

## Morrow County Court weekly meeting held

The Morrow County Court met on June 23 in Heppner with Judge Tallman and Commissioner Rea in attendance. Following is a summary of the meeting provided by Leann Rea.

The court reviewed and approved the minutes from the June 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The court reviewed and approved account payables and payroll payables in the net total amount of \$97,748.68.

### Road Report

Most of the storm damaged roads have been repaired. The major road damage was in the Ione and Lexington areas. The graders have been working from the Hardman Ridge Road to the McNab Road and east toward Little Butter Creek. Currently some of the crew is working on cleaning culverts in the Valby Road area. The crew will be putting new rock on the west end of Morter Lane from the Gooseberry Road to the Van den Brink Dairy.

### Public Hearing

The court held a public hearing for the purpose of reviewing the Britt Aggregate Site application. There was no one that spoke in opposition to this application. The court directed staff to prepare the necessary documents and

set the necessary dates for the public reading of said documents. This site will be added to the county's list of significant aggregate pits.

The court conducted the following business: **Public Health Department**

Reviewed and approved the purchasing pre-authorization for a 9000 watt generator in the amount of \$2,049.99. In the event of a power outage, this generator will operate the refrigerator to keep the vaccines at a controlled temperature.

### OLCC Permit

Reviewed and took no action for the OLCC license renewal for the Willow Run Golf Course. By taking no action, the OLCC will renew the license after August 18, 2010.

### Court's Discretionary Fund

(Tippage fees not tax dollars) allocated the following funds: \$520 to Morrow SWCD for hemlock control in Heppner, Lexington and Ione. This is a safety issue for the children that fish in those areas; \$375 to the Heppner Pheasant Club for the construction of safe harbors for the rearing of pheasants; \$1,000 to the Stokes Landing Senior/Community Center; \$1,000 to the

Boardman Senior Center; \$1,000 to the Heppner Senior Center; \$500 to the Heppner Day Care; \$500 to Ione's Creative Care Preschool; \$500 to the Irrigon Kids Park; \$700 to the town of Lexington to be used for the septic upgrade for their new City Hall or fire station. The court reviewed the recommendations from Fred Carlson, finance director, regarding the payment of SAIF insurance fees and decided to pay \$330,595 on a quarterly basis rather than a one time payment of \$120,555.

### Leases

Reviewed and approved a grazing lease between Morrow County and Horseshoe Hereford Ranch, Inc. & Triangle Ranches for the sum of \$4,900 for 5,800 acres in the OHV Park. Reviewed and approved a grazing lease between Morrow County and Horseshoe Hereford Ranch, Inc. & Triangle Ranches for the sum of \$3,793.02 for 1,920 acres in the OHV Park. Both leases will commence on July 1, 2010 and terminate on November 30, 2010.

### IGA

Reviewed and approved an Amendment to an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Umatilla and Morrow Counties for the Environmental

Health Program. Beginning July 1, 2010 Morrow County will be paying Umatilla County a monthly fee of \$1,320 for their services this reflects a 20% increase. However, this is the first increase since the program was initiated in 2005.

### Willow Creek Wind Fund

The court instructed Gail Gutierrez, county treasurer, to issue a check to the Ione Community Agri-Business Organization (ICABO) a check in the amount of \$40,000 from the Willow Creek Wind Fund.

### Miscellaneous

Reviewed and approved a couple of Resolutions regarding the transferring of county funds from one account to another. Reviewed and approved amendment #1 to contract # 128311-1 with the State of Oregon and the Health Department. Reviewed and approved contract # 132026 with the State of Oregon, for the Department of Human Services for all services for the 2010-2011 year. Various correspondences and upcoming meeting notices were reviewed and discussed.

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

## Northwest Farm Credit Services announces Thompson as a 2010 scholarship winner

Northwest Farm Credit Services recently announced the winners of the 2010 Scholarship Program. Emily Thompson of Heppner was one of the scholarship recipients.



Emily Thompson

Thompson is the daughter of Brian and Sue Thompson of Heppner. She was senior class vice president, a 4-H ambassador, FFA president, and cheerleading and basketball captain and was National Honor Society president. She will attend Oregon State University and plans on pursuing a career as a medical doctor.

Thirty-six scholar-

ships were given to sons and daughters of Northwest FCS customers in Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington. Six high school students and three college students from each state were awarded \$1,000 scholarships.

Northwest Farm Credit Services provides agricultural credit to farmers, ranchers, commercial fishermen, timber producers, agribusinesses, rural homeowners, and crop insurance customers in Montana, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and Alaska. For more information, visit the website at [www.farm-credit.com](http://www.farm-credit.com).

