

# Heppner wrestlers have good showing in first meet



Trevor Antonucci at the 2018 Enterprise Kick Off Wrestling Tournament

Heppner High School wrestlers had a very good showing last Friday with multiple wrestlers placing in the top 4 in their respective weight brackets.

Roan Waite placed third at 106, Brian Collins placed second at 120, Trevor Antonucci placed fourth at 126, Zach Bredfield placed fourth at 145, Conor Bros-

nan placed third at 152, Jace Coe placed fourth at 170 and Charles Cason placed second at 195.

The team placed fifth out of 12 teams.

# Sue Baker to retire from WC Terrace

Sue Baker marked the 16th year of her relationship with the Willow Creek Terrace in October of this year, the day the Terrace opened for business. She will “sort of” retire at the end of December.

Sue was raised in Pilot Rock, and her parents, a brother, and her daughter’s family continue to live there. She and husband, Jerry, have lived in Lexington for 34 years.

She reports that she responded to an ad seeking employees for the Terrace because she “likes the elderly” and thought she could do a good job of cooking there. She discovered that the position would be for a universal worker, rather than just a cook, but she was hired and looked forward to the new experience.

At that time, only four clients had moved into the Terrace: Elmer Meligan, Nina Harshman, Jean Nelson, and Floyd Raver. Sue says that this first set of residents were outgoing and “up for anything.” With so few needs to be addressed during her swing shift, Sue found that her and their idle time could sometimes be filled with other pursuits, such as poker games. Fun time had by all.

Just over a year later, the 16 apartments at the Terrace were filled, sometimes by individuals who had been living elsewhere

and moved to be closer to where they had spent most of their lives or to family members. Sue was working swing and graveyard shifts for a time and continuing her responsibilities in the kitchen and in providing care.

Through her years with Willow Creek Terrace, Sue has worked with three administrators: Tonya Adams, Nancy Vanderdoes, and George Nairns, the present administrator. And she has seen and experienced several changes.

The number of residents occasionally changes, but most of the apartments are rented most of the time, and over the years, some married couples have lived at the Terrace. Property has been added to the location, two garden spots have developed, and improvements have included the addition of a storage shed and of the sun room. She now works swing shifts almost exclusively and has charge of ordering and keeping close records of the residents’ prescriptions, and she has seen the level of care rise, in general. She fills in for the administrator when Nairns must be away. More and more training for all employees has become an ongoing requirement, partly due to the added training for dementia care.

Sue says that she has truly developed a family relationship with the residents



Sue Baker

who have shared their lives with her. She continues to maintain her “extended family” ties with residents who have moved and with families of residents who have passed on. The people are what have made her years with Willow Creek Terrace so fulfilling, and Sue will not have to miss them completely when she “sort of” retires on December 31, for she will be easing into a real separation gradually. She will be returning to the Hill a couple days a week to continue her work with the ordering and checking in of the medications until a replacement completes training for that responsibility.

After that, her absence will be greatly felt by staff and residents, but she will continue to be a welcome guest periodically, when she arrives for contact with her “extended family.”

# Energy survey deadline extended, says OWGL

The Oregon Wheat Growers League has announced that the energy survey deadline has been

extended and growers’ input is needed.

According to a news release from OWGL, Legis-

lative leadership is working on a proposal for 2019 to cap carbon emissions from the manufacturing, utility and transportation sectors. “Unless remedied, cap-and-trade imposes indirect costs on consumers (including farmers) through increased fuel, energy and transportation costs.”

OWGL asks that growers help them calculate the direct and indirect costs of an Oregon cap-and-trade policy by filling out a survey. “We need better data to understand the energy needs of wheat and especially eastside farming operations as we work with the Legislature,” said OWGL. “Responses will be aggregated and farm specific information will not be shared. Everything will be reported as averages,” OWGL stressed.

“If you have been working on your survey, there’s still time to submit” said an OWGL news release. “Please return it to the OWGL as soon as possible” to Oregon Wheat Growers League, 115 S.E.

