

HHS/HES Students of the Month announced



Heppner High School and Heppner Elementary School recently recognized the Students of the Month for September. The character trait for the month was respect. Top Photo: Back Row (L-R) are Leo Waite, Bryan Fowler, Tim Jaca, Demi Schmidt, Emily Cecil, Jacee Currin, Morgan Correa, and Hunter Nichols. Front Row (L-R) - Trevor Nichols, Chace Jones, Camryn Scrivner, Madelyn Nichols, Kaden Combe, Kylie Boor, Amelia Baker, Chance Jones, and Tresslyn McCurry. Not pictured is Kenneth Troxell.



Bottom Photo: Pictured from left to right are Seth Palmer (11th grade), Brett Harrison (12th grade), Tate Gentry (9th grade), Josh Dowdy (7th grade), Maggie Collins (10th grade), and Jenny Garibay (8th grade). -Contributed Photos

HES student council member elected



Heppner Elementary School students recently elected their 2010-11 student council members. Pictured left to right are 4th grade representative Claire Grieb, publicity director Kolby Currin, treasurer Kevin Murray, president Sydney Qualls, vice-president Sophie Grant, secretary Reiah Waite, and 4th grade representative Jacee Currin. -Contributed Photo

HHS math Students of the Month announced



Pictured from left to right are Heppner High School math teacher, Troy Morgan's, math Students of the Month in Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2: Julissa Sanchez, Kristiane Hempel, Marie Broechling, Ryan Dougherty, Ali Lovgren, and Sidney Coster. -Contributed Photo

Ione School to host Green Garter Band from U of O

On Thursday, October 7, the University of Oregon's Green Garter Band will be performing in the Ione School Gym from 1:30-2:30 p.m. This event is open to the public and all are invited.

The Green Garter Band is an elite 12-member group from the University of Oregon. The group is made up of three trumpets, two trombones, one mellophone, four saxophones, one electric bass,

and drumset. The group is by audition only and the students receive a full ride scholarship to play in the ensemble. During football season, the Green Garter Band is the group that plays all of the volleyball and basketball games. These twelve members also play in the Oregon Marching Band and the Oregon basketball band.

The concert will be full of upbeat and exciting music from many genres and eras, including selections from the bands Journey, Earth Wind and Fire, KC and the Sunshine Band, and Chicago.

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Governor proclaims Oct. 3-9 Fire Prevention Week in Oregon

In support of National Fire Prevention Week, Governor Kulongoski has proclaimed October 3-9 Oregon Fire Prevention Week. The Governor and State Fire Marshal Randy Simpson encourage Oregonians to take the necessary steps to update and maintain their home smoke alarms.

The Office of State Fire Marshal and its Oregon Life Safety Team, along with fire agencies statewide are teaming up in support of this month's national fire prevention campaign, Smoke Alarms: A sound you can live with!, reinforcing the message that fire safety starts at home.

"Everyone needs to remember that fire safety starts at home," said Oregon State Fire Marshal Randy Simpson. "Having working smoke alarms and testing and maintaining them regularly is one of the single best things you can do to keep your family safe."

Locally, in response to the proclamation, Sam Boardman Elementary, Windy River Elementary, and Riverside Junior/Senior High School received Na-

tional Fire Prevention Week materials from Boardman Rural Fire District. Teachers will be sending stickers, magnets and brochures home with students. Posters remind everyone to sound their smoke detectors in the home.

In 2009, in Oregon there were 2,379 fires in one- and two-family dwellings resulting in nine deaths, 172 injuries, and more than \$59 million in property loss.

Working smoke alarms provide an early warning to a fire, allowing you vital minutes to escape and increase your chance of surviving a fire. Additional safety tips:

-To ensure maximum protection, install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area and on every level of the home, including the basement

-Replace smoke alarms 10 years old or older

-Hard-wired alarms (those wired directly to home electrical systems) should have battery back-ups

-Never disconnect or remove batteries from smoke alarms for other uses

-Make a home escape plan and practice it

-If your smoke alarm sounds, immediately go outside and stay out. Meet at a safe place and call 9-1-1

-If you need assistance with smoke alarms, contact your local fire agency

For more smoke alarm and fire safety information, contact your local fire agency or visit http://www.oregon.gov/OSP/SFM/CommEd_SA_Program.shtml.

Fire Prevention Week is observed annually throughout North America and Europe, acknowledging the anniversary of the Great Chicago Fire, known for destroying a large part of the city and killing 250 people on October 9, 1871.

