

2008 Rodeo Court announced Ione Homecoming held



The 2008 Morrow County Fair and Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo Court: (L-R) Queen Becky Schiller, Princess Cheyenne Ward and Princess Torri Lovgren.

The 2008 Morrow County Fair and Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo Court was announced on October 14, at the Morrow County Fairgrounds. The Morrow County Fair Board hosted a chili feed for attending board members, rodeo committee members, court applicants and their families.

An orientation meeting was held where rules and guidelines were discussed, fall appearances for the new court that are coming up and future schedules and requirements. All candidates are quite familiar with the responsibilities of being a public relations representative for Morrow County as they all have 4-H, FFA and/or previously served on a court. They are all very excited to start their official reign, with their first two appearances in early November at the Morrow County Grain Growers Appreciation dinner and the Morrow County 4-H Awards Dinner, both to be held in Heppner this year.

The 2008 Queen is Becky Schiller, the 19 year old daughter of John and Shari Schiller. Becky has two older brothers, Jess and Pat. She has lived in Morrow County all her life being raised on the Vey ranch located on Butter Creek. Becky attended Pilot Rock Schools, until her graduation last year. She now attends Blue Mountain Community College in Pendleton where she is studying to be a dental assistant.

Becky was a princess on the 2007 court and is carrying on a long family line of royalty, starting with her Aunt Verina who was a princess and queen, Aunt Bonnie, a princess, Aunt Bobbi Childers, a pennant bearer, cousin Gina Grant, a princess and cousin Maci Childers was a princess, Queen and then Princess on the Pendleton Round Up Court. One would have to say that the new Queen comes by the desire to represent Morrow County and the western heritage of our area naturally.

When asked what she is looking forward to the most, she said, "The rodeos and the run-ins. I love to go fast around the arenas, and I love to meet new people." Becky will be joined by two princesses who also share the love of our western way of life.

Princess Cheyenne Ward is the 18 year old daughter of Nancy Potter and Curtis Ward, all of Pilot Rock. She is a senior this year at Pilot Rock High School where she is active in basketball, 4-H Swine and has been Vice President for the Pilot Rock Chapter of FFA for the last three years. Cheyenne plans on attending

Blue Mountain Community College for two years, and then transferring to Eastern Oregon University in La Grande, to get a degree in Range management with the hopes of working for the forest service.

She and her mother have a cattle business together, that they operate between Pilot Rock and their family ranch land in Ukiah. Cheyenne served as a princess on the 2007 Umatilla County Fair Court and when asked why she decided to tryout for court she replied, "I saw how much fun various court girls were having talking to people and getting to ride in the rodeos and parades. I decided I wanted to do that to."

Cheyenne has one older sister, Sorrel Ward who lives in La Grande.

Also joining the court for 2008 is Princess Torri Lovgren, the 15 year old daughter of Bobbette and Pat Lovgren of Heppner. She is a sophomore at Heppner High School where she is active in volleyball, basketball, 4-H beef and Heifer project, Wranglers Horse Club, Wild Horse Club and the Heppner Chapter of FFA.

Torri is the middle child of five children, older brothers Kyler, Kody, and younger sisters Hanna and Ali. The Lovgrens live on their family farm/ranch on Rhea Creek just below Ruggs where they raise cattle.

Torri's mother Bobbette, served as a pennant bearer and then Princess in 1985 for the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo and her Grandma Bobby Angel, was Morrow county Chaperone for several years as well. Torri is very excited to continue the family history with Morrow County and is looking forward to a great year.

Court Chaperone will be Glenda Taylor, of Ione, who was also the chaperone for 2007's court. She will be helping the court get their official outfits put together and schedules for their busy year to come. Court Director shall be Sylvia Sandford, also of Ione.

Formal Coronation of the Queen and Princesses will be announced at a later date by the Fair Board after their November meeting. "Once again Morrow County shows its pride with the selection of its new 2008 Morrow County Fair and Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo Court. Queen Becky, Princess Cheyenne and Princess Torri will do an awesome job!" Stated court chaperon, Glenda Taylor.



Pictured is the 2007 Ione Community School's Homecoming Court. Left to right are Paul Hams, Senior Prince; Juli Vanden Brink, Senior Princess; Dalton Campbell, Senior Prince; Marly Pfingsten, Senior Princess; Justin Archer, King; Teonna Vandever, Queen; Cory Peterson, Junior Prince; Fanni Mejorada, Junior Princess; Matt Hams, Sophomore Prince; Tyree Svetich, Sophomore Princess; Thomas Holland, Freshman Prince; Kylie McElligott, Freshman Princess; and front row are crown bearers Macki Heideman and Jake Heideman.



Seniors started the homecoming game in Ione on Friday night, October 19. Pictured left to right are Kevin Fowler, Kip Krebs, Paul Hams, Alan Rietmann, Justin Archer and Dalton Campbell. Not pictured is Richard Bohna #62. The Cardinals won their Homecoming game 61-32 against Nixyaawii.

