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Caitlynn Bailey talks to the Heppner Chamber about Washington, D.C. trip

Local student speaks to Chamber about FFA Washington trip

By David Sykes

Heppner student Caitlynn Bailey gave a presentation last week about her Future Farmers of America trip to Washington, D.C. last summer.

Eight students along with teacher Beth Dickenson attended a leadership conference July 21 through 29. Bailey said there was a total of 300 students at the conference.

In addition to FFA activities Bailey said they also had the chance to do some sight-seeing, including the Arlington National Cemetery, Georgetown University, the zoo, Smithsonian Natural History Museum, a tour of the Capitol, and meetings with Oregon Senator Jeff Merkley and Representative Greg Walden.

Bailey said she enjoyed the National 9/11 Pentagon Memorial.

"I was four years old when 9/11 happened," she



Heppner FFA member Caitlynn Bailey appeared before the Heppner Chamber of Commerce and gave a presentation about the group's trip to Washington, D.C. last summer. -Photo by David Sykes

said. "The display was really moving. I cried with my roommate after visiting there," she said. "It made me very thankful for what we have."

One of the highlights of the trip for Bailey was the chance for her group to help prepare 70,000 lunches for local students in the D.C. area. She said it took more than two hours to prepare the meals but was a very gratifying experience, she said.

The group also had a chance to travel to New York City. After a four-hour bus trip the group went to Times Square and got to see Cinderella on Broadway. They also went to the Today Show and were on national TV. They also went to Central Park and visited Ground Zero.

The trip was paid for by student fundraisers as well as several corporate sponsors. -See BAILEY PRESENTS ON DC TRIP/PAGE FOUR

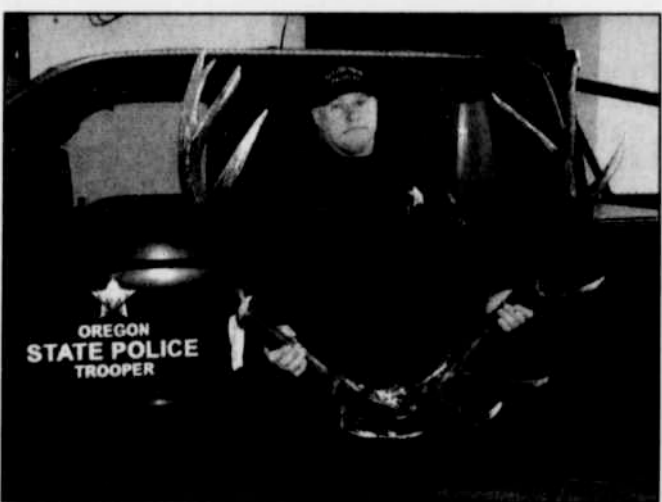
Police seek info in elk poaching case

Oregon State Police is looking for information regarding the illegal take of a bull elk the weekend of Nov. 15.

Investigating officer Senior Trooper Brian Jewett says he believes the 8x6 bull elk was shot between the evening of Saturday, Nov. 15 and the morning of Sunday, Nov. 16.

The bull was shot approximately two miles down the 070 Spur of the 2105 Road on the Heppner Unit.

Jewett said the whole carcass had been abandoned; even the bull's impressive antlers (pictured) was left behind. The perpetrator faces charges of Taking Branch Bull Elk



Senior Trooper Brian Jewett poses with the antlers from the 8x6 bull elk that was taken illegally on the Heppner unit recently. State police are looking for information regarding the poaching. -Photo by David Sykes

Closed Season and Waste of Big Game.

Anyone with information should contact Jewett

at 541-980-6081 or the Oregon TIP line at 1-800-452-7888 and reference case # SP14-361162.

PMH receives quality improvement award

Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner was one of several Oregon hospitals to receive a quality improvement award as part of the national Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Partnership for Patients initiative.

