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Crowell, Hershey announce engagement

Jory Crowell and Hayley Hershey, along with their parents Gene and Kristy Crowell of Ione, and Mark and Judy Hershey of Portland, are pleased to announce their engagement. Jory is a 1997 graduate of Ione High School and is employed by BJ's Restaurant.



Jory Crowell and Hayley Hershey

Hayley is a 2004 graduate of Grant High School, and is employed as a dental assistant. They both live in Lake Oswego and are planning a July 31 wedding.

Farewell open house set for Vial

The Morrow County Committee of the Farm Service Agency will host a farewell open house for Morrow County Executive Director, Darcy Vial on Thursday, June 17, from 2-4 p.m. The event will be held at the Morrow County FSA Office (Pettyjohn Building) in Heppner.

All are welcome to use the opportunity to wish Darcy well as she sets out for new adventures in Nebraska.

For more information, contact Anne Morter at 541-422-7429.

Education First tour to Italy and Switzerland planned

An Education First tour to Italy and Switzerland is being planned for spring break of 2011. An informational meeting will be held Thursday, June 10, at 7 p.m. in the Heppner Elementary School computer lab.

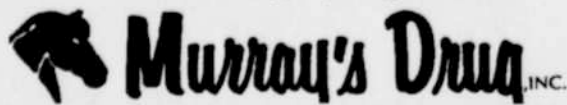
Grades 10 on up, college students, interested parents and/or community are welcome. For more information, contact Mary Haguwood at 541-676-9759.

Wedding Tables

Jessica Wainright & Patrick Schiller
Saturday, June 19th

Mathew Baker & Julie Proctor
Saturday, June 20th

Jacob Neiffer & Laura Dalling
Saturday, July 3rd



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Umatilla National Forest Road 53 undergoing curve reconstruction

Reconstruction work on Forest Road 53, also known as the Western Route, is scheduled to begin on June 15. Construction is expected to continue till mid-August. Forest Road 53 is a popular route that connects the towns of Heppner and Ukiah.

The reconstruction includes the realignment of a curve at milepost 19.5. "The project is an important safety improvement for this section of road as it will smooth out the curve and increase sight distance," stated Forest Engineer Joe Neer.

During construction, the road will remain open, however, it will be

narrowed down to a single lane through the work area. Travelers could experience delays of up to 30 minutes. An alternative route would be to take Forest Road 5326 and Morrow County Road 798, Shaw Grade, to bypass the construction.

According to Heppner Road Manager, Lori Seitz, "Construction warning signs will be posted." Seitz also added, "Please drive carefully and watch out for workers and trucks hauling rock and paving materials."

For more information on this project, contact the Heppner Ranger District at (541) 676-9187.

Correa promoted to assistant vice president

Veteran banker, Christy Correa, was recently promoted to assistant vice president, according to Jeff Bailey, president and CEO of Bank of Eastern Oregon. Correa has spent the past 18 years with the bank, beginning in teller and handling various branch and central accounting office roles. Most recently she was named financial coordinator for the bank.



Christy Correa

"Christy brings the utmost experience, com-

mon sense and work ethic to everything she does for the bank. She serves as administrative secretary to the board of directors and plays a vital role to our accounts payable and correspondent banking relationships. We are pleased to announce Christy's promotion," said Bailey. Correa and her husband, Mike, who works for Morrow County Grain Growers energy department, live in Heppner and have two daughters at home.

DIY Kids 4H Club to hold carwash fundraiser



Pictured left to right are club members Emily Holland, Stacey Halvorsen, and Julianne Carlson. -Contributed Photo

The DIY Kids 4H Club will be holding a car wash fundraiser Saturday, June 12, from noon until 4 p.m. at the Ione Fire Hall. The charge will be \$8 per vehicle or a donation.

The funds will help the club members attend and participate in a two-day quilting class at the Sister's Quilt Show in July.

The DIY Kids 4H Club is a group of girls who have been together for five years. They focus on home economics related projects for the Morrow County Fair and other area contests.

While the members are experienced seamstresses, this class will be their first attempt at quilting.

Birth Announcement

Elli Marcella Bates - David and Bobbie (Rankin) Bates announce the birth of a daughter, Elli Marcella Bates on May 25 at 3:03 a.m.



Elli Marcella Bates

At birth she weighed eight pounds, four ounces, and was 20 inches in length.

A Heppner community baby shower is being hosted by grandparents Tim and Kathy Rankin and Dale and Sheryll Bates on Saturday, June 19, at 2 p.m. at Heppner Christian Church.

Elli (Bobbie Bates) is registered at Target.