For more information on fire safety and fire prevention week, contact your local fire agency or visit http://www.oregon.gov/OSP/SFM/FPW_2010.shtml.

M.C. Creative Arts and Crafts fall schedule announced

Morrow County Creative Arts and Crafts at their September meeting decided to hang paintings at John's Place and also will have some members at the November Artifactory at the Senior Center.

The group is also planning a watercolor class this fall. Members are deciding what they want to paint and are bringing in another art instructor. This will be decided at the next meeting on October 28 at 1 p.m. at the Stable of Youth.

Anyone interested in a watercolor class are asked to attend the meeting or contact Sharon Harrison at 541-989-8496.

Oregon East Symphony opens 25th season

The Oregon East Symphony will open its 25th anniversary season with a special concert highlighting up and coming local talent with a symphony twist. The concert will be held on Saturday October 16, at 7:30 p.m. in the Vert Auditorium in Pendleton.

Popular Pendleton band "James Dean Kindle and the Eastern Oregon Playboys" will jam with players of the OES in a premier presentation of songs penned by James Dean Kindle and orchestrated by Aaron Engum to incorporate the symphony instruments. Opening the show with a fabulous set of bluegrass tunes will be "The Callenders", who can frequently be seen performing their relaxed and peppy repertoire that is enjoyed by both young and old.

"We are very excited to do this concert with the Playboys and The Callenders. The music will appeal to all ages and I hope the whole community will turn out to celebrate their talent," said Lisa-Marie Patterson, OES Executive Director. "Kids under 12 are free, so bring them along for a fun evening."

James Dean Kindle has been writing his own

songs since his teenage years, and cut his teeth early on in a punk band called the "Sick Kids". As a solo artist he has performed with a revolving cast of backup bands and even delved into alternate country rock with the band "Blue is Cold". He has shared showbills with artists like Pete Krebs, The Helio Sequence, Calvin Johnson and Laura Gibson.

The Eastern Oregon Playboys came together in 2007 when James Dean Kindle returned home to Pendleton and reconnected with his teenage friends, Peter Walters, Matt van Sickle and Brian Baird. The "Boys" backed him up on a few songs during some solo shows and the comfortable familiar chemistry, led to the band. The band pays regularly at gigs throughout eastern Oregon, often seen at The Great Pacific, The Rainbow Café and the Prodigal Son in Pendleton, and jams with OES string players Doug Westervelt, Marya Kazmierski and Adrienne Welsh in Portland. They were featured on OPB's Oregon Art Beat and OPB Music's in Studio after the release of their debut album "Campfire Pop Ab-

straction" in 2009 and are preparing for the release a 7" single this fall.

Known locally as founders of the band Blue Pass, Isaac and Emily Callender with their duet vocals and twin fiddles have been a staple of the Northwest bluegrass scene. A nationally acclaimed fiddle champion and exemplary guitarist, Isaac Callender has toured the globe with "Trace County" and the "April Verch band". Mezzo-Soprano Emily Muller Callender has graced the Vert stage with OES many times, singing oratorio favorites including Bach's Christmas Oratorio, Handel's Messiah, and Vivaldi's Gloria. She is also the principal violist with the Oregon East Symphony and directs the orchestra and choral programs for the Pendleton School District.

The concert is sponsored by George and Sue Nelson, Dick Jones and Maureen McCormack. Tickets are: Under 12 - free admission, Students (ages 13-18) \$5 and adults \$13-20 and are available from Armchair Books (39 SW Dorian Ave, Pendleton), the Symphony Office (541-276-0320) and at the door.

Inland Northwest Orchestra to hold first concert of season

The Inland Northwest Orchestra will present its first concert of their 12th season at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 16, at the Condon High School Gymnasium in Condon, and 4 p.m. on Sunday, October 17, at the Joseph High School Gymnasium in Joseph.

There is no charge for these concerts, but donations are accepted. A reception will follow each performance to allow the audience and orchestra members to meet, and share in refreshments.

Oregon-Idaho Grains Conference to be held

The Idaho Grain Producers Association (IGPA) and the Oregon Wheat Growers League (OWGL), along with wheat and barley producers from

throughout the Pacific Northwest will converge in Portland for this year's Oregon-Idaho Grains Conference. The theme of the December 1-3 Conference

is "Keys to Success - Partnerships, Education and Networking".

Keynote speakers for the conference include: Jim Miller, USDA Undersecretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services; U.S. Senator Larry Craig (Ret.), Idaho; and Damian Mason, humorist and entertainer.

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