

Heppner Booster Club plans auction



A few of the many items already donated for the Booster Club's auction are on display in the window of Holloman's in Heppner. —Photo by Megan Futter

The Heppner Booster Club will hold its annual steak feed and auction on Oct. 13; donations are welcome.

Items already donated for the event include a Wildhorse getaway package, Willow Creek Country Club single membership, two skybox Duck tickets with parking pass, two Silverwood day passes, one load of gravel delivered within 20 miles, a \$300 gift certificate to Les Schwab, a Heppner softball state championship signed bat, and one ton of large-bale grass or alfalfa hay. Some of the items are on display in the window of Holloman's on Main Street in Heppner.

The mission of the Booster Club is to support the scholastic and athletic achievement of the area's young people. The club makes it possible to purchase items for their continued success that would not otherwise be possible, as well as present four scholarships to graduating seniors each year. Funds generated from the annual steak feed and auction help support these activities.

Anyone with questions regarding the event may contact Kay Fowler, Booster Club President, at 541-314-2038.

COAL DEPOT UPDATE

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Smith said the present goal for the coal project is to start "moving coal by June of 2014."

Smith again, as he has in the past, pointed out the economic benefit not only for Morrow County but also the entire state of Oregon.

He said for every ton of coal shipped through the Port of Morrow, 10 cents will be given to local schools. With the estimated eight million tons shipped each year, that would mean \$800,000 per year for education in Morrow County. There will also be \$1 million in shipping fees going to the Port of Morrow.

Smith also said the project will benefit Oregon as a whole, as 24 barges would be constructed in the Portland area and the entire shipping project will mean

\$200 million in benefit to the state.

Smith said almost all the opposition to the project has so far come from outside Oregon, much of it from the East Coast. Smith reiterated that "not a piece of coal" will touch the ground or the water in the shipping operation.

"You can take care of the environment and build enterprises and create jobs," Smith said.

"The US has 250 years of coal in the Powder Basin," Smith pointed out. "We are the Saudi Arabia of coal and it is clean coal." He said the public comment period on the environmental review would begin shortly and would last 30 to 45 days.

"We are going to ask people to show up," Smith said. "There is going to be busloads of people from outside the area, so we are going to ask local people to show up (at the hearings)."

Legion, Auxiliary to meet

A joint meeting of the American Legion and Auxiliary will be held Tuesday, Oct. 9, at the Heppner United Methodist Church; the event will begin with a potluck at 6:30 p.m.

A special program will include a short talk by Deena Price. Price works with a variety of organizations connected with the Red Cross.

Plans for the year's activities also will be discussed at the meeting, so both new and established members are invited to come and express their ideas.

Over the Tee Cup

The WCCC Ladies last play day was held on Tuesday, Sept. 25.

Members enjoyed a morning of team (Best Ball) play. After play, they held their semi-annual meeting, gave out special awards for the year 2012, and held election of officers for 2013. To close out the day, a luncheon was served by the 2012 officers.

Awards for the play of the day went to the first- and second-place teams. Tied for 1st Gross were: Team of Loa, Lorrene and Laura; and team of Pat E., Carrie and Betty. Tied for 2nd Gross were: Team of Darcee, Suzanne and Jackie; and team of Janice, Karen and Toni.

No winning team claimed to have used the Special Event Rule #2 on holes #5 and #7. Karen Thompson had the only chip-in for the day on #6.

2012 year-end awards

Birdies: 1st (tie), Nancy Propheeter and Virginia Grant

J Chip-in: 1st (tie), Corol Mitchell and Lorrene Montgomery, Ann Elgin and Pat Edmundson

Eclectic: 1st, Tony Nichols

2nd (tie), Carri Grieb and Lorrene Montgomery

Club Championship: Nancy Propheeter

Eddi Skow: Pat Edmundson

A special presentation was made to Pat Edmundson for serving the past two years as the Ladies Club President.

New Officers elected for 2013 were: President, Jackie Allstott; Vice President, Jill Miller; Secretary/Treasurer, Corol Mitchell; and Board Members Darcee Mitchell (2013), Tony Nichols (2014) Pat Edmundson (past president).

WCCC Men's Club news

Thirty-five men played in the annual Men's Club Cross Country Golf Tournament on Sunday, Sept. 23. The tournament was played on the traditional cross-country layout, which stretches the course to a par-69 challenge.

Results were the following:

Gross: 1, Greg Grant, 71; 2, Ron Bowman, 80; and 3, Jim Martin, 81. Net: 1, John Bowles, 66; 2, Stacy Wilson, 70; and 3, Charlie Ferguson, 73. Special events: David Allstott and Greg Grant. Hosts were David Allstott and Dave Gunderson.