Obituaries

Mary M. Holtz

Mary M. Holtz, 76, formerly of Ione, died Saturday, June 5, 2010 at her home. A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, June 11, 2010, at the Lexington Cemetery in Lexington. Visitation will be held on Friday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Sweeney Mortuary in Heppner.



Mary M. Holtz

She was born December 20, 1933 in Heppner, the daughter of Walter and Matilda Berns Jepsen. She was raised on the family ranch near Ione with her nine siblings. Mary attended school in Ione graduating from Ione High School in 1952. On June 8, 1952 she married Elmer C. Holtz. The couple had two daughters, Kathy and Carol, they divorced in 1963.

Mrs. Holtz attended the Ione United Church of Christ, and enjoyed singing in the church choir. She worked at the Ione

Grocery Store and Ione Post Office to provide for her two daughters. In August of 1975 she had the opportunity to transfer to Federal Way, WA to continue working for the U.S. Postal Service, retiring after approximately 35 years. She enjoyed traveling with her family on vacations and cooking for her family. She took pride in her immaculate garden and flowers.

She is survived by: her daughters, Kathy Nelson and her husband Ed of Lynnwood, WA, and Carol Eveland and her husband Dale of Hermiston; grandchildren, Julie Glenn of Hermiston, Mark Nelson of Tacoma, WA, and Michael Nelson of Lynnwood, WA; and a great-grandson, Caleb Glenn of Hermiston.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and a sister, Virginia Wood.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

Ione School Board recommends Archer as new K-12 principal

Ione School District announced that Jerry Archer has emerged as the top candidate in its search for a principal. The School Board will review the contract and take action at the June 21 Board meeting.

Jerry Archer has been a teacher and administrator in the Pendleton School District for many years. His most recent position was as the principal at Sherwood Elementary, from which he retired in 2009.

Dr. Mark Mulvihill, superintendent of the Umatilla-Morrow ESD, commended the choice made by the Ione School Board.

"Jerry Archer is a quality, experienced administrator with deep roots in eastern Oregon," Mulvihill said. "He is known as a personable individual adept at forming relationships. Jerry is a fit for Ione, and we are excited to have him join the team." The UMESD will be providing superintendent and central office services

BMCC faces cut in state funding

Faced with looming budget cuts, the Blue Mountain Community College Board of Education met Wednesday night, June 2, to discuss a \$410,000 cut in state revenue for the 2010-2011 academic year.

President John Turner announced a pay freeze for exempt/technical staff to save \$95,000, cancelled plans to fill two vacant associate vice-president positions saving \$155,000, and reduced \$200,000 from the materials and services budget for the information technology department, for a reduced spending strategy totaling \$450,000.

Based on Oregon's economic forecast, Turner told the board this cut might not be the last in this

for the Ione School District starting in the 2010-2011 school year.

Archer's position as principal and the UM-ESD's contract for central office support comes after current Ione Superintendent Karl Ostheller resigned his position, effective June 30.

Ione School Board Chairman Joe McElligott is confident the Board's selection of Archer will be a good fit as well. Archer rose to the top of the many candidates who applied, he said. The Board was able to choose from a large pool of candidates to interview four. "They were all good candidates with a lot of experience", McElligott said. "It was a luxury to be able to choose from such well-qualified applicants."

Mulvihill added, "The Ione principal position was very competitive. Jerry emerged as the top candidate through a comprehensive hiring process. The Ione board, staff, and community should be commended for their efforts."

biennium and that the college would continue to find places to reduce spending in an effort to protect college reserves and ensure long-term fiscal solvency.

Other business and reports:

-The board adopted the 2010-2011 budget, after making changes to reflect the reduction in state revenue.

-The Department of Corrections' contract for the delivery of prison education to EOIC, TRCI and PRCI for 2010-2011 was approved and signed.

-Spring term enrollment is up 18% over last year.

-Instructor Preston Winn gave an academic update on the agriculture department.

Willow Creek Tea Party Patriots to meet

The Willow Creek Tea Party Patriots will hold a meeting on Tuesday, June 15, at 7 p.m. at Columbia Basin Electric. The public is invited to attend.

An open discussion will be held involving activities for summer and fall.

Morrow County Public Works would like to remind everyone

When your loading garbage for the transfer stations to please keep in mind we have a separate WOOD bin and a separate METAL bin. These items do not get put in with your regular household garbage. So please keep the wood and metal separated out for easy dumping. Thank you. North end Transfer Station, 69900 Frontage Lane, Boardman, OR. 97818. South end Transfer Station 57185 Hwy 74, Lexington, OR. 97839. Both hours of operation 9:00 - 4:00 Saturday and Sunday.



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Honoring the retirement of
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June 10 10 am - 2 pm
at MCCG in Lexington