

## Chamber Chatter

Friday, Nov. 17 – Friday, Jan. 12, nominations will be accepted for Heppner Chamber's Annual Town and Country Community Awards. Pick up nomination forms at the Bank of Eastern Oregon, Heppner Chamber, city hall, Community Bank and the Post Office to submit nominations for Man and Woman of the Year, Business of the Year, Youth Award, Citizen-Educator of the Year and Lifetime Achievement Award. The nomination forms can be dropped off at Kuhn Law Office or the Heppner Chamber of Commerce or emailed to heppnerchamber@centurytel.net. Contact the Chamber office at 541-676-5536 for more information.

Monday, Nov. 20 – Thursday, Dec. 14, the Rewards Cards program starts for shopping local. Start collecting your rewards cards when you shop local at participating businesses. The denominations are \$10, \$20 and \$50 and cannot be given on payments to accounts. Bring your family and come out to spend a great evening on Thursday, Dec. 14 and spend your rewards cards on prizes that have been donated by local and out of town merchants. There will be pictures with Santa, a dinner available for purchase and Scrooge will also be there. Contact the Chamber if you have any questions at 541-676-5536.

Now through Wednesday, Dec. 20, Community Bank Charity Drive Food Bank. Drop off any monetary donation to the Heppner Community Bank and they will match up to \$500 at .50 cents on every dollar collected. The donations will support The Heppner Neighborhood Center.

Thursday, Nov. 23 at 1 p.m., free community Thanksgiving dinner. The dinner this year will be coordinated by Elohim Church and will be held at the All Saints Episcopal Church. Guests are asked to bring a salad or dessert to go with the meal. If you would like to help serve or cleanup, please contact Melba at 541-626-1732.

Saturday, Dec. 2 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Annual Artifactory Holiday Bazaar at St. Patrick's Parish Hall. This bazaar is sponsored by Heppner Day Care. Vendor applications can be obtained by contacting Andrea Nelson at 541-720-4399 or Petra Payne at 503-507-9670. Applications may also be completed online by visiting the Heppner Day Care Facebook page.

Thursday, Dec. 7, Heppner Downtown Merchants Open House organized by the Heppner Chamber. Check out all that is going on during the day by our local merchants and plan on staying after the light parade until 7 p.m. to take in the activities and pick up a couple of Christmas presents while you are at it. Contact the Heppner Chamber for more info at 541-676-5536.

Thursday, Dec. 7 at 5:30 p.m., Parade of Lights organized by the City of Heppner. Pick up a parade

entry form at city hall. The parade will be start at 5:30 p.m., with all participants at the city park by 5 p.m. to line up. Contact the Heppner City Hall at 541-676-9618 for more information.

Sunday, Dec. 10 at 6:30 p.m., Free Community Concert with Christopher Duffley. This event is being sponsored by Community Counseling Solutions and will be held at Heppner High School. Concessions will be organized by the FBLA Club and will offer light dinner selections and will open at 5 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 14 at 6 p.m., Heppner Christmas Event at Morrow County Fairgrounds. A spaghetti dinner prepared and served by the Track and Cross Country Team parents will be limited to the first 200 people (you will receive a \$10 reward card for each meal purchased). There will be pictures taken with Santa and his elves from 6-7 p.m. for \$5. Scrooge will be around to grumpily hand over \$10 rewards cards and drawing of the rewards cards, raffle and penny board winners will wrap up the evening.

## 4-H achievement night held

The Morrow County 4-H Achievement Night was held on Sunday, Nov. 19 at the Morrow County Fairgrounds in Heppner. The program honored 4-H leaders and members for all of their accomplishments during the past 4-H year. Awards were given out for achievements at the 2017 fair and other accomplishments made throughout the 2016-2017 4-H Year. The awards night was emceed by 4-H ambassadors: Keegan Gibbs and Cami VanArsdale, honorary ambassadors: Casey Fletcher, Roy Collins and Grace Ogden and ambassador advisor: Jeannie Collins. This year Morrow County 4-H honored two businesses as recipients of the Friends of 4-H Award. These are businesses that have worked closely with the OSU Extension Service in supporting the Morrow County 4-H Youth Program. This recognition is for those who provide sustained and significant contributions to the 4-H youth program in Morrow County. With great pleasure, this award was given to Three Mile Canyon

Farms and Lamb Weston of Boardman.

Every year the Morrow County 4-H programs honors one leader who has stood out above the rest for service and commitment to the program. This year's recipients was Pat Tolar of Columbia Junior Ranchers 4-H Club. Pat's years of service and humble dedication to the 4-H members, clubs, fair, and the entire program have been significant and appreciated. The next award is one in particular that is given as special recognition, the Becky Smith Memorial Award. This award is given to someone the 4-H Leader's Council consider the most enthusiastic, first year member in a large animal project area. Emphasis is given towards sheep members, but they must also exhibit a positive attitude, be someone who doesn't necessarily place high, takes good care of their animals and be willing to help others. Zaleta Masterson was this year's 2017 recipient of the Becky Smith Memorial. Another special recognition award that was given is the

All-Around Achievement Award. This award is designed to recognize the 4-H member who is involved in all aspects of 4-H. This award is a great accomplishment in a 4-H'er's career and is one that should receive special recognition for the hard work that our members put forth not only in order to apply for, but also to receive. This year's winners were: Madison Orem, Junior Award and Grace Ogden, Intermediate Award.

