

Cultural Coalition awards Cultural Trust funds

Morrow County Cultural Coalition has announced the distribution of Oregon Cultural Trust funds for 2012-2013. The total amount available for Morrow County Projects is \$8,823.37.

The following applications were funded: Boardman Park & Recreation District, FUNtastic Kidz, \$1,000; Morrow County Historical Society, assistance in publishing annual Morrow County Chronicles, \$1,025; North Morrow Community Foundation, artist in residence at Riverside High School, \$525; North Morrow Community Foundation, Missoula Children's Theater Workshop and Hampstead Stage Co., King Arthur Assembly, \$2,585.

Cultural Trust awards must follow state application guidelines, including project description and goals; timelines, participants and budget information. Only in very rare instances will more than

50 percent of a project be funded. Projects funded submit a brief financial report at completion.

To be considered, applications addressed one or more of the following goals: build economic development by integrating arts, culture and heritage into county development efforts; provide financial support for cultural activities for families and youth; increase awareness and respect of our history; improve building preservation; build cultural bridges through partnerships with other cultural commissions to enhance heritage programs, expand outreach and accessibility and showcase opportunities that encourage cultural expressions.

Morrow County Cultural Coalition will accept additional proposals for fiscal year 2012-2013 now through February 1, 2012. For more information, contact Susan Russell at 541-481-4277 or smsel@hotmail.com.

WIND FARM DEDICATION

-Continued from PAGE ONE now producing. Foster said his city will soon require that 30 percent of its power be from renewable sources, and that Shepherds Flats will help fulfill that need.

One of the biggest investors in the project was tech giant Google Inc. who, according to the company, last year invested \$100 million in Shepherds Flat as part of a \$500 million funding round for the project that also included Tyr Energy and Sumitomo

Corp. of America. It was also one of the first clean energy projects to make use of the U.S. Department of Energy's loan guarantee program.

Also speaking to the crowd was Vic Abate, VP of renewables for GE Energy, which built the turbines; Bryan Wolf, Chairman of the Oregon Energy Facility Siting Council; and Les Gelber, President and Chief Operating Officer of Caithness Energy, developer of the project.

Friends of FFA to meet

The first meeting of the school year for Friends of Heppner FFA will be held this Thursday, Sept. 27, at 6 p.m. in the agriculture classroom at Heppner High School. All are welcome to attend.

Local ministry digs clean water



Cherry Webber (R) at this year's first session of First Friday Friends of Jesus, sharing stories about people who lack access to clean water. —Contributed photo

The Shared Ministry of Hope Lutheran Church and All Saints Episcopal Church has been raising money over the last several months to dig a well in one of the thousands of communities around the globe that lack access to safe water.

This project grew out of their pastor's challenge to the congregation on World Water Day in 2011 and again in 2012 to set aside the dollar-a-day that might be spent on bottled water or other luxuries and save it to help provide clean drinking water to people who have none.

A focused effort to raise \$5,000 to dig a well began in March, and that goal is nearly achieved. Children who attend First Friday Friends of Jesus have been encouraged to participate by filling a water jug with coins at the next session, scheduled for Friday, Oct. 5.

According to statistics provided by the United Nations and its related organizations, in many communities around the world, women and children spend a large portion of every day carrying water (in jugs weighing up to 40 pounds each) from the nearest water source, which in some places can be as much as five miles away. Even when water is nearby, it can be

dirty and unsafe to drink because of poor sanitation practices. Access to clean water and adequate sanitation is considered to be the first essential step in raising a community out of poverty.

The Shared Ministry will be working through Living Water International (LWI) to dig a well in rural India. The precise location will be determined when the fundraising goal has been met.

LWI is a faith-based organization that provides the equipment, expertise and education necessary to give thirsty people clean water in Jesus' name. Since its founding in 1990, LWI has completed 10,000 water projects in 26 countries. More information about LWI and the global need for clean water can be found at their website, www.water.cc.

Members of the Shared Ministry have expressed their hope that this will be just the first of many wells the ministry is able to fund. Future projects may include well-digging mission trips, also offered through LWI. Members of the community are invited and encouraged to participate in this ongoing project. More information is available by calling the Shared Ministry office at 541-676-9970.

Kinzua lunch group

The monthly Kinzua lunch group met in Prineville at the Apple Peddler. Those attending were Tom, Marilyn and Bill Ledford; OL and Jean Ann Adams; Pete and Jackie Hester;

Bonnie Campbell; Montell McDonald; Gael Liptak and Marilyn Garcia.

The group will meet at Service Creek on Friday, Oct. 19.