# Gwen Healy celebrates 90th birthday



Back row: John Healy, Faith Futter, Megan Futter, Devin Futter, Janelle Ellis, Jon Ellis, Trisha Eckman, Jared Eckman, Sarah Matheny, Shane Matheny, Judy Healy, Brent Eckman. Third Row: Gaige Futter, Jerry Healy, Carmen Healy, Jonas Healy, Jim Healy, Laycee Navarrete, Dave Navarrete, Mike Hryciw, Second Row: Sabashtian Futter, Joseph Healy, Juliette Healy, Raquel Healy, Joseph Healy, Gwen Healy, Diana Healy, Isreal Healy, Jean Healy Front Row: Lanie Eckman, Lucas Matheny, Jack Eckman, Payton Matheny, Kamryn Winkler, Maddox Navarrete, Kollins Navarrete

Matriarch of the Healy family, Gwen Healy of Heppner, celebrated her 90th birthday surrounded by her very large family on November 24.

Gwen was born on November 28, 1928, in Fergus Falls, MN. The family moved to Oregon when she was nine years old. She graduated from Ione High School in 1946 and, that same year was a princess on the Heppner Rodeo Court.

Gwen married Jack Healy in 1948. They had five children, Jean Marie, Jerry, James, John and Judy, and they raised their family in Heppner. She now has 10 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren with one great-grandbaby on the way, with granddaughter, Janelle, and her husband,

Jon Ellis, expecting their first child any day.

Gwen was an active member of St. Patrick Church Altar Society for many years. During that time she designed and made banners and altar cloths for the church. In 2001 she was honored by St. Patrick Church for all her years of service. She has also been a volunteer for the SMART reading program at the grade school, involved with Wranglers Riding Club, a 4-H sewing leader and delivered Meals on Wheels until the program was discontinued.

Always one of the first to volunteer to help on any community fund raisers, she has donated many handmade quilts to be auctioned to help families during dif-

icult times.

She also made all of the original “Irish family” banners that line main street during the annual St. Patrick celebration.

In addition to all that, in her “spare time”, she enjoys sewing and quilting. On Mondays for over the past 20 years you could find her at the church hall with her “quilting ladies.” She also loves participating in activities with her children, grandchildren and now her great grandchildren. She hardly ever missed a game, school program, play or other school activity for over 50 years. She also likes to garden, receiving the honor of Garden of the Month. Gwen has also received the Town and Country Lifetime achievement award.

# Planning Department reminds of flood hazards in county

The Morrow County Planning Department reminds our community that floods are a year-round hazard. The dangers of flooding do not end when the colder weather begins. Flooding can be damaging during winter due to heavy seasonal rains and melting snow. Our region may also see an increased risk of flooding due to the summer wildfires, which leave the ground charred and unable to absorb water, creating greater chance for flooding and mudflow.

Ensure you are ready for a flood event by gathering supplies in case there is an evacuation and knowing the evacuation routes and shelter plans for your area. Be aware of where the flood risk areas are in your

area. The FEMA website has a flood risk map for anyone who is unsure of the flood risk where you are located. This website can be found at <https://msc.fema.gov/portal/home>.

A huge problem people face with flooding is lack of flood insurance. Most homeowners insurance does not cover flood damage. Without the financial safety of having flood insurance, a homeowner could be forced to cover thousands of dollars for damages caused by flooding. It takes 30 days for a new flood insurance policy to take place. Do not wait until the last minute to obtain this insurance if you live in a flood zone. For more information on flood insurance please visit the

FEMA website at <https://www.floodsmart.gov/>.

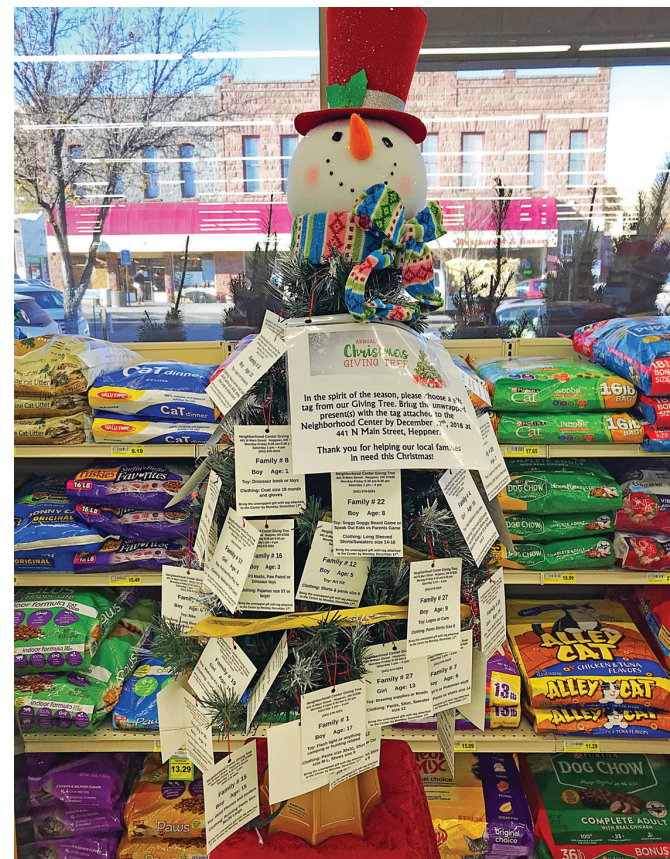
The Morrow County Planning Department encourages everyone to sign up for warning systems. Morrow County has an alert system called Alert Sense and it is free to use and download. This tool can be found at <http://public.alertsense.com/SignUp/?region-id=1395>. Alerts will be sent about hazardous weather, public safety alerts, fire hazards and road closures. The Emergency Alert System (EAS) is another way to receive emergency alerts.