Special awards were given for Outstanding 4-H Record Books, winners were: Kellen Joyce, Megan Joyce and Daemon Worden in the Junior Division; Cody Fletcher, Casey Fletcher, and Eva Martin in the Intermediate Division; and Joe O'Brien, Morgan Orem, and Ashley Price in the Senior Division.

County medals are awarded to seventh through twelfth grade 4-H members in project or activity areas who have demonstrated advanced development of life skills, accomplishments in 4-H projects, as well as in leadership and

Thursday, Jan. 25, Business Education and Training seminars coordinated by Boardman Chamber of Commerce. The Boardman Chamber is coordinating a seminar presented by Paul Hutter. The seminar will include morning and afternoon sessions with morning to be Health Care Update, marijuana in the workplace and Oregon overtime rules for manufacturers. The afternoon session will include discussion on motivating and retaining your employee. Cost for a half day as a Chamber member is \$200, \$250 for a non-member. Heppner chamber members will receive the member rate. Cost for a full day is \$350 as a member, \$400 for a non-member. Small businesses with 10 employees or less are offered a \$50 discount. Multiple employees from the same company may attend for one price. Contact the Boardman Chamber at 541-481-3014 for more information. Registration begins on Nov. 13.

Thursday, Feb. 8 at 6 p.m., Heppner Chamber's Annual Town and Country Community Awards Event at Morrow County Fairgrounds. Nomination forms are available now and tickets will be available for purchase soon. Plan to come and spend a great community evening as we celebrate our recognition of the Man and Woman of the Year, Business of the Year, Youth Award, Citizen-Educator of the Year and Lifetime Achievement Award.

citizenship activities. This year's County Medal winners were:

In the Intermediate Division: Quinton Orr, Photography; Emma Hermanns, Photography; Isabella Orr, Public Speaking; Kylie Boor, Clothing and Textiles; Grace Ogden, Sheep; Harley Anderson, Horse; Lillian Richardson, Horse; Nathaniel Wedam, Dairy Cattle; Casey Fletcher, Community Service; Cody Fletcher, Beef (Breeds) and Kael Osmin, Swine (Market).

In the Senior Division: Dakota Durfey, Swine and Shayna Osmin, Swine (Breeds).

Also awarded were Club Attendance Awards, recipients were: Sew Fantastic and Ukiah Community Club, both winning the Bronze Club Status. Camp Counselors for the Tri-County 4-H Camp were given a special thank you too, Morrow County Members that served as counselors were: Brooke Harrison, Cami VanArsdale, Gibson McCurry, Isabella Ganvoa, Jacee Currin, J'aena Arellano-Desirey, Jake O'Brien,

## Morrow County looking for volunteers

Morrow County is looking for volunteers to represent Boardman and Lone on the Morrow County Planning Commission. Planning Commissioners serve four-year terms, so the available appointments will fill terms ending Dec. 31, 2021.

The Planning Commission generally meets once a month, alternating meeting locations between Heppner and Boardman. Duties of the Planning Commission include approving land use actions, maintaining the county's subdivision and zoning ordinances and working with the Morrow County Board of Com-

missioners to manage the county's land use comprehensive plan.

Parties residing in Morrow County who are interested in taking a more active part in land use planning in the county are encouraged to submit a letter of interest to the Morrow County Planning Department, P.O. Box 40, Irrigon, OR 97844 by the close of business Friday, Dec. 8. For more information contact Carla McLane or Stephanie Lovings at 541-922-4624.

More information about the Planning Commission can be accessed at [www.co.morrow.or.us](http://www.co.morrow.or.us).

## Community lunch menu

All Saints Episcopal and Hope and Valby volunteers will serve lunch on Wednesday, Nov. 29, at St. Patrick's Senior Center. Lunch will include fish and chips, jo-jo potatoes, coleslaw, spiced pears, bread sticks and chocolate mousse for dessert.

Milk is served at each meal. Suggested donation is \$3.50 per meal. Menu is subject to change.

## Marriage Licenses

The Morrow County Clerk's office has released the following report of marriage licenses:

**November 16, 2017:** -Juan Antonio Lemus Garcia, 36, Hermiston and Mariana Calvillo Mendoza, 30, Hermiston.



Zaleta Masterson, winning recipient of the Becky Smith Memorial Award. -Contributed photo

Joseph O'Brien, Juliana Joyce, Keegan Gibbs, Kylee McClure, Matthew Orem, Quinton Orr, Rileigh McClure and Tyler Carter. Memberships pins are given to Cloverbuds and all of our first, third, fifth, seventh and ninth year 4-H members. All members who recently completed those

years in 4-H will be recognized. For more information or any questions please contact the OSU Extension Service office at: 541-676-9642 or email [julie.baker@oregonstate.edu](mailto:julie.baker@oregonstate.edu). Follow us on Facebook at Morrow County 4-H Oregon for updates, reminders and photos of Morrow County 4-H.

## HELP A CHILD IN OUR COMMUNITY

There is a Giving Tree available at Heppner Les Schwab for community members who wish to purchase gifts for foster children in Morrow County.

**GIFTS NEED TO BE RETURNED TO LES SCHWAB BY FRIDAY DECEMBER 8TH**



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