

2013 RODEO QUEEN

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Maggie Collins was crowned a year ago as the 2012 Fair and OPR Queen, restarting a legacy for Morrow County. Due to funding cuts, the royalty has been cut down from the larger, well-known court to only a queen. Most neighboring counties, fairs and rodeos have opted to have only a queen, which proponents say has worked well. Royalty relies heavily upon their sponsors for official wardrobe, travel expenses and costs of attending multiple functions throughout the west.

Local sponsors for the queen were: MCGG Green Feed, Jan Huddleston, Arobonne Health and Beauty; Petra Payne, Scentsy Consultant; and Amy Haak, Blondee Salon.

Queen Krysten will be participating in the Heppner Parade of Lights on



(L-R): First runner-up Lilly Sandford, 2012 queen Maggie Collins, 2013 queen Krysten Powell and contestant/new pennant bearer Alissa Mashos. —Contributed photo

Nov. 29, Celebrate Heppner Christmas on Dec. 20, the Heppner Town and Country celebration in January and various Chamber of Commerce events in Boardman to introduce herself to county residents.

Her official Queen Coronation Dinner and fundraiser will be held March

2 at the Morrow County Fairgrounds. She says she invites everyone out to all the great activities in the county and especially her coronation—with music, comedy, a prime rib dinner and an auction benefit, planner promise it will be a great night for sure.

2012 Morrow County Fair 4-H Results

A large group of talented 4-H members participated in the 2012 Morrow County Fair. A continuation of results, in alphabetical order, is as follows. (*Editor's note: Due to space constraints, this is a continuation of list begun in previous editions of the Gazette; the remaining results will be published in future editions.*)

Qualls, Hayden: Container, Patio Plant (1 plant), Jr, Red; Junior Judging, Blue; Photography, Landscape, Jr, Blue/Champion; Art, Multiple media, 2-D, Jr, Blue/Champion; Photography, Nature - Plants, Jr, Blue; Art Water Color, Tempera, Blue; Art Acrylic painting, Jr, NS; Photography, Special Effects, Jr, Blue/Champion; Illustrated Talk, Individual, Blue/Champion; Market Lamb, Blue; Junior Sheep Showmanship, Blue; Sheep Herdsmanship, Blue; Educational Display, Jr, Blue.

Qualls, RJ: Science Investigation Display, NS.

Qualls, Sydney: Edu-

cational Display, Int, Blue/Champion; Individual Illustrated Talk, Int, Blue/Reserve; Poetry, Intermediate, Blue; Photography, Special Effects, Int, Blue/Champion; Photography, Nature - Plants, Int, Blue; Market Lamb, Blue; Photography, Nature - Animals, Int, Blue/Reserve; Sheep Herdsmanship, Blue; Intermediate My Favorite Outfit, Blue/Champion; Clothing Basic Skills Level 1 - Garment, Red; Fashion Revue, Ready to Blue/Champion; Fashion Revue, Int, Blue/Reserve; Short Stories, Intermediate, Blue; Potted Herbs, Int, Red; Sheep Showmanship, Int, Blue.

Rauch, Natalie: Beef Showmanship, Sr, Blue/Champion; Beef Herdsmanship, Blue; Senior Judging, Blue; Market Steer, Blue.

Rea, Amanda: Clothing Basic Skills Level 3 - Personal, NS; Quick Bread (Muffin Method), NS; Shorten Cakes, NS; Clothing Basic Skills Level 3, NS; Cookies (Rolled,

Filled), NS; Cookies (Bar, Drop, No Bake), NS; Clothing Basic Skills Level 3 - Outfit, NS; Clothing Basic Skills Level 3, NS.

Rea, Emily: Clothing Basic Skills Level 3, NS; Clothing Basic Skills Level 3, NS; Favorite Recipe Collection, NS; Intermediate Wheat & You, NS; Quick Bread (Biscuit Method), NS; Shorten Cakes, NS; Food, Expanding Division, Syrup, NS; Clothing Basic Skills Level 3, NS.

