

## Heppner Chamber announces upcoming events

Heppner Chamber's Annual Luncheon will be held on Thursday, January 7, 2010. The luncheon will be held at the All Saints Episcopal Church parish hall, beginning at 11:30 a.m. Dino's Delectable Catering Services will be serving the lunch. The cost for lunch will be \$10. Those planning to attend are asked to RSVP your attendance to the Chamber Office by Tuesday, January 5, to accommodate enough food and seating for everyone.

Heppner Chamber's Town & Country Community event will be held on Thursday, January 14, 2010. The event will be held in the pavilion at the Morrow County Fairgrounds. A social hour with no host bar (provided

by Bucknum's) will start off the evening at 6 p.m., with dinner and the evening program starting at 7 p.m. Tickets will be \$20 each and will be available for sale at a later date. Nominations will be open from November 2 through December 15. Nomination forms will be available to be picked up at the chamber office and Kuhn & Spicer. The completed nomination forms should be dropped off at Kuhn & Spicer before December 15 in order to be part of year's nominations. Be thinking about community members you would like to nominate for "Youth of the Year," "Business of the Year," "Woman of the Year," "Man of the Year," "Citizen-Educator of the Year," and "Lifetime Achievement".

## Neighborhood Center holding silent auction for '86 Oldsmobile



Pictured is Leon Bowles of the Neighborhood Center with the 1986 Oldsmobile that is currently on silent auction. -Photo by Autumn Morgan

The Neighborhood Center of South Morrow County is currently holding a silent auction for a 1986 Oldsmobile.

The 1986 Oldsmobile is a loaded 4-door model with 106,667 miles and is being auctioned as is. The vehicle is on display at the Neighborhood Center.

The auction will close on November 19 at 3 p.m. and the winner will be announced at 3:30 p.m. The auction sheet is located inside the Neighborhood Center.

The vehicle was donated by Barbara Struthers. All proceeds from the auction will go to the Neighborhood Center.

## Local committees looking for volunteers

Heppner's "Celebrate Christmas" Committee and St. Patrick's Committee are looking for community members who would like to get involved in these community events.

Heppner's Celebrate Christmas activities include the Light Parade and Christmas event. The activities are scheduled for Thursday, December 17. The Light Parade will start off the evening at 6 p.m., with the Christmas event starting at 6:30 p.m. This committee's next meeting will be Tuesday, November 3, at 8:30 a.m. at City Hall.

St. Patrick's is coming and the committee has begun its planning process.

The committee is looking for new members to help with the coordination of the many events that take place during the St. Patrick's weekend, March 12-14, 2010. The next scheduled meetings are Thursday, November 12, and Thursday, December 10, at 6 p.m. at City Hall. Pizza and beverages will be provided. Those planning to attend are asked to RSVP your attendance to the chamber office no later than Monday, November 9.

Check out your opportunities to volunteer and let the Heppner Chamber Office know where you'd like to get involved. Call 676-5536 or email heppnerchamber@centurytel.net.

## Justice Court Report

Judge Charlotte Gray, Heppner Justice Court, has released the following report:

-Cyrnal A. Javens, 91, Sherwood, failure to obey traffic control device, \$185 fine.

-Taomi Matthew, 37, Heppner, maintaining a dog as a public nuisance, \$76 fine.

-Lee S. Berlinsky, 59, Heppner, failure to carry proof of insurance, failure to obey traffic control device, \$244 fine.

-Robert J. Stevenson, 66, Lake Oswego, failure to drive within lane, \$215 fine.

-Darin J. Skaggs, 24, Hermiston, violation of the basic rule by going 75 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$113 fine.

-Kaylee Rae Lemmon, 18, Lexington, MIP-alcohol by consumption, \$185 fine.

-Kelsie Fox, 19, Heppner, MIP-alcohol by consumption, \$185 fine.

-John Andrew Mahon, 45, Heppner, possession of less than one ounce of marijuana, \$610 fine.

-Roy Michael Proctor, 21, Heppner, DUI diversion, \$458 fine.

