

HHS drama club presents murder with a sense of humor



The Heppner High School cast and crew of *Where There's a Will, There's a Murder*. Back row L-R: Hannah Bannon, Nate Ellsworth, Moira Di Salvo, Aubrey Smith, Teegan Kelton, Rylee Palmer, Madison Palmer, Jacob Finch, Piper Kelton, Daemon Worden, Lizzie Finch, Kelsi Workman. Front row L-R: Sam Lamb, KC Anderson, Eva Worden, Becca Ellsworth, Mylee Quilter, Lincoln Ellsworth. Not pictured: Olson Anderson, Joe McMasters, John Lindsay, Paul Lindsay, Elijah Quilter. -Photo by Andrea Di Salvo



Be prepared for zany antics during the Heppner High School production of *Where There's a Will, There's a Murder*

The Heppner High School drama club, under the direction of Alaina Lemmon, will present *Where There's a Will, There's a Murder* next week. Performances will take place Nov. 7, 8, 9 and 10 in the Heppner High School cafetorium. Each performance will begin at 7 p.m.; admission



is free, but donations are appreciated to help fund drama club productions. Where there's a Will, there's a Murder is a mystery comedy about 10 distant relatives who learn that each of them is about to inherit a million dollars. If someone doesn't make it through the stormy week-



end, though, their share will be divided equally among the others. It doesn't take a mathematical genius to figure out that less is more. The bodies and the laughs both pile up in this "whodunnit" that proves that *Where There's a Will, There's a Murder*.

Ione class gets a lesson in manners



Before the holidays, Mrs. Rietmann's 3rd and 4th grade class at Ione Community School had a lesson on manners and etiquette.

"At Ione Community School, we care about skills that will help students be successful in life. These are aspects of life that students can be exceptional at regardless of their success in academic subjects," said Ione Community School Principal Kevin Dinning.

"Being polite, having manners and being respectful can be taught, practiced, and reinforced."

Rietmann had family volunteers come in to help with this lesson, which incorporated reading, writing and real life practice. Family played a big role in encouraging this positive behavior.

For real-life practice, the class had a tea party in which students learned how to properly set a table, accordion fold a napkin, and practice table etiquette with a drink and snack. They learned the importance of table manners, respect for those involved in preparation, and respect for others'



homes as well as their own. "My wish to all of you is to practice these skills in your home to reinforce the importance of these skills," Rietmann said. "Manners and character traits will stay with our students and make a lasting impression on those who they encounter."

Ione FFA member earns highest award



Eva Martin, a student at Eastern Oregon University, accepts her American FFA Degree on stage at the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis. The degree is the highest award in the organization. -Contributed photo

One member of the Ione FFA Chapter has earned her American FFA Degree, the highest award the national organization can bestow upon its members. Eva Martin accepted this prestigious honor during the National FFA Convention this past Saturday in Indianapolis, IN.

As the highest degree achievable in the National FFA Organization, the American FFA Degree shows an FFA member's dedication to his or her chapter and state FFA association. It demonstrates the effort FFA members apply toward their supervised agricultural experience and the outstanding leadership abilities and community involvement they exhibited through their FFA career. American FFA Degree recipients show promise for the future and have gone above and beyond to achieve excellence.

"I am extremely proud of Eva and her perseverance," said FFA Advisor Erin Heideman. "This is a tremendous accomplishment and honor, the highest degree achievable in the FFA organization. It is something members are not even eligible to apply for until they have been graduated from high school at least a year."

Since Ione chartered its chapter in 2015, Eva is

the fourth member of the chapter to earn this degree. Emily Taylor and Morgan Orem earned the degree in 2018 and Jake Heideman in 2021.

FFA, once known as Future Farmers of America, is the largest youth leadership organization in the United States. Go to www.oregonffa.com to learn more about this organization.



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Ione basketball works Oktoberfest



The Ione-Arlington boys basketball team chipped in to help at the eighth annual Oktoberfest dinner and auction in support of The Woolery Project. The boys did everything from cooking on the grill to scrubbing dishes afterward. Showing up with their work boots on were Carson Eynetich, Carter Eynetich, John McElligott, Calvin Rietmann, Bryce Rollins, Kellen Gronquist, Shane Sifford, Lewkus Burright, Marcus Radcliffe, Samuel Radcliffe, Jaxson Rogers and Henry Griefing. Above: Ione basketball boys work the grill at the Oktoberfest. Below: A few of the Ione basketball boys who stepped up to help during the Oktoberfest last month. -Contributed photos

Health district purchases new security system

A new security system is set to be installed by the health district, with cameras and other equipment going in at all five of the district's facilities. The district approved the new system at its September board meeting and approved the final costs of the project in October.

The update will include new infrared cameras for inside and outside surveillance at all five facilities, including the three clinic buildings in Heppner, Ione and Irrigon, the hospital in Heppner, and the home health office located in downtown Heppner. There is video recording capability at all locations. Total cost of the new system is \$31,786 and was part of this year's budget.

In other business at the October meeting, the board heard a report on

Daylight Savings ends Sunday, Nov. 6

Daylight Savings Time ends this Sunday, November 6, as everyone is reminded to turn clocks back one hour at 2 a.m.

the district's financial condition. Profit and loss statements show a \$183,407 loss for September, as compared to a loss of \$460,464 in August. The district has a year-to-date loss of \$582,130.

The financial statements show revenue is off year-to-date about \$1 million from what was budgeted for. The district had expected about \$4.5 million

in gross patient revenue to this date, but has taken in only about \$3.5 million. The main unexpected drop was in clinic revenue, which has brought in only \$648,764 to a budgeted amount of \$1 million. Other categories were also down over budget amounts, including hospital inpatient and outpatient revenue, and home health and hospice.



Nobody fights alone

Benefit Dinner and Event for Sharon Miller

Come and enjoy a pasta bar dinner and watch a cornhole tournament with a calcutta auction of the teams and bid on silent auction items on Friday November 4th at the Elks Lodge. Dinner will be at 6pm Calcutta Auction at 6:30pm with tournament to follow. Please join us as we show our support for Sharon and her family as she continues her battle!

If you cannot make it or would just like to leave a donation, you can do so at the Bank of Eastern Oregon.



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