

Hopeful Saints sends team to El Salvador



Danny Sharp, Katie Fuller and Vicky Rayburn work on a well drilling project in El Salvador.

Hopeful Saints Ministry recently celebrated the completion of its ninth water project with the drilling of a well for a small community in El Salvador known as Lotificacion Luciana. This is the third time a mission team sponsored by Hopeful Saints has been sent to physically participate in the drilling process, organized through Living Water International.

Heppner residents Danny Sharp and Vicki Rayburn along with Katie Fuller from Central Oregon were joined by four others from across the US: Steve Lary, Lynn (Mama Lynn) Wetterberg and Mike and Maggie Joplin. Living Water's head driller Marvin and his assistant Guillermo helped the team successfully drill a water well 130

feet deep, producing 2571 gallons an hour.

The team also educated community members and their young children about hygiene, sanitation and stories from the Bible, with help from Living Water's hygiene leader Karissa. "The trip was a life-changing experience for all of the participants," reported a source.

Hopeful Saints Ministry has received support from the Heppner community over the last two years for this mission trip through fundraisers such as their food booth at Music in the Park.

Additional information about Hopeful Saints activities is available by calling the church office at 541-676-9970.

Local Community Advisory Council meeting scheduled

The Local Community Advisory Council (LCAC) will hold their next meeting on Thursday, December 5 at 9 a.m. at the Port of Morrow in Boardman.

Chamber Chatter

November through December, annual food drive organized by Wheatland Insurance. Wheatland Insurance will be accepting donations of non-perishable food items at the Wheatland offices in Heppner and Ione. All donations will be donated to the Neighborhood Center and distributed throughout south Morrow County. Wheatland offices are open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

Morrow County Foster Children Gift Drive Giving Tree set up at Les Schwab. Stop by and take a tag from the giving tree, return unwrapped gift by December 9 with the tag attached. You don't have to purchase everything on the list, give what you can. If you take a tag, please buy the gift. If you change your mind, bring the tag back and put it on the tree for someone else to take.

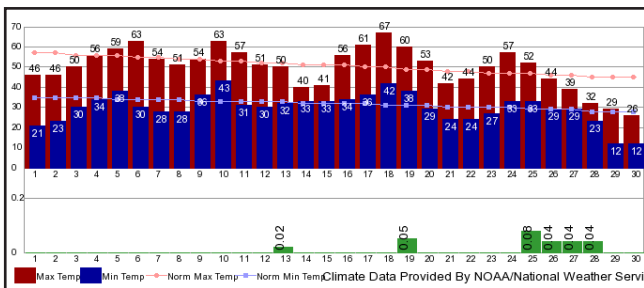
Friday, November 15 through Friday, January 10, 2020, Nominations for Heppner Chamber's Town and Country Community Awards Event will be accepted. Nomination forms will be available for community members to submit

nominations for Woman of the Year, Man of the Year, Business of the Year, Citizen-Educator of the Year, Lifetime Achievement and Youth Award. Nomination forms will be available at the Bank of Eastern Oregon, Chamber Office, Community Bank, Heppner City Hall and Kuhn Law Office. You can also obtain a form by contacting the Chamber office at 541-676-5536 or by email at heppnerchamber@centurytel.net. The completed nominations must be turned into the Heppner Chamber or Kuhn Law Offices no later than Friday, January 10, 2020 to be considered for the 2019 Community Awards Event.

Monday, November 18 through Thursday, December 12, Rewards Cards in denominations of \$10, \$20 and \$50 will be given out for the amount of purchase when shopping at participating merchants in preparation of Heppner Chamber's Celebrate Christmas Event. Collect and bring them to the event Thursday, December 12 for a chance to win prizes.

Monday, November 25 through Friday, December

Heppner slightly colder in November



According to preliminary data received by NOAA's National Weather Service in Pendleton, temperatures at Heppner averaged slightly colder than normal during the month of November.

The average temperature was 39.8 degrees which was 1.5 degrees below normal. High temperatures averaged 49.8 degrees, which was 1.0 degree below normal. The highest was 67 degrees on the 18th. Low temperatures averaged 29.8 degrees, which was 1.9 degrees below normal. The lowest was 12 degrees, on the 29th.

There were 17 days with the low temperature below 32 degrees and two days when the high temperature stayed below 32 degrees.

Precipitation totaled 0.27 inches during November, which was 1.33 inches below normal. Measurable precipitation, at least .01 inch, was received on six

days with the heaviest, 0.08 inches reported on the 25th.

Precipitation this year has reached 12.66 inches, which is 0.02 inches below normal. Since October, the water year precipitation at Heppner has been 0.95 inches, which is 1.79 inches below normal.

Snowfall totaled three inches with at least one inch of snow reported on two days. The heaviest snowfall was 2.0 inches reported on the 28th. The greatest depth of snow on the ground was three inches on the 29th.

The outlook for December from NOAA's Climate Prediction Center calls for above normal temperatures and above normal precipitation. Normal highs for Heppner fall from 44.0 degrees at the start of December to 41.0 degrees at the end of December. Normal lows fall from 28.0 degrees to 25.0 degrees. The 30-year normal precipitation is 1.32 inches.

13, Neighborhood Center Giving Tree at Heppner Market Fresh. Stop by and pick a name from the tree and purchase a gift for a local family member in Heppner. Contact the Neighborhood Center if you have any questions at 541-676-5024.

December 6, 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., First Friday Friends of Jesus at All Saints Parish Hall. This program is for children from the ages of 4-12 and includes Bible stories, crafts and a free lunch. Contact the church office at 541-676-9970 for more information.

Thursday, December 12 at 6 p.m., Heppner Chamber's Community Christmas Event. The Rewards card program will be in effect from November 18 to December 12. Rewards cards for the amount of purchase will be earned at participating merchants. The event will be held in the Gilliam and Bisbee Building and will include pictures with Santa and Mrs. Claus, complimentary cookies and beverage, penny board and raffle items, along with drawings for the winners of the Rewards cards prizes.

Friday, December 13 from 4-8 p.m., Holiday

Night Market at Gilliam and Bisbee Building, organized by Heppner Day Care. It will include vendors, children's activities and live entertainment.

Friday, December 13 from 6-8:30 p.m., Heppner's Winter Fest in downtown Heppner, organized by the Heppner Outreach Committee. Schedule: 6 p.m. light parade and display; 6:45-7:30 p.m., photos with Holiday Friends at Sage Clothing Gathering Area; 7:30 p.m., Storytime with Mrs. Claus at the City Hall Conference Room and 8 p.m., snowball drop at the shamrock on Main Street

Sunday, December 15 at 4 p.m., Christmas Music Fest at Hope Lutheran Church. All community members are invited and if you would like to share your musical talents, contact the Hopeful Saints office at 541-676-9970.

Sunday, December 22 from 4-6 p.m., Christmas Caroling event. Hopeful Saints will be meeting at the All Saints Episcopal Church and will be caroling at the hospital, the Senior Center and Willow Creek Terrace. Anyone is welcome to join then. Arrive by 4 p.m. to participate.

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