## Tailgate party to benefit Ramos family to be held

A benefit tailgate party for the Ramos family will be held before the Ione football game on Friday, October 30, at 5 p.m. It will be held in the school parking lot by the greenhouse.

John "Bink" Ramos was seriously injured in an automobile accident on Tuesday, October 13. He was flown by helicopter to Oregon Health and Science University. Currently he is home and recovering.

Proceeds from the tailgate party will go to the Ramos family.

## Boardman Fall Quilt Show well worth the drive

Once again local, regional and national viewers and participants enjoyed the Boardman Fall Quilt Show. In addition to Columbia Basin viewers, visitors came from Ventura, CA; Montesano and Vancouver, WA; Post Falls, ID; McKinney, TX; and Tigard and Pilot Rock.

Viewers saw many high quality quilts. Bertha Keith, judge from Hermiston, distributed 35 blue ribbons to the 49 entries she was asked to judge. There were two entries from Tri Cities, WA, and Ron and Sharon McKinsey of Kennewick were the featured regional quilters.

Two Viewer's Choice Awards were given. Barb Hemnes of Boardman received a Viewer's Choice award for her "Chevron Posies" quilt design. Her machine pieced quilt featured fabric with leaves on wine colored background. The leaves were the main focus of the design. Beverly Ohngren did the machine quilting.

Shelley Cuykendall, of Hermiston also received a Peoples Choice Award for her machine pieced pinwheel design. Trapunto machine quilting emphasized yellow pinwheels spinning on white background. Shelley Cuykendall did the trapunto quilting herself.

New in 2009 was a Challenge Fabric Contest. All quilters started with the "Color Dots" fabric from Eric Carle's Hungry Caterpillar designs. Entries could be a quilt, wall hanging, table runner, or garment. Winner of the Challenge Fabric Contest was Mildred Baker of Boardman. She created a wall hanging using "Color Dots" fabric to dress a charming clown holding a bundle of colorful balloons.

The two-day show was well attended. Plans are underway for the 2010 Boardman Fall Quilt Show. Circle the last weekend in September, 2010 and plan to participate or attend the show.

## Halloween Haunted Shop to open again

The fourth annual Haunted Shop on Union Street will open for all brave people at 8 p.m. on Halloween and close when the last person has screamed. The cost this year is \$2 per person. Follow the screams to find out what is waiting for you around the next corner.

## DA's Report

Morrow County District Attorney Elizabeth Ballard has released the following report:

-Michelle Lindsay Cowan, 29, was convicted of DUII a Class A misdemeanor, and was sentenced to 180 days incarceration with 90 days suspended, lifetime driver's license revocation, 24 months bench probation, complete 40 hours of community service, other conditions, and pay \$1,393 in fines, fees and assessments.

## Senior Center Menu

St. Patrick's Parish members will be serving lunch on Wednesday, October 28. The menu will include chicken pot pie, carrot/raisin salad, biscuits and cake.

## Swearingen honored with statewide Award of Excellence

Rebecca Swearingen, assistant executive director of Saving Grace in Prineville was recently the 2009 statewide Award of Excellence from the Oregon Department of Human Services Domestic Violence Council.

Since 2001 Swearingen has worked at Saving Grace as a sexual assault advocate, sexual assault program manager, outreach office manager, and as assistant executive director. She is also an appointed member of the attorney general's sexual assault task force



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and a board member of the Oregon Coalition against Domestic and Sexual Violence.

Saving Grace is a private non-profit organization that provides shelter and 24-hour hotline services to domestic violence, sexual violence and stalking victims.

Swearingen is the daughter of Shannon Wicklund of Heppner and the late Tom Wicklund. She is a 1991 graduate of Heppner High School.

## IONE CARDINAL BOOSTER CLUB HALL OF FAME DINNER

Date: Saturday, October 24, 2009  
Location: Ione Legion Hall  
No host social hour: 4:00 pm  
Dinner served: 5:00 pm  
Cost: \$10 per person

The 1st annual hall of fame dinner will see inductees from 1922 to 1960 - A total of 51 inductees

Come help celebrate this wonderful event and honor our hall of fame

Please RSVP dinner reservations to Betty Gray (541) 422-7335 by October 20, 2009

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