

Chamber announcements and upcoming events

Dinner tickets for Heppner Chamber's Annual Town and Country Community Awards Dinner event on Thursday, Feb. 8 went on sale Friday, Jan. 12. Tickets are available at the Bank of Eastern Oregon, Heppner Chamber, Heppner City Hall, Community Bank and Murray's. Ticket prices this year are \$25 each until the week of Feb. 5, at which time they will be \$30. Reserved tables will be available on a first come, first serve basis by purchasing round tables of eight or long tables of six. Contact the Heppner Chamber for more information or to reserve seating at 541-676-5536.

Feb. 5, 6 and 7 from 7-8 p.m., a vegetarian cooking class will be held at the Heppner Seventh-Day Adventist Church. Meals for breakfast, lunch and dinner will be demonstrated along

with samples of each meal prepared. Recipes will be available. The class is free but participants are asked to RSVP to Erik at 541-922-8697.

Tuesday, Feb. 6 at 10 a.m., Veterans and seniors Town Hall meeting with Legal Aid Services of Oregon at the Irrigon Library. Legal Aid Services of Oregon will present information related to Senior Planning (wills, trusts, funeral trusts, estate planning, bankruptcy) and referrals to attorneys who could assist with specific needs. To arrange transportation, call The Loop at 1-844-676-5667. For questions and to RSVP, contact Morrow County Veterans Services at 541-922-6420.

Heppner Chamber's Annual Town and Country Community Awards dinner will be held on Thursday, Feb. 8 at 6 p.m. at the Morrow County Fairgrounds. This annual event,

coordinated by the Heppner Chamber of Commerce, recognizes nominated community members and a local business for their involvement in our community. The theme for the event will be "An Evening with the Stars" and the awards will recognize a Woman of the Year, Man of the Year, Business of the Year, Citizen-Educator of the Year, Lifetime Achievement and a Youth Award. Dinner, catered by Alvin Liu of Gateway Café, will consist of prime rib, green salad, green beans, roll and dessert. So purchase your tickets early and plan on coming out and enjoying a great community event and celebrate with just a few of the great community members who make Heppner a great place to live.

Sunday, Feb. 11 at 6 p.m., Valentine's Dinner at Heppner Christian Church. Bring a date or come alone

for a Valentine's Dinner of prime rib, baked potato, tossed green salad, roll and cheesecake for dessert. There is no charge for the meal but donations will go to Hope2Liberia.

Thursday, Feb. 15, the Willow Creek Valley Economic Development Group is hosting their annual luncheon from 12-1 p.m. in the Senior Center dining room with Gary Neal as the speaker. RSVP no later than Tuesday, Feb. 13 to guarantee a lunch. Lunch will be served by Alvin Liu of Gateway Café and the menu will consist of BBQ ribs, BBQ chicken, BBQ beans, potato salad and dessert. Contact the Chamber at 541-676-5536 to RSVP.

Sunday, Feb. 18 at 8 a.m., Sweetheart's Breakfast at the Heppner Christian Church. Breakfast will consist of pancakes, eggs and bacon. The breakfast is free.

Tuesday, Mar. 6 from 10-11:30 a.m., Walla Walla VA Medical Center Town Hall meeting. This Town Hall presentation on VA Modernization - the next chapter in VA's story of change will be held in the Irrigon Library and is for all Veterans and any interested community members. Morrow County transportation will be provided by The Loop, call 844-676-5667 to secure a seat.

Friday, Mar. 16 through Sunday, Mar. 18, 36th Annual Wee Bit O' Ireland St. Patrick's Celebration. The St. Patrick's committee is busy planning this year's event. If you are interested in volunteering for any part of the weekend, contact the Heppner Chamber at 541-676-5536. Father Condon's play "Searching for Meaning" will be performed on Thursday, Mar. 15 at 7 p.m. at the St. Patrick's Parish Hall.

The Morrow County budget committee is seeking a volunteer to serve on the Morrow County budget committee. It would be a three-year term, expiring June 30, 2020. Morrow County residents interested in serving on the budget committee should submit a letter of interest to the Morrow County finance department, PO Box 788, Heppner by Monday, Feb. 5. For more information, contact Kate Knop, Finance Director at 541-676-5615.

Heppner Public Library is offering Drop In Teen Time on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of every month at 6 p.m. Upcoming events include black light night on Jan. 25, Nerf Wars on Feb. 8 and Minute to Win it games on Feb. 22. Contact the Heppner Library at 541-676-9964 for more information.

Mustang JV and C girls basketball teams continue to dominate



Marlee Mitchell looks to pass to Madison Ashbeck on the pick and roll. -Contributed Photo

The Mustang girls JV and combined JV/C basketball teams have had a stellar season. The lady Mustangs are 16-3 and currently riding a 12 game win streak. They have played very well as a team with a different

stand out player each game. On Jan. 20 the girls traveled to Pilot Rock to take on a tough Rockets team. The Mustangs had an impressive win on the road winning 55-47. Top scorers were Madelyn Nichols

and Alison Cecil each tallying 14 points, followed by Madison Ashbeck with eight points.

Two days later the JV/C team hosted Umatilla and posted another exciting win 34-27. High scorers

for the lady Mustangs were Nicole Propheter with nine, Alison Cecil and Susie Teeman with seven and Dakota Durfey with six points.

The following day the JV/C team traveled to Ione to take on the Cardinals. A hard fought battle went to the Mustangs by a score of 37-25. Nicole Propheter scored 13 points, Dakota

Durfey eight and Aimee Turrell with six points. Marlee Mitchell had an excellent game running the point guard and distributing the ball leading the team with assists.

The girls traveled to Stanfield on Jan. 27 and continued their stellar defense in a 39-11 blowout over the Tigers. Aimee Tur-

rell led the team with eight points followed by Nicole Propheter with seven, Kayla McAninch and Makayla Silvia with five points each. Sage Ferguson continued her solid three point shooting by dropping another three ball.

Upcoming action for the Mustangs include games against Echo and Ione.

Mustang wrestlers finish with 52 points in Pine Eagle Invitational



Leo Waite pins Braden Spencer from Grant Union in 3rd round with 14 seconds left on clock. -Photo by Kirsti Cason

The Mustang wrestling team traveled to Halfway to compete in the Pine Eagle Invitational last Saturday, finishing in seventh place with 52 points.

Leo Waite had the best performance of the group as he pinned Grant Union's

Braden Spencer at 5:47 to win first place at 126 pounds. Trevor Antonucci came close to the title at 120 pounds, but dropped a 3-0 decision to Joseph's Zeb Ramsden and settled for second place.

Rounding out the Mus-

tangs' contingent was Suzanneah Cason taking fifth place at 120 and Charles Cason taking fifth at 160.

The Mustangs will be traveling to Joseph on Friday, Feb. 2 to compete in the district tournament.

Thank You

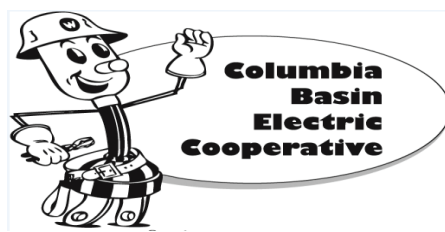


To the community of Heppner and Morrow County,



The family of Ryan Grimaldi would like to thank you for all the love, care and support that was extended to Ryan and our Hillsboro Fire family. Ryan would be very humbled at all the love shown.

God Bless you all!!
With love,
Cheryl, Tony,
John and Mike



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Ione Legion Hall
Wednesday, February 7, at 6:30 p.m.