

## Hopkins presents plaques to Children and crashes Heppner Lions' members



Dan Van Liew (left) accepting a plaque from Governor Hopkins.

Lions Club Governor Gerald Hopkins held a presentation for the Heppner Lions on Feb. 21.

A District G Convention will be held at the Desert River Inn in Umatilla on March 9-10. Members of the Heppner Lions will help with the convention.

Hopkins said that due to his own background, emphasis will be on youth activities including Quest, peace posters, Youth Exchange, and LEO panels. Past District Governor Roger Trueax will be conducting the Young Ambassador speech contest as a part of the event.

Other activities, according to Hopkins, will include a Friday golf scramble, Friday evening talent show for Lions and community members, a family feud game, Dimes of Diabetes workshop, and leadership panels.

Past International Director Robert Eichhorn will be the guest speaker and discuss the effects of Hurricane Katrina and donations made by Lions International.

### Boardman library to host author

The Oregon Trail Library in Boardman will host an evening of storytelling and discussion with Oregon author Rick Steber on Thursday, March 8, at 7 p.m.

Steber is an award-winning author of both fiction and nonfiction. He has done extensive research on Oregon and Northwest history. "He is passionate about preserving oral history and traditions and brings this alive with his storytelling," said a library spokesperson.

Everyone is invited to attend.

During the presentation, Dr. Hopkins gave a brief history of Lionism and discussed the goals of International President Jimmy Ross, including self-evaluations of community projects, working with other agencies on major projects and publicizing Lion events in the local media. He said the District G goals also encourage support of the District G Emergency Fund, being involved in the awards programs including the nomination of a business that supports Lions, and encouraging others to join a great organization.

He noted that Heppner has done much for their community through the sales of fireworks, helping with the Morrow County Fair, holding a rifle raffle, supporting the Juvenile Diabetes Association and Migrant Summer School Program. The club also voted to give \$44.50 to the District G Emergency Fund.

Hopkins concluded the presentation with outstanding plaques given to Dan Van Liew, Paula Trueax, and Rusty Estes.

## Oregon East Symphony Chamber Music Series to hold recital

The Oregon East Symphony Chamber Music Series presents Lisa Robertson, violinist and Matt Cooper, pianist in a recital on Friday, March 9, at 7:30 pm at the Arts Center of Pendleton, 214 N. Main.

Both are on the faculty of Eastern Oregon University. Robertson and Cooper will perform Sonata No. 1 in A minor by Robert Schumann; Sonata No. 1 in A Major by Gabriel Faure; and Night Music by Ned Rorem, an unusual piece whose movements each portray a different feature of a summer evening.

Lisa Robertson is concertmaster of the Grande Ronde Symphony Orchestra in La Grande and the Oregon East Symphony in Pendleton. She earned a B.M. and M.A. at the University of Iowa and a doctoral degree in violin performance at Florida State University. She taught and played professionally for fifteen years in Germany and Korea, and presently teaches

violin, viola, string chamber music and is co-director of the Fiddle Ensemble at EOU. She has soloed in the Brahms Double Concerto with both the OES and Grande Ronde Symphonies.

Matt Cooper has been at EOU since 1991 where he teaches piano, music theory and jazz studies. Matt has earned degrees from the University of Cincinnati and the University of Oregon, including his Doctor of Musical Arts from the Conservatory of Music at the U. of Cincinnati.

He has earned awards at major jazz competitions (third place in the Thelonious Monk International Piano Competition in 1988) and performed extensively as a classical and jazz pianist as well as with orchestras and in recitals in Oregon and Washington.

Tickets are available at the door for \$12 adults and \$5 students 18 and under.

Well I did send for the educational posters and brochures, and when they arrived fixed a bulletin board display in the hospital hall, but I didn't get around to writing a news release. Until today. This morning I received a mailing from the Legacy Emanuel Children's Transport Team. This is a team of nurses, respiratory therapists and physicians that specializes emergency transportation of critically ill or injured children. The transport team's motto is "Because kids need us." I pulled out the ODOT mailer and reread numbers of children in Oregon that were injured in motor vehicle crashes in 2005 - "1,354 child passengers under age eight were injured and six were killed..." Of the injured, head injuries were the most common and often resulted in lifelong disabilities. The flyer expounded, two out of five of these children were not using child restraints - do the math - 544 kids under the age of eight - were not in a child restraint when the crash occurred. These are school age children - these kids do not drive - a supposed adult is driving.

