

## Bank of EO donates to picnic area



Bank of Eastern Oregon branch managers present a \$2,500 to the Willow Creek Valley Economic Development Group for the new picnic area at the fairgrounds. Pictured are (L-R): Bryce Fowler, Julie Gisi, Trena Day, Les Paustian, Tricia Rollins, Zech Hintz, Sheryll Bates, Tessa Gould, Diane Wolfe, Kaitlynn Dyer, Hanna Lovgren, Drew Brannon and Tayllor Gould. —Photo by David Sykes

## Tax prep volunteers needed in county

The AARP is looking for Morrow County volunteers to help prepare taxes for local residents.

This year, nearly 60,000 Oregonians had their state and federal tax returns prepared for free. In the Morrow County area, volunteers prepared over 330 returns for local residents, which resulted in tax refunds of more than \$450,000.

"AARP's Tax-Aide Program, which partners with the IRS, is looking for volunteers to spend a little time learning about taxes and sharing that knowledge with others in their local communities," said Angela Baldwin, an IRS Tax Consultant in Portland. "In Oregon, certified volunteers prepare simple tax returns for those who need help the most: the elderly, the disabled, non-English speakers and those with limited incomes. Anyone

can volunteer."

Many more people in the Morrow County area could be helped, but coordinators say volunteers are needed. Training classes generally start in December and January and are held at convenient locations. Volunteers spend approximately four hours per week from February through April helping people in their local community. Organizations, such as civic or fraternal societies, educational institutions, religious organizations and social groups can also volunteer or host a site. Anyone who is interested and wants to help is encouraged to find a way to be involved in this program.

To sign up or obtain additional information, contact Leann Rea, AARP Tax-Aide District Coordinator, at 541-481-5922, or send an email to [lnjrea@centurytel.net](mailto:lnjrea@centurytel.net).

## HES celebrates students of the month



Heppner Elementary School announces its students of the month for October. Top (L-R): Reiah Waite, Sophie Grant, Leo Waite, Gibson McCurry, Mason Lehman, Mikel Jaca, Hailee Moist, Aimee Turrell and Olivia Schmidt. Bottom (L-R): Hunter Nichols, Keegin Chitty, Jennie Adams, Eli Petzoldt, Mark Adams, Zander Fisher, Zabrana Masterson, Aubrianna Rodriguez and Sallie Orem. The character trait for October was respect. —Contributed photo

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## Cardinals celebrate senior night with win over Cougars

By Paula Emmel

Senior night saw an exciting evening of play as the Cardinal football team smashed the Echo Cougars in a 52-22 victory for the Cards.

The seniors and Kirk Haguewood opened up the game. Midway through the quarter, Ione scored the first touchdown after recovering a fumble. Orem passed out to Rietmann for a 12-yard touchdown and Peterson ran in the pat for two points. Micah Stillman opened up the second quarter with a two-yard rush for a touchdown with only two seconds gone from the clock. He attempted the pat for two points as the Echo Cougars committed a block in the backfield. Ione declined the penalty in exchange for the pat points. With 11:34 still on the clock, Echo fumbled and the Cardinals recovered at the 45-yard line.

Micah rushed for eight yards for the second down and then Zac Orem connected on a 38-yard pass to Evan Rietmann, who ran it in for another touchdown.

The pat attempt was a handoff to M. Stillman with 10:37 left on the clock. Omar Juarez punted it to the endzone for a touchback, leaving Echo at the 20-yard line and an Echo timeout. After the five minutes expired, Echo finally punched in a touchdown after a hard push to get there. Echo tied up the game, 22-all, with another touchdown and pat points. The Cardinals marched downfield to end the first half just 10 yards short when the buzzer sounded.

In the opening seconds of an eventful second half, Micah Stillman ran a 13-yard run, after three plays, to score another touchdown. Orem passed to the pocket of Rietmann for the pat points, with 10:26 left on the clock. Later, a handoff to M. Stillman led to a 22-yard run for another touchdown. A good pass to Adam Collin for two more points on the pat brought the score to 38-22.

