

## Heppner FFA brings home state awards

During State FFA Convention, three Heppner FFA members won their proficiency area at the state and their applications will advance to the national level.

Devin Robinson of Heppner was named the State Beef Production Placement award winner, Brynna Rust of Echo was named the State FFA Grain Production Placement award winner, and Garrett Gibbs of Heppner was named the State FFA Environmental Science and Natural Resources Placement award winner. All state winners receive a check of \$50 from the State FFA Association and \$250 from the National FFA. Their applications will be judged and rated gold, silver or bronze. If chosen as one of the Top 4 National finalists each will receive a plaque and a \$500 check. The national winner, selected from this group, will receive an additional \$500 check and a plaque.



Pictured are members of the Heppner FFA that attended state convention, along with their advisor Beth Dickenson. -Contributed Photo

The ESNR Proficiency area is sponsored by Triscuit, the Beef Production area is sponsored by Midwest PMS and National FFA Foundation and the Grain Production area is sponsored by Pioneer Hi-

Bred.

State Degree Recipients from Heppner include: Brett Harrison, Kellee Jones, Jarreid Miller, Haley Struckmeier, Brynna Rust, Devin Robinson,

Willy Gentry and Brandi Hong.

The Heppner FFA Chapter also received third place at state in both Secretary's Book (Kelsi Putman) and Scrapbook.

## Frontier justice, stress management and artist programs coming to Boardman, Heppner Libraries

Free public programs about frontier justice in early Oregon, how to manage stress, and an artist's views on painting landscapes in eastern Oregon are brought to the Boardman and Heppner branch libraries this month by the Oregon Trail Library District (OTLD) and Libraries of Eastern Oregon (LEO).

Just over 100 years ago, many Oregon cities held public executions with men, women and children congregating to watch convicted criminals hang from gallows erected in local fields.

A public program titled "Justice in Frontier Oregon, 1851-1905" will be hosted by the Oregon Trail Library District (OTLD) at the Boardman Branch Library, 200 S. Main Street in Boardman on Monday, April 5, at 6:30 p.m. and again on Tuesday, April 6, at 6:30 p.m. at the Heppner Branch Library, 444 N. Main Street in Heppner.

Oregon historian and author Diane Goeres-Gardner will present a lively hour program on the state's early public executions. The program is free and open to anyone interested in

the state's colorful past.

"Even after it was common for stockades to hide an execution, thousands watched and waited outside their walls," Goeres-Gardner said. "In a state known for its peaceful agrarian communities, such events were accepted and even celebrated."

The names of many persons involved in Oregon's early executions now dot the state's roads, buildings, parks and history, Goeres-Gardner said. Her program will explore changing attitudes and perceptions - from the 1850 hanging of Native Americans for the Whitman massacre to 1905, when the last execution in Oregon outside of a state penitentiary took place.

A former presenter for the Oregon Humanities council, Goeres-Gardner resides in Oakland. Her most recent book explores early women criminals of Oregon and newly-released information from her research will augment her program in La Grande.

On Saturday, April 17, "Stress Management: A Healthy Mental Place" will be presented at the Boardman Branch Library at 11

a.m. and at the Heppner Branch Library at 2 p.m.

The program will be presented by Brienne Bostian, an Oregon Health Sciences University health educator who will soon be teaching public health as a Peace Corps volunteer in Kenya, Africa. The effects of stress on the body, how to recognize stress triggers and how to manage stress will be covered. The one-hour program is open to all ages.

On Thursday, April 29, nationally acclaimed artist Daniel Robinson will present a lively program on oil painting at the Heppner Branch Library. He will also present at the Boardman Branch Library on Tuesday, May 4. Each program will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Robinson, a Fossil resident, has been featured on National Public Radio as a rising American artist of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, and also has been featured as a special show on Oregon Public Broadcasting's "Oregon Art Beat". He has had solo shows at prominent art galleries in Portland, Boston and elsewhere that have drawn rave reviews.

Robinson will de-

tail his techniques in oil painting and will discuss his process from concept to completed work. Several of his paintings will be shown, including a few recently completed works that have not yet been shown to the public.

The programs at the libraries are hosted by OTLD and sponsored by Libraries of Eastern Oregon (LEO) as part of LEO's 'A Sense of Place' series of programs in the arts, sciences and humanities.

Funding for A Sense of Place has been provided to LEO through the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), our nation's leading federal agency in support of museums and libraries.

For more information, contact OTLD director Marsha Richmond at 541-481-3365. Richmond serves on the LEO board of directors and is one of the nonprofit's founding members.

Additional information about LEO is available at [librariesofeasternoregon.org](http://librariesofeasternoregon.org) or [leolibraries@gmail.com](mailto:leolibraries@gmail.com). To learn more about IMLS, see [imls.gov](http://imls.gov) on line.

## Morrow County Court weekly meeting held

The Morrow County Court met on March 24 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 reviewed and approved accounts payable in the net total amount of \$96,516.04.

### Public Hearing

A public hearing regarding a zone change for property located near the I-84 and Tower Road Interchange was held. Carla McLane, planning director provided the staff report. The attorney for Love's

Travel Stops & Country Stores, (applicant) Bill Kabeiseman, made a presentation as to why the court should approve this request. Then the attorney for Devin Oil Co. Inc., (opponent) E. Michael Connors, made a presentation as to why the court should not approve the zone change request. One local citizen testified in opposition to the zone change. Stating that he did not think there was a "need" to site another Truck Stop along I-84. At the request of the applicant the hearing was continued to April 7. The hearing will be held at 2:30 p.m. at the Port of

Morrow with room to be determined.

