

Community Bank celebrates halloween



Employees at Community Bank in Heppner celebrated halloween last week. -Contributed Photo

Electric Co-Op annual meeting to be held

The annual dinner meeting of Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative, Inc. is planned for Thursday, November 5, at the Isobel Edwards Hall in Fossil.

Registration starts at 4:30 p.m. with dinner served at 5:15 p.m. The annual meeting and election of directors will follow the dinner.

Multiple door prizes will be awarded and results of the annual 4th grade Electrical Safety Poster

contest and the annual photography contest will be announced, with winning entries on display. Again this year will be a special section of door prizes devoted just for youth when accompanied to the meeting by their parents. MP3 Players, iTunes Cards, and other prizes for students will be given out.

All members are welcome to come and learn about their electric co-op.

HES helps families in need

Heppner Elementary School students collected 944 pounds of canned food in October. All items were donated to the South Morrow Neighborhood Center and will be distributed to the families in need in our

communities. "The HES student council challenged the students to collect food for those less fortunate," said Sue Gibbs, student council advisor. "And they really came through."

Sheriff's Report

The Morrow County Sheriff's Office reports handling the following business:

-MCSO deputy reported he was out with a tan Chihuahua. The deputy located the owner who said she will license the dog and keep it on the property.

-MCSO received report that someone was dumping tires at a location on Bombing Range Rd., Wilson Lane in Boardman.

-MCSO received a report of a subject with mental distress in Heppner.

-MCSO cited Robert Carsten Von Borstel, 54, for Violation of the Basic Rule, 79 mph in a 55 mph zone.

-MCSO received a call from a trooper with Washington State Patrol who advised he got a call from a victim of a domestic dispute in Irrigon. The victim left her mother's house in Kennewick and the suspect followed her and attempted to run her off the road and was throwing things at her vehicle.

-MCSO received report of four sprinkler heads broken at the Lone Park.

-MCSO received report from a school district employee that she may have left a window open at the

district office in Lexington. She requested that a deputy check it out.

-MCSO arrested Robert John McEwen, 44, on a detention warrant for Parole Violation/Failure to Obey Conditions of Probation. He was lodged at Umatilla County Jail with no bail.

-MCSO received report from a Heppner subject that the neighbor's dog was always out and getting into his yard on Union St. in Heppner.

-MCSO, Boardman Police Department received report that subjects who were trespassed from property in Boardman were back at the place removing items.

-MCSO received report of kids hanging around the Irrigon skate park and caller did not know what they were doing. A deputy responded and advised the kids weren't doing anything wrong and could remain at the park until midnight.

-Boardman Police Department received report of a vehicle parked at a location for at least two weeks.

-BPD cited Michael Earl Boodt, 44, for Violation of the Speed Limit, 55 mph in a 35 mph zone.

-BPD received report that a male and a female were spotted together at a specified location.

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Re-marking a special place - Columbia River Heritage Trail

Trail Maps and Etiquette Guides installed to mark the Morrow County Columbia River Heritage Trail in 2003 had succumbed weather and winds. Morrow County Government had anticipated the need to maintain trail signage, and set aside funds for maintenance.

Last April, the Morrow County Historical Society was authorized to order and install replacement signage of various types. The first step was to replace trail access maps, along the trail in the Boardman Marina Park, the west boundary of the Umatilla

National Wildlife Refuge; Irrigon Marina Park; and at the Morrow/Umatilla County Line. Future signage activities will be updating/replacing Confidence and Jurisdiction markers, and Interpretive Signage

Columbia River Heritage Trail is a 12-mile non-motorized, recreational, and educational trail on the banks of the Columbia River. The Columbia River has an extraordinary influence on the Morrow County way of life. Its waters guided Lewis & Clark during their expedition, power dams, feed crops, support salmon and serve

as a transportation corridor. Columbia River Heritage Trail honors geological, Native American, and pioneer heritage, while increasing understanding of the rivers significance to agriculture and food production.

This trail allows people to know and experience the natural and cultural heritage of the Mid Columbia River in Morrow County. Hikers will travel past reminders of Ice Age Bresse Floods from Lake Missoula; 10,000 years of native American habitation; October 19, 1805 camp site for the Lewis & Clark Corps of Discovery;

proximity to two Oregon Trail routes; displacement/disruption of Columbia River communities due to construction of John Day Dam; and industrial/agricultural activities made possible by development of irrigated agriculture. This trail connects communities; expands transportation options; enhances local and natural history education opportunities; and provides a variety of recreational and wellness activities.

Visit the trail web site: <http://www.columbiarivertrail.org> for a printable trail map and more information.

Artifactory Craft Fair to be held

St. Patrick's Senior Center is sponsoring the 2009 Artifactory Craft Fair on Saturday, November 14, at the senior center in Heppner

The hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and there is no admission charge. Vendors from Joseph, Pendleton, Hermiston, Lexington, and

Heppner have reserved tables for this event.

