

Smokey Bear visits Head Start



Smokey Bear and Cindy Doherty from the Forest Service visited the classroom at Heppner Head Start on November 6. Shown with Smokey are: (left to right) back row-ZaBrena Masterson, Brian Lindsay, Bill Alldritt, Joseph Sherman, Zander Fisher, Felix Matthew, Adan Guerra; front row-Tessa Best, Hailey Wenberg, Bridget Wizner, Johnny Resch, Cedie Dayandante

Two performances added to HHS drama production

Two new performances have been added to the Heppner High School drama production "Romeo and Winifred".

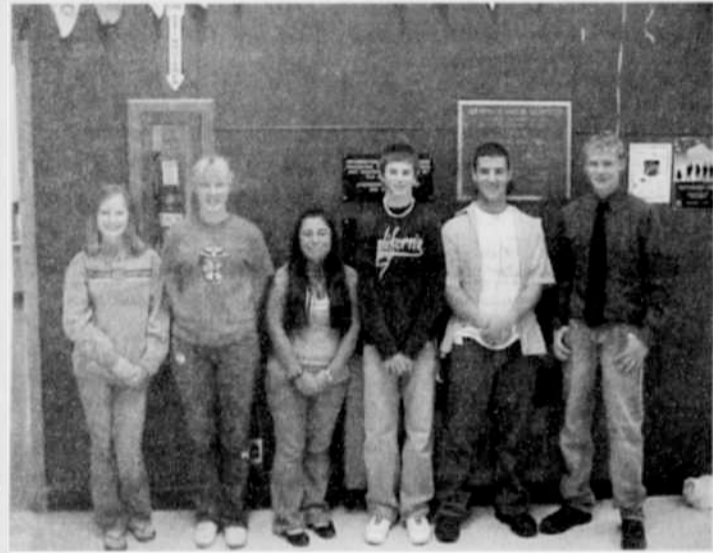
Saturday's performance was cancelled because of the HHS football playoffs, but new performances have been scheduled for Tuesday, November 18, and Thursday, November 20, both at 7 p.m., in addition to the Thursday, November 13, performance set for 7 p.m. and the Sunday, Nov. 16, performance at 1 p.m.

The comedy, a spoof of "Romeo and Juliet," will be performed by the 19-member HHS drama department, ranging from grades seven-12.

Tickets are on sale for \$4 at Sweet Productions and will be on sale at the door. There is seating for 100 at each performance.

Director is Jodi Chapa.

HHS Students of the Month announced



Mekayla Kindle, Maggie Collins, Gabby Sanchez, Chris Lien, Alex Fuentez, Joe Pranger (pictured left to right) were named October's Heppner High School Students of the Month. These students were nominated by their teachers for their honesty. "Honesty" was the character trait for the month of October.

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Nominations please

Heppner's Town and Country banquet will be Thursday, January 15, and it's time to nominate a community member for "Woman of the Year", "Man of the Year", "Business of the Year", "Citizen-Educator of the Year", "Lifetime Achievement" and "Youth Award". Nomination forms are available at the Chamber Office, Bank of Eastern Oregon or Kuhn & Spicer's office.

The forms must be completed and turned into the Chamber Office or to Kuhn & Spicer by December 15. Anyone who would like one sent electronically, please contact the chamber office and leave your email address or email the chamber at heppnerchamber@centurytel.net.

The theme for this year's event will be "Appreciate, Celebrate and Support the Community You Live In" and will be held at the Morrow County Fairgrounds this year to accommodate more room for all those attending. Catering will be provided by "Puddin' On The Ritz" and Michelle Stone and the Elementary School will be providing the entertainment.

Early school dismissal for Thanksgiving

Heppner Elementary School will be dismissed at 12:45 p.m. on Wednesday, November 26, for the Thanksgiving holiday. Heppner High School will be dismissed at 1 p.m. November 26.