The court conducted the following business: The following purchasing pre-authorizations were reviewed and approved: Treasurer a new computer system in the amount of \$1,350 to replace an eight year old system; Planning Department new map cabinet and base and new storage cabinet in the amount of \$42,598.90; Public Health Department new wireless access for the Boardman and Heppner office in the amount of \$890, a 3250 HP Generator with a heavy duty cord in the amount

of \$434 and a new desk top computer with large monitor in the amount of \$1,704. A request to add an additional Trail Head Map and Etiquette Panel for the Columbia River Trail at the eastern boundary of the Irrigon Park was approved. A Permit of Entry from Portland General Electric was reviewed and signed. The Quick Claim Deed for the property in Heppner that was recently sold at the sheriff's auction was reviewed and signed. Miscellaneous correspondences and notices for meetings were reviewed.

If you would like to be placed on the list to receive county minutes, contact Karen Wolff at (541)676-5620.

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## Umatilla National Forest releases updated Motorized Vehicle Use Maps

Updated motorized vehicle use maps (MVUM) are now available, free of charge, at all Umatilla National Offices and can be printed off the Forest's website, announced Kevin Martin, Forest Supervisor. "We're excited to have these maps available to the public for the upcoming recreation season," said Martin.

MVUMs are single purpose maps developed to display National Forest System routes (roads, trails and areas) open to motorized travel. They also display designations by vehicle class, seasons of use and general travel rules and regulations. "Basically, they display what routes are open, when routes are open, and what type of vehicle can travel on those routes," explained Larry Randall, Forest Recreation Staff Officer. Roads and trails not shown on the MVUM are not open to motorized travel.

Releasing the MVUM completes the Forest's implementation of the 2005 Travel Management Rule that provided a framework for each National Forest to identify and designate routes suitable for motorized travel. Policies prohibiting cross country travel and restricting motorized travel to designated roads and trails have been in place on the Umatilla National Forest since the

early 1990s. "Because our existing policies were in line with the 2005 Travel Management Rule, the user will see little change on the ground," said Randall adding, "with a few exceptions, of course."

One exception is the West-End OHV Area, located on the Heppner Ranger District, which allowed cross-country travel on 91,000 acres. "To meet the new regulations, the Forest completed an Environmental Assessment in 2009, evaluating ATV travel within the West-End OHV area," said Randall. The decision to prohibit cross-county travel and designate routes for motorized vehicle use brings the West-End area into compliance with the 2005 Travel Management Rule and creates consistency across the forest and with adjacent public lands.

Other changes have been made, over time, to the 1990's Access and Travel Management Plan to address safety issues on mixed-use routes. Those changes are reflected on the 2010 MVUM.

MVUMs can be viewed and printed on the Forest's website at [www.fs.fed.us/r6/uma/recreation/mvum/](http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/uma/recreation/mvum/). For more information, please contact your local Umatilla National Forest Office or call the Pendleton Supervisor's Office at (541) 278-3716.

## Local students make honor roll at Oregon State University

Names of students who have made the Scholastic Honor Roll Winter term have been announced by Oregon State University. A total of 624 students earned straight-A (4.0). Another 3,028 earned a B-plus (3.5) or better to make the listing. To be on the Honor Roll, students must carry at least 12 graded hours of course work.

Morrow County students on the Honor Roll included:

3.5 or Better: Jace A. Jones of Boardman, senior, environmental engineering; Leticia Rodriguez of Boardman, sophomore, human development and family science; and Kip H. Krebs of Ione, sophomore, general agriculture.

## HHS Varsity Track Schedule

April 2 - at Mac-Hi, 11 a.m.  
April 10 - at Riverside 12 p.m.  
April 16 - at Stanfield 11 a.m.  
April 17 - at Cascade, 11:30 a.m.  
April 23 - at Umatilla 1 p.m.  
April 24 - at Hermiston (JV), 10 a.m.  
April 27 - Heppner/Ione Invitational at home, 4 p.m.

## HHS Varsity Baseball Schedule

April 2 - Grant Union at home, noon.  
April 3 - at Burns (double header), 1 p.m.  
April 6 - Weston McEwen at home, 4:30 p.m.  
April 9 - at Dufur, 11 a.m.  
April 10 - at Stanfield (double header), 11 a.m.  
April 16 - Irrigon at home (double header), 11 a.m.  
April 20 - at Pilot Rock, 4:30 p.m.

## HHS Varsity Softball Schedule

April 3 - Grant Union at home (double header), 11 a.m.  
April 6 - Weston McEwen at home, 4:30 p.m.  
April 10 - at Stanfield, 11 a.m.  
April 13 - at Umatilla (double header), 4 p.m.  
April 16 - Irrigon at home, 11 a.m.  
April 20 - at Pilot Rock, 4:30 p.m.  
April 24 - at Weston McEwen (double header), 11 a.m.

## HHS Junior High Track Schedule

April 2 - at Umatilla (UMMSAA All League Opening), noon.  
April 8 - at Riverside, 3:30 p.m.  
April 9 - at McLoughlin, 2 p.m.  
April 16 - Heppner/Ione Invitational at home, 1 p.m.  
April 23 - at Sunridge MS, 2 p.m.  
April 30 - at Sunridge MS, 2 p.m.

## HHS JV Baseball Schedule

April 2 - Grant Union at home, 10 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.  
April 8 - at Umatilla, 4 p.m.  
April 12 - Pilot Rock at home, 4:30 p.m.  
April 15 - at Stanfield, 4:30 p.m.

April 19 - Umatilla at home, 4:30 p.m.  
April 23 - Stanfield at home, 10 a.m.  
April 26 - Pendleton at home 4:30 p.m.  
April 29 - Umatilla at home, 4:30 p.m.  
May 6 - at Stanfield, 4 p.m.

## HHS JV Softball Schedule

April 15 - at Riverside (double header), 3:30 p.m.

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**Thursday, April 8th**  
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