

## Moore's receive July Yard of the Month recognition

By Kay Proctor

Terry and Jean Moore's home at 215 Rock Street has been chosen as July's Yard of the Month by the Heppner Garden Club.

The Moore's moved to Heppner about four years ago from northern Michigan. There they had 35 acres of woods and about five acres of garden to care for. The Moore's have three children and retired to Oregon to be closer to family although they still keep busy running a plastic business.

The large letter 'G' on the home identifies the original owners, the Gilliam's, but Terry and Jean have been busy since moving in enhancing and adding to the landscape including 20 new rose bushes. One of their first projects was to move a storage shed further up their hillside and turn a hard packed, graveled parking area into a lush, full flower bed.

Terry and Jean work together although Terry says he just "digs the holes." Jean credits Terry for their thick, green lawn being dandelion-free. Jaime, the family's Yorkshire dog, makes sure to meet and



Terry and Jean Moore -Photo by Kay Proctor

greet all visitors.

Their private backyard looks out and over the landscaping to Cross Hill. Terry's favorite outdoor spot is "back on the swing" on the patio they remodeled. Here Jean has managed to keep pots of pansies thriving throughout the hot weather. Hanging baskets of annuals and a healthy looking tomato plant enjoy the patio, also.

Thoughtful planning by Jean has resulted in color showing from early spring (crocus and daffodils) to late fall ('Burning Bush' and sedum). She makes good use of traditional plants such as lilacs, irises, phlox, snapdragons, daisies and mums, but learned from her grandmother to

try the more challenging and unique. This includes wisteria, rhododendrons, hydrangea, pieris, flowering almond, an Ironwood tree, a white flowering dogwood tree, astilbe, hybrid mallow and gayfeather. Both Terry and Jean credit grandparents inspiring their life long love of gardening.

Jean's favorite part of the yard is the hybrid lupines next to a shady sycamore by the front curb. Nearby is one of four bird-baths and one of five bird feeders. Besides the regular feathered visitors of finches, junco, robin, doves, sparrow, red-winged blackbird and quail, the Moore's have also seen black-headed grosbeak, flickers, Rufous towhee, Western tanager, ce-

dar waxwing, Say's phoebe and Lazuli bunting. Feeders are hung out for hummingbirds, too. They do miss seeing the bluebirds they attracted in Michigan with mealy worms.

Other plantings include quince, potentilla, crimson barberry, Cistena plum, viburnum, clematis vine, spirea, creeping thyme, hardy geranium, delphinium, hollyhock, dianthus, perennial verbena, coreopsis, juniper, honeysuckle vine, Spiderwort, bee balm, hosta, rudbeckia, forsythia, cosmos, candytuft and nasturtium.

Yard art and signs, some crafted by Jean, are scattered throughout the landscaping. The couple share weed pulling duties.

Future plans include adding wrought iron work on their inviting front porch although one can't help thinking that the Moore's yard looks like they are working in it more then sitting on that porch looking at it.

Yard of the Month recognition is co-sponsored by the City of Heppner, MCGG-Green Feed, Windwave/Heppner TV and the Heppner Garden Club.

## OSAA 3A Basketball State Championships to move locations

The OSAA 3A Boys and Girls Basketball State Championships are moving to the southern Oregon coast. Marshfield and North Bend high schools will host the tournaments beginning in March 2011 following a vote of the OSAA Executive Board.

The decision, nine to one in favor of the move, a two-year commitment, marks a return of championship basketball to Coos Bay as Marshfield previously was the site of the OSAA A-2 boys' tournament from 1959 through 1970.

Willamette University in Salem has been the only basketball site for the 3A classification, created in the OSAA's expansion from four to a six-class system prior to the 2006-07 school year. Assistant executive director Cindy Simmons, who directs basketball for the OSAA, praised Willamette University and its athletic staff for a successful four-year run of tournaments.

"They've really taken care of us and have been incredible to work with, but the schools are excited about Coos Bay and getting that small town feel," she said, citing a recent survey of 3A superintendents which resulted in 28 of 42 supporting the change in venues.

OSAA executive board member and Marshfield principal Greg Mulkey, who abstained from voting, eased concerns of additional travel for competing schools with the Coos Bay and North Bend communities' plans for discounted lodging, pre-sold tickets and the area's overall enthusiasm to host the event.

Rather than the one-facility/four-day format of other OSAA tournaments, the 3A quarterfinals through finals will be held over three days at two facilities.

The 2011 OSAA / U.S. Bank / Les Schwab Tires 3A Basketball State Championships are scheduled for Thursday through Saturday, March 3-5.

## Library summer reading program comes to an end



The Heppner branch of the Oregon Trail Library District recently held their awards ceremony to mark the end of the summer program. Heppner Friends of the Library provided the prizes including t-shirts, ice cream certificates and Friday movies. T-shirts were given to children that read four hours or more. The top readers were Sydney Qualls (1185 min.), Hayden Qualls (1050 min.), Joseph Sherman (810 min.), and Sophie Qualls (765 min.). Brian Harmon from the City of Heppner, Katie Day from the Forest Service, and Steve Rhea from the Fire Department gave presentations for the program. Pictured are participants in this summer's reading program: Sydney Qualls, Hayden Qualls, Casey Fletcher, Cody Fletcher, Reiah Waite, Leo Waite, Roen Waite, Jordan Rollis, Sabastian Futter, Gaige Futter, and Faith Futter. -Photo by Megan Futter

## Basketball and volleyball camps held



Basketball and volleyball camps were recently held in Heppner.

