

Snow melt causes flooding around Heppner

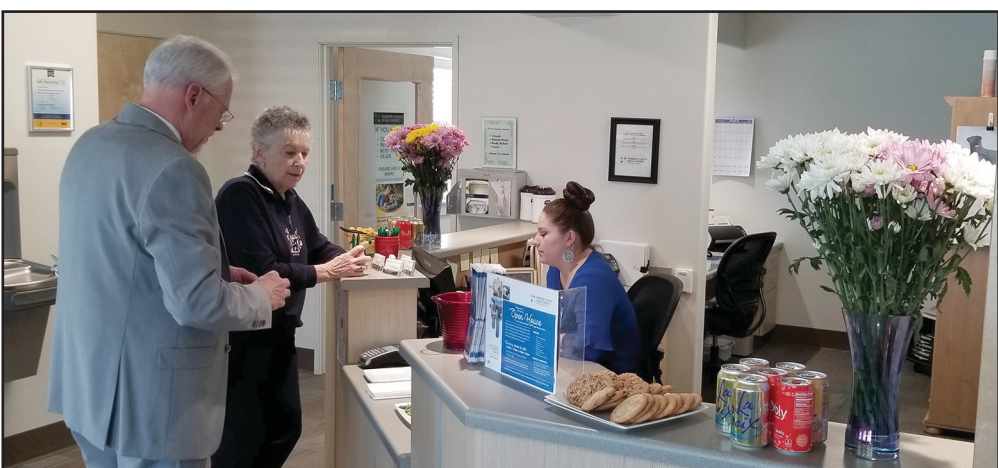


Right: The dock at Willow Creek Reservoir was submerged by the abundance of water being held behind the dam (above).



The arena at Morrow County Fairgrounds and Les Payne field suffered some damage when Hinton Creek flooded it recently. According to Darrell Green county administrator some water made its way inside the fair office, but they will be waiting until the water subsides to assess any damage. Electricity was shut down for a short time due to a power pole being flooded and the RV park sustained a little damage.

Open house held at new health clinic in Irrigon



The Morrow County Health District Clinic in Boardman held its open house last week and welcomed visitors to tour the new facility. Pictured above are Dennis Burk president of Good Shepherd Hospital in Irrigon, citizen Patricia Rencken of Irrigon and clinic receptionist Desilo Roybal.

MCSO adds NARCAN to response capabilities

Over the last year, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office has been working to equip deputies with Naloxone (NARCAN) due to a nationwide opioid crisis. In 2017, the United States saw more than 70,000 deaths due to drug overdose, according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention. The problem is not going away, so deputies must prepare, train and alter their responses accordingly.

When deputies respond to a call, they are entering an environment where the situation and outcome are unknown. By having NARCAN on hand, deputies can immediately administer the medication to a person in distress. In many instances, deputies arrive on scene

prior to medical personnel and can begin treating victims right away. In addition, if a deputy is exposed to a dangerous drug, they now have the tools to save their own life or the life of a fellow officer.

NARCAN can only be purchased through a licensed physician and deputies must receive training before they are able to administer the medication in the field. Dr. Dan Hambleton with the Morrow County Health District agreed to assist with this process and provided training. Sgt. Ivy Zimmerman contacted the Law Enforcement Relations National Sheriff's Association and was awarded a grant to cover the cost of 40 units (80 doses) of

NARCAN. This was at no cost to Morrow County and a savings of over \$3,600. This medication provides a service to our citizens and safety for our deputies that could not have been purchased without the funds awarded by this grant.

NARCAN is now being carried by all MCSO field units, with two doses stored at the Morrow County Sheriff's Office that can be administered by trained personnel.

The number one goal of the Morrow County Sheriff's Office is public safety and security. This is another way of improving their capabilities to better serve the communities, while being fiscally responsible.

SAGE Center manager visits Chamber



Lisa Patrick manager of the Sage Center at the Heppner Chamber of Commerce luncheon.

Sage Center manager Lisa Patrick paid a visit to the Heppner Chamber of Commerce last week and spoke about some of the activities and plans at the center.

Located in Boardman, the SAGE Center is an interactive visitor center that highlights Sustainable Agriculture and Energy.

Developed by the Port of Morrow, the SAGE Cen-

ter gives visitors the opportunity to learn about the technology that takes place locally within the Port of Morrow and the region without visiting each industry.

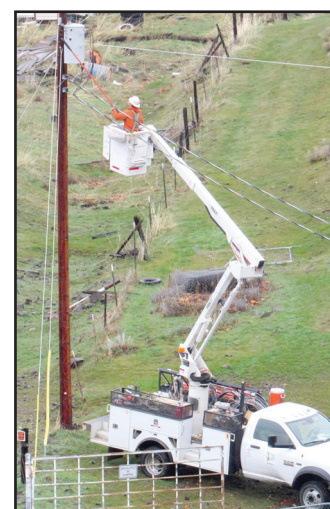
In addition to serving as an interactive visitor center, the SAGE Center offers a unique setting for various events and functions. A few of the upcoming events include Free Days on Saturday, April 13 with no admission charge all day, and movies scheduled for Friday, April 19 at 7:15 p.m. and Saturday, April 20 at 2:15 p.m.



The footbridge at the golf course was damaged by flood waters from Willow Creek.



A driveway was completely covered by water.



Above: CBEC comes to the rescue when the fairgrounds was flooded.

Below: A landslide took out trees at the Martin residence on Willow Creek Rd.

Some Photos by Sandy Mathews



Investigation leads to arrests

Five residents have been arrested by the Morrow County Sheriff's Office after a report of a burglary and theft was received on March 9. Sgt. Todd Sixx responded to the residence north of Heppner and began to investigate, leading to the execution of two search warrants.

One of the search warrants was executed at a residence on Main Street in Heppner on March 24 where a large amount of stolen property was discovered. The property

was recovered and several individuals were arrested and lodged at Umatilla County Jail with a total bail amount of \$177,500 for various

charges:
 - Jaden Wayne Orr, 23, Burglary I, Theft I, Attempted Felony Elude, Possession of Meth.
 - Austin Gene Harris, 24, Possession of Meth, Carrying a Concealed Weapon.
 - Pete Edmund Haney, 65, Possession of Meth,

Theft I by Receiving, -Jennifer Marie Whalen-Haney, 31, Child Neglect II, Burglary I, Theft I.

-Adrian Julius Haney, 31, Child Neglect II, Theft I by Receiving.

A spokesperson for the Morrow County Sheriff's Office reported, "The outcome of this case is the result of a thorough investigation and great teamwork."



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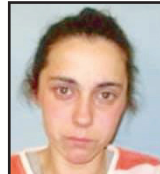
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