

## CRCHS holds annual Community Appreciation Barbecue



On Thursday, August 12, in Boardman, Columbia River Community Health Services held their annual Community Appreciation Barbecue. This is the sixth year CRCHS has held its Community Appreciation Barbecue, in conjunction with the National Association of Community Health Centers, Community Health Center Week. Nearly 250 people were in attendance as Mario's Basque Barbeque cooked up hot dogs, hamburgers, cold salads, beans and all the fixings. Devon Oil contributed several bags of ice to keep cold the soda donated by Tienda El Sol I. Desert Springs Bottled Water donated a water cooler and several bottles of water. Tienda El Sol II provided the bouncy house, a favorite with the kids, as well as a cake decorated to mark the occasion. The food and drinks were served by the staff and health care providers of Columbia River Community Health Services. -Contributed Photo

## Project grant funds available

Morrow County landowners looking for financial help to prevent erosion along streams, increase irrigation efficiency or upgrade bridges or culverts that will improve fish access or projects that improve upland processes should consider applying for a grant tailored for these and similar projects.

One funding source available through Morrow Soil and Water Conservation District for small projects is The Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board Small Grant Program. This statewide program provides up to \$10,000 in Oregon Lottery funds for individual projects that help restore watersheds to a healthy condition and also help landowners comply with

the Willow Creek Ag Water Quality Management Plan and protect water quality.

Morrow SWCD is the Willow Creek Watershed (which includes the Boardman and Irrigon areas) contact for the Umatilla-Walla Walla-Willow Creek OWEB Small Grant Team. Applications are being accepted now with funding decisions being made in September. Another funding source is the OWEB Large Grant Program that provides financial assistance for projects with higher costs. Other funding sources are also available depending on the project and landowner eligibility.

Contact Morrow SWCD for applications and further information at 541-676-5452.

## Community Lunch Menu

St. Patrick's Parish members will be serving lunch on Wednesday, September 8, at St. Patrick's Senior Center. The menu will include beef stroganoff, mixed vegetables, spiced pears, hot rolls, and cake.

## Military friendly list shows EOU is a good fit for veterans

The 2011 list of Military Friendly Schools released by "G.I. Jobs" magazine names Eastern Oregon University among the top 15 percent of schools embracing America's veterans as students.

This is the second year EOU has been included on the list. "G.I. Jobs" polled more than 7,000 schools nationwide, looking at efforts to recruit and retain military and veteran students, results in recruit-

ing military and veteran students and academic accreditations.

Schools ranked as Military Friendly range from state universities and private colleges to community colleges and trade schools. What sets them apart are the additional benefits such as on-campus veterans programs, credit for service, military spouse programs and more.

"EOU is commit-

ted to working with students who are veterans or are active military to connect them with resources to help them succeed and assist them with the transition into the classroom," said Camille Consolvo, vice president for Student Affairs at EOU.

EOU's resources are not only available to veterans but active military members as well. They include support from an on-

campus veterans' service officer, access to EOU's Counseling Center, credit for military service and full scholarships. There is also an active student organization for veterans.

"G.I. Jobs" is published by Victory Media, a veteran-owned business. The complete list of 2011 Military Friendly Schools is available at [www.militaryfriendlyschools.com/2011list](http://www.militaryfriendlyschools.com/2011list).

## Boardman hosts development symposium, hailed as constructive

Wednesday the City of Boardman hosted a Development Symposium along the shores of the Columbia River. Over 40 stakeholders attended the symposium, made up of developers, real estate agents, lending agencies, property owners, and state, county and city officials. Attendees spent the lunchtime hearing about reasons for fulfilling housing needs in Boardman. Afterwards a tour of the available lots in Boardman was given.

Boardman Mayor Chet Phillips led the discussion, saying Boardman has a per capita income of over \$36,000. He said Boardman has a need to provide competitive housing to draw employees of local busi-

nesses to live in Boardman, citing 60 or 70 percent of its workers now drive 30 to 60 miles each way to work each day. Debbie Radie of Boardman Foods agreed, saying they have a need to hire 30 to 50 more employees and would like them to live in Boardman because living locally makes them better employees.