The seniors will be serving seafood chowder, chicken noodle soup, Polish sausages and hot dogs, cinnamon rolls, coffee and tea.

The community is invited to attend.

St Patrick's annual Mini Carnival to be held

St. Patrick's Parrish will be holding their annual mini carnival on Sunday, November 8, from 12-1:30 p.m.

The carnival will feature a ducky pond, fishing hole, cake walk, bingo, darts, hoops, prizes and more. John and Ann Murray have donated a holiday basket as a prize for a raffle drawing and The Holy Names Society is supplying a hotdog lunch. The high school Catechism students will man booths. Tickets and lunch prices are kept at a family friendly rate so everyone can enjoy.

This is a family event and everyone is welcome.

Boardman to host town hall meeting for strategic plan

The Boardman City Council will host a Strategic Plan Town Hall meeting on Thursday, November 19, at 6:30 pm at Boardman City Hall. The purpose of the meeting is to get input from the public regarding the City's Draft Strategic Plan, a copy of which can be viewed at Boardman City Hall.

In September, the City Council held a day-long workshop to update the City's Strategic Plan. The last time the City reviewed its Strategic Plan was in 2005. With the help of the workshop's facilitator, Paul Koch, city officials

were able to agree that the completion of South Main Street was their #1 goal. In all, 15 goals were identified including economic development, new housing, a community recreation center, additional restaurants, and the expansion of Oregon Trail Boulevard to the west.

Mayor Phillips invites the Citizens of Boardman to this very important part of the City's planning process, which he believes will take Boardman into the future. He plans to bring the completed Strategic Plan before the council by the end of the year.

HES students launch model rockets



Students at Heppner Elementary School built model rockets last week to launch on Wednesday, October 28. Top photo: Dave Fowler, technology teacher at Heppner High School, works with an HES student as she readies to launch her rocket. Top right photo: onlookers watch as students launch their rockets. Bottom right photo: students wait their turn to launch. -Photos by Megan Futter



UMESD announces workshops for parents of students with disabilities

The Umatilla-Morrow Education Service District will sponsor and host two free workshops November 16 aimed at helping parents of children with disabilities.

One of these workshops - Are We There Yet? Moving To and Through Adulthood With a Disability - will focus on how transition is addressed in the IEP. It then covers the choice of college, or employment and

career options. These could include Social Security work incentive programs, Vocational Rehabilitation programs and the Ticket to Work program. This workshop will be held Nov. 16 from 1-3 p.m. in the Juniper Room at the UMESD.

The other workshop - Behavior and the IEP: Supporting Students, Understanding Systems - focuses on how a child's behavior affects their learning and the learning of other children in the classroom. The workshop will teach parents the discipline pro-

cess as it relates to students on IEPs (Individual Educational Plan), Functional Behavioral Assessments and writing positive behavioral intervention plans as part of the IEP. This workshop will be held Nov. 16 from 6-8 p.m. in the Juniper Room at the UMESD.

Both of the workshops are put on by the Oregon Parent Training and Information Center (Oregon PTI), which seeks to educate and support parents, families and professionals in building partner-

ships that meet the needs of children and youth with the full range of disabilities, ages birth to 26.

An RSVP is required to attend either one of these free workshops so that the proper amount of materials is available to participants. To reserve your spot, contact Robin Wortman, 541-886-9235 (toll-free: 1-888-505-2673) or e-mail rwortman@orpti.org. Request for translated materials must be made at least two weeks in advance.

Oregon East Symphony presents a world orchestral premiere concert

On Sunday, November 15, the Oregon East Symphony will present the world orchestral premiere of "Cycling Music" by Spokane composer William Berry. The afternoon concert will be at 3:15 p.m. in the Vert Auditorium, on SW 4th and Dorian Street in Pendleton. Cycling Music will feature trumpet soloist James Smock, principal trumpet player with the Oregon East Symphony.

The first of five finalists in our search for a new conductor and mu-

sic director, Maestro John LoPiccolo of Idaho Falls will lead the orchestra in this premier concert. The OES Symphony will also present Dvorak's Symphony #8 and a celebration of Symphonic Dances by Edvard Grieg.

Tickets for this performance are \$16/\$20 for adults and \$13/\$17 for seniors. Children, student and family rates are also available. Tickets can be purchased at the OES Office, 345 SW 4th Street, Armchair Books, 39 S.W.

Dorian Ave, by calling 541-276-0320, via email at www.oregoneastsymphony.org, or at the door.

The Oregon East Symphony invites all our patrons to participate in the Music Director's selection process by attending the concert and completing a survey about their experience.

The OES is looking forward to the first of five audition concerts to be held over 2009-2011 in the search for a new music director and conductor.

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