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## Portable wheel chair result of Legion Fun Drive

A portable wheel chair which will be available for use by anyone in the area, was recently added to the equipment at Pioneer Memorial Hospital by the Heppner American Legion post, it revealed this week.

## Irrigon Chamber holds One-Plug Derby

The Irrigon Chamber of Commerce held the 2009 One-Plug Derby, August 22. Twenty-one teams participated.

Members of the Irrigon Jr/Sr High School Volleyball Team were the fish runners for the tournament and Irrigon Multicultural Arts Center provided the food. The Big Fish was 9.92 lbs. and the Big Fish winner took home \$500 plus a nice belt buckle. First place took home \$2,248, second place took home \$1,280, third place took home \$468, fourth place took home \$374.40, and fifth place took home \$249.60.

Next years tournament will be August 21, 2010.

## Heppner Garden Club to hold fall potluck

The Heppner Garden Club will begin their fall season with a potluck on Tuesday, September 8, in the dining room at St. Pat's Senior Center at 6 p.m., followed by a program at 7 p.m. District President Cece Delfs will be attending the meeting.

Delfs is one of only two certified judges for flower shows in Eastern Oregon. She will give a presentation on flower arranging.

The public is invited to attend.

## Desert Rats Classic Car Club donates to area school



Desert Rats Classic Car Club President George Price presents Sam Boardman Elementary School Principal Jacque Johnson with a check for \$200 to purchase school supplies for students. -Contributed Photo

The Desert Rats Classic Car Club recently donated to underprivileged students at Sam Boardman Elementary School. Club President George Price presented the schools Principal, Jacque Johnson, with a check for \$200, which will be used to buy school supplies for the students. The Car Club hopes their donation ensures these children have the items and resources they need to have a more successful school year.

Each year the Desert Rats Classic Car Club hosts the Boardman Show 'N' Shine at the Boardman City Park. Proceeds of the event go directly back into the Boardman community. In addition to the donation to Sam Boardman Elementary

students, the Car Club offers scholarships to Riverside High School graduates, gives money to the local gleaners organization, and donates at Christmas time to the area Giving Tree programs.

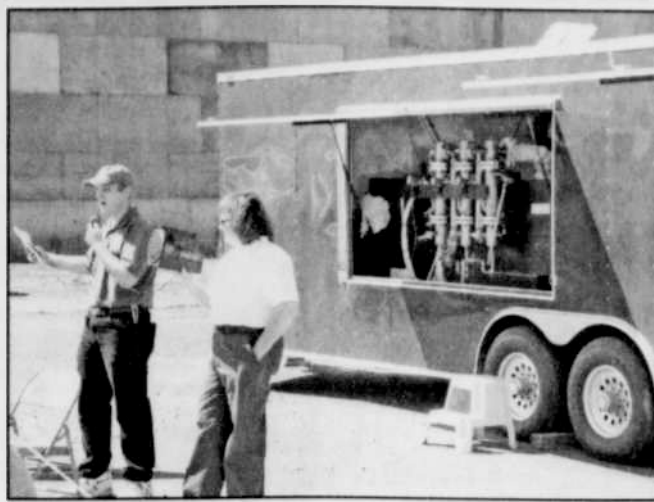
The Desert Rats Classic Car Club is a Boardman non-profit organization whose purpose is to promote interest in the sport of Classic Cars, Street Rodding, and Muscle Cars, with an emphasis on family and community service. The Club membership is made up of Classic Car enthusiasts who own pre-1975, American made cars or trucks. They meet the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. For more information, contact George Price at 481-3217.

