

Ione score clock a family tradition



Pictured with Virgil are Cardinal great-nieces and nephews, Mackenzie Heideman, Jake Heideman and Hailey Heideman.

Virgil Morgan has been operating the score clock for Ione School's football and basketball games for 52 years. He took over the job from his dad who did it for years before he did.

"He lives for this," said Virgil's wife Debbie. "In

fact, you'll almost always find him traveling to watch the teams because he loves it that much," she added.

In the past, Helen Heideman, Debbie's mother, could be found sitting alongside Virgil doing the score books. It is a real

Irish potato soup dinner scheduled



Pictured (L-R): JD Payne, Ellie Mullins, Pearl Miller, Charlie Mullins, Johnny Ashbeck, Keller Sweeney, Emma Mullins, Lillian Kenny and Mack Sweeney.

The St. Patrick's Altar Society will be serving the Irish potato dinner on Friday, March 13 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Parish Hall.

The meal consists of homemade potato soup, roll, beverage and a dessert choice of chocolate Guinness beer cake or homemade pie. The cost for the dinner is \$8 for adults and \$5 for children 10 and under.

Gardeners meeting planned



Andrea Nelson (left) and Julie Baker will be leading the gardener meeting.

There will be an informational meeting at the OSU extension office on Sunday, March 8 at 3 p.m. for anyone interested in forming a garden club or learning more about the Master Gardener program.

Julie Baker and Andrea Nelson, who recently obtained their Master Gardener certification will be leading the meeting. There will also be free seeds available and snacks.

family affair, following sons, daughters, nieces and nephews as they don the Cardinal uniform.

Virgil was recently honored at a pep rally by both the girls' and boys' high school teams, even making sure he had matching team gear.



Heppner's 38th Annual Wee Bit o' Ireland Celebration is quickly approaching. Contact Giselle to advertise in our special **FULL COLOR** St. Patrick's Day pages! Deadline to be included is March 9th!

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Oregon Department of Transportation

STIP Public Meeting
March 10, 2020

**LEARN ABOUT FUTURE TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS PLANNED FOR EASTERN OREGON
COMMENT AT THE MARCH 10 MEETING IN JOHN DAY OR VIA ONLINE OPEN HOUSE**

Now is the time to comment on the list of upcoming highway projects that help make up the **Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, also known as the STIP**. The STIP is ODOT's to-do list for capital improvements for state and federally funded highway projects. The 2021-2024 draft list is developed through the combined efforts of our staff working closely with local city, county, tribal, and other agency partners to prioritize the needs of the transportation system for all users. The Oregon Transportation Commission is accepting public comments on the proposed transportation projects at various public meetings and, for the first time, through an online open house.

YOU HAVE THREE WAYS TO PARTICIPATE

- View the information and provide your comments via the online open house at:** <http://openhouse.oregondot.org/openhouse/oregon-draft-stip>. The online open house lists key projects around the state, but you can use the map tool to zero in on the ones that interest you the most. There's also a project list that you can sort by county. The public commenting period runs from now through Friday, April 10, so log in anytime between now and then.
- Attend the STIP public outreach meeting** in John Day in person.

When: March 10, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Pacific Time,
Where: Oregon Department of Forestry, 415 Patterson Bridge Rd., John Day, Oregon

This STIP public meeting is part of our North East and South East Area Commission on Transportation meeting. The STIP overview begins at 11:30 a.m., however, you are welcome to attend the full Area Commission Meeting that starts at 10 a.m.
- Connect to the March 10 meeting remotely** via internet based online meeting system. By connecting to the March 10 meeting remotely you'll see and hear the presentation, and be able to ask questions and provide comments from the comfort of your home or office. Details about how to connect to the March 10 meeting via the internet will be posted by March 5 at <https://tinyurl.com/STIP-mtg>.

Why should you provide your comments regarding the Draft 2021-2024 STIP? Simple, your feedback helps us answer important questions such as:

- Will a project impact something that you think we should know about?
- What projects do you support?
- Are there projects that concern you? What are those concerns?

The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities and is open to the public. Meeting information can be made available in alternate formats, such as braille upon request. If you need a special accommodation, or you would like more information about this meeting, or the online open house, contact Public Information Officer Tom Strandberg at 541-963-1330 or via statewide relay 711, email: thomas.m.strandberg@odot.state.or.us. Please make alternate format or special accommodation request 48 hours prior to meeting.

We hope to see you March 10

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