Pioneer Memorial was one of 33 hospitals in Oregon that participated in the program, and one of 19 to receive a \$2,500 cash award along with a crystal plaque, announced Diane

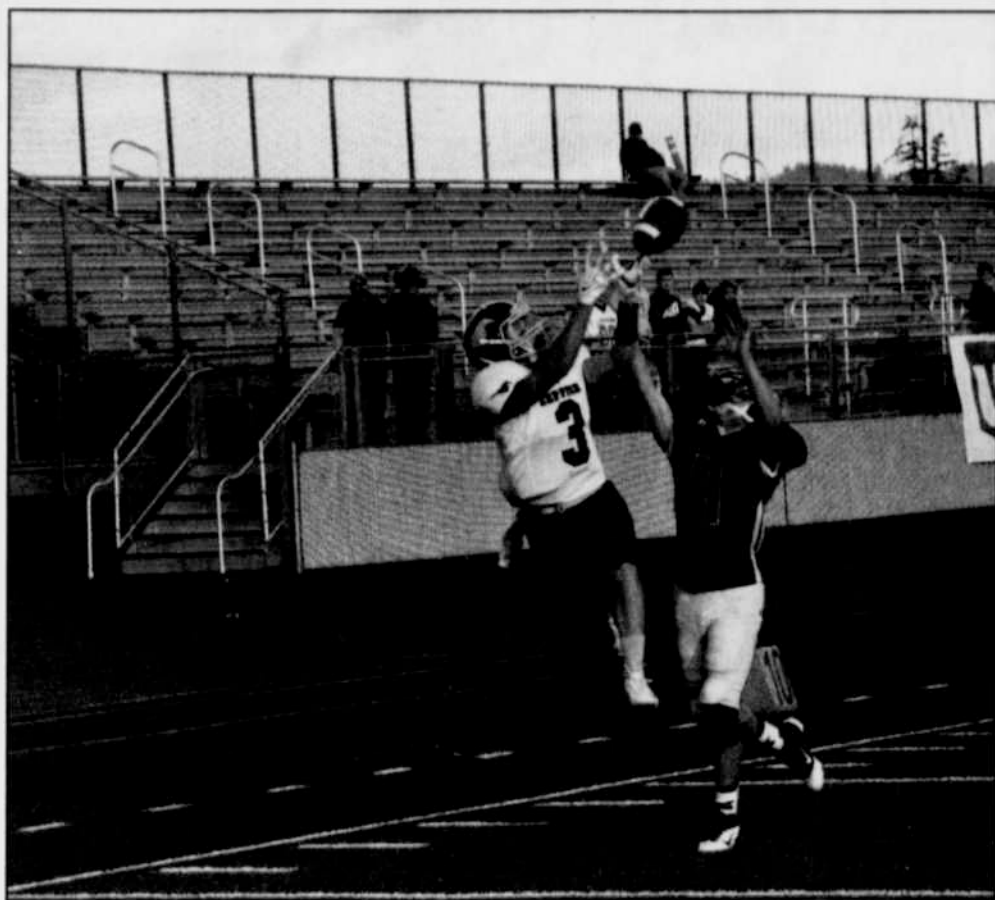
Waldo, Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems (OAHHS) associate vice president of quality and clinical operations.

Working with the Health Research and Educational Trust, the quality arm of the American Hospital Association, hospitals in 31 states have been participating in this work since 2012. According to a press release from the OAHHS, Oregon was one of the top

performers nationwide in these measures, tying for second in the group of participating states.

The goal of the Partnership for Patients initiative was to reduce preventable hospital-acquired conditions, including falls and adverse drug events, by 40 percent, and preventable readmissions (patients readmitted to a hospital after being discharged) by 20 percent.

Heppner cuts down Loggers to win spot in finals



Mustang Jesse Corbin leaps over a Knappa Logger for a reception during last Saturday's semifinals game in Hillsboro. Corbin's one catch gained 25 yards in Heppner's 25-16 victory over the second-seed Loggers. -Photo by Sandra Putman

The Heppner Mustang football team won the right to play for a state championship when they defeated the Knappa Loggers 25-16 in a semifinal game of the OSAA State Football Championships. The game was held at Liberty High School in Hillsboro last Saturday.

A large and loud crowd of Heppner fans filled up more than half of the grandstands to watch their team play. The heavy rain that was forecast for the game lasted for only a short time. The sun then came out and shined almost as bright as the Heppner football team did. The third-seeded Mustangs (12-0) took control of the game early and dominated the line of scrimmage all afternoon to defeat the second-seeded Loggers (10-2).

