

# Chamber Chatter

Now through December 19 - Heppner FFA students are sponsoring a coat drive: Collection tubs will be located at Les Schwab, Heppner Family Foods, Murray's, The Bank of Eastern Oregon, Heppner Elementary and Heppner High Schools. Coats will be donated to the Neighborhood Center.

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ber 19 - Wheatland Insurance is sponsoring a food drive: Help out our community by donating canned foods and non-perishable items to Wheatland Insurance. The items collected will be given to the Neighborhood Center to help with families in need this holiday season. Stop by with your donations and support a worthy cause.

Thursday, December 18 - Retirement Open House for Steve Rhea - 2-5:30 p.m.: A retirement open house will be held at Wheatland Insurance from 2-5:30 p.m. Stop in and wish Steve well on his retirement.

Thursday, December 18 - Heppner "Celebrate Christmas Event" - 6 p.m. at the Morrow County Fair-

grounds: Start collecting your rewards cards from local participating merchants through December 18 and bring them with you for an opportunity to win some great prizes. There will be a dinner available for purchase at 6 p.m., a penny board and raffle items will be set up, along with a visit from Santa (pictures from 6-7 p.m., \$5 per picture)

and Scrooge. The prizes will be set up in the annex again this year so bring your rewards cards and plan on coming out and participating.

Thursday, January 8 - Heppner Chamber's Annual Luncheon - 12-1 p.m.: This year's annual luncheon will be held at the senior center dining room. Lunch expense is \$10.

Thursday, January 15 - Heppner Chamber's Annual Town and Country Community Awards - Morrow County Fairgrounds. This great community event will start at 6 p.m. with a dinner and the program to follow, so plan on coming out and celebrating with the winners of the community awards. It is guaranteed to be a great evening.

## Sheriff's Report

**June 19 (cont.):** -MCSO received report of a flare up of the earlier fire on Canyon Drive in Heppner. Heppner Fire and MCSO responded.

-Boardman Ambulance received two medical alarms from a pendant, but no contact from the patient. The patient refused transport.

-Boardman Ambulance received request for an ambulance for a 75-year-old male who was not feeling well and may have been having diabetic issues. Boardman Ambulance responded and transported the patient to Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston.

-Boardman Fire Department received report of a commercial fire alarm at Pacific Ethanol. The alarm was false.

-Boardman Fire Department received report of a brush fire on Canal Dr./Hwy. 730.

-Irrigon Ambulance received report of a 50-year-old male with a possible broken leg.

**June 23:** -A caller at Irrigon Learning Center advised Morrow County Sheriff's Office of an emu running around across from the location.

-MCSO was advised of peddlers, two young men, who parked in the middle of the street in Heppner and went door to door. They were polite and left when they were told to leave.

-A caller in Heppner advised MCSO that her family had been to court with her brother that day regarding custody of his child and that custody visitation was set but there was a subject there now with the child's mother who was

threatening to come over and beat them up.

**June 24:** -Umatilla County Sheriff's Office advised Morrow County Sheriff's Office that they arrested Wendy Lynn Long, 44, on an Irrigon Justice Court Warrant for Failure to Appear on Theft III. Subject was lodged at Umatilla County Jail.

-A caller advised MCSO that someone was trying to contact a couple in Lexington and they were concerned because they did not want him contacting them.

-MCSO received a 911 call from Irrigon in which a male advised his wife pushed him out the door and he needed help. He wanted his wife to leave but she was refusing. A deputy made contact and forwarded the situation to the DA.

-A woman in the Lexington area reported that inappropriate things were said while her daughter was visiting her father over the weekend and she wanted to make a report. A deputy made contact and advised her of her options.

-Heppner Ambulance received a call regarding a male at a corral in the Heppner area who was hurt and bleeding from the mouth; subject was conscious and breathing. Subject was transported.

-MCSO and Boardman Police Dept. responded to a report of a disturbance in Irrigon. A man was going after his stepson in the street and a female subject was trying to get between them.

-A caller in Irrigon reported a theft. Someone came through their back gate last night and took

three air conditioners and a wheel barrow from the back patio.