The Boardman City Council recently put into action recommendations from the Economic Development Committee for incentives suspending system development charges for a year and offering free water and sewer services for up to three months to new homeowners. The committee has been meeting for several months with



Attendees discuss the housing needs of Boardman at a recent development symposium held by the city. -Contributed Photo

a focus on new housing for Boardman. According to the recently completed Buildable Lands Inventory, there are 60 lots for single family residential available with infrastructure already in place, large parcel single family residential lots totaling 276 acres ready for infrastructure, and 71.5 acres of large parcel zoned

for multi-family. Mayor Phillips said "it is certainly refreshing to see that so many of the participants were acceptable to looking at new, creative ways to meet the needs of quality housing development in the City of Boardman. We have the jobs, we have the income, let's build the houses."

## Morrow SWCD/MC Weed advisory Board meeting scheduled

A Morrow SWCD Board and quarterly Weed Advisory Board meeting will be held Tuesday, September 7, at 6 p.m. at the Ag Service Center in Heppner. Agenda items include: previous minutes, treasurer's report, written staff report, lease office space, operations review, director elections, MC Fair report, ADA compliance progress, weed supervisor report, management plan review, and part-

nership reports.

Meetings of the Morrow SWCD are open to the public. The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made at least 48 hours before the meeting to Janet Greenup at 541-676-5452, extension 109.

## Willow Creek Park District to meet

The Willow Creek Park District will hold a meeting at 5 p.m. at Heppner City Hall on Wednesday, September 8.

## Bank of Eastern Oregon collects school supplies



Pictured L-R are Mary Ann Elguezabal from Heppner Elementary School, Tricia Rollins from BEO, Gabriela Sanchez from Heppner High School, and Cindi Kennedy from BEO. -Photo by April Sykes

Bank of Eastern Oregon is once again offering its 12 branch lobbies as drop off sites to collect school supplies for local elementary students.

Each year, BEO employees join in the bank's efforts to collect these supplies for their community schools. Each Bank of Eastern Oregon branch will also offer a drawing for backpacks filled with supplies for lucky students, in addition to collecting supplies for their local schools or ESD to distribute.

Bring your school supply donations to any branch of Bank of Eastern Oregon. Locally items can

also be dropped off at Heppner Elementary School in care of Mary Ann Elguezabal. If you have a grade school student, please stop in, fill out a raffle ticket and enter for a chance to win a school backpack for your student. You do not have to be a customer and no purchase is necessary.

## Ladies Play Day results

Ladies Play Day was held on Tuesday, August 24, at the Willow Creek Country Club. Results are as follows:

**August 24**  
Low gross of the field was Nancy Propher. Low net of the field was Carol Mitchell. Least Putts of the Field was Jan Paustian.

Flight A winners: low gross was Loa Heide-man; low net was Eva Kilkenny; least putts was Pat Dougherty; and long drive was Carol Mitchell.

Flight B winners: low gross was Lorrene Montgomery; low net was Bernice Lott; and long drive was Lorrene Montgomery.

Flight C winners: low gross was Ann Elgin; and least putts was Luvilla Sonstegard.

Chip-ins: Carol Mitchell.

## Ione volleyball team holding fundraiser

The Ione High School volleyball team is currently holding a Tupperware fundraiser to raise money for team shoes, warm-up pants, and t-shirts.

Anyone interested in looking at a flyer or in placing an order can contact Dawn Eynetich at 541-422-7568 or a member of the volleyball team.

## Attention Morrow County School District Employees and Oregon Prescription Drug Program Clients

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- Be at least 55 years old
- Meet income guidelines (\$1800/month for 1 person)
- (\$2400/month for 2 persons)
- Be in good health:
- Pass background check
- Enjoy kids / older folks

### Benefits include:

- Tax-free Stipend up to \$445/month
- Mileage reimbursement
- Insurance coverage
- Training
- Recognition
- Fun

Contact John Brenne: 541-276-4474 (Pendleton) or 1-800-541-5116 (toll free #)  
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