

Heppner Elementary has canned food drive



Heppner Elementary held its annual canned food drive for the South Morrow Neighborhood Center Oct. 12-15. They were able to donate more than 300 pounds of food for the families in need in our area. Pictured are Heppner Elementary Student Council Representatives (bottom L-R) Zander Fisher and Landon Mitchell, and (top L-R) Derrick Smith, Cody Fletcher and Kason Cimmityotti. —Contributed photo

Boardman to sponsor community clean up

The City of Boardman will sponsor a community-wide clean-up in November.

The city has \$50 garbage vouchers available to Boardman residents. The vouchers are valid through November at Finley Butte Landfill and the North Mor-

row Transfer Station. The program encourages citizens to clean up residences by disposing of yard debris. City residents may pick up vouchers at Boardman City Hall beginning Oct. 30.

For more information, call Boardman City Hall at 481-9252.

ConAgra Lamb Weston hosts hiring event

ConAgra Foods Lamb Weston is hosting a hiring event Oct. 29 at the SAGE Center, Boardman, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The company is hiring general laborers, back-up receiving operators, and

back-up process operators at the Boardman West plant.

Candidates should come interview-ready with a résumé, and also need to apply online beforehand at www.conagrafoodscareers.com.

New public meetings scheduled to discuss the Blue Mountains Forest Plan Revision

Pendleton, Oregon—The Forest Service has scheduled new public meetings to discuss the Blue Mountains Forest Plan Revision.

Topics will vary by location. The Umatilla National Forest will host a meeting regarding livestock grazing in Heppner City Hall Wednesday, Nov. 4, from 6-9 p.m. Doors open at 5:30. An additional meeting on the topic will be held at the N. Fork John Day Ranger District in Ukiah from 6-9 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 10.

Monday, Nov. 2, Wallowa-Whitman National

Forest will host a meeting on access and wilderness in La Grande from 6-9 p.m. Also in La Grande, a meeting on pace and scale of restoration will take place Nov. 12 from 6-9 p.m.

A facilitator will ensure that everyone in attendance has time to speak, listen to others and propose solutions.

In 2014, the Forest Service released a draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) related to the Blue Mountains Forest Plan Revision and received over a thousand comment letters. Based in part on that feedback, the three Blue Moun-

tains National Forests have worked with stakeholders to identify topics for further discussion—including the pace and scale of restoration, livestock grazing, access, and wilderness.

A Forest Plan describes the social, economic, and ecological goals of a National Forest and provides a framework for future management decisions. The National Forest Management Act of 1976 requires each National Forest to prepare a Forest Plan and revise it every 15 years to address changing needs and conditions. The current Forest Plans for the

Wallowa-Whitman, Umatilla, and Malheur National Forests are from 1990, and the Blue Mountains region has changed significantly since 1990.

Meeting summaries from previous Forest Plan Revision meetings are available at <http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/BlueMountainsPlanRevision>, and the notes from new meetings will be posted there as well. For more information, please contact Peter Fargo, Public Affairs Officer for the Blue Mountains Forest Plan Revision, at 541-523-1231.

BEO Bancorp announces dividend for 2015

Heppner—"I am pleased to announce that the board of directors of BEO Bancorp has voted to declare a \$0.70 per share dividend for 2015. The dividend will be paid to shareholders of record as of Dec. 1, 2015 payable on or before Dec. 15, 2015," said bank President and CEO Jeff Bailey.

According to Board Chairman Gary Neal, "BEO Bancorp has paid a dividend 29 of the past 30 years.

Dividends are a reflection of the financial stability and profitability of the bank. We are very happy to be able to provide this dividend to our shareholders."

"The dividend of \$0.70 per share is 16.7 percent higher than last year's dividend of \$0.60 per share and shows a continued upward trend in dividend pay out to our shareholders. It is indicative of Bank of Eastern Oregon's strong

capital position. The board of directors and employees work hard to improve the overall strength of the bank, add value to our shareholders, as well as provide the brand of banking that our customers appreciate and expect from Bank of Eastern Oregon. The first-quarter 2015 expansion into eastern Washington has been accretive to earnings. This move along with our second-quarter entry into

the Madras, Oregon market serve to fulfill management and the board's vision of expanding our footprint in eastern Oregon and Washington when good opportunities arise," said Bailey. He concluded by saying, "The support of our shareholders, communities and employees have made it possible for us to succeed. We are pleased to be in a position to provide this dividend to our shareholders."

Sheriff's Report

September 6 (cont.): -A person went to Morrow County Sheriff's Office reporting that there were some hunters camped on County Road 100 who had shot 300-400 rounds from a high-powered, semi-auto rifle the night before and that morning. The subject requested to speak to the Oregon State Police Game Trooper about it.

