

Umatilla National Forest celebrates National Fishing Week with free kid's fishing derbies

Local free fishing derbies are planned on the Umatilla National Forest in celebration of National Fishing Week. Fishing instruction, games, snacks, prizes and environmental education activities make each event a day of fun and discovery for children and adults alike.

The free kid's fishing derbies will be held at the following locations:

June 12 - Twin Ponds from 7:30 a.m. until noon. Twin ponds is located six miles south of Ukiah (follow signs from Ukiah). Food and drinks are provided for everyone who registers and participates

in the Derby. Fishing derby T-shirts will be sold for \$12 each. All proceeds go to purchase prizes for next year's event. Environmental education activities, a "biggest fish" contest and a casting contest will also be held. Prizes will be awarded for four age categories. This event is sponsored by the North Fork John Day Ranger District, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, US Postal Service, Northwest Steelheaders, Rhodes Supply, Dan's Ukiah, the Thicket, Gill's Small Engine and Appliance, Dale Store, Meadowbrook Store, Battle Mountain Am Vets

and Ladies Auxiliary as well as numerous businesses and individuals in Pendleton, Pilot Rock and La Grande. For more information, contact the District Office at (541) 427-3231.

June 13 - Willow Creek Reservoir from 1-4 p.m. Youngsters 12 years and younger can register the day of the derby from 12-1 p.m. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian, and should bring their own fishing poles and tackle. Environmental education activities and a casting contest will be held. Local volunteers will be on hand to offer assistance,

expertise, and fishing tips. Prizes, donated by local merchants and clubs, will be awarded. The event is sponsored by the Heppner Lions Club, Mid Columbia Bass Club, Northwest Steelheaders, High Desert Marine, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, and the USDA Forest Service. For more information contact the Heppner Ranger District at (541) 676-9187.

National Fishing Week is an annual celebration designed to increase public awareness of the joys of recreational fishing and conservation of our fisheries resource.

~ Letters to the Editor ~

The Heppner Gazette Times will print all letters to the Editor with the following criteria met: letters submitted to the newspaper will need to have the name of the sender along with a legible signature. We are also requesting that you provide your address and a phone number where you can be reached. The address and phone number will only be used for verification and will not be printed in the newspaper. Letters may not be libelous. The GT reserves the right to edit. The GT is not responsible for accuracy of statements made in letters. Any letters expressing thanks will be placed in the classifieds under "Card of Thanks" at a cost of \$10.

Your action sends a loud and clear message that affirms states rights

Editor's Note: The following letter was sent to Jan Brewer, the governor of Arizona, as well as Oregon Governor Ted Kulongoski.

Dear Governor Brewer,

How refreshing to see a governor stand up for what is right, even in the face of severe opposition and criticism. What a mark of true leadership. You are to be commended.

The motto of our Tea Party group is "Enough is Enough." This certainly applies to the illegal immigration problem. It has become obvious that the federal government has failed to protect our borders, thereby putting American citizens in jeopardy. Your action sends a loud and clear message that affirms states rights.

Your courageous leadership is an inspiration to us and hopefully to other governors as well.

Please accept our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for your strong and effective stand.

Thank you, governor.

Dick Sargent

Willow Creek Tea Party Patriots

HES students take field trip to fossil beds



Heppner Elementary School's fourth grade class went on a field trip to the John Day Fossil Beds on Friday, June 4. Mrs. Gibbs and Mrs. Smith-Griffith's fourth graders went on a hike, looked for fossils, and had some class time as well with Ranger Michele. -Contributed Photos



Pioneer Memorial Hospital Foundation Awards Scholarships

The Hospital Foundation annually awards scholarships to students furthering their education in the health care field.

The Dr. Wallace Wolff Scholarship was awarded to Whitney Mathews in the amount of \$1,500. Dr. Wolff was a longtime doctor in Heppner and the scholarship was established in his memory by his family. Whitney is attending Boise State University majoring in respiratory therapy, she is an honor student in her third year. Whitney was a graduate of Heppner High School and is the daughter of Skip and Sandy Mathews.

Earl and Hazel Wilson members of a pioneer family in the Ione area donated funds to the foundation a portion of which they wanted to be used to help students receive their

education in the health care field. Chris Hickerson was awarded \$1,000 from this fund as he is working towards his goal of becoming an ophthalmologist. Chris is attending Central Oregon Community College in pre-med and will be in his second year of the program. He is a graduate of Heppner High School.

Ashley Anderson was awarded \$500 to assist her in obtaining her degree in nursing. She plans to attend Eastern Oregon University this fall. Ashley is an honor student and a graduate of Riverside High School.

Stefanie Archer was awarded \$500 as she starts her education in health care. Stefanie is an honor graduate of Ione High School and was very active in sports and student government.

Kellee Jones was awarded \$500 to assist her in obtaining her degree in nursing. Kellee has been accepted at Eastern Oregon University in their nursing program. Kellee is an honor graduate of Heppner High School.

Brynna Rust was awarded \$500 towards her goal of becoming a dental hygienist. She will attend Eastern Oregon University this fall to obtain her pre-requisites for dental school. Brynna is an honor graduate of Heppner High School.

