

# SEMIFINALS AHEAD



Mustang Colby Currin kicks off during the quarterfinal game against the Reedsport Braves last Saturday. -Photo by Sandra Putman

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sideline for a 42-yard score. Clark scored the two-point conversion on a run up the middle to make the score 24-0.

On the next Reedsport possession, Patrick Collins stripped the ball from the Braves running back. That gave Heppner great field position at the 36-yard line. Just four plays later, Putman took a handoff and scored from seven yards out. CJ Kindle ran the ball in for the two-point-conversion to make the score 32-0 as the first quarter came to an end.

Grieb kicked off to start the second quarter. The defense would then force a Reedsport punt. Kindle had a long return to give the Mustangs the ball at the Braves' 16-yard line. On the very next play, Kindle ran it in for the touchdown. Clark threw to Ryan Smith for the two-point-conversion to make the score 40-0.

The next Reedsport drive ended with another punt. Heppner scored seven

plays later when Putman pounded the ball in from four yards out to make the score 46-0 at halftime. This meant that the second half would be played with a running clock.

The first drive of the second half for the Braves ended when Kevin Murray put a big-time hit on the ball carrier and forced a fumble. Putman scooped up the ball and returned it to the Reedsport 34-yard line. Heppner then scored when Putman threw a pass to Caden Hedman, who ran it in from 11 yards out for the touchdown. That made the score of the game 52-0 with three minutes left in the quarter.

The rest of the game would be played with many of the reserves from both teams. Many younger Mustang players gained some valuable state playoff experience. Reedsport would score late in the third quarter and also in the fourth.

Heppner dominated the game on the stat sheet also. The Mustangs had 22 first

downs to six for Reedsport. Heppner rushed the ball for 369 yards and held Reedsport to 68. Total yards in the game were 426 to 155.

Putman led the team with 150 yards rushing on 17 carries and four touchdowns. Kindle was next with 140 yards on 13 carries and one score. Grieb followed with 55 yards on only two carries and one touchdown. Kolby Currin packed the ball four times and gained 11 yards. Kaden Corbin had three carries and gained nine yards. Clark finished the game with one carry for five yards.

With the success of the running game, Clark only attempted five passes in the game. He connected on two of them for 34 yards. Putman finished the game 2-3 passing for 23 yards and one touchdown.

Hedman caught two passes for 23 yards and a touchdown. Putman had one pass reception for 21

yards and Lindsay caught one pass for a 13 yard gain.

The Mustang defense dominated the entire game and was led in tackles by Murray with 10. Tommy Bredfield finished the game with seven. Kindle, Collins and Wyatt Steagall were next with three tackles each. Next with two tackles each were Putman, Grieb, Currin, Saul Erickson, Tre Cimmiyotti, Tim Jaca and Coby Dougherty. Finishing with one tackle each were Smith, Clark, Tristan Moses, Peyton Lehman, Cason Mitchell, Zach Bredfield and Keegan Gibbs.

The Mustangs will now face the Regis Rams in the semifinals. Regis was the first-place team from the Tri-River Conference. The game will be this Saturday at Liberty High School in Hillsboro. This is the same field on which the Mustangs won the semifinal game last year. Game time is set for noon.



Tim Jaca (#54) joins the rest of the Mustang defense in throwing himself on top of a Brave during last Saturday's game. While the Mustang offense was a non-stop powerhouse, the Mustang defense completely shut down the Reedsport team throughout the first half of the quarterfinal game. -Photo by Sandra Putman

# End of summer doesn't mean end of museum offerings

Although two local showcases of Morrow County history are closed for the winter, the Morrow County Agriculture Museum still offers some interesting browsing. A few of the exhibits visitors can see outside during the colder months include antique farm equipment, a large windmill, and Shorty's homesteader's cabin.

Also, a newer covered building houses more early equipment. The museum building, a former grain elevator, boasts beautiful murals. The north end is a mural by the late artist Robert Thomas, depicting early farming in Morrow County. The west side of

the building showcases early Heppner, the train and the train depot, as well as scenes of the Willow Creek Valley. This mural is the largest mural by one artist in the northwest and was the work of well-known artist Robert Walton.

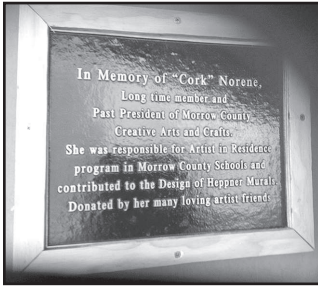
A kiosk on the north end lists some of the leaders of the mural ideas and brochures available. Visitors can check out a recent addition to the kiosk, a lovely plaque created as a memorial to Cork Norene, a local artist who was a valuable member of the Morrow County Arts and Craft Club. Norene encouraged art in the schools and the community.



This kiosk on the agriculture museum property gives additional information about the museum and mural sponsors. -Contributed photo

Both museums will be open March through October. Foundation board members are Cliff Green, Larry Mills, Merle Cowett, Robert Laughlin, Archie Ball, Robert Harrison, Peggy Fishburn, Cherrie Clark

and Robert Jepsen. Tours for groups and schools can be arranged by calling a board member.



