

Chamber announcements and events

Apr. 18-19 at 7 p.m., Heppner High School drama group will perform Rodger's and Hammerstein's classic fairytale, Cinderella at the Heppner High School. Admission is \$5 per person, refreshments will be served at intermission and souvenir photos are available for \$1.

Thursday, Apr. 19 from noon to 1 p.m., candidates forum for Umatilla-Morrow County Circuit Court Judge at the Heppner Chamber lunch meeting in the Heppner City Hall conference room. Candidates Michael Breiling and Rob Collins will participate in the forum, with Bill Kuhn as the moderator. Lunch is available for \$10 and an RSVP is required to attend to allow enough meals and seating. Tacos Hometown will be catering the lunch, offering a choice of a small chicken or beef burrito with beverage and dessert. RSVP's are required no later than Tuesday, April 17th, by contacting the Heppner Chamber at 541-676-5536 or email at heppnerchamber@centurytel.net.

Saturday, Apr. 21 MS Walk to be held at Roy Raley Park in Pendleton.

Registration at 9 a.m., Walk starts at 10 a.m. Register online at www.walkms.org. Donations will be accepted at Murray's Drug during April and May. A bus will be available for rides and will pick up in front of All Saints Episcopal Church, leaving at 7:30 a.m. For more information, contact Merilee McDowell at meri0120@gmail.com or at 541-571-5853.

Saturday, Apr. 28 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., 5th Annual Walk In Her Shoes at the Riverfront Park in Hermiston. Walk in the shoes of a victim of domestic or sexual violence. Register online at dvs-or.org or call 541-676-3322 for more information. Registration is \$15 per person and raffle tickets are available for \$1 each or six for \$5.

Wednesday, May 2 through Wednesday, May 23, Crisis Line training through Domestic Violence Services, Inc. When training is completed, participants will be able to answer calls on the 24-Hour Crisis Line and have the opportunity to advocate for victims of domestic and sexual violence. Contact 541-276-3322 or volunteer@dvs-or.org.

org to become a volunteer and/or to get more information.

Friday, May 4 from 4-7 p.m., Spring Fest 2018 Flower Basket sale in the Bank of Eastern Oregon parking lot in Arlington. Paradise Rose Chuckwagon will be providing pulled pork sandwich meals and to-go boxes. Live music will be provided by Dan Robinson and will include a goodie sale at the wagon. Every dollar raised goes to help build The Woolery.

Saturday, May 5 at 1 p.m. at the county road department in Lexington on Hwy 74 and 4 p.m. at Riverside High School in Boardman, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office will be hosting a safety event and a BMX show featuring Robert Castillo's BMX Freestyle Team. This event is free to the public and there will be hotdogs and beverages for everyone. There will also be a bike raffle, free helmets and fittings, a bike safety course and boating, 4-wheeler and fire safety information.

Saturday, May 12 at 9 a.m., The Woolery Open at China Creek Golf Course. The event is a 4 and 2

person scramble and will cost \$35 per person, \$5 mulligans or 5 mulligans for \$20. Putt Pot is \$5 for 3 balls. Prizes and a BBQ lunch is included. The winner receives 80 percent of the pot with no ties. Ties will be broken by a sudden death putt-off elimination. Proceeds will benefit The Woolery project. Contact Lori at China Creek Golf Course to sign up or for more information at 808-359-8194.

Thursday, May 17 is Mustang Mop Up Day. If you have a project you would like to have the students help with during the Mustang Mop Up Day, please contact Greg Grant at Heppner High to get on the list.

Saturday, June 16 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., Relay for Hope - Relay for Life event for Umatilla and Morrow County will be held at Roy Raley Park at 1205 SW Court Street in Pendleton. For additional information, please contact Carol Preston, event lead at 541-379-6294 or relaypendleton@yahoo.com. Online registration is available at RelayForLife.org/umatillacountyor.

A View from the Hill

By Doris Brosnan

Yes, the April showers are here. So are the daffodils in the Willow Creek Terrace flower beds. Soon the view of the facility will have a tropical look, not from results of the weather but from the new outdoor-furniture cushions. Both the patio and the new park area will get the tropical-theme updates.

The many, large and small, Terrace flower pots are clustered near the patio, ready to be filled with plants from seeds started last Tuesday, the first time the community on the hill has chosen to start their own flowering plants rather than buy starts, so the outcome will be eagerly awaited. Transplanting could be as soon as Earth Day, Apr. 22, which will also be the day on which much of the vegetable garden will be planted. Though the Terrace has little room for more trees, Arbor Day on the 27th will also be celebrated with the planting of a significant addition to the outdoor picture.

Everyone looks forward to the Mustang Mop Up next month because the crew of Heppner Junior High and High school students always help tremendously with sprucing up the look of the Terrace in and out. This year, one project will be the building of a brick surround for some utility tanks. The day involves some window-cleaning and some cookie-eating, too.

All the new colors and textures around the Terrace will be a perfect backdrop next month for the tea party being planned. Attendees will wear their finest and

even don some hats and gloves for the social event of the month. And each resident will have the opportunity to send a formal invitation to a guest.

