

Dinner at cemetery a success



A good crowd turned out for a warm and sunny dinner at the cemetery last Friday, June 14, as part of the Celebrate Heppner event. The Dinner-at-the-Cemetery Players performed "Memories of the Flood" at—you guessed it—the Heppner Masonic Cemetery. Pictured (L-R) are performers Zech Hintz, Tim Dickenson, Brian Kollman, Janet Greenup and Sheridan Tarnasky. —Photo by David Sykes

SANDFORD MISS OHSR

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 raffle tickets for a cut and wrapped whole pig, and the winner will be announced July 4 at the Lone Fourth of July celebration."

Sandford said the raffle winner does not need to be present to win. Tickets are one for \$5 or 5 for \$20. Mike's mobile slaughter donated the cut and wrap.

Sandford and crew will also be having a car wash fundraiser soon to help with the expenses of going back to nationals; date to come later. Sponsors are also being sought for her year's reign, with their names being placed on her horse trailer for their advertise-

ment. Contact Sylvia or Rick Sandford for more information on those spots at 541-571-5930 or 571-5946.

High School Rodeo each year awards scholarships and prizes to the competitors for their achievements in and out of the arena. Sportsmanship, high morals and family bonding are three of the many characteristics they represent. Sandford says she is honored to be able to represent these core values, her school, the Intermountain Rodeo team, and her communities and state at nationals and all year throughout her travels as queen.

Agency issues call to eradicate weed

Weed warriors unite... Puncturevine (goathead) is sprouted and going to seed.

If you have ever stepped on a goathead in your carpet, removed one from a pet's foot, slid into base on some, or repaired a bicycle tire, you know how painful and frustrating this weed is.

Janet Greenup, Manager of Morrow SWCD and Morrow County Weed Advisory Board, requests

walkers to keep their heads down and report puncturevine sites to her at 676-5452, ext. 109. Sites will be mapped, and Greenup and John Edmundson will work to dispose of the offensive plants.

Puncturevine is on the Morrow County "B" list of weeds to control if at all possible.

"It's not a noxious weed according to the ordinance," says Greenup, "but it is certainly obnoxious."

Chamber lunch meeting

The Heppner Chamber of Commerce will not meet for the next three weeks.

The next meeting will be an all entities report on Thursday, July 11, at noon in the St. Patrick's Senior Center dining room.

Lunch expense is \$10. Lunch attendees are asked to RSVP no later than the Wednesday before.

Bank of EO awards scholarships

Bank of Eastern Oregon awarded twenty \$500 scholarships to graduating seniors through its Agricultural/Business Scholarship Program this year. This is the 20th year the bank offered this program, giving away over \$96,000 to date. Eight of these scholarships were awarded to Heppner High School seniors Maggie Collins, Makenzie Correa, Tessa Gould, Austin Gutierrez, Garrett Robinson, Stephen Thompson, Earl Propher and Joslynn Troxell.

Maggie Collins was active in softball and basketball.

She is a member of the Christian youth group, Blue Mountain Fiddlers, FFA and 4-H. As a 4-H member, she earned many awards for swine, horse, clothing, cooking and speaking. Maggie was Heppner chamber's Student of the Year and served as Morrow County's Fair & Rodeo Queen. Community service found Maggie volunteering for fundraising organizations such as American Red Cross, Susan B. Komen Foundation, Youth Relay for Life, DARE, Heppner Chamber of Commerce, Heppner Elementary, Mustang Mop-Up, and numerous high school committees. Maggie plans to attend Oregon State University to begin her studies in biological sciences and veterinary medicine.



Maggie Collins

Makenzie Correa was active in volleyball and was co-captain of both the basketball and softball teams. She is an active FFA and 4-H officer and member. Makenzie earned her FFA State Degree and was the Silver Award recipient on Chapter Reporter Scrapbook. In 4-H, she received swine showmanship and livestock judging awards. At school, Makenzie served on yearbook and was student council secretary. She is a Wendy's High School Heisman Award Recipient and an honor roll student. Other awards she received were for technical math and language arts. Community service includes participation in Mustang Mop-Up,



Makenzie Correa

Relay for Life, Neighborhood Center canned-food drives, Morrow County Fairgrounds cleanup, World Vision fundraiser, serving dinner at various fundraisers at the Elks Club, cleaning creek beds throughout Heppner, and Little League field maintenance. She was also Colt Volleyball assistant. Makenzie heads to Eastern Oregon University this fall and will begin her studies in sociology and psychology.

Tessa Gould was active in volleyball, basketball and softball. She was yearbook editor, a member of the pep club, honor choir, drama club, and was a homecoming queen and princess. She received awards for softball, business, Spanish, great attendance and drama excellence. She is a Silver Presidential and Ford Foundation Classes Completion recipient. Her community service includes Mustang Mop-Up, 30-Hour Famine, Remembrance Walk, and Operation Christmas Child. She belongs to a youth group and also does church child care. Tessa plans on attending Chemeketa Community College in the fall for two years and will then transfer to Oregon State University to continue studies in business administration.



