

CITY MANAGER

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had previously voted to spend \$5000 of that as part of a county-wide marketing campaign, leaving the remaining \$13,200 to be given out. It had advertised for ideas to be submitted on use of the funds.

In other business the city:

-Voted to authorize the possible use of eminent domain to secure rights of way for a new state road project in Heppner. If used, the city would acquire land for the Sperry St. bridge project. The state of Oregon requires the right to use eminent domain before it will start on the Sperry St. project, which will involve new city roads.

-Learned that De-Mayo was to meet Feb. 15 with John Chess of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation about the placing of "statuary or art for the memorial park" in Heppner.

-Heard from the fire chief Rusty Estes that Blakes Ranch is moving closer to being annexed into the rural fire district.

-Was informed that the Hager Park renovation is "on schedule" and that the Oregon National Guard will be here in June to work on the park, and that a new four-seat swing set is being purchased. Eight new picnic tables have also been ordered for the park on Hager St. in Heppner.

-Council was told that on Feb. 28 there would be a joint city and county planning commission meeting to consider a partition for Kyle Robinson's property on the hill behind Pioneer Memorial Hospital.

-Learned that city crews repaired a break in a city water main on the corner of Green and Matlock Streets at 5 p.m. last Friday. City crew had the repairs done by 9:30 p.m. that night.

-Heard that the following council members will be up for election next November: John Bowles, Keith Lewis, Cody High and Cindi Doherty; Mayor Les Paustian's position is also up for election.

The following police report was submitted for January:

Traffic-
There was one traffic stop.

A trailer was blocking a road, and the owner was asked to move the trailer.

Heppner resident on OBU honor roll

Heppner resident Lacie Breanne Wagoner, a sophomore psychology major, was named to Oklahoma Baptist University's dean's honor roll for the fall 2011 semester.

Students who achieved a semester grade point average of 3.7 or higher on a 4.0 scale are named to the president's honor roll. Those who achieved a grade point average between 3.4 and 3.69 are listed on the dean's honor roll.

Lexington resident on college dean's list

Sarah Stillman, a 2010 graduate of Ione Community School, has been named to the dean's list at University of Puget Sound for the 2011 fall semester.

Stillman is the daughter of Beryl and Susana Stillman of Lexington.

A member of Puget Sound's class of 2014, Stillman is majoring in international political economy. Activities participated in at Puget Sound include fencing, Kayak Club, Minnesota Club, varsity track and field, and the Phi Eta Sigma National Honor Society. She has also been a member of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

Students named to the dean's list have ranked academically in the top 10 percent of all undergraduates of the college. Each student named earned a 3.80 grade point average or higher.

There were three driving complaints.

A motor vehicle crash was reported, and involved one person being injured.

Code Enforcement-

Twelve animal complaints were reported.

Five cats were transported to Pet Rescue.

A vehicle was inspected.

A resident was contacted about a fire hazard and a blocking RV.

Two noise complaints were received. A deputy made contact with the offender in each incident and resolved the matter.

Theft Complaints-

A person called MCSO and reported an issue regarding obtaining a title to a vehicle. A Deputy made contact with the complainant, and advised it was a civil issue.

A person reported a possible scam. No money was exchanged.

Alcohol was reported taken from the back of a residence.

A computer was stolen from a residence and later located in the garbage.

MCSO received a report of a fuel drive-off from the Chevron station. The complainant reported it was unintentional.

All Other-

A deputy contacted two people regarding a custody dispute. The situation was adjusted by contact.

A person called MCSO and reported they wanted an intoxicated person removed from a residence. The person left the residence prior to the deputy's arrival.

A person called MCSO and reported their relative was being harassed online. A deputy made contact with the people involved and resolved the issue.

A parent reported their adult child missing. The person was located and was fine.

A deputy located an open business door, and secured it.

A person called MCSO and filed a stalking complaint.

MCSO investigated a suicide of an adult.

MCSO investigated two natural cause deaths.

An intoxicated person was trespassed from a local business.

