

# Ione students join national cause by planting 'Pinwheels for Prevention'



Ione sixth-grade students showed their support for child abuse prevention by planting a pinwheel garden last Thursday near the school reader board in Ione. The 150 pinwheels are meant to represent a happy, safe, and carefree childhood. The pinwheels will be up throughout the month of April. Ione sixth-grade students are, in alphabetical order: Morgan Alldritt, Parker Angell, Joshua Bleth, Blake Carter, Cedrick Dayandante, Emily Ehrmantraut, Hailey Heide- man, Faviola Jaurez Alvarez, Chance McCormack, Cecilia McElligott, Grace Ogden, Lucas Parker, Haylie Peterson, Kayla Rodriguez, Taylor Rollins, Onice Sanchez, Julianna Teeman, Katelyn Thompson, Anthony Villegas and Gary Walls. -Contributed photo

April is child abuse prevention month, and Ione sixth-grade students showed their support for this cause by planting a pinwheel garden on Thursday, March 31. Pinwheels are a national symbol for child abuse prevention, and the Ione students planted 150 pinwheels near the

school reader board in Ione. The pinwheels will be up throughout the month of April.

Those students aren't alone. More than 100 community organizations, businesses, hospitals, government offices and individuals in 35 counties across Oregon are partnering for

the eighth annual Pinwheels for Prevention® campaign, hosted by the Children's Trust Fund of Oregon and Prevent Child Abuse Oregon.

"While the pinwheel creates a memorable and compelling visual, it is the story behind the pinwheel that makes the biggest

mark," said Pamela Heisler, Director of Programs and Partnerships at the Children's Trust Fund. "The pinwheel is a sign of hope, and each pinwheel garden represents what we want for every child—a happy, safe and carefree childhood."

This year, Pinwheels for Prevention is on track to distribute more than 15,000 pinwheels and see a Pinwheel Garden hosted in every county.

In Oregon alone, 10,010 children were victims of child abuse and neglect in 2014; 46 percent of which were children younger than six years old.

"At Prevent Child Abuse Oregon and the Children's Trust Fund, we know that we can make a positive impact on the future by preventing child abuse and neglect today," said Heisler "The best way to increase that impact is by involving citizens and communities in our work. Pinwheels have come to serve the physical embodiment, or reminder, of the great childhoods we want for all children."

To learn more about Pinwheels for Prevention, visit <http://prevent-childabuse.org/resource/pinwheels-for-prevention/>.

# HES kindergarten roundup planned

Heppner Elementary School would like to remind parents that the school will be rounding up all the kindergarten students for the 2016-2017 school year next Tuesday, April 12.

Appointments are available from 8:15 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will last approximately 45 minutes. Each child will meet Mrs. Morris, have a skills test, have their eyes checked and do a project.

Parents need to bring

their child's birth certificate, immunization record and emergency contact information. Parent and staff will be filling out paperwork and taking a tour of the school while each child is with Mrs. Morris.

Please contact Mrs. Sweeney to set up an appointment time at 541-676-9128 ext. 2610.

Students must be five years of age on or by Aug. 31, 2016 to enroll at HES.

# Bingo is back at Heppner senior center

Bingo is returning to Heppner on Thursday evenings starting April 14 at the St. Patrick's Senior Center, 190 N. Main St. It will be held in the multipurpose room (aka the dining room) from 7 p.m. until approximately 9 p.m.

Cost will be 50 cents per card per game, and the black-out prize of \$100 will go to the winner. All proceeds will be for the benefit of the senior center and the St. Patrick's apartment complex.

# BMCC to offer retirement, investment classes in Heppner

Blue Mountain Community College (BMCC) will offer a series of retirement planning and investment classes in Heppner beginning April 12.

The classes are designed to help attendees gain the skills to estimate how much money they need to retire, learn how to create retirement goals, review investment basics and more.

The series is scheduled from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on three consecutive Tuesdays beginning April 12. Classes will meet at the Pettyjohn Building, 430 West Linden Way, Heppner. The April 12

class will cover investment basics, April 19 will cover retirement basics, and April 26 will be on retirement income planning.

The instructor is Rita Van Schoiack, financial advisor and owner of Blue Mountain Investment Management LLC.

The classes are free and include a downloadable workbook. Advance registration is required; call Anne Morter at 541-422-7040 or email her at [amorter@bluecc.edu](mailto:amorter@bluecc.edu). Students may also register online at [www.bluecc.edu](http://www.bluecc.edu).

# Mustang teams take first, second at Pendleton invitational



The Heppner girls' golf team with their first-place trophy from the Pendleton Country Club Invitational. L-R: Riane Dompier, Amanda Rea, Claire Grieb, Caitlyn Scrivner and Madison Combe. -Contributed photo

The Heppner Mustang golf program had another great day at the Pendleton Country Club Invitational last week. The girls' team won its second tournament in a row and the boys' team finished second in a strong field of eight teams.

The Heppner girls' were Madison Combe

of 454 to beat La Grande by 10 strokes. Enterprise (502) finished third and Burns (526) was fourth. Amanda Rea shot a 94 to lead the team and finish as the third-place medalist in the tournament. Other scores for the Mustangs

were Madison Combe (116), Claire Grieb (118),



Amanda Rea, third-place medalist for the girls' tournament, and Logan Grieb, second-place medalist for the boys' tournament. -Contributed photo

Riane Dompier (126) and Caitlyn Scrivner (129). A total of 40 girls participated in the tournament.

The boys' team finished in second place behind the Nixyaawii/Pilot Rock team. Heppner shot a 384 on the day. They were followed by Burns (394), Vale (397), Enterprise (414), Echo (427), Nyssa (432), and Wallowa (445). Lead-

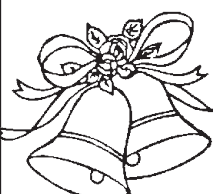
ing the way for the Mustangs was Logan Grieb, who shot an 86 and finished in second place overall. Other scores for the boys were Dan Bretsch (94), Cason Mitchell (101), Reno Ferguson (103), Charles Cason (125) and Logan Burright (132). There were 56 boys who golfed in the tournament.

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# Heppner YCC crew offers summer jobs for local youth

Heppner—The Heppner Ranger District is recruiting for four students between the ages of 15 and 18 for summer employment in the Youth Conservation Corps (YCC). Work will include field-going activities such as noxious weed removal, fence removal and construction, trail maintenance, campground maintenance, slash piling, and fireline construction around logged units on the Heppner Ranger District.

The program begins June 20 and will last six weeks. Youth are paid the Oregon minimum wage rate of \$9.25 per hour. No previous experience is required.

Applicants must:  
-obtain parental or legal guardian consent to enroll,  
-have transportation

to and from the Heppner District Office,

-have a social security number or made application to obtain one, and

-be at least age 15 and not turn 19 during employment.

Applications are available at the Forest Service Office in Heppner and at the Heppner, Ione, Irrigon and Riverside high schools. Applications will be accepted through 2 p.m. on April 15. Successful applicants will be selected through a random draw at 4 p.m. on April 15. All applicants will be notified of their selection status by mail.

For more information about the YCC program, please contact the Heppner Ranger District at 541-676-9187.

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