Reed, Shelby: Photography, Nature - Animals, Jr, NS; Photography Landscape, Jr, NS; Food, Beginning Division, Canned, NS; Photography, People, Jr, NS; Food, Beginning Division, Fruit, NS.

Rodelo, Abel: Swine Showmanship, Int, Blue; Market Hog, Blue; Swine Herdsmanship, Blue; Intermediate Judging, Blue.

Rodelo, Anthony: Market Hog, Blue; Junior Swine Showmanship, Blue; Junior Judging, Blue; Swine Herdsmanship, Blue.

Cardinal basketball schedule

Nov. 30, 2:30 PM (JV Boys) 3:00 PM (V), Ione Basketball Bonanza (Enterprise, Riverside, Pine Eagle) @ Ione.

Dec. 1, 11:30 AM (JV Boys) 1:00 PM (V), Ione Basketball Bonanza (Enterprise, Riverside, Pine Eagle) @ Ione.

Dec. 7, 3:00 PM, Heppner Tournament-Varsity @ Heppner

Dec. 8, 1:00 PM, Heppner Tournament-Varsity @ Heppner

Dec. 14, 6:00 PM @ Arlington (BJV, BV)

Dec. 18, 4:30 PM vs Condon/Wheeler (BJV, GV, BV)

Dec. 21, 2:30 PM @ Riverside (BJV, GV, BV)

Dec. 28, 2:30 PM vs Irrigon (BJV, GV, BV)

Jan. 4, 4:30 PM @ South Wasco (BJV, GV, BV)

Jan. 5, 3:00 PM vs Sherman (1/2BJV, GV, BV)

Jan. 11, 6:00 PM @ Nixyaawii (GV, BV)

Jan. 12, 3:00 PM vs Helix (1/2BJV, GV, BV)

Jan. 15, 5:00 PM vs Glenwood, WA (GV, BV)

Jan. 18, 4:30 PM @ Echo (BJV, GV, BV)

Jan. 19, 4:00 PM vs Arlington (BJV, BV)

Jan. 25, 4:30 PM vs Horizon Christian (BJV, GV, BV)

Jan. 29, 5:00 PM @ Helix (1/2BJV, GV, BV)

Feb. 1, 6:00 PM vs Nixyaawii (GV, BV)

Feb. 2, 2:30 PM @ Condon/Wheeler (BJV, GV, BV)

Feb. 5, 4:30 PM vs

Echo (BJV, GV, BV)

Feb. 8, 3:00 PM @ Central Christian (GV, BV)

Feb. 9, 2:30 PM vs Dufur (BJV, GV, BV)

Feb. 14, 3:00 PM, Big Sky District Tournament @ Hermiston

Feb. 15, 3:00 PM, Big Sky District Tournament @ Hermiston

Feb. 16, 1:00 PM, Big Sky District Tournament @ Hermiston

Feb. 19, Boys 1st Round State Playoffs

Feb. 20, Girls 1st Round State Playoffs

Feb. 22, Boys 2nd Round State Playoffs

Feb. 23, Girls 2nd Round State Playoffs

Feb. 27-Mar. 2, 1A State Tournament @ Baker City

WILDLAND FIREFIGHTERS

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all the equipment, including engines, water tenders and heavy equipment. They covered 15 fires in seven different states—Utah, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Montana, Nevada and California. Length of time on a fire varied from one to 14 days; after 14 days, crew members were required to have two days of rest before jumping back in.

Young is no newcomer to working in the forest; he has been in the logging business 34 years, since 1978. It might be considered a quirk of fate that he found his way into the firefighting business in 1985.

"I brought my middle boy home from the hospital from being born, and they were dropping smoke jumpers into the Johnson Creek area," he says.

The Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) asked for his help, and Young put a Cat and a pumper truck to work on the fire. That eventually led to more involvement fighting wildland fires.

