

# Community invited to Heppner Ranger District open house

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the Heppner Ranger District of the Umatilla. It was first established in 1903 with headquarters in Heppner. On July 1, 1908, the Heppner National Forest was renamed and the Umatilla National Forest was born.

The supervisor's headquarters was moved from Heppner to Pendleton in 1915 and later the Wenaha National Forest, Blue Mountain National Forest consolidated with the Umatilla. In 1920, the Umatilla became the Umatilla National Forest with headquarters in Pendleton where it remains today.

The first trail built in Heppner was on Bald Mountain in 1908. The first supervisor was D.B. Sheller, followed by Thomas E. Chidsey, Hugh Rankin and W.W. Cryder. The grazing fee per head in 1911 was 30 cents for cattle and seven cents for sheep. Early Forest Rangers were paid \$100 month with housing deducted from that, plus they had to furnish their own horses and tack.

The first roads to be built on the forest were mere wagon trails. The primary purpose of the roads was to haul wood and fence rails out to the farms for houses and corrals. As more settlers arrived they worked together to build roads.

Several small mills were built in the early years with millions of feet of lumber were sawn mostly



Bull Prairie Ranger Station,



Bull Prairie Guard House, 1933

for local use. Very little lumber was shipped to outside places.

There were very few forest fires in the area during the early years, partly due to the fact that few people visited the mountains and also because there was considerably more rainfall during this period.

The daily duties of a forest ranger have changed

over the years. In the early days, a ranger would do everything from manual labor to attending regional meetings. A typical diary including: horseshoeing, painting Forest Service emblems on sign boards, looking over timber sales, helping burn cattle that had died, putting out fires, bridge building, attending Wool Growers meetings, gather-

ing cattle, surveying, and paying bills.

Today the Umatilla's personnel list is much more extensive. Employees are specialized and work in a variety of fields including timber, range, wildlife, fire management, recreation, minerals, water, transportation, engineering, and finance.



Arbuckle Ski Area, 1960s



Copples Butte Trail, 1920

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heard from Bogart about setting up a "sidewalk trust" fund to help homeowners pay for new sidewalks in the city. There is currently \$10,000 in a fund that could be used for this. Homeowners could receive either low or no interest loans to repair sidewalks in front of their homes. It is the homeowner's responsibility to maintain the sidewalks in front of their own homes. The council did not take

action.

In other business the council heard a report on the upcoming renovation of the St. Patrick's Senior Center apartments. "It is slow, but moving along," Bogart said. He said construction may start in August. The housing authority is currently discussing how best to move tenants around while construction is on going, and also what to do with all the used fixtures, tubs, etc., that are pulled from the rooms.

## Ione Cardinal Booster Club to resubmit heating unit lease to owner George Murdock

Cardinal Booster Club met Monday, June 2 at the school library. President Lynn Dee Ramos wrote a lease agreement for the heating unit being used in the Rietmann building and submitted it to George Murdock, building owner. Superintendent Bryn Browning, Murdock's daughter, said he approved of the lease with the exception of the maintenance of the unit. Section 1 will be omitted from the lease and it will be resubmitted to Murdock for approval.

The bottled water with the Cardinal logo has been ordered and should be shipped within two weeks. The bottles will sell for \$1 each and will be available at Collier's Market as well as home games.

The scholarship committee reported they were happy with the format for the Booster Club scholarship. Four recipients were

selected: Emily Rietmann, Kip Krebs, Abby Arnsperger and Kylee Svetich. The graduation reception went well. The club purchased bottled water for the graduates to drink that evening. It was suggested that tradition be continued due to the warmth of the gym graduation night.

Two designs were presented for consideration for the 4th of July shirts. The shirts will be short-sleeved navy blue with a red, white and blue logo honoring the 60th anniversary of the fireworks. 125 shirts will be ordered from Pea Ridge Embroidery.

The Butch Heide-man memorial money will not be used for the foundation for the football bleachers because the school did not receive grant money for the bleachers. It was suggested the money be used for a sound system for the football field. Dean Robinson will price sound systems and Jeri McElligott will talk to the Heideman family to see if that decision is acceptable.

The sports hall of fame was discussed. The list of inductees will cover from 1922-1960 and includes 52 names. The club is planning a dinner to honor the inductees on Saturday, October 18, at the Ione Legion Hall. A no-host happy hour will start at 5 p.m., with the \$10 dinner following at 6 p.m. Glenda Taylor will prepare chicken Alfredo. Robinson, Betty Gray and Laurel will contact the inductees or their families to gather information about those being honored.

The number of teachers on the Ione Site Council has been reduced to three, meaning there can only be three parent representatives. Glenda Taylor has one year left on her term. Nancy

Jepsen will run for another two-year term. Ed Rollins will be contacted to see if he is interested in serving as a parent representative now that he will have a student in school. Penny Krebs offered to fill the community representative position formerly held by Rollins.

There will be a boys' summer league basketball tournament in Ione June 14 and 15. The club will provide concessions for that event.

The club will give \$25 to each of the summer all stars. The money helps sponsor ads for their promotion pages in the event programs. The all stars are Paul Hams, Alan Rietmann and Emily Rietmann.

The club approved a volleyball grant in the amount of \$300 for the high

school team. They will be attending a camp at the University of Oregon July 11-13.

Dean Robinson thanked the club for support through his tenure as athletic director. Ryan Rudolf will be assuming that position at the end of the school year. Ramos resigned as president of booster club, effective October 1, for personal reasons.

Thirteen members were present. Thank you notes from the tennis team (for providing Gatorade and water for district and state tennis) and from Kip Krebs (for the Cardinal Club Scholarship) were read.

The next meeting of Cardinal Booster Club will be Monday, August 25, at 7 p.m. at the school library.

## Ione Fourth of July celebration starts with Texas Hold 'Em

The annual Ione Fourth of July celebration will start off with a Texas Hold 'Em tournament at the Ione Legion Hall on June 28 with a \$40 buy-in and cash prizes. For more information, call Marvin Padberg, 422-7276.

On July 3, the golf tournament will be held at the China Creek Golf Course in Arlington with a start time of 8 a.m. Prizes for first through sixth places will be awarded in both men's and woman's competition. Cost is \$50 per person. Call Craig Holland, 422-7455 for more information.

Entertainment will also be featured in the Ione City Park on July 3. The festivities will also feature three days of paintball this year.

This year will mark the 60th anniversary of the Ione Fourth of July fireworks.

## Luncheon to honor Browning family

The community is invited to a luncheon in honor of the Browning family of Ione on Thursday, June 12, at noon in the school cafeteria. Those who wish to bring food, may bring a salad or dessert. The Ione Community School staff will take care of the main dish and beverages.

The student body, parents and community members are invited to attend.

Bryn Browning, who has been the Ione School superintendent and principal, has accepted a job with the Hermiston School District.

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