Heppner kicked off to start the game and the Mustang defense forced the Loggers to punt after three plays. A high snap led to the Knappa punter trying to run for the first down. Logan Grieb tackled him at the 30-yard line to give the Mustangs great field position. The Mustang offensive line blew open a hole that allowed CJ Kindle to run for 13 yards on their first play of the game. Quarterback Kaden Clark then passed to Patrick Collins for a 19-yard gain to put the ball at the one-yard line. On the very next play, Kindle scored to give the Mustangs a 6-0 lead.

On the next possession for Knappa they were able to drive the ball to the Mustang 12-yard line. There the Heppner defense stiffened and held the Loggers out of the end zone. Heppner took over and mounted a drive that went 13 plays. It ended at the Knappa 17-yard line as Heppner turned it over on downs. The first quarter ended with Heppner in the lead by a score of 6-0.

The Loggers knew that they would be in for a long

day against the Heppner defense. Their next drive ended after only five plays as the Mustangs forced them to punt again. Heppner took over near midfield and began a scoring drive. A long run by Kindle, a pass completion to Jesse Corbin for good yardage, and another 12-yard run by Kindle gave the Mustangs the ball at the three-yard line. Kindle ran it in from there for the touchdown to make the score 12-0.

The Mustang offensive line had a size advantage over Knappa in the game. The Heppner line had excellent blocking techniques and knew where they wanted to take their man, and then they took him there. The Mustang backs had large holes to run through all day long.

Knappa was on the move and had the ball near midfield. Corbin intercepted a pass to give the Mustangs the ball back at their own 35-yard line. That Heppner drive stalled and Knappa got the ball back with 1:43 left in the half. An incomplete pass and two sacks, one by Collins at the two-yard line, forced Knappa to punt the ball again. Heppner took over at the Logger 33-yard line and looked to score. A pass bounced off of a Heppner receiver and was intercepted to end the half with Heppner leading 12-0.

Heppner took the kickoff to open the second half. An eight-play drive that featured runs by Kindle of 20 yards and by Weston Putman of 12 ended with a score when Putman ran the ball in from seven yards out. He followed a great trap block by Collins to spring him free for the score. That stretched the lead to 18-0.

The Mustang defended forced another punt. Corbin took the ball, and with some great blocking returned the kick 32 yards to the Knappa 28-yard line. A six play

drive stalled at the Logger 13-yard line. On the second play of the Knappa possession, Kindle intercepted a pass and ran it in for a score from 20 yards out. Corbin made the PAT kick to make the score 25-0 at the end of the third quarter.

The next Knappa drive lasted six plays and got deep into Heppner territory. It ended when Clark intercepted a pass at the Heppner 15-yard line. The Mustangs could not move the ball from there and were forced to punt. The change of possession gave Knappa good field position. They threw a long pass that was completed to the seven-yard line. Three plays later they scored a touchdown. They made the two-point conversion to make the score 25-8 with eight minutes left in the game.

The Loggers recovered an onside kick to give them good position at midfield. The Mustang defense then proceeded to sack the Knappa quarterback two times. It was third and long when they completed a pass for a score. They then made the PAT to make the score 25-16.

Knappa successfully executed another onside kick and once again had the ball at midfield. The Heppner defense stepped up with another sack and

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Nov. 23 Named Thanksgiving Day By Governor Snell

Falling in line with the presidential declaration, Governor Earl Snell has proclaimed Nov. 23 as Thanksgiving day in Oregon. Consequently, all arrangements for observance are being made this week, with special church services planned for Thanksgiving morning at 10:00 a. m. in the Church of Christ with Rev. Bernice Howe delivering the sermon. Invitations are going out for the usual dinner spread on Thursday next.

It goes without saying that the business houses will remain closed for the day. Even the Gazette Times contemplates such a move and will carry out the plan if correspondents and advertisers cooperate. The rule next week will be to close the forms Tuesday evening. That means that correspondence must reach us in Tuesday morning's mail, and advertising copy must be in by Tuesday afternoon. If the G-T doesn't make the mail Thursday next week there will be no one to blame but the publishers.

Gazette closed for Thanksgiving

The Heppner Gazette-Times will be closed in observance of the Thanksgiving Day holiday Thursday, Nov. 27, and Friday, Nov. 28. Normal business hours will resume Monday, Dec. 1. We wish everyone a safe and happy Thanksgiving weekend.

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