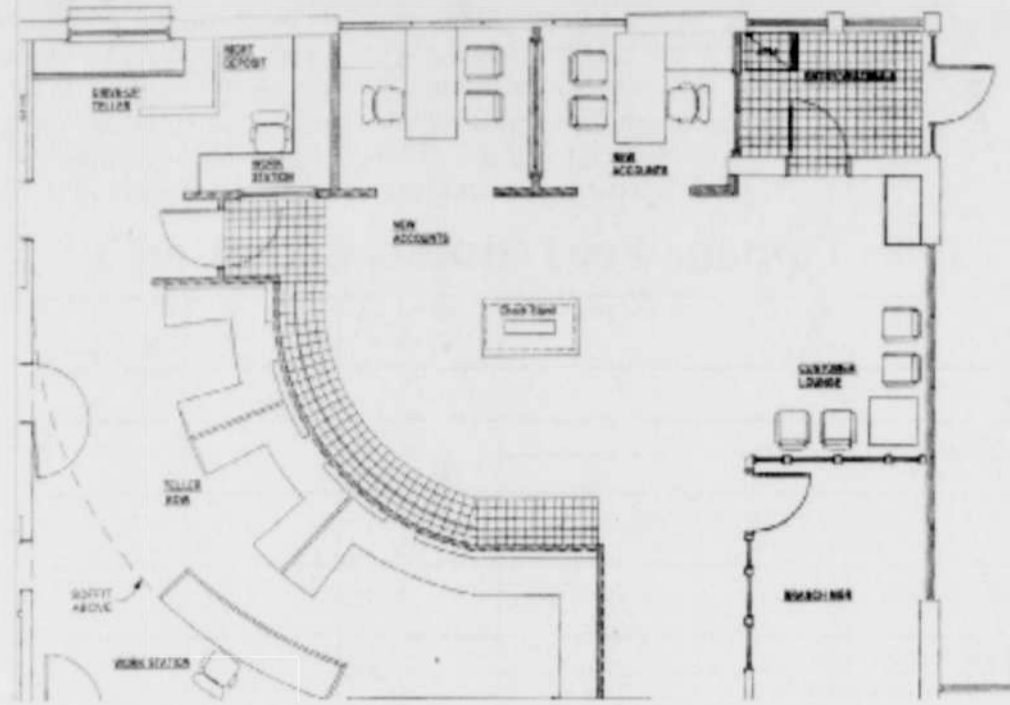
School will resume on December 1 as usual.

Annual Halloween party held at Ione Community Church



The Ione Community Church held their annual Halloween party for children pre-school to sixth grade on October 26. There were crafts, games, food, prizes, and a parade. Lisa Rietmann was in charge and "did a great job organizing and getting many members to participate," said a spokesperson.

Bank of Eastern Oregon announces Heppner Branch lobby remodel



The Bank of Eastern Oregon has released the floor plans for the new Heppner Branch lobby scheduled for construction early in 2009.

"The design incorporates the curved teller line customers have found so appealing in the new Boardman and redesigned Condon lobbies, and provides for improved privacy and spaciousness on the banking floor," said Tricia Rollins, Heppner Branch manager. "We are really looking forward to a fresh new look and upgrading our banking center. Our team has been actively involved in the design and is excited about the improved working area we'll have," said Rollins.

Design work is being done by Sargent Architects in Hermiston and construction has been awarded to Allstott Construction LLC.

Sock drive underway for Russian orphans

Tom and Pam Norton of Heppner are spearheading a drive to collect thousands of pairs of socks for orphans in eastern Russia through their ministry of "Heart to Heart." Tom has been to Russia several times in the past six years and has established reliable contacts with four different orphanages - including a baby orphanage, and most recently a handicapped orphanage with 400 children in it.

Socks are also needed at a rehabilitation center - where abandoned or abused children are sent temporarily before being placed in an orphanage. The children range in age from infants



Handicapped orphans in Russia are pictured receiving gifts. Also pictured is Heart to Heart coordinator, Alina, center.

through age 18. Tom started collecting socks when he discovered that the children are only supplied with two pairs of socks each year.

Last year, Heart to Heart collected and mailed over 700 pairs of socks. According to Tom, the children are so thrilled to get something new and personal. This year, they hope to collect a couple thousand pairs of socks or all sizes and colors. The socks will be boxed up and mailed to Alina, a Russian friend of the Nortons. She distributes all of the gifts that are sent over. Alina also uses cash notations to go to neighboring China and purchase supplies there as well.

Earlier this year, 10 local residents visited some of the Heart to Heart project orphanages when Pastor Keith Price of Heppner led a volunteer group on a two-

week trip to Russia. They personally saw how the Nortons have touched the hearts of many of the children, and met Alina, his Heart to Heart coordinator.

Socks may be left in the "Socks for Russia" box outside the Nortons' home at 860 East Fairview in Heppner. Their home is the white house across from the Bus Barn. There will also be a sock box inside Willow Creek Baptist Church.

Call Tom or Pam Norton for more information at 676-8987.

Electrical safety poster contest winners announced

Columbia Basin Electric Co-Op announces the winners of its annual Electrical Safety Poster contest. The competition is open to all fourth graders in their service territory. 2008 winners were announced at the CBEC annual meeting held in Ione on Thursday, November 6.

First place winners are awarded \$20 and second place winners are awarded \$10. Winners are as follows: Fossil Elementary School-first, Brooke Dyer, second-Justine Homer; Heppner Elementary School-first, Tim Jaca, second, Demi Schmidt; Ione Elementary School-first, Amanda Rea.

The contest generated 28 entries. "Electricity is like most tools: it can make our lives much easier and more pleasant, but if used carelessly, can be dangerous," said a CBEC news release.

Schwab seeks toys for Drive

Les Schwab Tire Center in Heppner is seeking new toys and items for the annual Toy Drive through December 17.

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