Ione played tough defense all night. On Echo's second down, one fan ex-

claimed, "Echo just got stopped by a swarm of Cardinals!"

Then Adam Collin made a quarterback sack on the third down. The Cougars lined up, only to be sacked again by Collin on the fourth down at the 50-yard line, successfully stopping the Cougar advance with three minutes left in the quarter.

Then Orem connected on a 50 yard pass to Rietmann for a 20 yard run into the endzone. With 2:02 on the clock, Orem ran in the pat for another two points, bringing the score to 46-22. Juarez kicked another long punt to the Cougars. Kirk Haguewood tackled him hard, causing a fumble on the play. Trent Cannon made a quick recovery of the fumble on the 30-yard line to regain possession of the ball. The Cardinals took advantage of the fumble, marching down close enough for Omar Juarez to attempt kicking a fieldgoal. It was blocked and carried back to the 32-yard line by Echo, only to have Kirk Haguewood pick up a fumble recovery to take possession again. With 15 seconds left, Orem passed a "flea-flicker" play to Rietmann for a gain of 10 yards.

Ione began the fourth quarter with a first down. The ball was snapped to Rietmann and carried just one yard short of a first down before being fumbled and turned over three yards from the goal line. M. Stillman got a sack on the Echo quarterback at the 25-yard line and then Echo was run out of bounds by Jordan Synder. Ione then received a punt at the 41 yard line with 7:11 left in the game.

Orem threw a deep pass to Collin with a huge gain of 40 yards, followed by a pass-off to Rietmann, who ran it to the one-foot line, only to be brought back on a block in the back field. Orem completed a 26-yard pass-out to M. Stillman for a clean run into the endzone for a touchdown. Rietmann was just shy of the pat, as his teammates pushed him closer to the goal.

Echo had another possession with four at-



Top: Cheerleader seniors (L-R): Yezmin Verduzco, Kaytee Burghard, Captain Jordan Peterson and Rebecca Jepsen. Bottom: "Our Boys of Fall" football seniors (L-R): Luke Emmel, Kaleb Dumler, Adam Collin, Micah Stillman, Trent Cannon, Omar Juarez and Zac Orem. Not pictured is Steven Holland, team videographer. —Photos by Paula Emmel

tempts to move the ball. Ione took over at the 35-yard, ending a push just inches short of a first down. Echo took over close to the 25-yard line to end the game. Ione has once again held a team scoreless for the second half. The final score was 52-22.

"We played with much more intensity on defense and were able to hold Echo scoreless in the second half. Stand-outs on defense include Micah Stillman with five tackles and 13 assists, Adam Collin with three tackles, five assists and two sacks, and Kirk Haguewood with three tackles five assists and two fumble recoveries. Trent Cannon and Omar Juarez also played well on defense," said Coach Weiper.

"On offense, our line blocked very well and Evan Rietmann and Zac Orem had an outstanding game, passing the ball. Zac had his most productive passing game of the year, completing seven of 12 passes for 242 yards and 3 touchdowns. Evan had a tremendous game with four catches for 137 yards and 2 touchdowns.

"Overall I was very pleased with our team effort and was glad to see our seniors win their final home game of their high school

career." Weiper concluded. Next week is the last regulation game against Condon-Wheeler. Currently Ione is in third place in the district.