## Koffler recognized by BEO for 30 years of service



Jeff Bailey, President and CEO of Bank of Eastern Oregon, congratulates George Koffler after he was presented with a 30-year service award. Koffler retired as President and CEO this past March, but remains on staff as senior vice president and special assets manager. Koffler also remains on the Board of Directors for the bank. -Contributed Photo

## Portable "Fast Pyrolysis" equipment demonstration held at Kinzua Mill Site



The Umatilla National Forest, in cooperation with Morrow County, Rocky Mountain Research Station, University of Idaho and the University of Montana, sponsored a public demonstration of fast pyrolysis equipment on Monday, August 31. The demonstration investigated whether portable fast pyrolysis is economically feasible to decrease wildfire risk by reducing hazardous fuels. Fast Pyrolysis is a thermal process that rapidly heats woody biomass to a controlled temperature (500 degrees C), and then quickly cools the volatile products to yield bio-oil (~60%) bio-char (~20%) and syngas (~20%). The syngas can be collected or recycled into the combustion chamber to run the fast pyrolysis operation. The bio-oil and bio-char are collected and trucked off-site for later use. Bio-oil can be refined into #2 diesel fuel or used for industrial heating while the bio-char can be used as a valued soil amendment.

-Photo by Andrew Sykes

## Morrow County Court weekly meeting held

The Morrow County Court met on August 19 in Boardman with Judge Tallman, Commissioner Grieb and Commissioner Rea in attendance. Following is a summary of the meeting provided by Leann Rea.

The court approved the minutes of August 12, 2009.

The court reviewed and approved accounts payable and payroll for a total of \$237,546.53.

The August 19 road report follows: **Road Canyon Road** - The crew has finished all of the cattle guard and culvert repairs and replacements. They are currently working on hauling and placing gravel on the road from the new six foot culvert, south. (approximately two miles). The crew should be done with the rock work today. The crew has about exhausted the crushed rock from the pit on Road Canyon. **Upper Rhea Creek Road** - The crew has finished with the shoulder work from Road Canyon junction to the Basey Canyon junction. **Road striping** - The road striping has continued around the county. This week the crew has been paint striping for Gilliam County. They finished August 19 for a total of three days in Gilliam County. **Shobe Canyon Road** - Removed, cleaned out the ditch and reset a cattle guard near the junction with Highway 207.

**Baseline Lane** - Currently working on shoulders near the junction with Sand Hallow Road. **Crusher**: The crusher has now switched screens and is now crushing one inch minus road rock. In about three weeks the crew will begin running old asphalt and will be working on the Fuller Canyon Lane to Bunker Hill Road.

Sheriff's Report: Reported that in the process of the remodeling of the dispatch center, it was discovered that some heavier wiring needed to be installed to facilitate the use of larger data cables. The court was informed that this new wiring

plus labor and travel would cost \$1,291.20. The court authorized this expenditure to be paid out of the building maintenance fund. The sheriff discussed the rotation of vehicles and the possibility of selling some of the cars in a semi equipped condition to other police entities. The court also heard that there were parts of a meth lab located in South Morrow County. Two individuals were arrested and charged with possession and manufacturing illegal drugs as a result of this discovery.

Planning Department Report: The court reviewed and signed the Order for Land Partition LP-N-404 for the City of Boardman; Discussed the upcoming meeting with Idaho Power; Reviewed the agenda for the Planning Commission; Heard a report regarding the LRA meeting Carla attended on Monday; Heard a report on the meeting with the Navy officials that Carla and Judge Tallman had attended on Friday, August 14.

The court conducted the following business: Reviewed and approved a job description for an Appraiser III position; Reviewed and modified a proposed plan for the dispersal of the Community Service Fee generated by the Caithness Shepherds Flat energy project; Reviewed a letter regarding an offer to purchasing three foreclosed properties. The court decided they did not want to accept the current offer; Reviewed and approved a Service Contract with Jacobson, Betts & Company to conduct a Classification and Compensation Review of job classifications encompassing all county employees and elected officials for an amount not to exceed \$12,500; Reviewed and discussed a citation notice of two non penalty violations from Oregon OSHA that were issued as a result of an inspection on July 6, 2009; Reviewed other miscellaneous correspondences and upcoming meeting notices.

## Awana Club to start Sept. 16

Awana Club is starting up for 2009-2010. It will be the same program as in the past, but the weekly club time will be held on Wednesday's instead.