-MCSO received report of a game violation; hunters were shooting from a vehicle at the hunters' station. The reporting person stated they saw a male

stop and pull out his rifle and shoot at something across the roadway.

-A 14-year-old male advised MCSO he went hunting with his father in the Blakes Ranch area. His father left him four hours before. The juvenile was down in a canyon but climbed up high enough to get service and could see a fence line.

-An anonymous female stated to MCSO that she would like her brother picked up on his warrant; she advised he had been staying at a couple

of locations in Irrigon. MCSO responded but was unable to locate the subject.

-A female in Irrigon advised MCSO that her four-month-old orange kitten named Itty Bitty went missing that evening. She stated the kitten does not come to the normal cat calling of "kitty kitty," but does come when you say "Itty Bitty" in a sweet voice. Itty Bitty did not have a collar on.

September 7: -Morrow County Sheriff's Office was advised of a vehicle that went

the wrong way in the wildlife refuge; caller advised they had the vehicle cornered.

Caller stated they lived in the area and so did the vehicle. MCSO and Boardman Police responded and made contact with the caller and the vehicle and its occupants. The occupants of the suspicious vehicle were advised no campfires and were made aware of the trespassing issue.

-MCSO assisted Oregon State Police in setting up for a possible intoxicated driver at the 171 interchange on I-84.

Ione Cardinal Volleyball

2nd round state playoff game on Saturday, October 31 in Ione. Time and opponent TBD



Back row: Tatum Clark, Ann Rietmann, Morgan Orem, Katelyn Bass, Rachel Holland, Tristan Estabrook
Susie Teeman, Maggie Flynn Front row: Renee Peterson, Jessie Flynn, Hannah Padberg

- Allstott Construction, LLC
- BPOE #358 Elks Lodge
- Bank of Eastern Oregon
- Boardman Foods, Inc.
- Community Bank
- Dances With Mules
- Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative, Inc.
- Dave's Photography
- Dean's Pendleton Athletic Company
- Devin Oil Company, Inc.
- Family Dentistry
- Gar Aviation, Inc.
- Heppner Family Foods
- Ione Market and Deli
- IRT, LLC
- J Keithley Construction
- Les Schwab Tire Center
- Lexington Pump

- Mid Columbia Producers, Inc.
- Morrow County Fair & Rodeo
- Morrow County Grain Growers
- Morrow County Recreation District
- Murray's Drug and Country Rose
- Pea Ridge Embroidery & Signs Inc.
- Peterson's Jewelers
- Pettyjohn's Builder and Supply
- Sand Hollow Ag Supply
- Sherrell Chevrolet
- Silver Creek Contracting, LLC
- Tacos Hometown
- Wheatland Insurance Center, Inc.
- Wright Chevrolet
- Dick and Jannie Allen
- Allen and Nancy Anderson
- Mark Anderson
- Bob and Bonni Ball

- Gary and Lani Bass Family
- John and Linda Bristow
- Loyal and Betty Burns
- Mike and Keisha Covey Family
- June M. Crowell
- Chris Devens
- Brian and Peggy Doherty Family
- Arthur and Stacie Ekstrom Family
- John and Helen Ekstrom
- Tom and Arlynda Gates
- Rosie Graham
- Betty Gray
- Ron and Karen Haguewood
- Joe and Linda Halvorsen Family
- Wayne and Diana Hams
- Deacon and Erin Heideman Family
- Helen M. Heideman
- Craig and Janet Holland Family

- Dale and Karen Holland Family
- Bob Hubbard
- Holly Rebekah Lodge #139
- Bill and Nancy Jepsen Family
- Gina Jepsen
- J.L. Kincaid Ranch
- Skye and Penny Krebs
- Del and Linda LaRue
- Buzz and Jeanette Logan
- Kathy Martin
- Joe and Jeri McElligott
- Virgil and Debbie Morgan
- Perry and Kathy Morter
- Ralph and Anne Morter Family
- Dianne Mullins
- Duane and Linda Neiffer
- Jarrold and Alison Ogden Family
- Eric and Brandi Orem Family

- Joe and Anita Orem
- Marvin and Tanna Padberg
- Darrin and Camie Padberg Family
- Joel and Lea Mathieu Peterson Family
- Jason and Tara Proudfoot Family
- Bink and Lynn Dee Ramos Family
- Keith and Judy Rea
- Betty Rietmann
- Bill Rietmann
- Gregg and Shelly Rietmann Family
- Joe and Donna Rietmann Family
- John and Kerry Rietmann
- Bruce and Linda Rigby
- Dean and Florene Robinson
- Ryan Rudolf Family
- Brian and Lorie Sullivan
- Jim and Monica Swanson
- Sherron Woodside