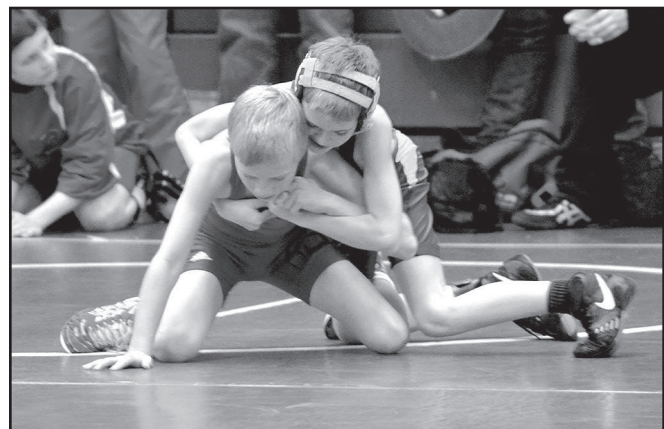


## Junior high wrestlers take on comers at first match of season



Roan Waite wrestles an opponent from Pine Eagle during Heppner's first junior high wrestling meet of the year. Other team wrestlers are Xavier Bohanon and Angel Matthew; Angel won the team's only pin of the day. "They all improved throughout the day, progressing in their technique," said coach Dieter Waite. The boys have been practicing for a week but Waite said they welcome any student from grades six through eight to join the group and participate. Practices are held each day at 4 p.m. at Heppner High School. The team has remaining matches in Pendleton, Milton-Freewater, Boardman and John Day, with the season running through the first part of March. -Photo by Kirsti Cason

## HHS seniors auction chores for safe, fun graduation party

The Heppner High School senior class will hold a service auction on Jan. 29 at the home basketball games versus Irrigon.

Groups of students can be "purchased" at auction to help with lawn care, painting, heavy lifting, moving, cleaning, stacking wood, and a variety of different chores within the students' capabilities.

The boys' basketball

players will be auctioned during the varsity girls' game halftime, while the girls' basketball players and wrestlers will be auctioned during the varsity boys' halftime.

The fundraiser is to help fund Operation Graduation—an after-graduation party planned to ensure a fun and safe evening for all the graduates.

## HUNT RESULTS

-Continued from PAGE ONE Pac license holders need to report on each big game or turkey tag issued.

Hunters have two ways to report:

-Online via reportmyhunt.com or www.odfw.com. Hunters without Internet access who wish to report online can visit an ODFW office with a computer available for Hunter Reporting.

-By telephone: Call 1-866-947-6339 to talk to a customer service representative. Hours: 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. Pacific Time, seven days a week.

Reporting deadlines are:

-Jan. 31 for all 2015 hunts that ended by Dec. 31.

-April 15 for all hunts that ended between Jan. 1- March 31, 2016.

Hunters need the following pieces of information to report, which takes just a couple of minutes:

-Hunter/Angler ID number (located on ODFW licenses, tags and applications; this is a permanent number that stays the same from year-to-year)

-The two digit Wildlife Management Unit (WMU) number of the Unit you hunted in most and the Unit you harvested an animal

in if successful (see pages 78-79 of 2015 Big Game Regulations or Hunting Unit Maps page).

-The total number of days hunted (including mentoring youth), the number of days hunted in the WMU hunted most, and the number of days hunted in the WMU you harvested an animal in if successful. **\$25 penalty for not reporting deer and elk tags**

Hunters who fail to report 2015 deer or elk tags on time will be penalized \$25 when they purchase a 2017 hunting license. This penalty is assessed once, regardless of the number of unreported tags.

As of Jan. 6, about 50 percent of elk tags, 48 percent of buck deer tags and 60 percent of antlerless deer tags had been reported.

**Chance to win special big game tag**

Hunters who report on time are entered into a drawing to win a special big game tag. ODFW selects three names each year and the winners can choose a deer, elk or pronghorn tag. Hunters who win may hunt an expanded hunt area and extended season, similar to auction and raffle tags that hunters can pay thousands for.

## A View from the Hill

By Doris Brosnan

A rainy beginning to 2016 hasn't dampened enthusiasm on the Hill, as the community has viewed the moisture as much-needed, and everyone has enough options for indoor activities to keep them inside and dry.

Residents and staff welcomed in the new year with a special, hearty breakfast and later with delicious crab cakes made with some of the crab meat that Colin and Erin Anderson brought as a New Year's gift.

The Terrace has a bird-identification book in the living room and bird feeders in the yard, so residents were equipped for the 14th annual Bird Watching Day on the fifth, although no one officially participated in the Audubon Society's annual bird count. The resident birds also take advantage of the birdbaths, even in the icy cold weather, even though they don't have the added pleasure of bubble bath, which has its special day of celebration on the eighth.

On the 15th, residents and staff enjoyed National Hat Day with a morning discussion of the changing fashion and by donning some toppers for the day. Half the residents showed for breakfast in some great conversation pieces, and by dinner time, the tables were surrounded by a nice variety of chapeaus.

