

South Morrow Scholarship applications due April 10

The South Morrow County Scholarship Trust committee will accept scholarship applications from March 1 through April 10 at 4 p.m. The scholarships will be awarded to graduating seniors from Heppner or Ione high schools. Requirements and application are available on the schools' websites, or students may visit with their school counselors if they have questions. In Heppner, applications may be turned into Mrs. Ginger Bowman and in Ione, Mrs. Stephanie McElligott.

Coach Del LaRue Scholarship Criteria

The Coach Del LaRue Scholarship was developed in memory of Del LaRue,

a long-time teacher and coach at Ione High School. LaRue had a passion for coaching basketball and track and loved seeing students set and achieve their goals. After retiring from teaching, LaRue continued to coach track for 12 additional years, during which time he helped many student athletes achieve their goals and was honored as national Track Coach of the Year.

This fund awards one \$1,000 scholarship to a college-bound Ione High School senior based on demonstrated academic achievement and community involvement, with preference given to students who have participated in

the Ione High School Track Program.

Students must be continuing their education at a community college, trade school, or four-year college or university. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 accumulated GPA, must have attended Ione High School all four years of high school, and have shown involvement in community activities.

Applications will be accepted and awarded by the South Morrow County Scholarship Inc. Board of Directors using their Common Local Scholarship Application Process. Applications are due by 4 p.m. on April 10.

Heppner junior high girls end successful basketball season



The Heppner Junior High girls' basketball team finished its regular season last Saturday in Helix where both the A and B teams won all three games. The girls have had a successful winning season with defense and teamwork as their main focus, and say they are grateful to their coaches Adam Doherty, Darcee Mitchell and Slater Mitchell for all their time and effort. The majority of the team will continue to practice for the next two weeks to prepare for "Battle in the Blues" tournament in Imbler on March 11-12. Pictured (L-R): ZaBrena Masterson, Genevieve Smith, Cassidy Henrichs, Aimee Doherty, Marlee Mitchell, Kylie Boor, Sydney Wilson, Madison Ashbeck, Sage Ferguson, Madelyn Nichols and Hailey Holmgren. Not pictured: Hanna Finch. -Contributed photo

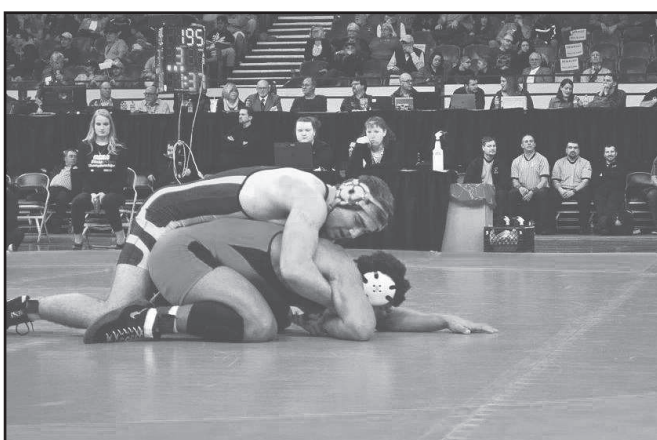
WRESTLING CHAMP

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This year Flynn was better prepared for the onslaught and fended off the attacks repeatedly to move to the second round tied at 0-0.

After winning the coin toss and choosing the down starting position, Jones exploded out for an escape and a 1-0 lead. Within seconds Jones attacked and scored a takedown on the edge of the mat to suddenly go up 3-0.

Remaining composed, Flynn completely turned the action around at the restart, busting out from the bottom for an escape then immediately taking Jones back to the mat with a blast-double takedown. And just like that the score was tied



Cord Flynn wrestles his way to the gold at the state tournament last weekend in Portland. -Photo by Danny Doherty

at 3-3. Flynn then went to work and scored two more points for a near fall as time ran out in the second period.

Flynn chose down to start the third period but didn't stay there long. He reversed Jones in just

10 seconds to go up 7-3 with 1:50 remaining in the match. From there he was able to ride out Jones for the remainder of the time to claim his state gold medal.

Flynn was the seventh

state finalist for Heppner/Ione in the last seven years and becomes the fourth Mustang state champion in four years. He is the first ever Ione High School athlete to win a wrestling state championship.

"Nobody has worked harder for a state championship than Cord," said head coach Mark Lemmon. "His better conditioning and maturity were obvious. The difference between last year's championship match against Jones and this year's were the hours he spent in the weight room getting more powerful to stand toe-to-toe and slug it out with one of the most explosive athletes in Oregon."

Mustang players named to all-conference teams



Mustangs Jacee Currin (right) and Morgan Correa both received all-conference honors at the district basketball tournament in Pendleton recently. Currin was voted second team, while Correa received honorable mention for the Mustang girls' team. -Contributed photo

Oregon Trail Library District to offer 'Ukalaliens' workshop

Have you dreamed of learning to play the ukulele? Oregon Trail Library District has the perfect workshop for you. Kate Power and Steve Einhorn will be at OTLD library branches for Ukalaliens workshops Friday and Saturday, March 10-11. What's a ukalalien, you ask?