Before play, a Men's Club meeting was held, and Duane Disque was elected to a position on the Men's Club Board for a term of five years. Don Eaves was recognized for

his service as the outgoing board member. Officers for the coming year are Matt Scrivner, President; Ron Bowman, Vice President; John Edmundson, Secretary — Treasurer; and Tom Shear and Duane Disque, Members at Large.

The men voted support for continuing monthly special Sunday plays in 2013, including the Par 3 Challenge, the Ryder Cup Matches, the Shootout and the Cross Country. Also, the board will consider organizing a Member/Guest event.

The Wednesday Night Team Play has finished, and the winning teams are the following: 1, John Bowles/Randy Samples; 2, Mike Sweek/John Kilkenny; 3, Kelwayne Hagewood/Mark Schlichting and 4, Rod Wilson/Tim Wright.

Ghost-hunting program coming to Heppner library

Ghost Hunters Northwest (GHNW), an organization that investigates paranormal activities including reported sightings of ghosts, will present a community program, "Project Spooky!" at the Heppner library on Tuesday, Oct. 9, at 6:30 p.m.

The program is free and all ages are invited.

Team members from GHNW will present information on topics such as what ghosts are and the different types of haunts. They will explain and demonstrate the newest cutting-edge technologies and equipment used in investigating paranormal activity, including a few inventions that the team has created to help them in their work.

The one hour "Project Spooky!" program will be followed by a question and answer period with attendees.

Based in Umatilla and headed up by three area correctional officers—GHNW founder, investigator and technology manager Chris McCauley, co-founder and lead investigator Doug Sanders, and investigator

Dusty Wilson—GHNW was formed in 2011 by members who had previously been involved with other paranormal investigating teams.

GHNW's mission is to investigate places where paranormal activities—sightings, sounds, smells, touch—have been reported and to try to find natural explanations for such occurrences. The team uses specialized technology and equipment to document such activities.

GHNW members do not charge clients for their

HES students of the month



Heppner Elementary School has announced the students of the month for September. Top (L-R): Jordan Sweeney, Kenneth Troxell, Brock Hisler, Hunter Nichols, Madelyn Nichols, Jaiden Mahoney and Jacee Currin. Bottom (L-R): Irelynn Kollman, Aubriana Rodriguez, Paul Lindsay, Jack Mathews, Hallee Hisler, Landon Mitchell and McKenna Bray. The character trait for September was self-concept. —Contributed photo

Math students of the month announced



Heppner High School has chosen the following people as students of the month in math: Frederick Tortolani and Kevin Murray for Algebra; John Propheeter and JC Putman in Algebra 2; Jessica Kempken in Geometry and Mallorie Jones in Technical Math. —Contributed photo

Chamber plans candidate forum

Heppner Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a candidate's forum for the Morrow County Commissioner position on Thursday, Oct. 11, during the regular chamber lunch meeting. This forum will be moderated by Bill Kuhn.

Anyone with specific questions is asked to submit

them to Sheryll Bates at the Chamber of Commerce. Attendees also will be given an opportunity to submit questions at the beginning of the luncheon. The public is welcome, but those who would like to have lunch are asked to RSVP to the chamber.

Willow Creek Park District to meet

Willow Creek Park District will hold a regularly scheduled meeting on Oct. 9 at 5:15 p.m. at Heritage Land Co., 278 N Main St. in Heppner. They will be discussing the pool season and the RV park.

Ambulance drivers needed

Volunteer ambulance drivers are needed for Heppner, Boardman and Irrigon. Call Rusty at 541-676-2922 for additional information.

Also, an ambulance drivers' class will be held Sunday, Oct. 14, at 9 a.m. at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner.

Community lunch menu

United Methodist Church members will be serving lunch on Wednesday, Oct. 10, at St. Patrick's Senior Center. The meal will include pork chops, mashed potatoes and gravy, sauerkraut, green salad, apple sauce, hot rolls and apple cobbler. Milk is served at each meal. Suggested donation is \$3.50 per meal. Menu is subject to change.

MEGA Ladies' Night!!
 October 4 6-9 pm
 Everyone invited
 Route 74 Restaurant, Ione

Live Music by Cory Peterson
 Clothing, Jewelry, Handbags,
 Cosmetics and more!

Cocktails, snacks and
LOTS OF FUN!

AMBULANCE DRIVERS CLASS
 SUNDAY
 OCTOBER 14, 2012
 9 A.M. AT PIONEER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
 VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE DRIVERS NEEDED FOR HEPPNER, BOARDMAN, AND IRRIGON
 CALL RUSTY AT 541-676-2922 FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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ATTENTION!
Medicare Open Enrollment
 Every Tuesday 3-5 pm
Hermiston Public Library

Trained SHIBA volunteers will answer your medicare questions & assist you with open enrollment strategies & explain Medicare benefits

Medicare Open Enrollment ends Dec. 7th, so use this opportunity to review the Medicare plan that is right for you.

For more information, 541-667-3502