

## Awana Grand Prix races rescheduled for April 10

Due to a conflict with an event at Heppner Elementary School, the Heppner Awana Club Grand Prix race previously scheduled for this Thursday, March 20, has been rescheduled for Thursday, April 10.

The event is for all Awana kids and their families and will be held at Willow Creek Baptist Church starting at 5:30 p.m.

Weigh-in will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a hot dog meal will be provided beginning at 5:45 p.m.; opening ceremonies will begin at 6:30 p.m. with the races to shortly thereafter.

Awards will be given and lots of fun is planned for the whole family.

Questions, contact Dale Bates at 676-5773 or 541-980-5694.

## Cub Scouts plan canned food drive

Cub Scout Pack 691 of Heppner is planning a canned-food drive to benefit the local Neighborhood Center.

On March 24 around 4 p.m., the scouts will be visiting neighborhoods and leaving flyers announcing the canned-food drive and letting people know when they can leave their canned goods on their porches for pick-up.

March 26, around 4

p.m., the boys will return to pick up canned goods at the houses where they delivered flyers.

Unfortunately, the scouts say they will not be able to hit every single home; if anyone would like to donate but does not receive a flyer, they are encouraged to drop their food off at the Neighborhood Center, or in the box that will be set up at the post office in Heppner.

## M.C. school district employees recognized for years of service



Heppner High School and Heppner Elementary School Principal Matt Combe presents employee longevity pins to two Morrow County School District employees. Jessica Stelk, a Heppner Elementary classroom aide and custodial staff, received her five-year pin and HES fourth-grade teacher Sue Gibbs received her 15-year pin. The two employees were recognized at a recent Morrow County School District board meeting. —Contributed photo

## Nazarene church to welcome visiting missionaries



The Kerr family, Dave, Rosie, Grace and Anna. —Contributed photo

The Heppner Church of the Nazarene will host missionaries David and Rosie Kerr from Fiji at the Nazarene Church, 335

Gilmore St, Heppner on Thursday, March 27. The event will begin with a no-host potluck dinner at 5:30 p.m., to which the public is invited, with the program to start at 6:30 p.m. The Kerrs' daughters, Grace and Anna, will be with them and will share in the program.

The Kerrs are now living in Fiji after serving in Papua New Guinea for two and a half years.

In 2011 Dave was nominated to be the Chancellor for South Pacific Nazarene Theological College (SPNTC). He is working with district and educational leaders in many South Pacific countries, including Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Fiji, Samoa and Guam, in order to give

pastors and lay leaders educational and discipleship experience. Dave served at the Bible College in Papua New Guinea as a Director of two programs and consultant for church leaders there.

Before that he served the Caribbean Region as Discipleship Coordinator, Literature Coordinator, and IT Coordinator.

He met Rosie at Northwest Nazarene College in Nampa, ID.

Rosie is a medical doctor and has served at the Kudjip Nazarene Hospital and at the Bible College clinic in Papua New Guinea. She says she loved the interactions with both church leaders at the Bible College and the patients and

staff at the hospital. She is now looking for a way to minister in Fiji. Rosie also will be doing research in reaching unreached people groups in Fiji.

Before serving in Papua New Guinea, Rosie was the Personnel Coordinator, Children's Ministries Coordinator, and assistant Compassionate Ministries Coordinator in the Caribbean.

Grace and Anna have shown themselves to be flexible and willing to embrace new friends and new situations in their travels. They were the first people to tell their parents that they felt like moving to Fiji was a good idea, and their parents say they continue to "be a blessing."

## Sign-up deadline approaching for Hanford tour

Interested persons are invited to sign up for the April 24 tour of the historical B Reactor at the Hanford complex in Washington. The Morrow County Historical Society is handling the arrangements for this tour of an important historic development in our region, in cooperation with Morrow County Special Transportation Service.

A Morrow County

Special Transportation bus will leave Heppner at 7:30 a.m. on April 24. It will pick up participants in Boardman and Irrigon and travel on to the tour site. The tour will begin at 11:15 a.m. and last approximately four hours. It does not include climbing; can accommodate canes, walkers, and wheelchairs, although some areas will be tight; and chairs are available for sitting when

needed. Participants are responsible for their snacks, drinks and sack lunches.

Individuals are encouraged to get on the list of participants now. Sign-up will close on April 10. Handling sign-ups in Heppner is Louis Carlson, 541-676-5302. In Boardman is Mildred Baker, 541-481-4215, and in Irrigon is Donna Eppenbach, 541-922-3197.

Senior citizens and individuals with disabilities will have priority if interest exceeds the maximum of 44 per tour.

The suggested donation per person will be \$10 for the bus ride. The tour is free.

An internet visit to hanford.gov offers additional information about the World War II phenomenon, the B Reactor.

## Wranglers Riding Club kicks off season

The Wranglers Riding Club will kick off its 2014 season with a meeting on Tuesday, March 25, at 6 p.m. at the fairgrounds annex building to discuss upcoming play days, fundraising, and electing new officers for the year. All members are encouraged to come. Anyone interested in participating may contact Heather Hendricks at 541-676-5637 or like on Facebook.

Wranglers Riding Club is a small, non-profit, local club for families to have some fun on horseback. The club offers three events every week—barrels, poles, and a varied third event each week—plus a stick-horse

race to start off the weekly fun. The club also offers four play days annually, on the last two Sundays in April and the first two Sundays in May.

The club will also be starting its annual can drive this week. They will have a trailer parked in the parking lot behind Les Schwab Tire Center in Heppner starting this Friday and going through the first week of April. This is the club's main fundraiser every year; funds raised go towards paying for insurance and participant awards at the end of the season.

For those who do not have any cans or bottles to donate, but who would

still like to show support, donations are always welcome and can be sent

to Wranglers Riding Club, PO BOX 924, Heppner, OR 97836.

## Chamber lunch meeting

This week's lunch meeting of the Heppner Chamber of Commerce will be on Thursday, March 20, at noon in the Heppner City Hall conference room. The Ford Leadership 2<sup>nd</sup> Cohort Team will be giving a presentation on the project they have selected.

Cost of lunch is \$10; Sweet Productions will cater. Chamber lunch attendees are asked to RSVP at 541-676-5536 no later than the Wednesday before to guarantee a lunch.

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