This plaque in memory of local artist Cork Norene is a recent addition to the kiosk. -Contributed photo

# Heppner Elementary announces honor card, perfect attendance

## Honor Card

Heppner Elementary school has announced that 57 students were honored as first-quarter Honor Card recipients at the school's Nov. 13 assembly. Honor Card students were:

Mrs. Morris—KC Anderson, Olson Anderson, Mary Ashbeck, Hannah Brannon, Addison Coe, Havin Gray, Isabel Payne, Naomi Prophet, Gage Williams, Jace Wilson and Eva Worden.

Mrs. Matteson—Katon Coiner, Jaysi Dompier, Brooklyn Hendricks, Healy Hisler, Claire Lindsay, Hailey McDaniel, Kooper Miller, Maya Payne, Natalie Piper, Kayden Reser, Alakae Rodriguez, Mason Seitz, Logan Turner, Aireana Warner and Patrick Wolford.

Mrs. Stewart—Elizabeth Finch, Caleb George, Lily Nichols, Rylee Palmer and Sophie Rodriguez.

Mrs. Matheny—Ally Green, Hallee Hisler, John Lindsay, Keeley Nairns and Lynn Williams.

Mrs. Gibbs—Morgan Cutsforth, Caden George, Irelynn Kollman, Landon Mitchell and Arianna Worden.

Mrs. Piper—Ireland Martin, Brooklynn Wilson and Daemon Worden.

Mrs. Rosenbalm—Kylie Boor, Jace Coe, Cody Fletcher, Paul Lindsay, Blane Mahoney, Trevor Nichols, Madison Palmer, Hailey Wenberg and Katie Wilson.

Mrs. Coiner—Kason

Cimmiyotti, Hannah Finch, Hannah Green and Brock Hisler.

## Perfect Attendance

Also at the Nov. 13 assembly, Heppner Elementary announced that 52 students achieved perfect attendance for the first quarter 2015-2016. They were:

Mrs. Morris—KC Anderson, Olson Anderson, Mary Ashbeck, Hannah Brannon, Addison Coe, Havin Gray, Isabel Payne, Naomi Prophet, Tyler Rice and Jace Wilson.

Mrs. Matteson—Brooklyn Hendricks, Healy Hisler and Logan Turner.

Mrs. Stewart—Caleb George, Vincent Kiehmeyer, Wyatt King, Zaleta Masterson and Austin Willis.

Mrs. Matheny—Jackson Coiner, Ally Green, Kadie Henrichs, Hallee Hisler, Sydney Little, Isiah Martin and Keeley Nairns.

Mrs. Gibbs—Dylan Christian, Morgan Cutsforth, Irelynn Kollman, Zandra Masterson and Kyler Wilson.

Mrs. Piper—Hayley Akers, Hailey Cimmiyotti, Dillan Doyle, Jacob Finch, Jacob Lentz, Ireland Martin, Johnny Resch and Brooklynn Wilson.

Mrs. Rosenbalm—Kylie Boor, Conor Brosnan, Jace Coe, Zander Fisher and Cody Fletcher.

Mrs. Coiner—Mark Adams, Kason Cimmiyotti, Hannah Green, Kassidy Henrichs, Brock Hisler, Brian Lindsay, ZaBrena Masterson, Derrick Smith and Jonathon Waddell.

# No chamber lunch this week

There will be no lunch meeting of the Heppner Chamber of Commerce this Thursday, Nov. 19. The next chamber lunch meeting will be an all-entities report on Thursday, Dec. 3, at noon in Heppner City Hall conference room.

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

# USDA reminds dairy producers of Nov. 20 deadline

## Enrollment opportunities ending for 2016 Margin Protection Program

WASHINGTON—U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) Administrator Val Dolcini today announced that almost half of all dairy farms in America have made their annual elections for 2016 coverage under the Margin Protection Program, and reminded producers who have not yet enrolled that they have until Nov. 20 to select coverage.

Established by the 2014 Farm Bill, the program provides financial assistance to dairy producers when the margin—the difference

between feed costs and the price of milk—falls below the coverage level selected by the applicant.

“This safety net is not automatic, so producers must visit their local FSA office to enroll before Nov. 20,” said Dolcini. “Despite the best forecasts, the dairy industry is cyclical and markets can change quickly. This program is like any insurance product, where investing in a policy today will protect against catastrophic economic consequences tomorrow.”

Enrolled dairy operations must pay a \$100 administrative fee annually to receive basic catastrophic coverage.

Greater levels of margin protection are available for a higher premium and provide expanded coverage based on historic dairy production.

Once enrolled, producers can change their levels of coverage each year. Dairy producers are encouraged to review protection options online at [www.fsa.usda.gov/dairy](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/dairy) or by visiting their local FSA county office.

The Morrow County FSA office can be reached at 541-676-9011.

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