"In the mid 90s, we started putting together water tenders for the Region Six contract with the forest service," says Young. He adds that their crew and equipment are listed nationally, so they are qualified to fight wildland fires anywhere in the Lower 48. While their Region Six contract is with the U.S. Forest Service (USFS), other agencies, such as the ODF or the Bureau of Land Management, can order their services from the USFS database.

Young says his firefighting crew is made up of both long-term employees and summer help.



Part of the Bruce Young Logging wildland firefighting crew (L-R): Bruce Young, Jonathan Hendricks, Jay Rusher, Frank Osmin, Steve Rhea, Matt McLaren, Tonja Lemmon and Paul Arbogast. —Contributed photo

"I cross-train my whole logging crew," he says, "and then bring in several retired gentleman and college students that help us on the fires and the logging through the summer, also."

Young says the minimum age for his firefighters is 18 but there is no set maximum.

"There isn't any age they can't do it if they're physically fit enough (to pass the tests)." Different tests for knowledge and physical endurance are required depending on the firefighter's role; not only do the tests require knowledge, but several of them are also physically rigorous.

"They have to have a minimum of a four-day class to work an engine or tender," Young explains. "Engine bosses have to complete 15-20 minimum days of classes. They have to be trained to handle these dangerous situations."

All of the training is part of the nature of the job...a dangerous job that takes skill and stamina.

"Yes, it's dangerous."

says Young. "During a typical fire, we'll work with heavy bombers, planes dropping water, helicopters dropping water buckets. Our crews have seen a lot of different action over the years."

Young's 2012 crew consisted of 17 members. Those crew members included: Bruce Young, engine boss and heavy equipment operator; Luke Young, equipment boss; Matt McLaren, engine boss and equipment operator; Steve Rhea, engine boss; Paul Arbogast, lowboy driver and water tender operator; Frank Osmin, water tender and lowboy operator; Jay Rusher, water tender; Robert Burrell, lowboy driver; Jared Hedman, Alex Pickles, Justin Pranger, Jordan Wright, Jonathan Hendricks, Brian Taylor and Matt Garrett, all firefighter II; and Tonja Lemmon and Connie Aragon, "crew coordinators" who worked to support the crew from the office as well as transporting fresh firefighters to field and taking parts to the crew.

Heppner basketball schedules

Varsity boys

Nov 30, 7:30pm vs Heppner
Dec 14, 7:30pm vs Stanfield
Dec 15, 5:30pm @ Pilot Rock
Dec 18, 7:30pm @ Imbler
Dec 21, 7:30pm vs Weston-McEwen
Dec 22, 5:30pm @ Union

Jan 4, 7:30pm @ Grant Union
Jan 8, 6:30pm @ Irrigon
Jan 11, 7:30pm vs Elgin
Jan 12, 5:30pm vs Enterprise
Jan 19, 5:30pm vs Pilot Rock
Jan 19 7:30pm @ Stanfield

Jan 25, 7:30pm @ Weston-McEwen
Jan 26, 5:30pm vs Union
Jan 29, 6:30pm vs Irrigon
Feb 1, 7:30pm vs Grant Union (Heppner)
Feb 8, 7:30pm @ Enterprise
Feb 9, 5:30pm @ Elgin

Varsity girls

Nov 30, 6pm vs Imbler
Dec 14, 6pm vs Stanfield
Dec 15, 4pm @ Pilot Rock
Dec 18, 6pm @ Imbler
Dec 21, 6pm vs Weston-McEwen

Dec 22, 4pm @ Union
Jan 4, 6pm @ Grant Union
Jan 8, 6pm @ Irrigon
Jan 11, 6pm vs Elgin
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Jan 29, 6pm vs Irrigon
Feb 1, 4pm vs Grant Union
Feb 8, 6pm @ Enterprise
Feb 9, 4pm @ Elgin

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