AWANA will begin on Wednesday, September 16, 2009. It will be held at Willow Creek Baptist church from 6:30-8 p.m. Transportation is available by contacting Sheryll Bates at 676-5773.

## Red Hat Rowdies to meet Sept. 16

The Red Hat Rowdies will hold their September Red Hat no-host luncheon at Sweet Productions at noon on September 16.

## City of Boardman noxious weed program a success



Children from Boardman show off a Puncturevine plant they removed during the city's Puncturevine Control Program -Contributed Photo

The City of Boardman's new Puncturevine Control Program has been dubbed a huge success with an estimated 2,600 pounds of Puncturevine collected. Each year the city receives complaints of the plant growing along the bike path, sidewalks and curbs. The spiny bur or seed pod from the Puncturevine (*Tribulus terrestris*), also known as a "Goathead", contains 20 seeds equipped with long sharp spines capable of puncturing a bike tire or a shoe.

For the first time, the city enlisted the aid of its citizens to control the spread of Puncturevine by offering to pay for collection of the weed. Throughout the month of August the City paid \$1 for each of the 258 bags of Puncturevine returned to City Hall, which will be burned as soon as the burn ban is lifted. Many of the participants were school-age children.

The city's Code

Compliance Official John Russell said he could see a big improvement along the city's bike path, streets, and other public areas such as the Marina Park's baseball fields. Teagan and Keziah Birt, along with the help of their father, were responsible for much of the bike path areas being cleared of the noxious weed. The Boardman Marina Park joined in the effort by offering discounts to its customers who participated in the city's Puncturevine Control Program. Many others participated in collecting the weed in the spirit of helping out their community.

Next year the city hopes to sponsor the Puncturevine Control Program in the spring before the plant has had a chance to go to seed.

For more information on the city's Puncturevine Control Program, call Boardman City Hall at 541-481-9252.

## Annual Boardman Fall Quilt Show to be held Oct. 2-3



Barb Hemness will be the Featured Local Quilter at this year's Boardman Fall Quilt Show. -Contributed Photo

The fifth annual Boardman Fall Quilt Show will be held October 23 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$2.

Featured Local Quilter will be Barb Hemness, of Boardman. Barb and her husband Marvin moved from Las Vegas, NV to the Boardman area in 1979 when Marv took a position at the Boardman Coal Fire Plant. Barb did not sew in her younger years, and is a fairly recent convert to quilting.

While working at Boardman Pharmacy & Hardware, Barb became acquainted with Jo Sicard and Barb Henkle, who are local quilting addicts. Jo brought her completed quilt projects into the pharmacy to share with pharmacy staff. Barb, Barb Henkle and Jane Strege thought they would like to try quilting projects. They met weekly at Arlene Walters home. The small group grew larger, adding quilters living around Eastregard Estates subdivision. Barb Hemness love of quilting is visible to her entire neighborhood. She and Arlene painted quilt blocks on their pump houses.

Barb's natural skills of accuracy and precision have served her well. She has created many beautiful quilts, table runners and wall hangings for her fam-

ily use. Fabrics and patterns with Southwestern themes are among her favorites. She also donates her work to local fundraising events. Barb is active in the Boardman Quilt Group, and also is an occasional instructor for the group.

Barb will be available to describe her quilts at the Boardman Fall Quilt Show, Friday, October 2, and Saturday October-3; 2009. There will be demonstrations, door prizes, and vendors, and you can vote for your favorites in the Quilter's Challenge Contest, and "Peoples Choice" Award.

Boardman Fall Quilt Show is held at Greenfield Grange #579, 209 NW 1st Street. The grange is the "Pink Building" under the historic Boardman Water Tower. Take the Boardman Main Street Exit, I-84 interchange # 164. Turn north toward the Columbia River. Go north two blocks to Greenfield Grange. Look for signs and the pink building under the Water Tower.

For show information please contact Marge Shankle at 541-481-3633. Entry forms are available at Auntie Ida's Quilt Shop, 435 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston OR, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., 541-567-2726.