

Rep. Smith working hard during short session

As the first week of session is coming to an end, House District 57 and eastern Oregon can rest assured that Representative Greg Smith (GOP-Heppner) is working hard to complete yet another successful short session.

There is unrest in eastern Oregon right now as flooding has become a major issue for many communities. Temperatures are increasing and the snowpack continues to melt, creating an overabundance of flowing water with no place to go. Representative Smith, along with Senator Hansell, and Representative Greg Barreto are calling upon Governor Brown for help during this time of immense

need. "We ask that everyone travel safely and lend a helping hand in the efforts to combat the flooding in eastern Oregon."

On another note, the Legislative Short Session is underway and Representative Greg Smith is serving on six committees: Joint Ways and Means Committee, Co Vice-Chair; Joint Ways and Means Sub-Committee on General Government, Co-Chair; Joint Ways and Means Sub-Committee on Capital Construction; House Committee on Revenue; Joint Legislative Audits Committee; Legislative Administration Committee, as well as the Emergency Board

"In this first week

of session we have been able to accomplish a lot of good," said Representative Smith. "It is an honor and a privilege to be able to represent the State of Oregon and House District 57."

Timber Unity was also in attendance during the first week of the short session. Thousands of Oregonians came from all across the state to peacefully protest their opposition of the Cap and Trade Bill. Oregonians with Timber Unity lined the streets and filled the front steps of the capitol to make sure that their voices were heard. Representative Smith had the opportunity to meet with many Timber Unity advocates from House District 57.

Girls' sports leadership summit scheduled

The Oregon Episcopal School will bring a girls' sports leadership summit to Boardman February 20 at the Sage Center from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The keynote by Kendall Johnson, a professional soccer player for the Portland Thorns will be at 9:20 a.m.

Additional athlete/leaders speaking (from 11:15 a.m. to noon) include Kelly Foster (crew) who is OSAA associate director; Darla Huxel (volleyball/basketball) who is Umatilla Chief of Police and San Juanita Fetuuaho (softball) who plays for Team Mexico rugby. Girl athletes will also break into groups to explore what it takes to be a leader,

connect with their peers, commit to leadership, create their own leadership style and reflect on what makes a good leader.

This summit is a one-of-a-kind Girls Sports Leadership Summit and was brought to the eastern side of the state for the first time at the request of local female coaches with the theme "Own It." How can girl athletes learn to lead whether playing hard, sitting on the bench, or injured? How do female athletes build confidence to find a voice and seat at the leadership table? What are ways girl athletes can apply sports to their personal lives and

future careers? Those are just a few of the questions 200 hand-selected young female athletes in grades seven to 12 from Ione, Heppner, Irrigon, Boardman and Umatilla schools will tackle at the Oregon Girls Sports Leadership Summit in Boardman.

Leadership skills seem to be a lost art, says Heppner Jr./Sr. High School Spanish/Health teacher and longtime former coach, Petra Payne. "I have noticed in the past 10 years, leadership on the field/court and in the classroom are harder to come by," said Payne. "Kids aren't as willing to step up and lead, especially girls. I want all girls to be able to lead, on a sports team, in the classroom, and in their future careers. I think that with good leadership skills, they will have more positive relationships and experiences in all aspects of their lives."

So when Payne saw footage from Oregon Episcopal's four-year-old Oregon Girls Sports Summit Leadership, she wanted that messaging for her students and convinced OES Associate Athletic Director Missy Smith to bring her brainchild to Boardman. Smith is a former Oregon State University basketball team captain and Grant High School and Lewis & Clark College coach and instructor who grew up playing sports in Forest Grove, OR, where there were no sports specific leadership opportunities for girls.

"And that is still the case today nationally for female middle and high schoolers, despite a two-fold increase in girl athletes," said Smith. "There is a huge need to start intentionally developing girl sports leaders so they have the tools and techniques they need to be athletic leaders with their own leadership style, particularly in our world today. I'm very excited to take this message on the road and leave as big of a footprint as we can."

Sponsors of the free event include Lamb Weston, Adidas and Oregon Episcopal School. The girls will be chaperoned by their coaches.

Sheriff's Report

The Morrow County Sheriff's Office has released the following information:

November 5 (cont.): Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a deputy drove down his street very fast and then slowed down after his street. RP states he does not want to talk to a deputy, just a sergeant. RP states that the one person he trusts isn't on but he doesn't want to talk to anyone but them. RP stated if things don't go the way e wants on Thursday then he is going to "be on the wanted list with us" and the "will make sure to make life hard on us." Dispatch told RP that a deputy would contact him when one was available but he could not pick and choose which one he wanted to talk to. He said he could and then disconnected. MCSO Sgt. was advised.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a blue Kia Soul went at a high rate of speed toward Division. Subject is repeat offender and per the RP lives on Tenth and Idaho.

