

## Awana Club plans bowling party

"The Willow Creek Baptist Awana Club is sponsoring their second free bowling party this Sunday, July 18, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Stable of Youth in Heppner. Pizza and drinks will be provided.

The club is open to all kids between four years of age through sixth grade. Parents are welcome to attend.

Awana is a non-denominational organization. Their main focus is Bible memorization and numerous games for the kids. Regular club meetings will start up in mid September and will be held every Thursday from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

For information or rides, please call Dale Bates at 541-676-5773.

## Labor commissioner to speak at Heppner Chamber

The guest speaker at the Heppner Chamber of Commerce Thursday, July 15, will be Brad Avakian, Oregon State Labor Commissioner. Sweet Productions will cater the lunch meal and will be serving: beef enchiladas, refried beans and Spanish rice.

## Ione reunion committee to collect email addresses

The Ione reunion committee is collecting address from people to add them to their contact list so when they send out mailings, they can contact through email as well. Arlynda Gates has started to upload Ione photos and photos of old mascots on to the Facebook web page, Ione School Reunion July 2, 2011. If anyone has photos, they are asked to send them to [ioneshoolreunionjuly22011@hotmail.com](mailto:ioneshoolreunionjuly22011@hotmail.com) and she will get them uploaded. She will include the name of the one who submitted the photos, so women are asked to include their maiden names.

Anyone who would like to help should send an email or visit the facebook page, click on discussions and contact any of the committee to help out. They need someone to work on raffles at the reunion and donations from businesses.

## Music in the Parks to be held July 19



Roy Dod will perform July 19 at the Boardman Marina Park

The Music in the Parks series will continue on Monday, July 19, at Irrigon Marina Park at 7 p.m. Musical guests will be Roy Dod's Tribute to Elvis.

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+.

## Spring break trip to Italy planned

Students in grade 10 and up, and adults are invited to join an EF (Education First) Tour to Italy during Spring Break, 2011. Cost is approximately \$3,000 for students, \$3,400 per adults for 12 days. Monthly payments may be made. Fee includes hotel, air fare, breakfast and dinner, and

all tours. High school and college credit can be given to students or teachers. For more information, visit [www.ef-tours.com](http://www.ef-tours.com) tour # 583224 or contact Mary Haguewood, 676-9759. Passports are required. "Sign up now to lock in these prices," said Haguewood.

## Morrow County Court meets

The Morrow County Court met on July 7, 2010, in Heppner with Judge Tallman, Commissioner Grieb and Commissioner Rea in attendance.

The court reviewed and approved the minutes from the June 23 meeting.

The court reviewed and approved account payables and payroll payables in the net total amount of \$361,641.89. The court reviewed the account balances for the fiscal year end.

Health Dept. quarterly update: The court was informed that Elizabeth DeCou, a registered nurse, has been hired to fill the vacancy in the Health Department. The court was provided with several reports regarding the individuals that the dept. is serving compared with clients served in other counties as well as on the state stats.

Road Report: The crew completed the 3 inch lift of gravel on Morter Lane last also added some rock to Kenny Road. Culverts were cleaned on the Halverson Lane, McNabb, and Valby roads. These repairs required backhoe work for the removal of silt and debris from the heads of the culverts. The crew has been patching on the Ione Boardman Road, Ella, Rietmann Road, Halverson Lane, and Juniper Canyon Road. The crusher is still working in the Clarks Canyon pit and should finish soon. The crew has been grading on Upper Rhea Creek, Road Canyon and other roads in the area for the summer. A work plan for the 2010 summer projects has been developed and the crew will try to follow the plan as closely as possible. Several approach permit applications for the Shepherd's flat project have been received once they have been reviewed they will be presented to the court for signatures. All three county parks have been busy in spite of the weather. The court reviewed and signed agreement #26532 with the State of Oregon Dept. of Transportation for a new bus for the county. The estimated

amount of the agreement is for \$130,000.00 with the state to pay 89.73 percent of the cost of the new bus or \$116,649.00, which ever is less.

Public Hearing: A public hearing regarding the appeal of the Planning Commission Decision concerning the Conditional Use Permit for the Willow Creek Wind Farm was held. The court decided to remand the matter back to the planning commission to provide more clarification to the ruling they made at the earlier hearing. The next meeting for the planning commission to discuss this matter will be held at city hall in Heppner on August 31, 2010.

The court conducted the following business: Reviewed and approved an interfund loan from the general fund to the CSEPP Fund in the amount of \$60,000. The court reviewed a "Notice of Certificate Issuance" regarding the water rights for the water in the Willow Creek Reservoir. The court then requested county council conduct some research regarding water usage. Reviewed and approved an offer of \$25,000.00 from John Edson of Milton Freewater for property located at Blake Ranch. The court met with Justin Nelson, the newly appointed district attorney, to discuss the hiring of a deputy district attorney. The court reviewed and approved three contracts with EZ Wireless for CSEPP projects. Reviewed and signed the ninth amendment for the IGA between the county and the Dept. of Human Services. Greg Sweek, county assessor, provided the court with information regarding the formation and funding of the Communication District.

Various correspondences and upcoming meeting notices were reviewed and discussed.

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

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## Over the teecup

The WCCC Ladies' held their Flag Tournament on Tuesday, July 6.

The winners were: First, Corol Mitchell; Second, Lorrene Montgomery; Third, Tie, Bernice Lott, Pat Edmundson; Fifth, Nancy Propheter; Sixth, Ann Elgin; Seventh, Lynnea Sargent

Special Awards: Putting Contest: First, Nancy Propheter; Second, Eva Kilkenny; Birdies: Nancy Propheter; Flag in the Hole on #9, Bernice Lott, Pat Edmundson

July and August tee-off is at 8 a.m.—please sign in 15 minutes ahead of tee-off.

## Program set on native people of the Columbia

A program about the native people along the Columbia River and the trade and commerce they developed will be held on Wednesday, July 14, starting at 7 p.m. on Irrigon City Hall, 500 NE Main Avenue, Irrigon.

The program, presented by Pat Courtney Gold, an historian/scholar on the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs will explore the 12,000 years of international commerce and trade along the Columbia. Everyone is invited to attend and learn about the rich heritage of these early prosperous indigenous people.

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