

Bank of EO employees teach local children to save

Brianna Peterson, teller, and Debbie Young, loan servicing clerk, from Bank of Eastern Oregon's Heppner branch, gave a savings lesson to kindergarten through third-grade students at Heppner Elementary School. This is the eighth year BEO participated in the American Bankers Association Education Foundation's Teach Children to Save Program.

Sharon Rietmann, branch manager, and Taranna Patton, customer service representative, from the lone branch, gave the savings lesson to kindergarten through third graders at the lone Community School.

Bank of Eastern Oregon employees joined thousands of bankers across the country who traded in their balance sheets for black-

boards to help fill the need for financial education.

"Studies show that kids aren't learning the skills they need to make smart financial decisions as adults," said Jeff Bailey, president and CEO. "Communities and schools teach other life skills, but we don't spend enough time teaching financial skills. Bankers were in the schools during April to help fill that gap and prepare future customers for financial success."

A significant number of schools were reached by the staff of Bank of Eastern Oregon in the Eastern Oregon rural communities it serves.

"We use our previously announced partnership with Everfi Financial Literacy program to further enhance the financial education of

the youth in our area," added Bailey.

The lessons taught included activities about the concept of saving, how interest makes money grow, how to budget, and determining needs and wants. Bank of Eastern Oregon's employees visited a total of 19 elementary schools in its local banking communities. Along with the lessons, employees presented these 1,400 students with a BEO mini flashlight.

Since the American Bankers Association Education Foundation's National Teach Children to Save Day began in 1997, thousands of bankers have taught money skills to more than one million students.

Bank of Eastern Oregon offers the following

tips to help parents make every day "Savings Day":

-Help kids open up their own bank savings account and make deposits regularly. Many banks have children's accounts that have no fee or minimum-balance requirements.

-Make going to the bank fun; some banks have kids' clubs where members get newsletters or receive balloons when they make a deposit.

-Kids love to get mail, so encourage them to keep an eye out for their quarterly statement.

-Talk to your child about the family budget. Include a discussion on wants and needs. Reinforce this by budgeting for a family outing or purchase.

-While children know



Lone BEO branch teller Taranna Patton with first- and second-grade students from Lone Community School during Teach Children to Save Day. -Contributed photo

that money doesn't grow on trees, they may think it comes out of a wall. Show them how an ATM machine works and explain that to take money out of the bank you must first put it in.

-Give your kids positive feedback. As they get older, give them responsi-

bility over how they spend their money.

The ABA Education Foundation's National Teach Children to Save Day is held every April, when thousands of bankers make presentations to students on the importance of saving for their future.

MCSO ADOPTS BUDGET

-Continued from PAGE ONE candidates for the Irrigon Elementary and Riverside High School principal positions.

Superintendent Dirk Dirksen also introduced newly-hired Morrow County Health District CEO Dan Grigg, who was in attendance at the meeting.

Also at the meeting, the board adopted and appropriated funds for a budget of more than \$30 million for the 2013-14 school year.

-general fund: appropriations included \$12,445,358 for instruction, \$7,651,138 for support services, \$1,013,767 for transfers, \$750,000 for contingency and \$250,000 for the unappropriated ending fund balance for a total of \$21,860,263.

-special revenue funds: appropriations included \$2,144,860 for instruction, \$1,008,589 for support services; \$1,003,630 for enterprise and community for a total of \$4,157,079.

-debt service: appropriations included \$2,421,885 in debt services; \$300,000 for transfers; \$686,250 for unappropriated ending fund balance for a total of \$2,721,885.

-capital outlay: \$445,000 for facility usage.

-total appropriations, all funds; \$29,184,227.

-total unappropriated amounts: \$936,250.

-total adopted budget: \$30,120,477.

The permanent tax rate is \$4.0342 per thousand of assessed value and \$1 per thousand for the local option tax.

The board also ratified contracts with the Morrow County Education Association, the Oregon School

Employees Association and confidential employees.

Superintendent Dirk Dirksen said that each of the contracts included a three-percent raise. Contracts with the MCEA and OSEA also included a \$60 increase for those employees' insurance cap.

The contract with the MCEA budget is through June 30, 2017; the contract with OSEA is through June 30, 2018.

In other business the board:

-approved the 2013-14 substitute teacher pay rate at \$170.76 per day.

-approved an agreement with the Morrow County Recreation District.

-approved the following employment action: resignations/retirements for Carletta Hughes, Windy River Elementary assistant cook; Brian Bigham, A.C. Houghton Elementary/Irrigon Elementary PE teacher; Robert Elizondo, Riverside High School principal; Michelle Raible, Sam Boardman Elementary kindergarten teacher; Karen Smith-Griffith, Heppner Elementary teacher; Dawn Dyer, SBE department secretary; Jack McElligott, Irrigon Junior/Senior High; employment promotions/transfers for Matthew Matz, transferred from IES to SBE as elementary principal; Pat King, teacher for 2013-14/PERS retiree; Triston Holeccheck, RHS math teacher; Trevor Pike, RHS language arts teacher.

-approved the following 2013-14 extra duty contracts (Heppner schools listed only):

-Heppner High School-Janelle Ellis, assistant softball coach; Greg Grant,

athletic director, head football coach, head golf coach; Virginia Grant, half-time cheerleading coach; Ken Grieb, assistant boys' basketball coach; Jim Kindle, assistant boys' baseball coach; Mark Lemmon, head wrestling coach; Melissa Lindsay, assistant girls' basketball coach; Troy Morgan, head baseball coach; Kevin Payne, assistant football coach; Les Payne, assistant football coach; Katelyn Page, assistant track coach; Petra Payne, head softball coach; Jeremy Rosenbalm, assistant football coach, head boys' basketball coach; Dieter Waite, head volleyball coach; Jeromy Wilson, head girls' basketball coach; vacant-head

track coach, assistant volleyball coach.