Missionaries to speak at Nazarene Church

The Heppner Nazarene Church will host missionaries Bob and Rosa McCroskey on Saturday, Feb. 18.

The public is invited to fellowship time and a meal of pizza, spaghetti, salad and bread from 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. that evening. The service with the McCroskeys will begin at 7 p.m.

The McCroskeys are global outreach personnel for the Church of the Nazarene in Indonesia, having spent 36 years as missionaries in that country. They started the Indonesia Nazarene Bible College in 1981 and both have continued to minister there in various capacities since then. Their planned presentation includes stories showing how God has been working in Indonesia. During this trip, they promise an exciting story about the planting of a church in a church-resistant area.

Bob was born in southeast Kansas and received bachelor's and master's degrees from Southern Nazarene University in Bethany, OK; he also just completed a doctorate degree in Islamic Studies from Indonesian Evangelical Seminary. He wrote his



Bob and Rosa McCroskey

dissertation on points of similarity between Muslim theology and Wesleyan Arminian theology, which can be helpful in forming bridges of contact and communication between Wesleyans and Muslims. He is also an ordained pastor.

Rosa was born in Texas and received a bachelor's degree in music education from Southern Nazarene University.

The McCroskeys' program is geared toward young children as well as adults, so all children and families are encouraged to attend.

"God called me to be a missionary when I was six and my parents took me to hear a missionary speaker," says Bob McCroskey. "So, I am always excited to have young people in the service."

The McCroskeys have two adult children, Kara and Kent, and four grandchildren.

Shared Ministry Lenten events

Members of the Shared Ministry of All Saints Episcopal Church and Hope Lutheran Church invite the community to their annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, to be held on Tuesday, February 21, in the parish hall at All Saints on the corner of Church and Gale in Heppner. Pancakes and all the trimmings will be served from 5 to 7 p.m. Suggested donation is \$5 per person, \$4 for youth and \$15 for a family. Proceeds from this event help fund local needs through the Shared Ministry's mission and outreach program.

The following day, February 22, Ash Wednesday will be observed at Hope Lutheran Church on the corner of Alfalfa and Cowins, with the imposition

of ashes and the celebration of Holy Communion beginning at 7 p.m.

Wednesdays during Lent, a simple supper of soup and bread will be served at 6 p.m., followed by evening prayer at 7 p.m. Between soup and worship, a video based on Mark Allan Powell's book, "Giving to God: The Bible's Good News about Living a Generous Life," will be shown. The location will alternate between the two churches weekly, with the first of these events being held at All Saints on February 29.

All are welcome to attend any or all of these events. More information about the Shared Ministry is available by calling the church office at 541-676-9970.

Heppner PYBA team ends season



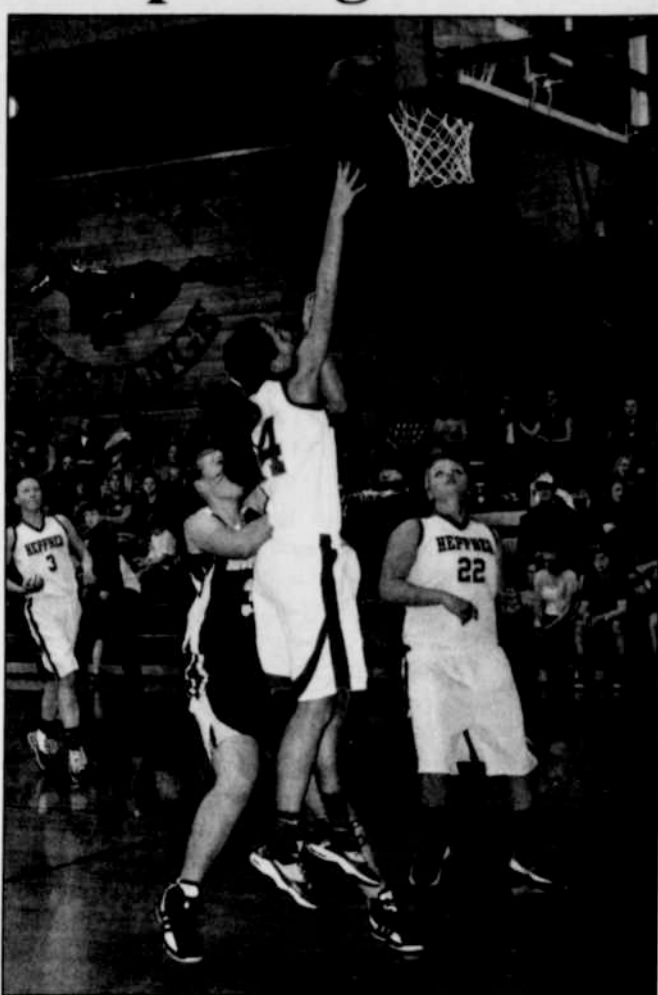
Fourteen Heppner boys finished out their season with a tournament in Heppner on February 12. The team traveled twice weekly to compete in Pendleton Youth Basketball Association games. Back row: Chance Jones, Cason Mitchell, Gibson McCurry, Sabastian Futter, Kellen Grant, Drew Coe. Front row: Gavin Hanna, Reno Ferguson, Carson Brosnan, Casey Fletcher, Kegan Gibbs, Hunter Nicholes. Not pictured: Jordan Sweeney and Hayden Qualls. -Contributed photo

