

## Mustangs falter short of state Heppner loses quarterfinals match 21-6

Dreams of a state championship ended for the Heppner Mustang football team when they fell to the Portland Christian Royals in a quarterfinals match last Saturday, Nov. 17.

The Mustangs put up a fight, but ended up being defeated by the visitors 21-6.

The Mustangs' only point for the game came in the third quarter, when quarterback Stephen Thompson (#7) handed the ball to #24 Mustang Aidan Wright at the 4; Wright ran the ball to the endzone for a one-yard gain and the team's only touchdown that afternoon.

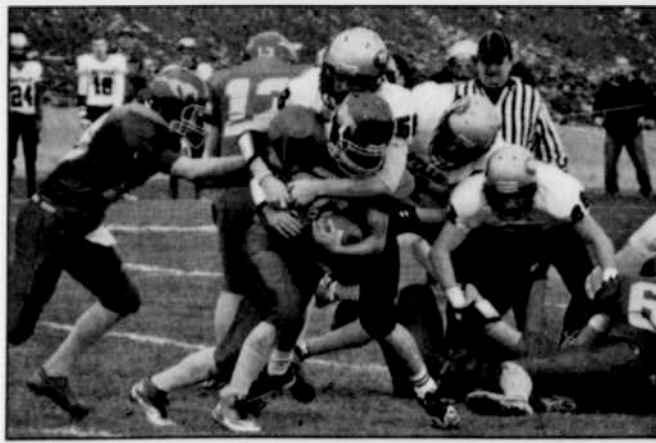
Game stats are:

Portland Christian: 7, 7, 0, 7: 21

Heppner: 0, 0, 6, 0: 6

### Mustang Offense

Stephen Thompson, 9 yds  
Aidan Wright, 78 yds, 6 pts  
Earl Propheter, 73 yds  
Brian Rill, 12 yds  
Tommy Bredfield, 22 yds



Top: Senior Earl Propheter (#26) holds onto the ball as he fights his way through the press with the help of fellow Mustang blockers during the quarterfinals game last Saturday. Bottom: Senior Aidan Wright (#24) pushes through while Senior Bryce Fowler (#68) clears the way. -Photos by Sandy Matthews

## HHS holds red ribbon week

Red Ribbon Week was held on Oct. 29 through Nov. 1 for students at Heppner Junior/Senior High School.

The main focuses were on topics such as drug and alcohol use and the consequences of the two. The importance of abstinence of drug and alcohol use and how staying away from these things could better students' futures was stressed throughout the

week. Wristbands, pencils and candy with "Just Say No to Drugs!" slogans printed on them were handed out to the student body. Students also signed a pledge to be drug free.

On Wednesday, Oct. 31, ASB officers held an assembly regarding drug and alcohol abuse. They showed a short clip that expressed the potential dangers of drug and alcohol use. They also performed a short skit

to the student body to show them how easy it really is to "Just say no." Also, the ASB used the student body as examples of the statistics for students who abuse drug and alcohol use.

"This presentation and other activities throughout the week impacted students of Heppner about how to live drug and alcohol free," said a student body representative.

## NEW COUNCIL MEMBERS

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Bachelor of Science degree in agriculture and has eight years previous city council experience, as well as several years with the Willow Creek Park District.

John A. Bowles won reelection to the council spot he held.

Bowles, 40, moved to Heppner in 2001 from Forest Grove, where he was a general contractor. He says he made the move because he really liked Heppner, decided it would be a great place to raise children and made Heppner his home. Bowles has been employed by the Morrow County Sheriff's Office since February of 2002. Bowles' prior government experience includes his current stint as a Heppner City Councilor since 2006, as well as positions on the Utilities Commission, Personnel Commission and the Police Commission.

He and his wife, Kristen, have three children, Latosha, Alex and Jake, all

graduates of Heppner High School.

Corey P. Sweeney won the council position previously held by Cody High, who did not run for reelection but instead ran an unsuccessful campaign for county commissioner.



John Bowles



Corey Sweeney

Sweeney, 39, was born and raised in Heppner. He spent two years at Blue Mountain Community College studying human resources and was a 1999 graduate of Northwest Lineman College.

He and his wife, Brandi, have two sons, Kane and

Jorden, who attend school in Heppner.

Dale Bates won the seat previously held by Keith Lewis, who did not run for reelection.

Bates, 57, was born in Heppner but raised in Condon, returning to Heppner for a job opportunity with CenturyLink. He holds an associate's degree in electronics from United Electronics Institute, as well as "35 years of live experience working."

He and his wife, Sherryll, have several children who live outside the area, but he says his parents remain in Condon, where they have ranches for several decades.



Dale Bates

## Community lunch menu

Heppner United Methodist Church members will be serving lunch on Wednesday, Nov. 28, at St. Patrick's Senior Center. The meal will include scrambled eggs with ham, bacon or sausage; hash browns; apple salad; biscuits and gravy; cinnamon rolls; and tomato juice. Milk is served at each meal. Suggested donation is \$3.50 per meal. Menu is subject to change.

## A View from the Hill

By Doris Brosnan

Jack-o-lanterns may be out-of-sight-out-of-mind until next Halloween, but pumpkins will be a feature on the Willow Creek Terrace dining tables this week. Residents and guests will enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving dinner at noon on Thursday, so pumpkin pie will be a "must."