-Heppner Junior High School-Chad Doherty, assistant football coach; Mike Ehrsam, assistant boys' basketball coach, Katelyn Page, head girls' basketball coach, Larry Palmer, head wrestling coach, assistant track coach; Jesse Rodriguez, assistant volleyball coach; John Qualls, head track coach; Anna Wedding, assistant girls' basketball coach; Mindy Wilson, head volleyball coach; vacant-head football coach, head boys' basketball coach.

-approved the following extra-duty non-coaching positions (Heppner schools listed only): Hepp-

ner Elementary-Melissa Coiner, head teacher, Mary Ann Elguezabal, English Language Learner site coordinator; vacant-DART, TAG coordinator; Heppner High School-Rick Drake, band; Greg Grant, head teacher; Virginia Grant, half-time rally advisor; John Flaherty, DART, TAG; Jeremy Rosenbalm, annual; Jolene Stensland, drama (one play only).

-designated annual organizational details.

-approved resolutions as follows: to authorize the county treasurer to invest district funds; to declare miscellaneous surplus property for items under \$500; to accept \$5,000 in unanticipated revenue from the

Wildhorse Foundation to Irrigon Elementary; and for a committed fund balance.

-approved the following 2013-14 school board calendar: July-no meeting; August 12-District Office, Heppner Elementary School; September 9-Windy River Elementary, Boardman; October 14-Irrigon High School; Nov. 12 (Tuesday)-Heppner High School; December 9-Sam Boardman Elementary; January 13-Morrow Education Center, Irrigon; February 10-Irrigon Elementary; March 10-Heppner High School; April 14-Riverside High School, Boardman; May 12-A.C. Houghton Elementary, Irrigon; June 9-District Office-HES.

Sign commemorates Heppner Flood

This Friday, June 14, is the Celebrate Heppner event. It also marks the 110th anniversary of the event that nearly demolished the town...the 1903 Heppner Flood.

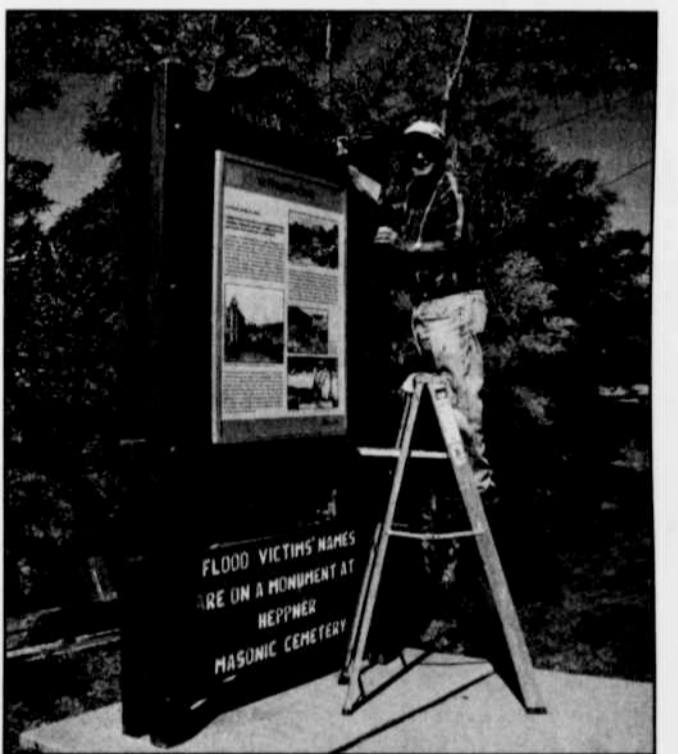
The flood itself has passed out of living memory and now lives only in legend. One way the memory of the devastation is kept alive for future generations is through the sign placed at the pull-out by Heppner's Heritage Plaza.

The sign's personal history began several years ago when local residents, John Edmundson and the late Marcia Sweek, were members of the Morrow County Tourism Committee. When they found out from the Oregon Travel Information Council that grant funds were available to rehabilitate existing Oregon History "Beaver" signs, or to support instal-

lation of new signs, Sweek and Edmundson agreed that Heppner's most significant historical event was the 1903 flood.

Sweek, who was also the Morrow County Museum Director at that time, assembled the information and pictures that were put on the proposed new sign and secured the financial resources that resulted in the successful completion of the project. After installation, Edmundson did maintenance on the sign, tightening the bolts and applying fresh coats of paint as needed.

Ten years ago, with the commemoration of the 100-year anniversary of the Heppner Flood, Edmundson arranged with Bob DeSpain to add lettered boards to the bottom of the sign, which directed people to the Masonic Cemetery and the monument there,



Heppner man John Edmundson freshens up the sign commemorating the 1903 Heppner Flood prior to the 110th anniversary of the historic event. -Contributed photo

which lists the names of flood victims. The City of Heppner also supported the project by construction of a permanent concrete base for the sign.

Marriage Licenses

The Morrow County Clerk has issued the following marriage licenses:

June 6: -Larrie Brent Duff, 37, of Boardman and Kocus Gina Spurgeon, 33, of Boardman.



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4-H members learn cake decorating



Yvonne Morter of Y & M Cakes in Lone demonstrated a number of cake-decorating tips to 4-H food club members recently. Pictured (clockwise from bottom right) are members Aaron Smythe, Morgan Orem, Renee Peterson, and Malinda Morter. Club members enjoyed putting into action what they'd learned by decorating cupcakes to eat and take home. -Contributed photo

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