Using the right child restraint can reduce the chance of crash injury an estimated 71 percent for infants, 54 percent for toddlers, and 59 percent for children in boosters. Oregon has more than four hundred certified child seat technicians who last year inspected 2,580 child and booster seats; 82 percent were incorrectly used or installed.

So how do we assure our children are appropriately secured? When I called the Oregon Child Safety Seat Resource Center they referred me to Diane Kilkenny at the Morrow County Health Department. Diane told me that she and Sherry Smith, Public Health Director, are Certified Child Seat Technicians and they encourage anyone with a child seat restraint to contact their office at 676-5421 and one of them will be happy to ensure your child's restraint is properly installed.

Although the transport team's motto "Because kids need us." is appropriate, I would like to see fewer children require specialized transport. Those of us transporting children need to do all we can to ensure their safety. The first step is to make sure their car seats are installed correctly. Please call Public Health and get this small step taken.

### Cruz-In parade entries due

Heppner's seventh annual St. Paddy's Cruz-In participants are reminded to fill out their entry forms and send it to P.O. Box 1232, Heppner, OR 97836 or call the Heppner Chamber of Commerce at 676-5536 or visit [www.heppnerchamber.com](http://www.heppnerchamber.com).

Pre-registration of \$10 received by Tuesday, March 13 will include a dash plaque. On-site registration will be \$15.

Participants are asked to assemble their vehicles from 10 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 17, at the northwest entrance to Heppner (former

Kinzua Mill site) on Highway 74/207. Participants are asked to arrive by 10:30 a.m. so the parade announcer will be able to gather facts on each vehicle before the parade that begins at noon. The entries will be on display on Water Street in downtown Heppner.

Plaques will be awarded for Leprechaun's Choice, Judges Choice, and the Mustang Award (for Mustang vehicles), which is sponsored by the Heppner High School student body. The Great Green Parade will be at 1 p.m., following the St. Paddy Cruz-In Parade.

### Lexington Holly Rebekah Lodge to hold card party

Holly Rebekah Lodge will be hosting their monthly card party this Saturday, March 3, at the Lodge hall in Lexington. Play will start at 7 p.m.

Prizes will be awarded to the high and low man, high and low woman, and traveling. Sandwiches, snacks, and drinks will be served during the evening.

The cost is \$5 per person. Everyone is invited to attend.

### Christian Life Center to host family serving in Fiji

The Slater family will be at Christian Life Center, 535 W. Morgan St., Heppner, on Sunday, March 4, at 6 p.m.

The Slater family is serving the country of Fiji with a specific focus on the youth and children, according to a news release.

They are involved in village ministry and pastoral care throughout the islands. The Slaters hold weekly evangelistic outreaches for the youth in the city of Labasa, the largest on the island of Vanua Levu. They are also disciplining a group of "Young Believers" with the purpose of building up spiritual leaders.

The Slaters are also excited to promote Kids Quest crusades throughout the Fiji islands, as well as targeting the other Pacific Oceania islands for this specific ministry. They have an open door into the national schools for assemblies and they host visiting ministry teams for kids camps and church building.

The Slaters served in the Oregon district for 12 years prior to their first term in Fiji. They were senior pastors in Halsey, Oregon for three years. Before that, they were involved in youth ministry in Prineville.

### Heppner Garden Club to meet

Barb Orwick and Margaret Flaherty will be sharing gardening helps that are available at our local library. Barb and Margaret are employed by the library and want to encourage all citizens to take advantage of all the helps that the library offers. They have a story time for the children during li-

brary hours. The Garden Club will meet on Monday, March 5, at 7 p.m. at St. Patrick's Senior Center. Hostesses will be Ida Farra and Bebe Munkers. Heppner Garden Club does many activities in the community to help beautify Heppner and the public is always welcome.

### Marriage Licenses

The Morrow County Clerk's Office at the M.C. Courthouse has released the following marriage license report:

-February 26: Mauro Antonio Alatorre Quezada, 20, Boardman, and Rocio Velazquez Rivera, 21, Boardman.

### Senior Center lunch menu

The Hope/Valby/All Saints Church members will be serving dinner on Wednesday, March 7. The menu will consist of lasagna with meat, mixed veggies, hot rolls, assorted pies, and juice.



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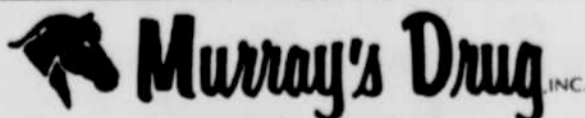


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