Marriage Licenses

The Morrow County Clerk has issued the following marriage licenses:

September 21: -Travis Lynn Fenstermaker, 41, of Irrigon and Debra Lynn Johnson, 44, of Irrigon.

Environmental assessment begins for Morrow Pacific

Corps continues environmental assessment and determines scope of analysis for Coyote Island Terminal

The Army Corps of Engineers announced last week an environmental review process and scope of analysis for Coyote Island Terminal, LLC, part of the Morrow Pacific project.

Consistent with procedures followed for similar export facilities, the Corps will move forward with an Environmental Assessment (EA) process. Last month Coyote Island Terminal, LLC submitted an updated Environmental Review (ER), which will be utilized by the Corps in preparing the EA. The scope of the review will consider impacts at the location of the proposed dock as well as the associated rail unloading and storage site.

"We look forward to working with the Corps and other entities on this review process and are committed to meeting all state and federal standards. Our Environmental Review, which is published on our website, represents a thorough and transparent evaluation of the project," said Clark Moseley, President and CEO of the Morrow Pacific project.

The decision by the Corps is in keeping with prior processes used to permit similar export and river projects like the EGT Grain Terminal in Longview, WA and the SITran coal rail to barge operation on the Ohio River.

Weed advisory board to meet

Russian Olive presentation to follow regular meeting

Morrow SWCD/Morrow County Weed Advisory Board will hold their regular board meeting at the Port of Morrow on Oct. 2 at 4 p.m. Agenda items include Weed Supervisor report, approval of the September meeting minutes, treasurer's report, status of payment requests, staff reports, USDA lease update and partner reports. Meetings of the district are open to the public.

A Russian Olive control presentation for interested landowners will begin after the board meeting at 7 p.m. at the same location.

The Morrow County office of USDA/NRCS has been approved for a Russian Olive Control project with funding provided by the Environmental Quality Improvement Program (EQIP). EQIP is a voluntary program that provides technical and financial assistance to growers and

landowners who want to install measures to protect the soil, water, air and other natural resources on their working land.

The project area includes farmland and pasture land between Bombing Range Road on the east, Bombing Range on the south, I-84 on the north and the western boundary of sections 14 and 23; land in the Boardman City limits is excluded. Program sign-up and eligibility must be completed by Oct. 31.

The presentation will give an overview of the project area, suggested control actions and explain eligibility requirements for the EQIP program.

For additional information on EQIP or the Russian Olive Control Project, contact Kacee Lathrop, NRCS District Conservationist, at 541-676-5021 x113.

Tri-Cities cancer seminar planned

Workshop aims to help women with early detection of ovarian cancer

Local health workers have announced that a free public seminar to educate the audience on risk associated with ovarian cancer, current screening and early detection tests, and research pointing toward near-future advancements in treatment and diagnostics for ovarian cancer will be held Saturday, Sept. 29, at the Three Rivers Convention Center in Kennewick, WA from 1-4 p.m.

The seminar is designed to be informative to both the general public and health care professionals. Ovarian cancer and breast cancer survivors and individuals interested in the prevention and treatment of ovarian cancer are encouraged to attend.

A panel of six speakers will present, in sequence, topics of their expertise.

The presenters include: Sarah Hall, MS, CGC, Genetic Counselor, Kadlec Regional Medical Centers; Kay Kerbyson, PhD, President and Founder, Ovarian Cancer Together!; Paula Manner, CCRP, Ovarian Cancer Early Detection Screening Program, Rivkin Center; Diane O'Conner, President, Ovarian Cancer National Alliance; M. Corinna Palanca-Wessels, MD, PhD, Researcher, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center; and Tom Rado, MD, PhD, Medical Oncologist, Columbia Basin Hematology & Oncology.

The event is being held by the Marsha Rivkin Center for Ovarian Cancer Research in partnership with the Wanda Jankelson Foundation for Health Care and Research.

Do you receive infusion or injection therapy on a regular basis? If you do and you would like to avoid the cost and hassles of traveling to receive this therapy, Pioneer Memorial Hospital may be able to help you.

In many cases our physicians can work with your doctor to allow you to have your medication administered here, close to home.

Local residents are currently receiving medications to treat Crohn's Disease, Rheumatoid Arthritis, some types of Anemia and other chronic conditions on an out-patient basis at Pioneer Memorial Hospital. IV antibiotic treatment for Osteomyelitis and other conditions is also available at the hospital on an out-patient basis.

We do not administer chemotherapy.

For more information, please contact Director of Nursing Molly Rhea at 541-676-9133.

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