Last week was Book Week, which was a good reminder to go through the Terrace's book shelves to glean already-read books and take them to the Friends of the Library for their spring sale. The week also spotlighted Ed Struthers,



Willow Creek Terrace residents participate in weekly Brain Games while decked out for National Hat Day. -Contributed photo

who brings library books to the Terrace on a regular basis. Ed knows the preferences of the many readers and makes sure that his rotation of volumes has something for everyone.

Other devoted supporters were honored at lunch when the community took advantage of Maintenance Day, on the 20th, to thank the maintenance staff who keeps things running and looking good. Jerry Baker, Dan Sharp and Carl Lauritsen handle those tasks.

The importance of the tin can was an interesting topic for the morning discussion group on the 19th, the day that celebrates the 1825 patent of the tin can. The importance of hugging seems to have received national attention recently, thanks to news of "professional cuddlers," so this made for some interesting morning conversation on National Hugging Day on the 21st. The importance of laughter was highlighted on the 24th, designated

Belly Laugh Day. Jokes ruled, and every belly laugh burned up six calories! The importance of Irish Coffee might be debated, but the fact remains that this concoction has its special day on the 25th, so the Terrace celebrated with Irish-Coffee Cake.

This week offers Cowboy Poetry Day, and the residents and staff are hoping for a visit by a local cowboy who has a perfect voice for oral recitation of this genre. Also this week, everyone will be having a good time with Backwards Day on the 29th, because a common sight will be clothing worn backward, and the staff promises some additional "surprises" that day.

This January-beginning of another year will end with the NFL Pro Bowl on the 31st, but everyone is encouraged to stay with the NFL a bit longer, because on Feb. 7 the Terrace will hold a Super Bowl party in the sun room. The festive atmosphere will be

enhanced with some special noshes and with the board that will be quickly filled by hopefuls taking some chances on the outcome. In the evening of the 31st, some residents expect to attend the Cabin Fever concert, an enjoyable outing that will sound great and provide some more belly laughs.

Joining the Community on the Hill in time for some of this month's activities is Ginnie Marshall. Ginnie was welcomed on the 18th, and is now ready to add her welcome for the new resident who will be moving in on Feb. 1. The Terrace has the welcome mat out and invites individuals who might be interested in life at Willow Creek Terrace to call 541-676-0004. The Terrace also has a part-time staff opening, and information on that position is available at the same phone number.

Thus, the ongoing changes on the Hill...Something that residents and staff always view as interesting.

## ELL, reading night receives warm reception with cool treats

On a cold January night, almost 60 people had a freezing treat at Heppner Elementary School's annual English Language Learners (ELL)/Reading Night this year.

The group tasted ice cream from Mexico and the United States. They also learned that in China, rice is one of the ingredients used to make ice cream.

Kathy Street shared interesting information about how the Oregon Trail Library District can help parents and students at home. Deb Campbell described the Heroes program and

the benefits for students and volunteers. Mary Ann Elguézabal explained how students are identified for the English Language Learners program and the levels that the students need to reach before they can exit the program. She says she also likes to remind her students that knowing two or more languages is extremely beneficial when you are looking for a job.

The speeches from the ELL students were declared the highlight of the evening as the crowd showed its appreciation of the students with enthusiastic applause.



L-R: Owen Guerra, Yisage Yun, Milli Sanchez, Adrian Negrete, Emily Negrete and Adan Guerra. Not pictured: Daniela Sanchez. -Contributed photo

## HHS announces first semester honor roll

Heppner High School has announced the students named to the 2015/16 Semester One Honor Roll. Students are as follows by grade:

**12th Grade**—Kai Arbogast 4.0, Patrick Collins 4.0, Jessical Kempken 4.0, Skyler Palmer 4.0, Weston Putman 4.0, Caitlyn Bailey, Kaelyn Lindsay, Sydney Maben, Rylee Wagoner, Christopher Kindle, Tom-

my Bredfield, Rylee Kollman.

**11th Grade**—Kolby Currin 4.0, Kellie Eadler 4.0, Bryan Fowler 4.0, Logan Grieb 4.0, Taylor Hamby 4.0, Jacob Lindsay 4.0, Kevin Murray 4.0, Kane Sweeney 4.0, Demitra Schmidt, Emily Cecil, Caden Hedman, Riane Dompier.

**10th Grade**—Cara Ar-

bogast 4.0, Sophie Grant 4.0, Reiah Waite 4.0, Morgan Correa.

**Ninth Grade**—Carson Brosnan 4.0, Madison Combe 4.0, Jacee Currin 4.0, Claire Grieb 4.0, Jaiden Mahoney 4.0, Hunter Nichols 4.0, Olivia Schmidt 4.0, Leo Waite 4.0, Gibson McCurry, Keegan Gibbs.

**Eighth Grade**—Nicole Prophet 4.0, Tresslyn

McCurry, Jason Rea, Cami VanArsdale, Kellen Grant, Megan Smith, Alison Cecil, Casey Fletcher, Makayla Silvia.

**Seventh Grade**—Madelyn Nichols 4.0, Hannah Palmer 4.0, Jayden Wilson 4.0, Brinley Dompier, Marlee Mitchell, Gracey DeLoach, Alexis Cutsforth, Aimee Doherty, Hayden Hyatt, Blake Wolters.

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