Tyree Svetich was awarded \$500 to help her obtain her goal of a bachelor's degree in nutrition. She will be attending Central Washington University this fall. Tyree is an honor graduate of Ione High School.

Emily Thompson was also awarded \$500.

Her goal is to attend medical school with the plan of becoming a physician. Emily has been accepted at the University Honors college of Oregon State University and also at Linfield College in their pre-med program. She is an honors graduate of Heppner High School.

Lane Wright received an award of \$500, and will attend Oregon State Honors College this fall with the goal of receiving a BA in biology as a pre-requisite for gaining entry into medical school. Lane's focus is on the surgical field in medical school. Lane is an honor graduate of Heppner High School.

The foundation scholarships are renewable if the student maintains grades and continues their studies in the health care field.

Sign-up being held for summer reading program

Sign-up is being held at the Oregon Trail Library District for the 2010 Make a Splash summer reading program.

The program is held on Fridays during June and July and will include exciting programs, interesting guest speakers, movies and prizes. The program is open for children ages 0-12. The Friday programs, movies, and crafts are geared toward grade school age children, but the ability to read at home and earn prizes is open to babies, toddler and preschool aged

children as well.

The kickoff will be held on Monday, June 14, at 10:30 a.m. with folksinger Adam Miller. After that, programs are at 10:30 a.m. on Fridays starting June 18. Movies are on Fridays at 2 p.m. A full schedule of events and registration forms are available today at the library. The programs and movies are free. Children need not attend programs or movies to participate. For more information call library staff members at (541)676-9964.

Summer reading program to kickoff at Heppner library

On Monday, June 14, the Oregon Trail Library District kicks off the summer reading program at 10:30 a.m. with a music performance by Adam Miller at the Heppner branch library.

Adam Miller is one of the premier autoharpsists in the world and a natural-born American folksinger and storyteller. He is renowned for his extensive repertoire of over 5,000 traditional and contemporary folksongs. His highly entertaining performances at festivals and concert halls across the United States have won him fans of all ages. A masterful entertainer who never fails to get his audience singing along, he has distinguished himself as one of the great interpreters of American folktales and folksongs.

The program is free and open to the public. All ages are invited to attend.

Music in the Parks to be held June 14



Ted Vanderford (center), the "Sax Man" will perform at the Boardman Marina for the first Music in the Parks performance. -Contributed photo

Grab your lawn chairs and head for the Boardman Marina on June 14 for the first Music in the Parks performance. The Music in the Parks' committee has come up with 10 fantastic groups to perform in Boardman and Irrigon this summer.

Beginning at 7 p.m. at the Harold Baker Pavilion, you'll tap your toes to the tunes that Jeannette Lorang and Ted Vanderford play for you. They sing country, blues, swing, and top it off with a bunch of comedy. "Soul Mama" Jeannette plays keyboard and sings, while "Sax Man" Ted backs her up. This cou-

ple has entertained throughout the northwest, Ted wailing on his saxophone with The Mystics, Diamonds, The Coasters and the Ventures. Jeannette says, "We are the biggest little group you will ever hear."

Refreshments will be available for purchase from Judy Scott's Chuckwagon.

Music in the Parks is funded by the Morrow County Unified Recreation District and PGE. The event is sponsored by North Morrow Community Foundation and Irrigon Watermelon Festival and is presented each year by MP5+.

Over the Tee Cup results

Willow Creek Country Club Ladies held their 18-Hole Invitational on Tuesday, June 1. Twenty-eight players enjoyed a day of sunshine, and golf.

Low gross of the field: Nancy Propheter, WCCC, with a score of 76.

Low net of the field: Carol Mitchell, WCCC, with a net of 60.

Winners by Club

China Creek Golf Course: Low Gross - 1st place, Sally Dyer and 2nd place, Francie Morris

Low Net - 1st place, tie between Karen Bishop and Sarah Rucker; 3rd place, Kay West

Condon Golf Club: Low Gross - 1st place, June Kamerrer

Low Net - 1st place, Laura Blomgren

Kinzua Hills Golf Course: Low Gross - 1st place, Mary Mountain, 2nd

place tie between Linda Dunn and Glenda Horner

Low Net - 1st place, Marsha Holly

Willow Creek: Low Gross - 1st place, Pat Edmundson; 2nd place, Virginia Grant; and 3rd place, Loa Heideman

Low Net - 1st place tie between Burul DeBoer and Karen Thompson; 3rd place, Lorraine Montgomery

Chip-ins - Mary Mountain, #7; Sally Dyer, #7; Burul DeBoer, #15; and Nancy Propheter, #16

Long Drive - Guest, Sally Dyer; Home, Pat Dougherty

K.P. - Guest, Karen Bishop; Home, Eva Kilkenny

K.P. 2nd Shot - Guest, Sally Dyer; Home, Ann Elgin

The WCCC Ladies 9 Hole Invitational is scheduled for Tuesday, June 22.

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Heppner Christian Church to hold VBS

Treasure Hunters Vacation Bible School will be held at Heppner Christian Church June 14-18 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

VBS is open to preschool through 6th grade children. Registration will be held Monday at 6:15 p.m.

For more information or to pre-register call Carla Murphy at 541-676-5087.