-MCSO received a report on S First St, Irrigon that his mom and dad are fighting. RP advised that his dad just went at his mom and got up in her face. Deputy responded and male half left.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a Good Shepherd medical equipment van blew the stop sign at Brandon and Division, then stopped in the middle of the

intersection when he saw the RP. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report at Frontier Trailer Park on Main ST, Boardman that a 17-year-old female took a large amount of pills. Transported to GSH.

-MCSO received a report on Sunflower Flat Rd, Heppner that there is a fire down in Anson Wright Park, burning about a 10-foot tree. Referred to other agency.

-MCSO received a report at Heppner High School on NW Morgan St, Heppner that someone dumped a gill net with floaters up behind the high school.

-MCSO received a report at Kunze Ln/Main St, Boardman of a female that doesn't know where she lives or what her name is. Female is approx. 40 years old.

November 6: Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report at Hwy 730, Boardman that RP is following a silver Chrysler 200 that is driving erratically, unknown if intoxicated. Deputy contacted driver, no signs of impairment.

-MCSO received a report at Irrigon Shell Station, E Hwy 730, Irrigon that someone that is trespassed from Shell is there now. Deputy responded. Subject was leaving and deputy advised him not to return.

-MCSO received a report on Columbia Ln, Irrigon that RP advised her 3-year-old son locked her

out of the house, not sure how to open it. MCSO responded and was able to get the door open.

-MCSO received a report at Irrigon High School on SE Wyoming Ave, Irrigon that 7th and 8th grade boys are having a fight club in the restroom. Under investigation. Received a tip from hot line that school staff looked into the matter and it was unfounded.

-MCSO received a report that Jonathan Scott Hendricks was arrested by MCSO on Heppner Justice Court warrant.

-MCSO received a report that William Charles Funk was arrested by MCSO on Heppner Justice Court warrant. Subject was lodged at UCJ with a bail of \$3,000.

-MCSO received a report on Boardman Ave NW, Boardman that Justin Don Connell was arrested by MCSO on IJC warrant. Subject lodged at UCJ with bail of \$6,000.

-MCSO received a report on I 84 E, Boardman that there were two motorcycles driving at a high rate of speed. Referred to other agency.

-MCSO received a report at McGraw Ln, Boardman that Angel Rodelo was arrested by MCSO on warrant. Lodged at UCJ with bail of \$6,000.

-MCSO received a report at RD/21 Rd, Heppner that a 79-year-old male is stuck up off the 21 Rd. RP advised that the subject

is several miles down the 2104 Rd. A1 Martin is enroute to help him and there is a large rock in the middle of the road.

-MCSO received a report at Rippee Rd/Wilson Ln, Boardman that there are two dogs at large. Unable to catch them.

-MCSO received a report at Hwy 206 Condon/Summer Rd, Heppner that there is a little boy walking in the ditch that has no coat.

-MCSO received a report at Morrow County OHV Park on Forest Service 21 Rd, Heppner that a torch bottle exploded at the park, no fire, no injuries per the deputy on scene.

November 11: Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report at Hale Ridge Ln/Summer Rd, Heppner that someone took down 3-4 signs between Gilliam County line and Summer Rd.

-MCSO received a report on SE Clover Ct, Irrigon of a black lab that belongs at a house on Fourteenth. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report at Frontage Ln/Pole Line Rd, Hermiston that RP struck a deer, vehicle rolled multiple times.

-MCSO received a report at Blackhorse Canyon Ln/Sand Hollow Rd, Heppner of a brown Ford crew cab trespassing.

-MCSO received a report at SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a black Ford Explorer didn't yield to subjects walking in the area. Unfounded.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon of a white Charger

double parked. Unfounded.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon of a vehicle parked on the side of the road and is in the road. Unfounded.

-MCSO received a report at Hager Park on SE Hager St, Heppner that drug deals are going on at the location, then disconnected.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that after the deputy went past a gray 4d car turned around in front of his house and left at a high rate of speed. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report at Wilson Ln/Olson Rd, Boardman of an injured hawk.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon of a white SUV on Brandon playing loud music. RP advised he can hear the bass from inside his house. Unable to locate loud music. Unfounded.

-MCSO received a report on I 84 E, Boardman that a Toyota Camry is driving recklessly, almost rear ended several vehicles and is all over both lanes. Warning.

-MCSO received a report at I 84 W/Paterson Ferry, Boardman that a white Chevy Traverse is driving erratically.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a bright red Mustang flew by toward Tenth.

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