

## BEO EARNINGS

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"Sustained profitability and continuing to work through the remnants of the sluggish economy will be keys to our ongoing

success in 2011. Bank of Eastern Oregon has strong capital as well as liquidity and we are looking for good opportunities to make loans in our footprint," concluded Bailey.

## Morrow SWCD/Weed Advisory Board meeting planned

A Morrow Soil and Water Conservation District/Weed Advisory Board meeting will be held Tuesday, May 3 at 6 p.m. at the Ag Service Center in Heppner. Agenda items include: previous minutes, treasurer's report, written staff report, grant updates, 11-12 budget, contribution agreement update, shared position update and partnership 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, 541-676-5452 X109.

## SADDLEMAKER

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the good trees are made out of wood by hand, he says.

He says each saddle is different, depending on its use, with saddles for working cowboys being constructed differently than, say, a barrel-racing saddle.

Frusetta said he has met some famous people during his career. He made a saddle for Wilfred Brimley, and got to know Clint Eastwood when Eastwood

was filming a movie in California.

"Boy they used to go out on the town," Frusetta said of Eastwood and the crew on the movie.

"How about you? Did you go out with them?" someone asked.

"Oh no, never," Frusetta said.

He has been in Heppner for two years, since he married his wife, Ida, and operates his saddle business out of his home on Church Street.

## ODFW to hold public meeting

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife would like to invite all interested people to attend a public meeting on Wednesday, May 4 from 6-9 p.m. at the ODFW office in Heppner. The topic of discussion will be proposed tag numbers for the 2011 big game seasons.

The ODFW office is located in the old Kinzua mill office at 54173 Hwy. 74 in Heppner.

## Heppner youth track meet to be held

The Third Annual Mustang Youth Track Meet will be held Sunday, May 15 at 1 p.m. The Heppner High School track team and the Heppner Youth Track Club are sponsoring the event.

The meet will be held at the Heppner High School track. Races include the 25-meter, 50-meter, 100-meter and one-lap races. Other events are the tennis ball throw, standing long jump and hurdles. Children aged one year to fifth grade are eligible to compete. The meet is free to all participants, but donations will be accepted.

## Watercolor class planned for May

Morrow County Creative Arts and Crafts is sponsoring a watercolor class with Hyon Fielding in Heppner on May 13 and 14. Participants are asked to bring their own photos or set up a still life for the class.

The cost for the two-day class is \$56. Those

interested should contact Sheryl Parrott at 541-422-7112.

The next meeting of Morrow County Creative Arts and Crafts is April 28 at 1 p.m. at the Stable of Youth. The public is invited to attend and see what the painters and crafters are up to.

## UMATILLA NATIONAL FOREST

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will be signed at the time of treatment. Maps of the proposed treatment sites are also posted on the forest's website at: [www.fs.usda.gov/umatilla/](http://www.fs.usda.gov/umatilla/).

For more specific information on timing and location of herbicide treatments, please contact Tim Collins at the Heppner Ranger District, 676-2114.

## RDI requests nominations for the 2011 Rural Awards of Excellence

Rural Development Initiatives invites community groups, organizations and individuals working to revitalize rural Oregon and the Pacific Northwest to submit nominations for the 2011 Rural Awards of Excellence.

Winners will be recognized at the Regards to Rural 2011 Conference during the 'Rural Awards of Excellence' ceremony and lunch on Saturday, June 25. Representatives will be invited to attend, accept their award and enjoy lunch. Regards to Rural will be held Friday and Saturday, June 24-25 at the Oregon State University campus in Corvallis.

Those interested may self-nominate or submit a nomination for a group, organization or individual they feel is most deserving. Submission for all nominations is online through the Regards to Rural 2011 conference website.

Categories include: collaboration, community leadership, economic development, and youth (23 and under).

Projects or activities that have taken place between August 2008 and December 2011 qualify for a nomination. Please review carefully to ensure you select the category that best describes the project or individual you are nominating. Some award categories are for groups or individuals who have worked directly with RDI, while other categories are open to any group or individual. Duplicate nominations will be accepted if a project or individual falls under more than one category.

The completed nomination form and packet must be received by May 15, 2011.



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