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BMCC Boardman Campus to hold flaggers certification class

Blue Mountain Community College in Boardman has scheduled a certified flagger's class for Wednesday, January 16, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Class topics will include setting up the work zone, proper flagging techniques and other information pertinent to being a qualified flagger. Students must be 18 years of age and able to pass an open-book test at the completion of the six hour class. Upon successful completion of the class, students will receive a Certified Flagger Card valid in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana.

Students must register by January 7 so that supplies may be ordered. The cost of the class is \$75 per person and all materials are included in the price of the class.

Students may register online at www.blueccc.edu using the Student Wolfweb. The Course Identification is 009.05140. For assistance or further information, students should contact Anne Morter, Morrow County Coordinator, at 422-7040 or 481-2099.

Daycare to hold spaghetti feed

Heppner Daycare will hold a spaghetti feed during the basketball tournament on Friday, December 28, beginning at 4 p.m. The cost is \$5 and includes spaghetti, rolls, salad, dessert and drinks.

Moisture meters available OSU Extension Service

Moisture meters that check moisture in air, a predictor of mold growth, are currently available for loan from the Morrow County Office of OSU Extension Service located at 54173 Hwy 74 in Heppner.

How do you know if there is too much moisture in your home or business? If moisture condenses on windows or toilets, the air smells musty, odors from cooking linger for hours, or a moisture meter indicates over 50% relative humidity, there could be enough moisture present to allow mold

growth. Moisture meters are available at electronics stores with digital readouts that tell the relative humidity, or the amount of moisture in the air on an ongoing basis. The EPA recommends that indoor environments be kept between 30 and 50% relative humidity.

"The key to mold control is moisture control," says the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). High levels of moisture in indoor air encourage mold growth which contributes to allergy and asthma out-

breaks and is destructive to possessions and building materials.

For more information call the Morrow County Office of OSU Extension Service at (541)676-9642. They can also supply copies of a "Mold Control, Home Inspection Checklist," to help individuals determine the sources of moisture in their home and steps to control it. This handout and additional materials are also available at <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/fcd/molds>.

Obituaries

Ada Nadine Waddill Hunt

Ada Nadine Waddill Hunt died Friday, December 21, 2007. The funeral will be held Thursday, December 27, at 10 a.m. at St. Cecilia Catholic Church at 5105 SW Franklin Ave. in Beaverton.

A full obituary will appear in next week's edition of the Heppner Gazette-Times.

C.B.E.C. director attends certification training

Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative Director Roy Carlson of Fossil recently attended several classes in his quest to become a certified cooperative director under a program sponsored by the National Rural Electric Cooperatives Association. Carlson was appointed as a Director of CBEC in January of 2007, and elected to the position at the annual meeting in November.



Roy Carlson

The class work recently attended dealt with director roles and responsibilities. The Certified Co-

operative Director program involves up to four years of continuing education coursework.

Area snowmobile club plans play day

The Four Corners Snowmobile Club invites all area snowmobilers to a play day to be held on Sunday, January 30. The event will be at Kelly Prairie, off of the Heppner-Ukiah FS Road #53.

"We have good snow now, and we're hoping to get more by January 30," said Cliff Dougherty, club president. A warming fire should be lit by 10 a.m. with chili, hot dogs, and hot cocoa available about noon. A Poker Run is planned for those wishing to go a trail ride.

Riders should plan on parking at Cutsforth Park, as the Coal Mine Hill road has been closed for the winter. "We expect to have a great turnout, if the weather holds," added Mike Gorham, club secretary.

Chamber luncheon canceled for this week

The Heppner Chamber of Commerce will not have the regular luncheon on Thursday, December 27. The next scheduled luncheon will be January 3 and will be held at the St. Pat's Senior Center.

Couple arrested in forgery case

On December 18 at about 8:15 a.m., the Boardman Police Department, with the assistance of the Morrow County Sheriff's Office and the City of Boardman animal control officer, executed a search warrant at 78539 Paul Smith Road located just outside the city limits. This search warrant was a part of an ongoing investigation of persons forging U.S. currency and using this forged currency to make purchases from local merchants.

Arrested at the residence were Wayne Bradley Schwabrow, 32, and Amber Danielle Gomez, 20. Both were lodged at the Umatilla County Correctional Center for the crimes of forgery, criminal possession of forged instruments and criminal possession of a forgery device. Additionally, Schwabrow was lodged for felon in possession of a restricted weapon and felon in possession of a firearm. Additional arrests will follow as evidence in this case

is further uncovered.

Money forged in this case consisted of \$5, \$10, \$20, and \$50 bills, which upon close examination, are easily identified as fakes.

Merchants should be aware these types of forged bills are often used to make change after a small purchase so the criminal gets legitimate bills in return. Merchants should caution their employees to screen all bills they take in and to be especially careful when their place of business is very busy, criminals use this time to pass these forged bills in the hopes the cashier will be too busy to take the time to examine the money.

Right now during the holidays a lot of these types of crimes take place. If you receive any money that does not look or feel right, do not hesitate to tell the person your not comfortable accepting it, and then notify your local police.

OSP officers speak to students about law enforcement careers

Recently two guest speakers, both Oregon State Police officers, spoke to students in Beth Dickenson's Freshman Careers class about opportunities in law enforcement and the diverse pathways that can be chosen within law enforcement.

The speakers, Karl Farber and Dennis Wagner, are both part of the Eastern Oregon division of the Bomb Squad. They spoke about their experiences, how they got to their present career and why they love what they do.

"You may think that the decisions you make right now as a 14 or 15 year old will have no effect on your life, but truly- that is not the way life works," Karl told the students. "Decisions you make now can come back to have larger consequences than you realize."

The kids favorite part of the presentation, other than trying on the bomb suit, was watching them blow up a PVC pipe with the \$160,000 robot that they brought along for "show and tell."

Combe wins ultimate stocking stuffers



Kami Combe's name was recently drawn as the winner of the giant stocking filled with goodies from Devin Oil/Heppner Shell Station. Ian Sweek presented the stocking to Kami, Kaden and Mariah Combe. -Photo by Autumn Morgan

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Top picture: Freshman Career students watch the remote screen via the four cameras on the robot that the officers brought along. Bottom picture: Nick Kempas tries on a bomb suit. This suit weighs 60 pounds.