Halloween brought some pleasant and entertaining moments with eight Heppner Day Care preschoolers, as they partied with the residents by decorating the pumpkins that went home with them, playing an eat-a-ghost game, singing some songs, and eating some treats. And the residents and staff enjoyed treating the few ghosts and goblins who braved a visit on Halloween evening.

Residents and Staff will host about sixteen guests on Thanksgiving Day, while seven residents plan to join their families elsewhere for the day of thanks and feasting.

November has been and will continue to be a month of many special observances, some solemn and some silly. Discussing favorite authors started the month off right for the readers, and on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, residents could reminisce about the Sadie Hawkins days of their pasts. Election Day was taken seriously, as were the debates, with several residents watching election returns closely. Eleven residents attended the Veterans Day celebration at Heppner High School. Residents always appreciate the program that HHS puts together in tribute to the

retired military. The Community on the Hill is proud of veteran-residents Bud Batty, Dean Gilman, Marge Burgess, and Bob Hickerson. Old Wives' Tales on the 16<sup>th</sup> presented opportunities for entertaining conversations. This week is designated National Bible Week and Family Week, so some serious discussions are surely taking place.

The lighter and tastier side of November celebrations includes Vanilla Cupcake Day (10<sup>th</sup>), National Peanut Butter Fudge Day (22<sup>nd</sup>), National Cake Day (26<sup>th</sup>), French Toast Day (28<sup>th</sup>), Chocolates Day (29<sup>th</sup>). Great opportunities in the dining room!

An important special day on the day after Thanksgiving will be Mary Eleanor Gilliam's birthday. Terrace neighbors will enjoy sharing that day and a special lunch with the birthday girl.

Such a party-celebration will surely appeal to a new neighbor, Bob Hickerson, who moved in on November 10 and exudes a playful, positive attitude. Bob lived for some time at the St. Pat's Senior Apartments and is a familiar face at the senior center Bingo games on Tuesdays.

Bob brings to the Terrace his interest in playing Bridge and is eager to have guests join him at the card table. This Wednesday included a plan for him and Terrace neighbor Liz Buehler to add a table of Bridge to the weekly gathering of Pinochle players who join Elvina Padberg. Room allows for more than one table of each game, so

interested players of both games are encouraged to call 676-0004 and get in on afternoons of bidding and finessing.

Manager George Nairns reports that "the Christmas decorations will come down from the attic on the 26<sup>th</sup>!" Apparently that will mark the beginning of thoughts shifting to the holiday spirit of December. As soon as the decorations have been examined and a plan made, the residents and staff will be able to deck the halls, and volunteers can become involved. When the residents work on a Christmas craft, volunteers will again be welcomed, and the tree-trimming on December 6 will be another opportunity for volunteers to have a good time with residents. (After the tree-trimming, everyone will get to enjoy some homemade soup and bread!) Interested persons can call 676-0004 to learn the times and dates, and other details, for all these festive occasions.

Volunteers and guests are important at the Terrace, as are the donations that come from many local individuals. This past month has seen garden-harvest gifts from the Odd Fellows, Tom and Teresa Bedortha, Shirley Rugg, and Gerald and Leann Rea. Anita Bailey has donated more supplies, as well.

The "Welcome" mat is out every day at Willow Creek Terrace, and residents view the coming of the winter holidays as a great opportunity for many friends and family to come across that mat and sit awhile.

## Special youth elk hunt held

The Morrow/Grant County Off Highway Vehicle Park (MGC OHV) hosted a special spike-only second season elk youth hunt Nov. 3-11. This hunt was through an application/draw system that encourages outdoor family recreation. This special hunt was designed as a way for the park to give back to Morrow and Grant county residents as, without their initial support, this park would not have been possible.

This year there were six applicants from across Morrow County and one from Grant County. All seven applicants were drawn and were sent packets with information pertaining to the hunt. The weather was cool with snow showers throughout the season. A few reports from those who participated said that they saw signs or other animals, but no elk.



Most participants in the recent OHV youth elk hunt had no luck bagging an elk, but Railey Namitz from John Day (top) was an exception, with her first elk shot during the hunt. -Contributed photos

Railey Namitz from John Day, however, not only saw animals but was fortunate enough to get her first elk at the park. Joe Zellars from Boardman also tagged his first bull elk this season, although not at the OHV Park.

"This is a wonderful

program for area youth and we hope that more will take advantage of the program in the future," says one event planner. "Park staff wishes to thank all those that helped with this program and send congratulations to Railey and Joe on their first elk."

## Wanted: Students for expense-paid East Coast trip

Odd Fellows and Rebekahs offer United Nations educational pilgrimage for youth

The local Odd Fellows and Rebekah lodges of Umatilla and Morrow counties are sponsoring a student for an expense-paid trip to the East Coast for the summer of 2013.

To be included in this contest, students must be 16 or 17 years old on July 1, 2013. They must also have at least one year of high school left.

Students also must turn

in an essay of at least 500 words on the topic, "What influence does the United Nations have on medical care for children?"

The speak-off is scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 2, at 2 p.m. in the Pendleton Odd Fellows Hall, located at 19 SW Dorion. Deadline for registering to compete will be Friday, Nov. 30.

The trip usually leaves the last week in June and lasts 13 days. This is an expense-paid trip, but students will need their own spending money.

Register with Marguerite Maznaritz in Pendleton, phone 541-276-2853, fax 541-278-2916, or PO Box 69, Pendleton, OR 97801. For website info, email sandtrey@yahoo.com.

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