Guests joined some residents on Easter for the brunch after the egg hunt, which was enhanced by the promise of coins and treats in the plastic eggs. Some other residents attended services and lunch away with families. Served with other delicious foods that day at the Terrace were some deviled eggs made with eggs that residents and five children of staff members had colored.

This month is mostly about witnessing the return of greener grasses and birds to the feeders. The finches are especially entertaining as they flock to and argue over the thistle seeds.

Life inside the Terrace is a bit quieter right now, as three apartments are currently available. Still, weekly activities offer variety to participating residents and the morning exercises and discussions continue to strengthen bodies and minds. Everyone hopes that some new faces will be joining their community soon, both those of new neighbors and of new staff members, as openings on staff have recently occurred. Anyone interested in information about apartments or employment are asked to call 541-676-0004.

The view from the hill is increasingly reassuring, with its returning textures and colors and everyone invites visitors to join them for this refreshing, relaxing opportunity to view a quiet life.

Bishop to make annual visit

The Rt. Rev. Patrick Bell, Bishop of the Diocese of Eastern Oregon, will be making his annual visit to All Saints Episcopal Church and their long-time partner in ministry, Hope Lutheran Church on Sunday, Apr. 22. Worship begins at 10 a.m. at the Episcopal Church on the corner of Church and Gale in Heppner.

The service will be followed by a potluck and conversation about hospitality, outreach and stewardship in relationship to use of

the shared ministry's two church buildings. Since November, the partners (now known as Hopeful Saints Ministry) have been rotating the use of their buildings in three-month blocks of time, after nearly two decades of rotating every other Sunday.

Everyone is welcome to participate in worship, the meal and the meeting. Additional information regarding Hopeful Saints Ministry is available by calling the church office at 541-676-9970.

Wranglers riding club begins season

The Wranglers riding club is gearing up to start the season. Scheduled playdays will be Apr. 22, Apr. 29, May 6 and May 12. Potluck will begin at 11:30

a.m., with events beginning at 12:30 p.m. Members will meet Friday, Apr 20 at 5 p.m. to setup for the first playday.

The group will be hav-

ing two fundraisers to support the playdays. First, a can drive will be setup May 1 through May 17 at the Les Schwab parking lot. The second fundraiser

will be a raffle of a Green Mountain portable grill. To purchase tickets, contact a Wranglers member or stop by Green Feed.

For additional information call 541-989-8460.

Fact Sheet

Burning Household Waste

Burning Household Waste is Unhealthy

Burn barrels are inefficient and pollute because they create low temperature fires, receive little oxygen and produce a lot of smoke. Smoke from burning household waste is unhealthy to breathe, particularly for small children, pregnant women, older adults and people with asthma or other respiratory ailments:

- Many household products, such as bleached paper products and some plastics contain chlorine. When burned, chlorine creates dioxin. Exposure to dioxin is associated with cancer and birth defects.
- Many household products, such as slick colored papers and synthetic inks, release heavy metals when burned. Human contact with heavy metals is also linked to cancer and birth defects.
- Many household products contain chemicals such as hydrochloric acid which are known to irritate the skin and eyes.

Many toxic air pollutants are produced from a burn barrel. Virtually all of the pollutants are released into the air close to ground level where they are easily inhaled.

Burning Household Waste Harms the Environment

Pollutants released when household waste is burned eventually end up back on the ground and in the water and can build up to dangerously high levels in plants, animals, and people. Health effects after exposure to these pollutants can include cancer, deformed offspring, and reproductive and immune system failure.

Alternatives to Burning Household Waste

- Reduce - Avoid purchasing disposable items. Buy products in bulk or economy sizes instead of in individually wrapped or in single serving sizes. Buy products that can be recharged, reused, or refilled.
- Reuse - Donate unwanted clothing, furniture, and toys to friends, relatives or charities. Give unwanted magazines and books to hospitals or nursing homes. Mend and repair rather than discard or replace.
- Recycle - Separate the recyclable items, such as newspapers, glass and plastic containers and tin cans, from your residential waste and prepare them for collection or drop-off at a local recycling station.
- Disposal - Have your household waste picked up by a licensed waste removal

company or take it to a licensed disposal facility rather than burning it.

Regulations on Burning Household Waste

State of Oregon regulations prohibit the open burning of any material that creates dense smoke or noxious odors. This includes the following materials:

- Plastics, like foam cups, meat trays and egg containers
- Asbestos
- Tires or other rubber products
- Garbage and food waste
- Wire insulation
- Waste oil and other petroleum products
- Automobile parts, including frames
- Dead animals
- Painted or pressure treated wood

In addition, burning household waste is prohibited altogether in certain areas by DEQ rules or local city and county ordinances.

Additional information on regulations regarding burning household waste in Oregon can be found in Oregon Administrative Rules, Chapter 340, Division 264. These rules are located on DEQ's web page at:

www.deq.state.or.us/regulations/rules.htm

For more information on Oregon's open burning rules and your city or county recycling contact person, call your local DEQ office, or for open burning issues in Lane County, the Lane Regional Air Protection Agency (LRAPA).



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541-633-2016

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