The Morrow County Planning Department has a Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan that could be helpful as well. This can be found at [www.co.morrow.or.us/planning/page/natural-hazards-mitigation-plan](http://www.co.morrow.or.us/planning/page/natural-hazards-mitigation-plan).

# Giving tree up for Christmas

The Neighborhood Center Giving Tree is now on display at Heppner Family Foods. The children of local families (18 and younger) who receive monthly food boxes can request a toy and clothing item they would like to get for Christmas. The gift tags are available for community members to choose and sponsor a child. The unwrapped gifts need to be delivered to the center by Monday, December 17, at 441 N Main Street in Heppner. The Neighborhood Center is open Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. and on Saturdays from 1-4 pm. For more information, contact Lisa Patton at (541) 676-5024.

The Neighborhood Center will also have a bag sale Wednesday, December 5, from 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. The first bag is \$15 and any additional bags are \$10.



Giving tree is set up at Market Fresh in Heppner

The sale includes clothing, shoes and books. All other merchandise is 50 percent off. Proceeds from the bag sale help to purchase food for the pantry.

## Penland Lake Lot Available

**1.5 acre lot located on the northwest side**

The lot/Sale Committee has announced that the lot known by their records as 1 Lake Penland Ref: R06040 legal description 5S2822A-01500 shall be offered for sale in a sealed bid process. The approximately 1.5 acre lot is located on the northwest side of Penland Lake.

In the event of a bid tie will be given 48 hours to submit a revised additional bid. Bids must be RECEIVED by the Lake Penland Corporation Secretary at PO BOX 95 Heppner OR 97836 no later than MAY 24, 2019. Bids must be in a sealed envelope clearly marked "BID" on the exterior. Bids will be opened on Sunday May 26, 2019 at 3:30 PM at the Columbia Basin Electric Board Room. For additional information contact Melissa Lindsay 541-561-0234 Lot Sale Committee Chair or Alma Coston 503-720-5688 Penland Lake Board President. Additional information regarding the Lot can be obtained from Morrow County records, OR State DEQ and Morrow County planning for land use questions. The Penland Corporation may reject any bid not in compliance with the bidding procedures.

The Corporation is selling the lot AS IS with no warranties, representations or guarantees expressed or implied. All potential bidders should conduct their own inspections at your leisure including but not limited to physical conditions, DEQ, water availability, legal descriptions, and verifications of land uses and specific needs etc... No board member or membership makes any representations or warranties with respect to the property. Title will be conveyed subject to all Deed restrictions, easements and other reservations and exceptions of record at closing to be held within 45 days of acceptance of bid and contract. All other closing costs not specified by law to be paid by the seller will be the responsibility of the Purchaser. The Penland Corporation committee will be accepting sealed bids for the purchase of the lot with a minimum bid price of NOT LESS than \$50,000 The sale will be to highest bidder for cash, money order, cashiers check or bank financing at closing with Mid Columbia Title Company no later than July 15, 2019. ALL bids will include a letter of credit from bank or lending institution with statement of funds availability. The sale shall be deemed conditional until such time as Penland Lake Corporation Board formally accepts or rejects said sale. No bid will be accepted for less than the minimum bid amount. Bids must include Bidders full name, address, phone and email. Bid will include property description above, written bid amount and statement as to sufficient funds to meet purchase price and where funds are held, along with Bank letter of credit for said funds. All bids will be signed and dated by potential purchaser.