Chamber lunch meeting

The Port of Morrow Commissioners will be the guest speakers at the Heppner Chamber of Commerce lunch meeting on Thursday, Feb. 23 at All Saints Episcopal Church in Heppner. The commissioners will give updates on what is going on at the port and will allow time for questions and discussion. For this week, the lunch meeting will be scheduled from 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Cost of lunch is \$9; Sweet Productions will cater the lunch.

The meeting is open to the public. Those planning to attend chamber lunches are asked to RSVP at 541-676-5536 by the morning before to provide an accurate head count.

Mustang girls end on upswing



Top: Carrie Haguewood shoots for two. Bottom: Stephen Thompson goes over the top during the Mustangs' Feb. 10 game against the Knights. -Photos by Sandy Matthews

During Friday night basketball at Heppner High, the Mustang girls broke their 11-game losing streak in the Blue Mountain Conference by beating the Irrigon Knights 48-39. Appropriately, it was also senior night for the Mustangs.

Back in early December, the girls' team beat the Elgin Huskies in their first league game of the season. Despite a good start to the season, from then on, the girls couldn't find the answers they needed for the win. A new coach, a young team and several injuries challenged every attempt they made to come together as a team. At one point, the ladies had lost eight games by only nine points each. Through it all, they stuck together. Friday night's win was a high point for the seniors and a turning point for the team.

Bailey Bennett and Maggie Collins led scoring for the team with nine points each.

The boys Mustang team executed the offense well on the first half of play against the Knights, but their shooting was cold and they fell behind Irrigon at the half, 41-22. At the end of the game, Heppner had four players in double-digit scoring. They couldn't keep pace with Irrigon, though, and lost to the Knights 66-51.

Justin Pranger led the team with 12 points. Jake Bowles scored 11,

including a half-court shot for three points to end the game. Stephen Thompson and Cam Day both had 10 points for the Mustangs.

With one game remaining in league play, the Mustangs next traveled to Stanfield to play the Tigers on Saturday.

In Stanfield, the girls' varsity basketball team defeated the Tigers 42-32 in the season finale for both teams. Heppner had more points from the line than from the field in the first half, and ended the game 18 for 31 from the stripe. It was a good team win with eight players scoring for Heppner.

With a 3-11 record in conference play this season, the girls failed to make the district tournament this year. The weekend's double wins, though, ended the Mustang season on a positive note.

The boys' varsity team didn't fare as well, losing to the Tigers 61-40, as Stanfield's defense stymied the Mustangs' scoring efforts. Cam Day led the Mustangs in points with 15 for the game.

The Mustangs finish fifth in the BMC with a 5-9 record. They play the Irrigon Knights again this Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. at the district tournament in the convention center in Pendleton. This loser-out game will determine the Mustangs' further fate in districts.

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