-MCSO received report of a disturbance in Irrigon; a woman reported that her daughter was huffing canned air and trying to beat up her sister and dad. The female then left in a blue flatbed Ford pickup with a male subject. MCSO and BPD responded; no injuries were noted and the female was not located.

**June 26:** -Morrow County Sheriff's Office received report that a drunk individual wearing blue jeans and a plaid shirt had just walked into the caller's apartment in Heppner looking for a woman. The subject was no longer in the apartment but was still wandering around the area yelling for the female.

-MCSO received report of two young boys playing under the stairs and throwing rocks on Water Street in Heppner; caller advised drivers could not see the boys when driving down Water Street.

-Hermiston Police Dept. advised MCSO of a possible suicidal subject heading into Heppner. MCSO was unable to locate.

-A caller in Heppner advised of two small tan dogs that kept getting out; attempted to speak to the owner, who was uncooperative. MCSO issued a citation.

-MCSO received a driving complaint about an individual who was seen on Hwy. 207 in Lexington; he did not have an Oregon driver's license and his license was suspended out of Washington. The caller advised the subject had been given several citations and warnings about this.

-MCSO was advised that Juan Antonio Calderon, 22, had been lodged at Umatilla County Jail on a warrant for Failure to Appear on Theft III.

-A woman in Irrigon advised that a male came to her house today and yesterday; there was a restraining order but he broke into her house and kicked in the door and vandalized her vehicle.

-A caller at Columbia

River Ranch in Boardman advised that one of the residents was threatening the other residents and staff members.

-A person from Columbia River Ranch called MCSO and advised that they have a staff members between two subjects that law enforcement just dealt with and neither subject would back down. MCSO responded and assisted.

-A woman driving near Lexington advised that she swerved to hit a deer and was stuck in the ditch. There would be a tow truck out to tow the car tomorrow but they wanted to advise MCSO in case anyone called it in.

-Columbia River Ranch advised MCSO that a male resident had gone missing. He was wearing red workout pants and a ball cap and had long gray hair and a beard and was very thin. They last had a visual on him at 10 p.m. and he was gone. One staff member was driving around to the bars and rest stops in an attempt to locate him.

**June 27:** -Boardman ambulance received a call from a male having bad stomach issues and stating he was "deathly sick." Subject was transported.

-Irrigon ambulance received report of a tenant at a location in Irrigon lying in the yard. It was unknown what was wrong with him and he was naked. Caller advised that he did not know if the subject was breathing. Irrigon Ambulance responded and transported.

-MCSO deputy checked on a green pickup parked at a location in Boardman. Subject was sleeping in his camper. Subject advised that he did not see the no trespassing sign he was parked in front of and would be on his way.

-A woman in Ione advised that she was watching a friend's house while they were out of town and two male subjects were standing outside the gate and trying to look into the house and garage. She had last seen the subjects 15 minutes before.

-A woman in Heppner

reported that four people kept running up and down Main Street and into traffic, two males and two females, all around the age of 18 or 20. She was not sure if they were in some type of disturbance or what was going on. MCSO responded.

-An MCSO deputy reported being out and moving some fencing pieces off Highway 207.

-MCSO received report of a domestic disturbance in Heppner; a woman was trying to remove the daughter from the car and there is a lot of yelling.

-A woman in Heppner called 911 and advised that someone broke in through the bathroom window and kicked in the bedroom door.

-MCSO received a 911 call from Ione; caller stated that a dog was chasing kids around in the area and almost bit one.

-MCSO received report of a sex crime.

**June 28:** -Heppner Ambulance received request for transport of an 87-year-old male with trouble breathing; subject was alert. Subject was transported.

-A woman in the Heppner area reported hearing a loud noise at the residence across the road. The horses at the residence are now very stirred up. Caller would like the area checked and then would like contact. A deputy responded and checked the area but was unable to locate anything. Caller said she would call back if she heard anything else.

-Bucknum's in Heppner called MCSO and requested to have a female trespasser for threatening to slash everyone's tires. MCSO responded and the female was trespassed.

-A man in Heppner advised MCSO that his girlfriend stole his grandparents' vehicle. The female called and advised she wanted to drop the vehicle off but wanted an escort because her boyfriend was abusive.