"ukalalien: n. a newly converted ukulele player prone to singing and strumming on the ukulele, spurred to spontaneous acts of music and song singing, both alone and with others, regardless of setting or circumstances, thereby creating a euphoric sense of wellbeing."

Workshops will be held at all library branches. These workshops are structured for adults. Anyone bringing children should be prepared to help them with the instruments. Thirty

instruments will be available or the public is invited to bring personal ukuleles.

The Heppner workshop will be the third offered that weekend, planned for Saturday, March 11, at 4 p.m. at the OTLD Heppner branch.

The first workshop will be offered Friday, March 10, at 6 p.m. at the Irrigon Branch, 490 NE Main Ave, Irrigon. Saturday, March 11, at 10:30 a.m. the workshop will be offered at the Boardman Branch, 200 S Main St, Boardman.

"The workshops will be a wonderful opportunity for our community members to learn music locally," says Oregon Trail Library District Library Director Kathy Street.

Steve Einhorn's name was synonymous with his music shop, Artichoke Music, a legend in Portland

since 1981. Owner of Artichoke Music from 1981 through 2006, Einhorn inspired and taught thousands of people about music, instruments and songs and grew a reputation for making a better world through music and helping people get their start, all while running the shop and performing in the region.

Power's first recording was produced by Bothy Band musician and producer Micheál O'Domhnaill with the band Wildgeese in 1983 (Celtic Music of the Great Northwest). In 1994, Scottish fiddler Johnny Cunningham co-produced her Dancing in the Kitchen album with Steve Einhorn, a debut of original songs. Power has recorded seven albums with music and life partner Steve Einhorn and has been featured on several Hearts O'Space compila-

tions, Celtic Twilight and Celtic Woman.

In recent years, the duo has brought brought thousands of new players into the music-making fold with their Ukalaliens method while touring the countryside with a fleet of ukes-to-share. Their newest album, Portland Romance, was produced with Jon Neufeld (Black Prairie) and Billy Oskay (Big Red). Power and Einhorn reside in Portland, OR.

A grant from the Morrow County Cultural Coalition made these workshops possible.

Please call Kathy Street, 541-481-3365, with any questions about the workshops. Visit the OTLD website at <https://oregontrail.ploud.net/> for information, or the Ukalaliens website at <http://www.qualityfolk.com/>.

Grange reading fair celebrates Dr. Seuss

The Lexington Grange will hold a Dr. Seuss reading fair on Saturday, March 4, from 10 a.m. to noon. The event will include games, learning activities, snacks, books to buy and more.


Entry is \$2 or a new or gently-used book. Children who participate will be entered into a drawing to win a family pool pass for either the Heppner pool or Ione pool. Books received will be donated to the public libraries or local reading programs.


Heppner schools plan concert


Heppner Elementary and Heppner Jr./Sr. High School music students will provide an evening of music under the directorship of teacher Rick Drake on Wednesday, March 8, from 6-8 p.m. at the Heppner Elementary gym.

MCSDB board considers supplemental budget

The Morrow County School District Board of Directors will hold its monthly board meeting on March 13 at 7 p.m. at Irrigon Elementary School. A supplemental budget will be considered at this meeting.



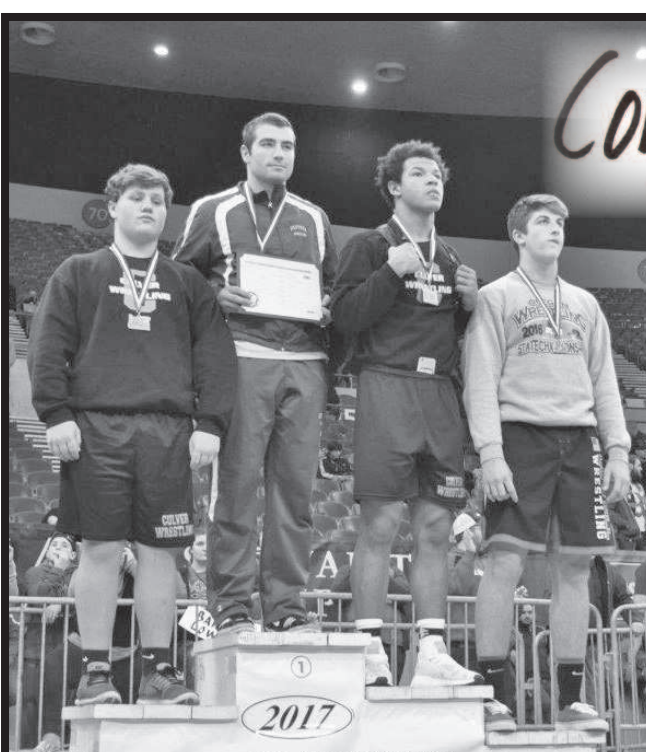




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