-Photo by Teresa Crawford



Ione students had fun during their Homecoming Dance.

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IMS volleyball team claims first at Ione Tourney



Pictured are: Back row (L-R) Lacey Thompson, Shadow Kendrick, Jordan Peterson, Rebecca Jepsen, Melanie Eldridge, and Mary Rietmann. Middle row (L-R) Emily Holland, Cassie Arbogast, Shannon Metcalf, Lilly Sanford. Front row (L-R) Stacey Halvorsen, Makenna Ramos. Not pictured is Coach Diana McElligott.

The Ione Middle School Volleyball Team claimed first place out of 10 teams at a volleyball tournament hosted by Ione on Saturday, Oct. 20. There were three schools from the 1A league, (Ione, Helix, and Echo), which brought their A/B teams, and seven 2A schools who brought their B-Teams. The 2A schools were Heppner, Stanfield, Riverside, Umatilla, Irrigon, Athena-Weston, and Pilot Rock.

Teams were placed into two pools of five teams each. Each match was 20 minutes long, with games up to 25 points. The winner of the match was decided on the most points earned in 20 minutes. Ione won Pool A by defeating Irrigon, Stanfield, Helix, and Umatilla. They then played Heppner, the runner-up of Pool B and won that game. The final match between Ione and Riverside ended with Ione winning in two straight games to claim the championship.

All 12 Ione volleyball girls played in the tournament which concluded their 2007 volleyball season. The Ione team was coached by Diana McElligott. Both the Ione A and B teams won all their matches this season except for a narrow loss to Dufur.

Justice Court

Morrow County Justice Court Judge Charlotte Gray has released the following report:
 -Stephanie N. Smith, 18, Heppner, violation of the basic rule by going 75 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$113 fine.
 -Nickolas Ristick, 18, Portland, hunting prohibited methods, \$75 fine.
 -Alexander B. Haven, 29, Newberg, violating the speed limit by going 48 mph in a 30 mph zone, \$148 fine.
 -Kelsey Marie McGregor, 19, Provo, UT, violating the max speed by going 83 mph in a 65 mph zone, \$185.
 -Alan M. Rietmann, 18, Ione, careless driving, \$244.

Kenai fills up judge positions Bauman appointed to Superior Court

Editor's Note: The following article was written by Phil Hermanek for the Peninsula Clarion and was posted on their website www.peninsulaclarion.com on Sunday, August 5, 2007. Carl Bauman is a former Heppner resident.

The Kenai Court-house will soon have a full bench, thanks to the appointment of Carl Bauman to fill the Superior Court judgeship vacated with the retirement of Judge Harold Brown.

Judge Bauman, who has been in private practice with the same law firm in Anchorage since he graduated from Oregon Law School in 1973, was appointed by Gov. Sarah Palin on Friday.

"I'm very honored by the appointment," Bauman said from his Anchorage office Friday. "The key word is 'humbled.'"

He said he looks forward to working with the Kenai court, and he expects to relocate sometime in the next two months.

Bauman's trial experience includes a four-month-long civil trial in Kenai, presided over by then Administrative Judge Jonathan Link, who died in March 2003 at age 59.

Bauman is the third judge appointed in Kenai this year.

Although the appointment of Bauman fills all the judgeships in Kenai, Superior Court Judge Charles Huguélet is slated to be deployed with the U.S. Air Force to the Multinational Security Transition Command-Iraq. An instructor with the Judge Advocate General's staff, he expects to be helping Iragis with the financial end of rebuilding projects.

Bauman, 60, replaces Brown, who retired in June, after serving as a Superior Court judge in Kenai for 11 years. A former executive editor of the Oregon Law Review, Bauman once left college to join the Marine Corps Reserves in 1969.

Red Ribbon Week held at HHS

Red Ribbon Week is a week when millions of Americans wear a red ribbon to show that young people and adults are united for a drug-free society. This year Red Ribbon Week was held October 23-31. Heppner High School joined in with different activities.

Tuesday, October 23, was "Flying High without Drugs" day. On this day students were to wear as much red as they could. Balloons were placed all over school and a 1/2 hour assembly was held with a guest speaker. Wednesday, October 24, was "Turn your Back to Drugs" and students were to wear their shirts backwards. Thursday, October 25, is "Sweat Dream without Drugs" and students are to wear their pajamas. Their will be door prizes and a carnival booth will be ran by Student Council students.

On Wednesday, October 31, Student Council will deliver suckers (Say Boo to Drugs). The Student Council will have a poster contest titled, "My Hero... Drug Free." Students will draw and color what a hero would look like and focus on character traits (helping, trustworthy, responsibility, etc.). The poster must have the words "My Hero" and "Drug Free." They will be displayed outside the classroom for Wednesday and Thursday.

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