

Elementary kids host program, 'feast' for parents



Zach Bredfield (in checkered with a headdress), Gibson McCurry and his mother Tiffany McCurry



Cheyenne Smith and her mother Marianne Smith

Parents of Heppner Elementary kindergarten students were entertained by their children with poems and songs such as "I'm a Turkey" and "If You're Thankful and You Know It." Parents and students then shared a small feast.

County parks committee meeting set

The Morrow County Parks Committee meeting will be held Friday, December 1, at the Heppner Elks Lodge at 6:30 p.m.

Committee members and their spouses are invited to attend. A potluck dinner will be served and the meeting will follow dinner.

Agenda items include the review of the Morrow County Parks Plan, an over-look of our three county parks: Anson Wright, Cutsforth, and the Off Highway Vehicle Park and goals for the coming year. The public is invited to attend these twice yearly meetings.

For more information or if you would like to be added to the agenda, contact Betty Gray

at Morrow County Public Works Department, 541-989-9500.

Potluck to welcome new priest

A potluck to welcome the Rev. Janis Johnson will be held at Hope Lutheran Church in Heppner on Sunday, December 3, following church. Services begin at 11 a.m.

Everyone is invited to attend. Those attending are asked to bring a main dish or a salad, no desserts.

The Rev. Johnson will begin her employment as pastor for Hope Lutheran and All Saints Episcopal that day. Her ordination will be held on December 6.

North Morrow organizations receive \$750 in PGE grants

This fall, community groups throughout Oregon and southwest Washington are receiving grants to help strengthen their programs, and it's the employees at Portland General Electric (PGE) that made it all possible. Throughout the year, the employees and retirees of PGE work hard to contribute thousands of hours as volunteers to charities, schools and sports teams in the communities where they live and work. To honor their dedication, PGE makes monetary donations to many of these local nonprofits through its Employee Grant Volunteer program.

For the third quarter of 2006, PGE awarded a total of 56 EVGs throughout Oregon and southwest Washington, amounting to \$25,025. The EVGs represent 1,327 hours of community service contributed by PGE employees and retirees during the third quarter, which is valued at \$23,939 according to figures

provided by the Points of Light Foundation.

EVGs are granted up to \$500 and are awarded to nonprofit organizations, schools and youth programs on a quarterly basis.

"I commend my co-workers for their time and devotion to these deserving organizations," said Carol Dillin, vice president of public policy at PGE. "PGE employees and retirees have always been the driving force behind our company's long-standing community involvement."

The following grants totaling \$750 were presented to schools and nonprofit organizations located in the Morrow County area for the third quarter of 2006:

Grants serving Boardman: Albert Corpus received a \$250 grant for Boardman Grid Kids Football to purchase sports equipment, including helmets and pads.

Grants serving Irrigon: Jane Hunter received a \$500 grant for the Community Women's Club to fund scholarships.

90 listed as Heppner charitable organizations

The Heppner Charitable Giving Directory Project, under the direction of project volunteer John Edmundson, is proving to be somewhat larger than originally envisioned, according to Edmundson. A total of 90 public, public/private, private and business entities have been identified for listing in the directory. Each has received an explanatory letter and information form.

Each entity requires a follow-up contact and

interview to ensure the accuracy of the information. The follow-up contacts will continue into December and possibly after the first of the year. Eventually the data will be entered into an electronic file which will be maintained at the Heppner branch of the Oregon Trail Library District for access by the public for information about possible funding for worthy projects.

Contact John Edmundson, 676-5177, for more information about the Heppner Charitable Giving Directory Project.

St. Patrick's Senior Center News

A new record was set this year as the one place in Heppner where the most turkeys were cooked. Most all of the 16 residents contributed to the wonderful aromas coming from the apartments. They shared with others and all had a good Thanksgiving. In other news, we are looking forward to enjoying the local dance group which will be performing Wednesday, Dec. 13, at 6 p.m. in the St. Patrick's

Senior Center dining room. This is free to the public. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the performance. The performers are small children from the local community.