-A caller in Irrigon reported a tan cow out. Caller advised it turned left on Thirteenth.

-MCSO received a report of a stalled minivan on an interstate off ramp that

had its flashers on. MCSO responded and advised that they were taking care of a baby.

**June 29:** -Morrow County Sheriff's deputy made contact with a vehicle parked by the baseball fields at the marina in Irrigon; male and female subjects were star gazing.

-MCSO was advised of an intoxicated male yelling near the grade school in Heppner. Male walked behind the gym toward the tennis courts and was with another male and a female. A deputy responded.

-MCSO was advised by a woman in Heppner that her 16-year-old daughter was being combative; the caller had scratches on her but did not need an ambulance. MCSO responded and requested an ambulance for a 16-year-old female with cuts to the wrist and head. Heppner Ambulance responded and transported to Pioneer Memorial Hospital.

-A man in Irrigon reported multiple items stolen from around his residence. MCSO responded and took a report.

-MCSO received report of a red Dodge pickup travelling at a high rate of speed that almost ran another vehicle off the road near the Heppner golf course.

-A MCSO deputy advised that they were behind a possible drunk driver on Hwy. 207.

-A woman in Irrigon contacted MCSO and advised that a male left around 10 a.m. and was supposed to be back at 2 a.m.; time was 6 p.m. and he was not back yet. MCSO responded and the male was located in Newburg.

Deadline for news and advertising: **Monday at 5 p.m.**

**RAFFLE TRAILBLAZER TICKETS**  
 TWO TICKETS! Awesome seats! RIGHT BEHIND THE BLAZERS BENCH  
**TRAILBLAZERS VS THE LAKERS**  
 Jan 5, 2015 at the Moda Center in Portland  
**\$5.00 each ONLY 500 will be sold**  
 Contact any Mustang basketball player to get yours!  
**Proceeds to benefit NMS MUSTANGS boys and girls basketball programs.**  
 Drawing will be held Dec. 22nd at the home game.

**B2H Transmission Line Project**  
 Boardman to Hemingway

The Bureau of Land Management, in coordination with other federal, state, and local agencies, has released the draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Boardman to Hemingway Transmission Line Project (B2H). The DEIS is publicly available for a formal 90-day comment period through March 19, 2015.

Seven open houses are scheduled in communities throughout the project area. Attendees will have the opportunity to interact individually with project staff, learn more about the DEIS, ask questions about the National Environmental Policy Act analysis and decision process, discuss concerns, and submit written comments. General information about the project, agency roles, schedule, and concurrent permitting processes will be available. This information will also be made available via an online open house at [boardmantohemingway.com](http://boardmantohemingway.com).

**Find an open house near you:** All open houses are 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Monday, January 5	Boardman, Oregon	Port of Morrow Riverfront Center, 2 Marine Drive
Tuesday, January 6	Pendleton, Oregon	Convention Center, 1601 Westgate
Wednesday, January 7	La Grande, Oregon	Blue Mountain Conference Center, 404 12th Street
Thursday, January 8	Baker City, Oregon	Best Western Sunridge Inn, 1 Sunridge Lane
Friday, January 9	Durkee, Oregon	Durkee Community Hall, 28716 Old Highway 30
Monday, January 12	Ontario, Oregon	Four Rivers Cultural Center, 676 SW 5th Avenue
Tuesday, January 13	Marsing, Idaho	Marsing Senior Center, 126 2nd Avenue W

Visit the online open house at [boardmantohemingway.com](http://boardmantohemingway.com)  
 from December 19 - March 19

**Send out your Christmas wishes to your customers and the community!**  
**THE GAZETTE WILL PUBLISH IT'S SPECIAL CHRISTMAS EDITION DECEMBER 24TH. THE CHRISTMAS SECTION WILL BE PRINTED IN FULL COLOR AND IS A GREAT WAY TO THANK YOUR CUSTOMERS FOR THEIR SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.**  
 For more information, or to be included in the Christmas edition, call 541-676-9228 or email [megan@rapidsolve.net](mailto:megan@rapidsolve.net) by **Monday, Dec. 22, at 5 p.m.**