

## Youth entrepreneur wins award from small business administration

Eastern Oregon University Small Business Development Center announced this week that Caitlynn Bailey, a high school student from Heppner, has received the "Entrepreneurial Spirit Award" from the Small Business Administration.

Bailey, a youth entrepreneur and client of Eastern Oregon University Small Business Development Center, was nominated by EOU SBDC Director Greg Smith and was selected for the award at the 2013 SBA Small Business Week Awards Luncheon. The event was held Monday, May 20, at the Portland Art Museum, with Governor Kitzhaber addressing all of the award recipients.

"Congratulations to Caitlynn Bailey for receiving the 'Entrepreneurial Spirit Award.' Young entrepreneurs like her are at the heart of Oregon's future. Caitlynn's hard work and dedication are an example for anyone seeking to start their own business," said Governor Kitzhaber.

Bob Davies, President of Eastern Oregon University said, "Congratulations to Miss Bailey on receiving this fantastic award. The Small Business Development Center located within Eastern Oregon University is an important resource for all entrepreneurs, and I wish this impressive young business owner continued success with all of her future endeavors."

Smith said, "I cannot tell you how impressed I am with Caitlynn. It's one thing to have an idea, talent or passion for something, but it takes a strong work ethic and determination to bring about success. She is very deserving of the 'Entrepreneurial Spirit Award.'" Bailey started her business, Caitlynn Bailey's Breads, during the summer of 2011, as an eight-grader. While many of her peers spend their vacation time sleeping in and relaxing, Caitlynn begins a rigorous schedule—one that lasts every week throughout the entire summer. Each day of the week—yes, all seven of them—has its own task. On Sunday, she purchases her ingredients. Monday through Thursday she gets up early and bakes all day. Early Friday morning she arrives at the farmers market in Heppner and is usually completely sold out in about an hour and a half. On Saturday she spends her time taking inventory and preparing for the next week.

When asked about winning the award, Bailey said, "I am just so grateful to my parents and my community for supporting me. It's an amazing honor to win this award and I am so excited. I appreciate the help from Greg Smith and from so many other people. Thank you! Having my best friend, Rylee Kollman, at

Greg Smith, Rylee Kollman, Chris Bailey, Caitlynn Bailey and Jeff Bailey at the SBA Small Business Week Awards Luncheon. -Contributed photo



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the awards luncheon was also great."

Like all wise business owners, Caitlynn Bailey carefully balances her business with her other important responsibilities including those to her family, as a student, an athlete, and to multiple other extracurricular activities. "I am seeing the benefit of the experience and knowledge I've gained through my business apply to so many areas of my life. I've been learning so much," said Caitlynn.

"The Port of Morrow strongly supports our youth and I congratulate Miss Bailey on this award," said Gary Neal, General Manager for the Port of Morrow.

## Heppner students win at wind turbine design challenge

Heppner Jr./Sr. High School technology students recently participated in a wind turbine design challenge. Students researched, designed and built scaled wind turbines to generate electricity. The turbines were required to fit in a four-foot-by-four-foot space.

Wade Matthew took first place in the high school division, and Shane Miles took second place. Bryan Fowler won first place in the middle school division. Cash prizes and trophies were awarded to each.



Heppner wind-turbine design winners (L-R) Bryan Fowler, Shane Miles and Wade Matthew. -Contributed photo

"This was an excellent engineering challenge. The students had to do extensive problem solving to get each turbine working properly," says teacher and advisor Dave Fowler.

Nearly 80 Heppner students learned the basics of wind-turbine design.

## Local grads earn OSU degrees

CORVALLIS, OR—Two Heppner graduates will be among an estimated 5,267 students who will receive degrees this spring from Oregon State University, which will hold its 144th annual commencement ceremony on Saturday, June 15, at Reser Stadium on campus. The ceremony begins at 10:30 a.m.

Laurie L. Murray will receive her four-year Doctor of Pharmacy degree in pharmacy; Sherilyn M. Peck will graduate Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in crop and soil science.

Other county graduates include:

From Boardman, Ruben Mendoza, Master of Science, animal science; and Leticia Rodriguez, Bachelor of Science, human development and family sciences.

From Irrigon: Patrick W. Barron, Bachelor of Science, agricultural sciences; Julio Orozco, Bachelor of Arts, history; Isaac Rivera, Bachelor of Science, zoology; Tamra J. Tovey, Bachelor of Fine Arts, applied visual arts.

OSU's commencement speaker is Brigadier Gen. Julie A. Bentz, who is a 1986

graduate of OSU, where she received a ROTC commission and a degree in radiological health. Bentz is the first female officer from the Oregon Army National Guard to achieve the rank of general.

This is the largest class to graduate from OSU, which has seen record enrollments for several years. Despite the enormous class, OSU students will receive their actual diploma from OSU President Edward J. Ray and other officials.

More information is available at: <http://oregonstate.edu/events/commencement/>

## Health district welcomes new CEO

By April Sykes  
(See related story, "Health district under new leadership," PAGE ONE.)

