

## Local woman, church making a difference at home and overseas

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and the baking sun to hear what the missionaries are teaching. Catherine and the other missionaries have discovered that in the countries they have ministered in, the family unit is very strong. The families work together and attend the seminars together.

Catherine is amazed at the number of people who have visited Heppner and end up getting involved in the mission work. Pastors from churches in the countries the groups have visited have begun asking if they could join under the name of the Heppner church, Elohim Covenant. As of today approximately 40 churches in The Philippines, one church in Belize, two churches in Uganda, and one church in Singapore are currently under the name of Elohim Covenant. The word Elohim is a Hebrew word which expresses divinity.

The church is currently exploring returning to Belize in the fall. They have also received requests from pastors in Uganda to come back to minister to them. Catherine especially wants to go back to The Philippines.

Catherine says one of the most common questions that she is asked is how she can afford to go on these trips when all she does is work at a coffee shop. She replies "If I can do it, then God can do it for anyone." She has never had to ask for money or send out letters for donations. She simply saves throughout the year as if a trip were "just another bill to be paid." She also stated that if she still needs money, God



Pictured are a group of locals who came to hear the missionaries speak. People would walk for miles to hear the speakers bringing the Word of God to their country.



Children in Uganda and other African countries suffer from severe malnutrition. Signs of malnutrition include swollen stomachs and hair turning an orangish color. Children in Uganda have very few toys and were extremely excited about some balloons that were given to them by the missionary group.

has provided a last minute job or other means that pays for the trip.

Catherine says these mission trips are life changing for those who go on them. The missionaries end up discovering a bigger plan in ministry for their lives. She believes that "life

is enriched by the people you meet. They become your family, people you look forward to seeing."

Elohim Covenant meets on Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. and have lunch after services, Wednesdays at 7 p.m., and also hold Bible

studies on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at 8:30 a.m.

For more information about Elohim Covenant and the work they do, call 676-5471 or stop by Cornerstone Gallery or Northwestern Hotel.

## Hermiston Christian Center to host mother-daughter dinner

A mother-daughter dinner will be held Friday, May 4, at Hermiston Christian Center from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Borgesee's Italian Catering will cater the dinner. Portrait opportunities will be provided. Unforgettable Portraits. There will be a special performance by Hermiston High School Jazz Ensemble. Entertainment will include skits, music, solos and more.

Tickets are \$9 for 9 years through adult, \$6 for 4-8 year olds, and kids three and under are free. To purchase tickets call 567-3480.

## Senior girls luncheon to be held

A luncheon for Heppner High School senior girls will be held on Tuesday, April 24, at 11:30 a.m. at the Oddfellow Hall.

## Ione students show their generosity



Students in Grades K-5 at Ione Community School collected school supplies for children in South Africa.

For the past week students in grades K-5 have been collecting school supplies for children in South Africa.

Former graduate, Adam Neiffer, has been student teaching in South Africa these past few months. He described the needs for basic school supplies and the kids from Ione thought they could help. Collecting paper, pencils, crayons and pens they gathered more than 50 pounds. To help with the shipping costs area churches are getting involved too.

Small communities can impact the world!

## Ione to hold 7<sup>th</sup> annual TV Shoot

Ione will hold its 7<sup>th</sup> annual 1,000 yard TV Shoot on Saturday, April 28, at Frank and Joe Halvorsen's farm. The farm is located at 64686 Halvorsen Lane in Ione. The fee is \$20 per person per shot. Registration will be from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. An all-you-can-eat lunch will be available for \$6, \$3.50 for kids ten and under. All proceeds will be used to purchase children's prizes and fund events for the Ione Fourth of July Celebration.

Prizes include \$100dollars for hitting the target at 1,000 yards, a TV and DVD player donated by Lindsay Kincaid, other prizes and gifts for other events.

Those attending are asked to please not bring dogs. Pat Schmidt and Jeff Thompson of Allison Carey Gunworks of Portland will be in charge of the clay pigeons. Kids love this part of the shoot, and it is free.

Bill Breshears of B and B Barbecue of Gresham will be serving BBQ brisket sandwiches, brats, hot dogs, baked beans and potato salad. Coffee, pastries will be offered earlier in the day. Anyone wishing to help sponsor this event and get their company's name on the reader board may contact Tanna Padberg.

Proceeds fund prizes for the fishing pond, straw money pile, bicycle drawings, free swimming, frog jumping contest, talent show prizes, water slide, karaoke contest, fireworks, and much more.

For more information contact Tanna Padberg at 541-422-7276.

## ESD helps schools prepare for emergencies

In light of the horrific shootings at Virginia Tech on Monday, the Umatilla-Morrow Education Service District (UMESD) wants to remind parents and community members that schools are prepared for an emergency event.

Each school district in Umatilla and Morrow counties has a detailed emergency plan with instructions on how to respond in the event of a violent, chemical, medical, weather or other emergency situation. The federal Emergency Response Crisis Management (ERCM) grant - administered by the UMESD - provided the support needed to create these plans for each district.

Schools put these plans into practice throughout the year, and are evaluated once each year. On Aug. 12, school districts in the Umatilla Chemical Depot zone (Echo, Stanfield, Hermiston, Umatilla, Morrow County, Head Start Centers, Hermiston Jr. Academy, Hermiston Christian Center, and West County Alt. Ed. Hermiston Early Childhood Center) participated in a mock emergency drill.

Volunteer evaluators from the UMESD, Umatilla and Morrow county Emergency Management offices, FEMA, CSEPP (Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program), the American Red Cross, and others recorded how well each district enacted its emergency plan in a chemical emergency. While most districts practiced sheltering in place, some opted instead to evacuate.

On Tuesday, April 24, at 1 p.m. at Athena Elementary School, school districts not in the Umatilla Chemical Depot zone (Pendleton, Milton-Freewater, Athena-Weston, Head Start Centers, Hawthorne Alt. Ed., Hawthorne Early Childhood Center, Pleasantview Alt. Ed., Eastside Alt. Ed., and UMESD) will conduct mock emergency drills to practice their plans.

"Emergency plans are great to have, but they don't do a school any good if they just sit on a shelf and collect dust," said Casey White, UMESD and ERCM grant public information officer.

## Heppner Garden Club state contest winners



Top: In the essay contest, Erin Price (left) won second place and money, Lacie Wagoner (middle) won third place and money, and Lane Wright (right) won fourth place.

Right: Brian Rill, a third grader, won fourth place in the Smokey Bear Contest.

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## Marriage Licenses

The County Clerk's Office at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner released the following marriage license information:

-Brian David Holtz, 30, Heppner and Michelle Dawn Allbritt-Holtz, 31, Heppner.



## HEPPNER ELKS 358

676-9181 "Where Friends Meet" 142 North Main



**Elks Dinner**  
**Saturday, April 28 • 5 p.m.**  
**Lasagna and French Bread**  
**(dinner prior to the Trivia contest)**



**FISHERMAN'S NIGHT**  
Thursday, May 3 • 6 p.m.  
Oysters and Catfish  
Lodge at 8 p.m. with prizes and a shotgun raffle



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