiate Dean's List.

"The National Collegiate Dean's List pays tribute to America's outstanding college students who are making the best of their abilities to benefit themselves, their families and their communities," according to a news release.

Boyer, a 2005 graduate of Heppner High School, was a freshman this past year at Linfield College at McMinnville, OR. He also played for the Linfield football team.

Leonard Foundations reaches \$140 thousand mark in grants awarded

The Red & Gena Leonard Foundation awarded grants totaling \$23,823 for the 2006-07 academic year, according to a foundation news release. The grants were awarded to the Blue Mountain Community College Nursing Department, New Directions Education Program; Pendleton High School ASPIRE program; Blue Mountain Community College TRIO program; the SMART program; and the BMCC Golf Tournament.

The Leonard Foundation approved a grant for \$10,000 to the BMCC Nursing program for the 2006-07 academic year. The Leonard Foundation has partnered with Good Shepherd Medical Center and St. Anthony Hospital to fund a nursing instructor position. BMCC employs five full-time faculty and several part-time specialist instructors, clinical site supervisors, and proctors to meet Oregon State Board of Nursing standards. The nursing program currently has 31 first year students and 30 second year students. This is the fifth year that the Leonard Foundation donated \$10,000 to this program.

The New Directions Education Program was awarded a \$1,000 grant to help fund college transfer classes at Eastern Oregon Correctional Institution. The New Directions Education Program committee selects the class to be taught within the EOCI walls by a BMCC faculty member. The NDEP committee also chooses the inmates who participate in the program based on: academic background; score on college entrance ASSET test; approval from EOCI counselor; essay on the importance of education; conduct record at EOCI; and job record at EOCI. The goal of the program is to expand job opportunities, increase self-confidence and reduce the chance of the inmates returning to prison. This is the fourth time the Leonard Foundation has donated \$1,000 to this program.

The Leonard Foundation awarded a grant in the amount of \$3,000 to the Oregon Children's Foundation SMART (Start Making a Reader Today) Program. The grant will cover part of the cost of supporting schools enrolled in the SMART program in the Umatilla Morrow Area. SMART is an early literacy program providing children with books and a caring

adult to read to them. The program enlists the help of community volunteers to read to children two times each week.

The 2006 Blue Mountain Community College Foundation Cow Pasture Golf Tournament will receive a \$250 hole sponsorship from the Leonard Foundation. The Golf Tournament raises funds for scholarships given through the BMCC Foundation.

The Leonard Foundation awarded a \$5,000 grant to the Pendleton High School ASPIRE Program. The ASPIRE (Access to Student Assistance Programs in Reach of Everyone) program has been at PHS for six years. The program provides PHS students with general career planning, information concerning post-secondary training and financial recourse options. The ASPIRE staff recruits and trains community mentors to meet with students individually. The program includes an extensive scholarship search with students; parent meetings; Scholarship Saturday workshops; assistance with college applications; and other services.

The TRIO Student Support Services program at BMCC received a grant for \$4,573 to increase their lending library. The library houses textbooks and calculators that TRIO students may borrow for the term. The TRIO SSS program is targeted at disadvantaged college students who are low income and/or first generation college students and/or disabled.

Since 2000, the Red and Gena Leonard Foundation has awarded \$142,283.00 in grants to local schools and educational programs to enhance the learning environment in our community. In addition to grants, the Red and Gena Leonard Foundation offers scholarship opportunities to local students for post secondary education and training. Since the 2000-01 academic year, the Leonard Foundation has awarded 469 scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 each for a total of \$938,000.00.

For more information about the Red & Gena Leonard Foundation, please contact Tracy Gammell, executive director at P.O. Box 1024, Hermiston or 564-9177 or rglffoundation@qwest.net.

Rhea elected Lions Club President

Molly Rhea has been elected Heppner Lions President for the 2006-07 year.

Dick Paris was elected vice president; Paula Trueax, secretary; Steve Rhea, treasurer; Jim Fichter, Lion Tamer; Dean Robinson, Tail Twister; and Joyce Shepherd, membership.

Lions Club Past District Governor Bob Guerrant was guest speaker and inducted the new officers at the club's annual barbecue in Heppner June 16. "Grillmaster" was Steve Rhea.

Fireworks will go on sale this Friday, June 30 at the fireworks stand in downtown Heppner.

Ruger rifle tickets are still on sale, with the drawing to be held Wednesday, July 5. Tickets are available from Steve or Molly Rhea for \$5 each or five for \$20.