The basketball had 38 boys and girls grades 3-7th grade. The camp was instructed by Mark Dowdy, Keith Price, Jeremy Rosenbalm, and Erin Price.

The volleyball camp had professional beach volleyball player and Lakeridge High School Head coach Wendy Stammer and Pacific University head coach Lena Chan as instructors. Helping them out were Heppner Jr. High and high school coaches Madison Rosenbalm, Mindy Wilson, Petra Payne, Pam Dowdy, Nicole Kludt and Dieter Waite. The camp had over 20 students enrolled.

HHS volleyball players had their camp after the younger students. The camps were Tuesday July 27 through Thursday July 29 at the high school gym.

Participants received t-shirts for their attendance.

## Morrow County Court weekly meeting held

The Morrow County Court met on July 28 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 July 21 meeting.

The court reviewed and approved account payables and the second quarter SUTA Taxes in the net total amount of \$69,886.79.

### Telephone System Replacement

Cheri Rhinehart, director of I.T. and Cindy Criswell, telecom analyst provided the court with information regarding the replacement of the county's telecommunications system. The current system is two to three years past its scheduled replacement date. The current system has aged to a point where replacement parts are very difficult to locate. The current offer allows the county to lease the system for five years at zero percent interest and then purchase the system for \$1 at the end of the five year lease. The court will discuss the offer

and make a final decision in the next week or two.

### Planning

Carla McLane, planning director, provided the court with the first reading of "An Ordinance Amending the Comprehensive Plan to Include a Goal 5 Significant Aggregate Resource Site and Amend the Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Maps to Apply the Significant Resource Overlay Zone" for an aggregate site located on Willow Farms.

### Budget Resolution

The court reviewed and approved a resolution for additional resources (grants) and corresponding appropriations of \$210,000 to the CSEPP Fund for materials and services and \$18,429 to the sheriff's department for capital outlay.

The court conducted the following business:

### Job Descriptions

Reviewed and changed the job titles from tandem axle operator to maintenance specialist and heavy equipment operator to senior maintenance specialist. These changes were

made to more accurately reflect the existing job requirements.

### Contracts

Several contracts regarding fair activities were reviewed and approved. The court reviewed and signed the 2010 Fund Exchange Agreement between the State of Oregon and Morrow County. This agreement allows the state to exchange federal dollars they receive, may be paid to the county at the rate of \$94 for every \$100 received from the federal government. These funds may be used on various county roads.

### New Hire

The court held a teleconference call with Justin Nelson, district attorney, regarding offering the assistant district attorney position to an individual who graduated from Boardman's Riverside High School. The court and Mr. Nelson discussed the starting wage that would be offered. A formal announce will be made, when or if the applicant accepts the position.

### Credit Card

The court reviewed and approved a request to have a credit card issued to Dan Robbins, Morrow County Community Corrections Supervisor, with a limit of \$1,500.

### AED Purchases

The court learned that according to state safety standards there must be an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) in all county facilities where 25 people may congregate on a regular basis. This regulation results in the county needing to purchase fourteen new AED units. The Safety Committee will fund this purchase with \$13,735 from their fund and the remaining \$4,500 will come from the county court's Discretionary Fund. A purchase pre-authorization for this acquisition was signed.

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.

## Columbia River Community Health Services to hold annual free community barbecue

In continued recognition of Community Health Center Week, Columbia River Community Health Services will be hosting their 6th annual free community barbecue. It will be held at the clinic building on August 12 from 2-5 p.m. There will be free food, entertainment, games for the kids and door prizes.

The second week of August each year is dedicated to recognizing the service and contributions of community, migrant, homeless and public housing health centers in providing access to affordable, high quality, cost-effective health care to medically vulnerable and underserved people in the U.S. This year's commemoration is special because 2010 also marks the 45th anniversary of the creation of the Health Centers Program.

"Celebrating America's Health Centers: Turning the Vision into Reality" is the theme for National Health Center Week 2010. This theme highlights the 45 year record of Health Centers in providing affordable, high quality, cost-effective health care to all people, regardless of ability to pay. National Health Center Week 2010 also provides an opportunity to focus on the progress we have made towards fulfilling the goal of our "Access for All America" plan to provide a health care home to 30 million patients by 2015. Each year Health Center Week also sets aside three days to focus on special populations who are often left outside of the mainstream health care system. In 2010 we will observe Tuesday, August 10th as Health Care in Public Housing Day, followed by Health Care for the Homeless Day observed on Wednesday, August 11th, and Farmworker Health Day recognized on Thursday, August 12th.

## Ione football camp to be held

The Ione football camp will be held August 16-18 for incoming 6th through 12th graders. The camp will run from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

The cost is \$25 per person. Participants will receive a t-shirt.

For more information contact Dennis Stefanic at 541-422-7142.

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