- Scoring**  
Rietmann: 3 T.D., 1 pat., 20 pts.  
M. Stillman: 4 T.D., 1 pat, 26 pts.  
Collin: 1 pat, 2 pts.  
Peterson: 1 pat, 2 pts.  
Orem: 1 pat, 2 pts.
- Rushing**  
M. Stillman: 18x106 yards, 3 T.D.  
Rietmann: 12x139 yards, 1 T.D.  
Peterson: 2x4 yards  
J. Stillman: 2x7 yards  
Orem: 1x5 yards
- Passing**  
Orem: 7x12 242 yards, 3 T.D., 1 interception  
**Receiving**  
Rietmann: 4x137 yards, 2 T.D.  
M. Stillman: 2x65 yards, 1 T.D.  
Collin: 1x40 yards
- Defense**  
Sacks: Collin, 2; M. Stillman, 1; Snyder 1  
Fumble recoveries: K. Haguewood, 2; L. Emmel, 1; Juarez 1  
M. Stillman: 5 tackles, 13 assists  
K. Haguewood: 3 tackles, 5 assists  
Collin: 3 tackles, 5 assists  
Juarez: 2 tackles, 6 assists  
Cannon: 1 tackle, 6 assists

## Halloween coloring contest winners



Community Bank announces the winners of its Halloween coloring contest. Top Left: Cassidy Henrichs did a spook-tacular job of coloring the kindergarten-through-second-grade witch picture. Top Right: Alexis Cutsforth's coloring of a haunted house won her the prize for third-through-fifth-grade category. —Contributed photo

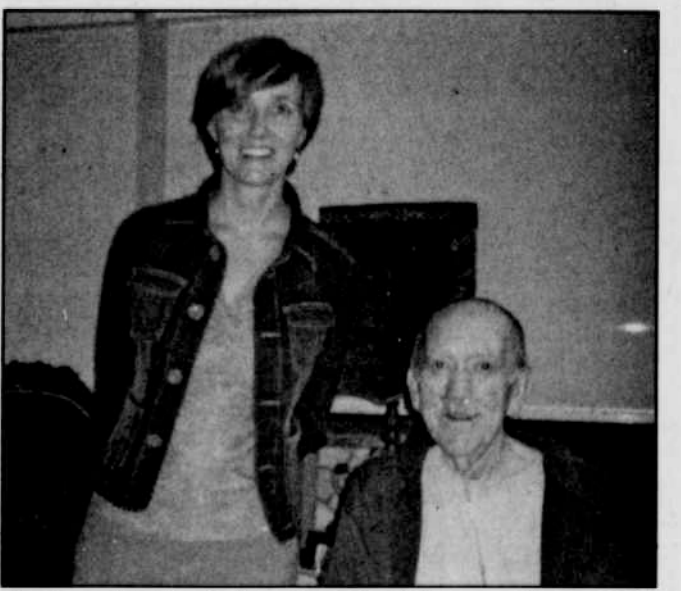
## Graphic novel creators at HES

On November 9, two children's graphic novel creators, Joshua Williamson and Vicente Navarrete, will be visiting the Heppner Elementary School to do a graphic novel educational presentation.

Williamson and Vicente will discuss writing and drawing comic books. It will be a creative presentation showcasing how a comic book is made from start to finish, and then students will be given the chance to create their own.

Williamson and Navarrete will also be offering copies of their new children's book, Sketch Monsters, for \$12.99.

## Garden club events



Guest speaker Carrie Spradler (L) and Heppner Garden Club president Chuck Bailey (R). —Contributed photo

The Heppner Garden Club speaker last month was Carrie Spradler. She gave the club members an informative lecture about trees.

The Garden Club invites community members to join them for their next meeting on November 7 at 7 p.m. at St. Patrick's Senior Center. The club will be discussing the Greenwork shop and Christmas events.

## Auxiliary to hold Thanksgiving potluck

The Heppner American Legion Auxiliary #87 will be holding a Thanksgiving potluck November 8 at 6:30 p.m. in the Methodist Church basement. The Auxiliary will be honoring its 2010 Girls State representative, Tayllor Gould, as well as the recently returned Veterans in the community.

The Auxiliary will also be having a no-bake bake sale to raise funds to continue activities for Veterans, Girls State and scholarships. Anyone wanting to donate to the sale may leave donations at the Neighborhood Center by November 5. All donations will be accepted and appreciated.