

## Boardman plans assessment of police department

The Boardman City Council is seeking input before deciding the direction of law enforcement for the city.

Last month the city council hosted a town hall meeting to get the public's input on what the community wants from its local law enforcement. The council questioned the importance of 24/7 coverage, quick response for law enforcement, whether the community wants dedicated officers to patrol the city, and whether the city should contract for law enforcement services with the Morrow County Sheriff's Department or retain its own police department. The public overwhelmingly encouraged the council to retain the city's police department.

At last night's city council meeting, Councilor Ed Glenn proposed a resolution to pursue contracting with the Morrow County Sheriff's Department; the resolution was rejected by a vote of 5-1. Instead, the council instructed the city manager to schedule an assessment of its police department by the Oregon Association Chiefs of Police. The assessment team is made up of chiefs of police departments from

around the state. They will interview the officers and city staff, and may contact members of the community during the assessment to determine Boardman's law enforcement needs. They will then make recommendations to the council based on their assessment. The Oregon Association Chiefs of Police also offers a service to assist the city in finding a replacement police chief. Currently Loren Dieter is serving as interim chief.

In other city business, the council appointed David Gray and Bill Hancock to the Planning Commission, renewed a contract with Boy Scout Troop 602 for flag display services, ratified the police union contract, and made an Arbor Day proclamation. The council also amended two development incentives resolutions regarding system development charges and a commercial water rate reduction, making the expiration date on all of the city's development incentives to July 1, 2011.

The next meeting of the Boardman City Council will be Tuesday, April 19 at 7 p.m. at Boardman City Hall.

## Hope, All Saints change schedule during Holy Week

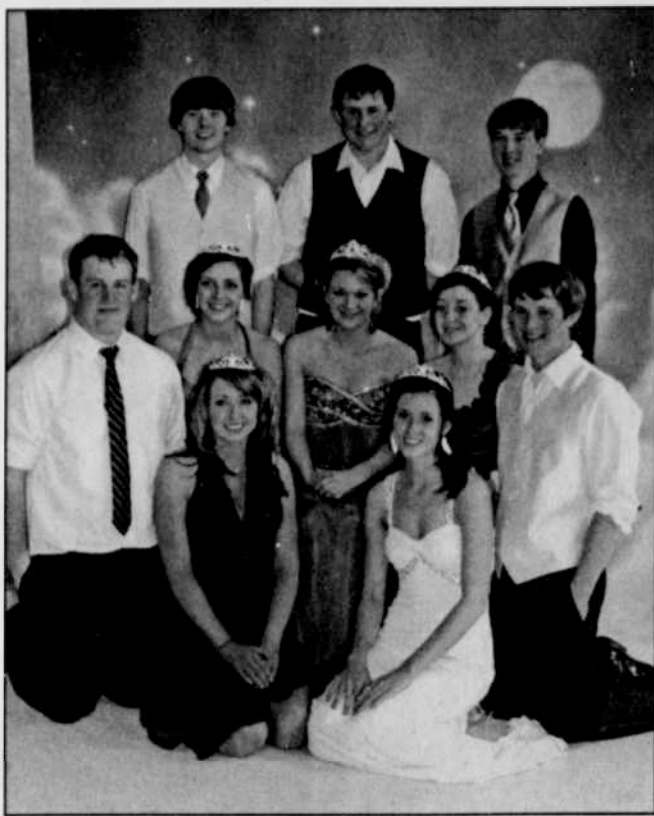
The shared ministry of Hope Lutheran and All Saints Episcopal will experience schedule changes during Holy Week.

Palm Sunday worship will be held at All Saints on April 17. Easter Sunday worship will be held April 24 at Hope. An Easter breakfast will be served at Hope from 8 to 9:30 a.m.

During Holy Week, the shared ministry will also join for worship with the members of the United Methodist Church. On Maundy Thursday, April 21, the Methodist Church will hold a seder and finger-food potluck at 6 p.m. On April 22, a special Good Friday service commemorating the crucifixion of Jesus will be held at the Episcopal Church at 7 p.m.

Members of the community are welcome at each event. More information is available by calling the shared ministry office at 676-9970.