## Vial presented with Pendleton Round Up blanket



Outgoing Morrow County Farm Service Agency County Executive Director, Darcy Vial, was presented with a commemorative Pendleton Round Up 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary blanket by the FSA County Committee and office staff. Vial will leave the Morrow County Office on June 30 to take a position in Nebraska for the FSA. —Contributed Photo

## Oregon East Symphony announces summer music camp

Summer is here and it's time for tooting horns, strumming strings and all things musical at the Oregon East Symphony Summer Music Camp. The camp will take place at Blue Mountain Community College in Pendleton on July 12-16 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

2010 is the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the SMC and it will offer more choices than ever before. Start out your day by warming up in a music fundamentals class tailored to your instrument and led by our fabulous and very talented instructors. Hone your musical skills at one of our large ensemble classes in orchestra (3 levels) led by Kevin Hekmatpanah (Gonzaga University), Travis Sipher (former A Sharp Orchestra Conductor) and Megan Moran (Fossil, OR). Let it swing with a jazz band (Matt Cooper, EOU,

LaGrande), or sing your heart out in beginner choir (Shauna Altman) and chamber choir (Allison Bassett, EOU, LaGrande).

Students (ages 7 and up) and adults of all experience levels, are invited to come and learn from the best professional musicians and music teachers in the region.

The fee for Summer Music Camp is \$150 per student and includes snacks and a hot lunch each day. Entry fee scholarships are available upon request. Homestays for students from outlying areas may be available. To register please contact the Oregon East Symphony Office at 541-276-0320, [info@oregoneastsymphony.org](mailto:info@oregoneastsymphony.org), pick up a form at the new Pendleton Music Company on Main Street in Pendleton or go online at [oregoneastsymphony.org](http://oregoneastsymphony.org) to download the forms.

## WCCC Ladies 9-Hole Tee Bird Invitational held

The WCCC Ladies held their 9-Hole Tee Bird Invitational on Tuesday, June 22. Ladies from Oregon and Washington clubs joined our local golfers for a day of competition, a salad luncheon, and prizes. Results are as follows:

Low gross of the field: Pat Edmundson, WCCC.

Low net of the field: Kris Ann Mc Donald, La Grande CC and Ann Elgin, WCCC.

### Other Winners:

#### Canyon Lakes Golf Club

Low Gross - 1<sup>st</sup> place, Inez Mowery  
Low Net - 1<sup>st</sup> place, Jean Brooks

#### Columbia Park

Low Gross - 1<sup>st</sup> place, Crystal Freeman  
Low Net - 1<sup>st</sup> place, Mary Brose

#### La Grande CC

Low Gross - 1<sup>st</sup> place, Bev Ledridge and 2<sup>nd</sup> place, Betty Hyde

Low Net - 1<sup>st</sup> place was a tie between Gin Drew and Iva Warness

#### Meadow Springs CC

Low Gross - 1<sup>st</sup> place, Karen Filipy

Low Net - 1<sup>st</sup> place, Judy Stewart

#### Tri-Cities CC

Low Gross - 1<sup>st</sup> place, Brenda Pelifian  
Low Net - 1<sup>st</sup> place, Marie Eubanks

#### Willow Creek

Low Gross - 1<sup>st</sup> place, Virginia Grant; 2<sup>nd</sup> place was a tie between Corol Mitchell and Nancy Prophet; and 3<sup>rd</sup> place, Loa Heideman

Low Net - 1<sup>st</sup> place, Pat Dougherty; 2<sup>nd</sup> place, Betty Carlson; and 3<sup>rd</sup> place was a tie between Peggy Fishburn and Lorene Montgomery

#### Special Events

Long Drive: Guest, Stephanie Messersmith; Home, Nancy Prophet

K.P.: Home, Nancy Prophet

K.P. 2<sup>nd</sup> Shot: Guest, Kris Ann Mc Donald; Home, Pat Dougherty

Long Putt: Guest, Betty Hyde; Home, Pat Edmundson

Chip-ins: Kris Ann Mc Donald, #6; Judy Stewart, #9

## HHS classes of '63-'66 to hold reunion

A reunion for the Heppner High School classes of 1963, 1964, 1965, and 1966 will be held July 16-18.

The weekend will begin on Friday evening with karaoke music from

the 50s and 60s era at the Elks lodge. People are welcome to come and visit their friends.

Golf will be played beginning at 9 a.m. on Saturday, July 17. A pizza feed catered by Howe's About

Pizza will be held there at noon. The Museum and Ag Museum will be open from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

A social hour will be held beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Heppner Elks Lodge. Dinner will follow at 6:30 p.m. The band Penrose Lane from Walla Walla, WA will be playing from 8 p.m. until midnight.

A Sunday worship service will be held at Heppner City Park beginning at

9:30 a.m.

During the reunion, the classes will also be honoring early area business including Megan and Rod Murray, Ida Farra, Jerry and Joyce Holloman, and Clyde and Jackie Allstott.

Anyone that needs housing or driveway space for an RV can contact Stuart Dick at 541-278-6820 or email [jf\\_dick@hotmail.com](mailto:jf_dick@hotmail.com).

## Hope Lutheran and All Saints Episcopal Churches to worship together

The shared ministry of Hope Lutheran Church and All Saints Episcopal Church will worship together this week at Hope, with a service of Holy Communion beginning at 10 a.m. This Sunday marks the beginning of Rev. Katy Anderson's full-time ministry in the community.

"All are invited to begin their Independence Day celebration at Hope, praising the God who preserves and protects us."

**Have a Safe & Happy**

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4<sup>th</sup> of July

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