Tessa Gould

Austin Gutierrez was active in golf, FFA and the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA). He was student body secretary and FBLA Vice President. Austin is a National Honor Society member and he is the 2012 District Varsity Golf Champion. Austin assisted the grade school as a teaching assistant, and planned, organized, and participated on homecoming and prom committees. He was freshman and junior class treasurer and, in FFA, he held the GreenHand president and assistant treasurer offices. He earned his FFA Chapter Degree and competed in skills contests. Austin is active at St. Patrick's church as a youth group leader, and he has volunteered for Heppner chamber's community events such as St. Patrick's Day,



Austin Gutierrez

Remembrance Walk, Fair & Rodeo, and Town & Country. He has collected canned goods for Neighborhood Center, hung Christmas lights, assisted HHS Booster Club at its annual auction, and has participated in Mustang Mop-Up. Austin plans to attend the University of Idaho or Oregon State University to study professional golf management and business.

Garrett Robinson was active in pep band, was co-captain of basketball and football, and is state president of the Oregon High School Rodeo Association. He was on student body as an officer and executive officer throughout school. He is an active member of FFA, 4-H, the Intermountain High School Rodeo Club, his church youth group, and the American Quarter Horse Association. He earned his FFA State Degree and has won awards in beef production, livestock judging, rituals, and parliamentary procedures. He was Morrow County Fair's 2012 Grand Champion FFA Master Showman and Grand Champion FFA Beef Showman. He is an honor roll student. Garrett performed many hours of community service in connection with his church, the chamber, and school events. Garrett plans to attend Oregon State University to continue his education in agricultural science.



Garrett Robinson

Stephen Thompson was team captain in football, basketball and baseball. He was awarded his GreenHand Degree in FFA. He is a member of National Honor Society and has received the Gold and Silver Presidential awards. He is an honor roll student and an academic letter winner. He is the recipient of the Tri-Sport Letter Winner award. Stephen's community service includes helping with the American Red Cross blood drive, a canned-food drive and Mustang Mop-Up. He was a Tupper counselor, a Little League umpire, league director for Youth Flag Football coach, and a 4-H camp counselor. Stephen



Stephen Thompson

heads to Oregon State University this fall to continue his studies in agricultural business.

Earl Propher was active in football, wrestling, band and golf, lettering in all. He earned three academic letters and is an honor roll student. Earl earned multiple awards in math, language arts, history and science, along with two Silver Presidential awards. Community service time could find Earl helping with the school Mustang Mop-Up, canned food drives, creek cleanup, football field repair, concessions, raffles, and official men's golf tournaments. Earl volunteers time at the Willow Creek Golf Club, having various assignments, such as sod removal and the sanding of greens. Earl will attend Oregon State University to continue his education in accounting and business courses.



Earl Propher

Joslynn Troxell was active in softball throughout high school and went to state with the team when they took the OSAA 2A State Softball Championship. She was an active member of FFA and earned her FFA GreenHand Degree and FFA State Degree. While an FFA member, Joslynn participated in landscape management proficiency, job interview, public speaking, parliamentary procedures, general knowledge, the rituals contest, and livestock judging. At fair time, Joslynn participated in the FFA market hog competition. She is an active member of her youth group and First Friday. She helped at Heppner Elementary during Basketball Reading and was a counselor at Tupper. Joslynn volunteered more of her time to school activities such as Mustang Mop-Up and Heppner chamber, where she joined her FFA cohorts in hanging Christmas lights and helping at Town & Country events. She has worked at the U.S. Forest Service, where she participated in a fish relocation program. Joslynn plans on attending Treasure Valley Community College this fall to continue her studies in agricultural business.



Joslynn Troxell

Music in the Parks presents Brass Fire

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June 24 at 7 p.m., Irrigon Marina Park is hosting Brass Fire as part of the summer's Music in the Parks series.

Brass Fire's sound is reminiscent of highly popular groups like Chicago; Earth, Wind and Fire; and Tower of Power. They perform blues, jazz and a variety of contemporary styles.

Brass Fire is a large band made up of talented local musicians. Current members are from Irrigon,

Umatilla, Hermiston and Pendleton. Several of the musicians have extensive professional performance backgrounds including East Coast bands, West Coast bands, military bands, cruise ship bands and more. Some members are current or former school band directors.

The solid sound of Brass Fire comes from its talented musicians as well as its unique instrumentation. The rhythm section includes piano, drums, guitar

and bass guitar. Enhancing the sound are trumpets, trombones and saxophones. Vocal leads are shared by the members.

This recently-formed group has made quite an impact on the local music scene with performances

scheduled in both public and private venues.

To get to Irrigon Marina Park from Highway 730, turn north on 10th street (by A.C. Houghton) toward the river. Continue north approximately one-quarter mile to park entrance.

Ione library board of directors to meet

The Ione Library District Board of Directors will hold their June meeting on Thursday, June 27 at 2:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Ione Public Library. The public is welcome to attend.

We will be closed July 4th.
Have a safe and happy Independence Day
 - John & Ann & Staff

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 We're sure we forgot someone, but didn't mean to. Really!!!!!!
 There will be plenty of food, drink and dancing.
 Please come help us Celebrate.
 We would love to see everyone!

IT'S ALMOST FAIR TIME!

Morrow County Fair Rodeo

Heppner Gazette-Times will be publishing the special fair edition August 7. To submit articles or to place an ad call or email megan at The Heppner Gazette-Times 541-676-9228 or megan@rapidsolve.net

Deadline to be included in the Special Fair Edition- July 31