## HHS king and queen crowned



Heppner High School crowned its king and queen at the prom held April 2. Pictured (L-R) are court members: Shelbi Wiggers, Taighler Daugherty, Ian Murray, Lindsay Cutsforth, Queen Kelsi Putman, Haley Struckmier, Devin Robinson, Alex Pickles, King Donald Matthews and Brett Harrison. -Photo by Sandy Matthews

## White leaves Watermaster position; Miller to serve as interim

Scott White is leaving the position of District 21 Watermaster in order to serve as the Klamath Falls Watermaster.

June Miller, the assistant Watermaster out of Pendleton office, will be covering the district until a permanent replacement is found for the District 21 position. June can be reached at 541-278-5456 with immediate questions or concerns regarding the Lower John Day or Willow Creek Basins.

## Willow Creek Symphony & Singers to hold concerts

The Willow Creek Symphony and Singers will hold April performances in Boardman and Heppner.

The Boardman performance will be held April 16 at 7 p.m. at Windy River Elementary School, 500 Tatone St. The Heppner performance will be April 17 at 4 p.m. at Heppner High School.

The concerts, sponsored by Wal-Mart Distribution Center and Morrow County Unified Recreation District, are free of charge. Donations will be accepted at the door.

Symphony pro-

gram selections include "Suite for Younger Orchestra Op. 56" by Wallingford Riegger and "Waltz Festival" by Fred Walker & Fred Muller. The singers will perform Mozart's "Alleluia" and "Gloria Dei Patris" by Emily Crocker. The groups are under the leadership of music director R. Lee Friese and associate conductor Ralph Werner. Ella Mae Watson provides accompaniment for the singers.

The Willow Creek Symphony and Singers rehearse on Tuesday evenings at Irrigon High School. Anyone interested in joining either of these ensembles should contact music director R. Lee Friese at 541-377-1865.

## Community garden plots available

Public plots are now available for the Heppner Community Garden.

The community garden is a volunteer project that has plots available free of charge to members of the community. Water for the garden is also free. Anyone interested in maintaining their own plot should contact John Murray at 541-980-8880 or 676-9631.

## Lone 4-H Food & Clothing Club meeting held

By Alexis Garrett

The Lone 4-H Food and Clothing Club held their second meeting of the year on March 13 from 2-4 p.m. at the Lone Community Church. Ten of the club's 12 members were present. Club leaders are Nancy and Rebecca Jepsen.

Leader Rebecca Jepsen gave a presentation about quick breads, the topic for the food club this meeting. The presentation focused on two main methods of mixing quick breads, the "biscuit method" and the "muffin method." The 4-H members then split into two groups to practice the methods from Rebecca's presentation. One group made "Fluffy Biscuits" shaped like shamrocks and the second group made a basic muffin recipe and added either blueberries or chocolate chips.

After baking and sampling the results, the group then moved on to their sewing project. The members each brought fabric of their choice and worked on sewing a pillow case from their fabric. By the end of the meeting, the members were pleased to see the results of their sewing project.

The next meeting will be held on April 17 from 3-5 p.m. at the Lone Community Church.

## Local students place in state garden club contest



Over 100 poems were submitted in the Poetry, Essay, Poster Contest for the Oregon State Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. Regional winners are as follows: (Top Photo) Poetry - 1<sup>st</sup> grader, 2<sup>nd</sup> place and \$10 - Chance McCormack (R); 3<sup>rd</sup> grader, 2<sup>nd</sup> place and \$10 - Gavin Hanna (L). 3<sup>rd</sup> grader Mason Lehman (center) received \$1 and honorable mention for his woody owl poster. (Bottom photo) Clayton Cook took first place in the essay contest; his award was received by Mrs. Collins (R) on his behalf. Samantha Lemmon (center) received 2<sup>nd</sup> place, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place went to Jordan Bailey (L). - Contributed Photos

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## Smith scheduled speaker for Chamber Lunch Meeting

Heppner Chamber of Commerce will hold a legislative update with Greg Smith via conference call Thursday, April 14 at noon at Heppner City Hall. Sweet Productions will cater the lunch.

Those planning to attend are asked to RSVP by Wednesday morning of each week.

## Community Lunch Menu

United Methodist Church members will be serving lunch on Wednesday, April 20, at St. Patrick's Senior Center. The meal will include leg of lamb or ham, new potatoes and peas in cream sauce, sliced pears, rolls and strawberry shortcake. Menu is subject to change.



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