Newly-hired Morrow County Health District administrator Daniel Grigg attended his first board meeting as CEO Monday night.

"Thank you for the warm welcome," said Grigg, who added that the district administrator's house "is beautiful." Grigg said his family was planning to come to Heppner this week-

end to visit him and get to know the community. The family is planning to move to Heppner after school is out in Salem, where Grigg's children attend school.

Also during the meeting, the board approved the purchase of a reconditioned Chevy ambulance for \$119,891 from Arrow, Rock Rapids, Iowa, as presented by Rusty Estes, MCHD Emergency Medical Services coordinator. Estes, who is also the Heppner Fire Chief, said he was

"happily shocked" with the price of the ambulance, as he anticipated it would be in the neighborhood of \$140,000-\$144,000.

Completion of the ambulance will be 90-120 days after the receipt of the chassis and the deposit, according to Arrow's proposal. Estes said that he and another will drive the ambulance back from Rock Rapids.

The new ambulance will go to Irrigon, with lone getting top priority to receive a replacement

vehicle.

In other business during the meeting, the board held a public hearing on the proposed 2013-14 budget and received no comment from the public.

Grigg on several wrap-up projects to complete the newly remodeled Irrigon Medical Clinic. Grigg said he anticipates scheduling an open house for the community in June.

Grigg learned from Grigg that he had met with most of the district's management,

staff, physicians and board members. He said that his next priority is to meet with community members and commented on the importance of representing the district and getting to know people in the area.

Grigg discussed putting a supplemental levy before the voters and decided, upon recommendation by board Chair Larry Mills, to wait until next spring to put it on the ballot. The board has previously discussed the importance of passing the additional levy

for the district's continued financial success, especially with looming uncertainties, such as the consequences of ObamaCare and the future of Medicare and Medicaid reimbursements.

Grigg briefly discussed physician recruitment.

Grigg received a preliminary draft profit/loss statement for April from Chief Financial Officer Nicole Mahoney, which showed \$677,935 in gross patient revenue, minus \$15,238 in bad debts and \$4,452 in contractual and other adjustments; plus \$116,118 in tax revenue and \$34,455 in other operating revenue for \$808,817 in total operating revenue; \$720,277 in total operating expenses and a \$10,578 non-operating gain for a \$99,119 profit for the month.

Grigg received the following report: Pioneer Memorial Hospital had three admissions for the month, four swing bed admissions, eight admitted for observation, two swing nursing facility admissions, 537 total outpatients, 55 emergency room encounters, 1,820 lab tests, 86 X-ray procedures, 36 CT scans, 32 EKG tests, one treadmill procedure, eight colonoscopy procedures, 11 respiratory therapy procedures; Home Health had 122 patient visits; Hospice had one admission; Pharmacy had 1,065 drug doses for \$88,727 in drug revenue; Pioneer Memorial Clinic had 418 patient visits with 25 new patients, 28 seen by a nurse and seven no-shows; Irrigon Medical Clinic had 201 patient visits, 22 new patients, 35 seen by a nurse and six no-shows; Heppner Ambulance had 25 page-outs with 24 transports for \$28,332 in revenue; Boardman Ambulance had 28 page-outs with 20 transports for \$27,247 in revenue; Irrigon Ambulance had 18 page-outs with 12 transports for \$14,428 in revenue; there were six flights.

## FAIRGROUNDS WATER

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The water system in the fairgrounds area (see accompanying map) will be reconstructed over the next few months. In order to expedite the project, the water has been turned off to the fairgrounds area and portable restrooms will be placed for employee use. The rodeo area is not to be

part of the water system reconstruction project.

"The Morrow County Court, Morrow County Fair and Morrow County Public Works are asking for the cooperation and understanding of the public during this process," said a county statement. "For the safety of all involved, the public is requested to please avoid

this construction area."

Morrow County Public Works is the project manager for the work. If anyone has an event scheduled at the Morrow County Fairgrounds between May 15 and August 1, 2013, and has not already been contacted, they are asked to contact Sandi Putman at the Morrow County Public Works

Office at 541-989-9500. Putman is also the person to contact if with other questions or concerns about the project.

"Morrow County apologizes for the inconvenience to individuals and the community, however, time is of the essence and the project needs to be completed before our celebra-

tion of the 100th anniversary of the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo, 'Harvesting 100 Years of Memories at the Morrow County Fair,'" continued the county press release. "The understanding and cooperation of the event organizers that have changed their plans on such short notice is truly appreciated."



### 8th Annual Youth Fishing Derby

Free

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and Morrow County Parks



are sponsoring a **FREE YOUTH FISHING DERBY**



**Where:** Cutsforth Park

**When:** Saturday, June 1, 2013

**Start Time:** 8:30 am

**End Time:** 11:00 am

For children 14 years old and younger

**Address:** 58430 Willow Creek Rd., Heppner, Oregon

For more information contact Betty Gray at the Morrow County Public Works Office (541) 989-8214