The menu for the Wednesday, December 6, noon meal will be beef stew with potatoes, onions, carrots and celery, fresh fruit, cornbread, butter and chocolate pie. Members of the Christian Life Center will serve.

It's official-Glenn Baker big Scrooge

Glenn Baker of Heppner was the winner of the Scrooge contest, sponsored by the Heppner Chamber of Commerce. People voted for the contest by putting money in the candidate's jar. Baker took

in \$30.97. Runner-up Cliff Green brought in \$22.21. David Sykes' jar had \$8.62 and loser George Koffler brought in a mere \$8.04.

Proceeds of the contest will go towards new loudspeakers for the city of Heppner Main Street.

Justice Court Report

Judge Charlotte Gray, Heppner Justice Court, has released the following report:

-Gordon A. Wegworth, 18, Heppner, minor in possession, \$166 fine;

-Cleo B. Childers, 71, Ione, violation of the basic rule, 76 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$185 fine;

-Dennis Gene Ball, 52, Antelope, OR, no operator's license, \$244 fine;

-Cory A. Breeding, 23, Heppner, violation of the speed limit, 50 mph in a 30 mph zone, failure to register vehicle, \$224 fine;

-Wayne D. Swango, 61, Harrisburg, failure to use seatbelt, \$76 fine;

Chaunsey Lynn Allan, 35, Heppner, driving while suspended violation, \$429 fine;

-Linda J. Workman, 50, Hermiston, driving under the influence (.17) \$2092 fines and fees with \$500 suspended, 180 days in jail with 170 days suspended with electronic surveillance, two year's probation with no further violation of law and complete an alcohol education program by April 1.

-Allen D. Rutledge, 41, Gresham, failure to obey traffic device, \$24 fine;

-Troy P. Morgan, 30, Ione, disobey traffic control device (stop sign), \$185 fine;

-David C. McQuin, 60, Hermiston, failure to use seatbelt, \$99 fine;

-Rita J. Glover, 24, Heppner, driving uninsured, \$185 fine;

-Donald Wysocki, 54, Pendleton, VBR, 81 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$244 fine;

-Pamela Ellen Doherty, 57, Wilsonville, VBR, 75/55 mph, \$113 fine;

-Shawn Ira Rule, 21, Heppner, DWS violation, failure to present proof of insurance, \$614;

-Rondi Marie Ober, 45, Heppner defective lighting, \$113;

-Kathleen L. Meyer, 41, Lexington, VBR, 78/55 mph, \$185;

-Michael D. Lynch, 48, Colton, OR, unlawful use of fire, \$119 fine;

-Jose Sergio Alvarez, 34, Hillsboro, exceeding speed limit, 85/65 mph; failure to notify Department of Motor Vehicles of address change, \$244 fine;

-Eric Carl Dawson, 35, Redmond, DWS violation, no operator's license, \$244 fine;

-David LeRoy Brown, 36, Heppner, criminal mischief II, \$645 fine, 180 days in jail with \$200 and jail sentence suspended with 24 months' probation with no further violation of law; theft II, \$945 fine, 180 days in jail with \$200 and jail sentence suspended;

-Joseph Patrick Kenny, 50, Heppner, DUI diversion, \$334 fine and assessment.

-Rita Woolsey, 56, Heppner, DUI diversion, \$334 fine and assessment.

Tax preparers wanted

Volunteer tax preparers are being sought for the Heppner area. Training and materials will be provided. The program is provided through AARP and the IRS, however everyone is invited to apply.

Call Leann Rea, 481-5922, to apply or for more information

Heppner Elementary Calendar

Tuesday, December 5: Hamstead Players, "A Christmas Carol," 1 p.m., "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe," 7 p.m.

Wednesday, December 6: Site Council, 6:30 p.m.; Parent Teacher Club, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, December 11: Morrow County School Board meeting, Irrigon Elementary, 7 p.m.

Monday, December 18: Heppner High School concert, 7 p.m.; Community Education Committee meeting, HHS, 7 p.m.

Thursday, December 21: Heppner Elementary School winter concert, 7 p.m.

Friday, December 22-Sunday, January 7: Winter break; school resumes on Monday, January 8.

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