Baillie Keithley attends HOBY seminar

Baillie Keithley of Heppner recently attended the Oregon Hugh O'Brian Youth (HOBY) Leadership

Seminar held July 17-19 at the University of Portland. Keithley joined more than 100 other young leaders representing many high schools from throughout Oregon.

HOBY leadership seminars bring together a select group of high school sophomores to interact with groups of distinguished leaders in business, government, education and the professions to discuss present and future issues. The goal is to provide the youths a stimulating forum for learning about the free market and democratic process while broadening their understanding of their leadership potential and quest for self-development. HOBY leaders are also challenged to return to their communities to perform at least 100 hours of community service within 12 months following the Seminar.

Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership was established in 1958 by the actor Hugh O'Brian following a visit to Africa where he was inspired by a meeting with Dr. Albert Schweitzer. "One of the things Schweitzer said to me was that the most important thing in education was to teach young people to think for themselves," O'Brian said. "From that inspiration, and with the support of others who believe in youth and the American dream, I started HOBY to seek out, recognize, and develop outstanding leadership potential among our nation's youth."

WCC Schedule

June
Friday-Sunday, June 23-25: WCCC Men's Tournament.

Tuesday, June 27- Ladies Nine-Hole Invitational.

July
Sunday, July 2- Men's play.

Wednesday, July 5- Second half Wednesday men's play begins.

Friday, July 7-Jack & Jill, 6 p.m.

Saturday, July 8- Heppner Alumni Tournament.

Sunday, July 9- Men's play.

Tuesday, July 11- Ladies' play.

Sunday, July 16- Men's play.

Tuesday, July 18- Ladies' play.

Saturday-Sunday, July 22-23-Men's championship, Saturday tee off, 5 p.m.; Sunday tee-off, 8 a.m.

Tuesday, July 25- Ladies' play.

Sunday, July 30- Men's play.

Health District adopts \$5.9 million budget

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In other business the board:

-learned that the district was granted a \$4,495 Meyer Memorial Trust grant for customer service, leadership and management training.

-received the following report: Pioneer Memorial Clinic had 334 patient visits for the month of May with 11 new patients and 31 patients seen by a nurse; Irrigon Clinic had 201 patient visits for May with 30 new patients, 48 seen by a nurse and 18 no shows; the Heppner Ambulance had 19 runs with 16 transports for \$13,497 in revenue; Boardman Ambulance had 23 runs with 14 transports for \$13,368 in revenue; Irrigon Ambulance had 17 runs with nine transports for \$7,363 in revenue; Pioneer Memorial Hospital had seven admissions, 426 outpatients, 66 emergency room encounters, 1625 lab tests, 105 x-ray procedures, 34 CT scans, 36 EKG tests, two treadmill procedures, two respiratory therapy procedures; Hospice had one admission; and the pharmacy had 881 drug doses for \$57,329 in revenue.

St. Patrick's Senior Center News

The July 5 menu for the St. Patrick's Senior Center meal will be: cheeseburgers, over-baked fries, coleslaw, melon balls and chocolate cake. Volunteer hosts will be members of the Willow Creek Baptist Church.

This week the center is introducing Rosemary Dalrymple, their newest member. She moved to the St. Patrick's apartments in May of this year from Seattle, Washington.

Born in Tacoma, WA, Rosemary's parents moved to Seattle when she was eight. She married and had five children. She now has six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Remember Louis Armstrong? Rosemary met Louis at a Vaudeville theatre in Seattle where she was working and they became very close friends.

Rosemary knew Tennessee Ernie Ford before he became famous. She said he was the same in person as he was in television.

In the 1950s she "literally" ran into Charles Boyer. She said she was so shocked, she could hardly speak. She also met Sally Rand, who was famous in the 30s and 40s at the Palamar Theatre, and got her autograph back stage.

After all her traveling, Rosemary decided to make Heppner her home. She says she enjoys the serenity, size and friendliness it has to offer.


Night star program offered

To help celebrate the Dayville Fourth of July celebration, John Day Fossil Beds National Monument ranger, John Fiedor, will offer a telescopic tour of the moon and Jupiter on Sunday, July 2, from 9 to 10 p.m. The viewing will be conducted at the high school football field in the town of Dayville. Participants are encouraged to bring binoculars.

For further information call John Fiedor at 541-987-2333.



Baillie Keithley



BURNING BAN

Effective July 1, 2006, the Fire Chief of the City of Heppner is imposing a CLOSED SEASON for open burning based on local fire safety concerns. This burning ban is for the City of Heppner. A reminder that open burning also includes a "burn barrel."

The closed season will remain in effect until further notice this fall as per ORS 478.960.

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