

County and HCHD peace talks

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How to set future meetings

Kilkenny proposed the idea of conducting weekly meetings to ensure sufficient time for discussing all the terms. Sykes asked to circle back to a topic about meeting minutes and the procedure for making decisions of substance, suggesting that there should be separate votes on different matters. Eventually, it was decided that a vote would be held only if both sides agreed, and the results would be documented in the minutes rather than being conveyed verbally.

To maintain equal representation, they reached an agreement to hold open public meetings in both the northern and southern regions and in locations favorable to both sides. Additionally, it was unanimously decided to set a minimum of one meeting per week, allowing for regular discussions. They emphasized the importance of flexibility, expressing their willingness to schedule additional meetings if there is a need to convene quickly.

To ensure compliance with the legal framework, they stated that meetings will strictly adhere to the law, and appropriate notice will be given whenever there is an emergency or special meeting.

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MCWG elect Jake Lindsay as New President



Oregon Wheat Growers League, Amanda Hoey (left) and Oregon Wheat Growers League Vice President, Erin Heideman (right), flank incoming Morrow County Wheat Growers President, Jake Lindsay.

The Morrow County Wheat Growers convened for their annual meeting on February 8th at the Morrow County Grain Growers conference room, where members gathered to discuss important matters affecting local wheat production. The meeting saw the election of Jake Lindsay as the new county president, succeeding Erin Heideman.

Jake Lindsay, Turner Ranches, brings a legacy of experience and a grow-

ing understanding of the challenges and opportunities facing wheat growers in Morrow County. Lindsay expressed gratitude for the opportunity to serve as president and emphasized his commitment to advancing the interests of local wheat growers. For more information about the Oregon Wheat Growers League and upcoming events, please visit www.owgl.com.

As the meeting ended, they were asked for final thoughts, Murray took the opportunity to express appreciation for the chance to gather, communicate, and set goals for the upcoming meetings. Murray then brought up the idea of having a preview of the goals for the meeting, even if it could be shared a day in advance. He believed that it would be beneficial for each participant to have some time to think about the goals and come prepared.

Sykes agreed, emphasizing the importance of having everyone's goals documented and readily available. He assured everyone that the county would put in the effort to finalize and circulate the goals as soon as possible.

During the meeting, it was revealed that Sykes, Murray and Kilkenny had organized this meeting. This development seems to be a positive indication of the willingness of both parties to collaborate to resolve the ongoing dispute regarding the ambulance service. However, it remains to be seen whether both sides will follow through with the concessions agreed upon during the meeting. The future will determine if they can successfully implement the proposed resolutions. The next meeting took place on Tuesday February 13th at the Port of Morrow.

Fowler in the CTE spotlight



Dave Fowler, CTE Manufacturing teacher at Heppner Jr/Sr High School and District CTE Director.

Heppner, OR - Dave Fowler, a dedicated educator, and a prominent figure in Eastern Oregon's Career Technical Education (CTE) community was selected for spotlight as part of the National CTE Month in February, IMESD is highlighting educators who work in Career Technical Education in Eastern Oregon. Currently serving as a CTE Manufacturing Teacher at Heppner Jr/Sr High School and District CTE Director at Morrow County School District, Fowler is actively involved in promoting CTE during National CTE Month in February.

Fowler's primary focus lies in teaching Manufacturing and Pre-Engineering to students. His classes provide hands-on experiences where students utilize computer software, hand tools, power tools, and state-of-the-art CNC equipment. From laser engravers to 3D printers, CNC plasma cutters to CNC machining, his students gain valuable skills in a variety of manufacturing processes. Fowler's CTE program encompasses various areas such as Woods Manufacturing, Metals Manufacturing, robotics, aerospace, and digital design.

As the end of the 23-24 school year approaches, Fowler and his colleagues

are determined to amplify their school's CTE focus on Manufacturing. Specifically, they aim to enhance their students' proficiency in Digital Design and Production, which are key components of modern manufacturing industries.

The impact of CTE work at Heppner Jr/Sr High School is palpable. Fowler's students are actively engaged in designing and producing their own creations using industry-like equipment. By providing a hands-on approach to learning, the CTE program ensures that students develop practical skills that prepare them for future careers in the manufacturing field.

One aspect of CTE that often goes unnoticed is the presence and importance of Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSOs). Fowler stresses that these organizations play a crucial role in every CTE program. At his school, the Technology Student Association (TSA) serves as the CTSO, providing students with a platform to apply the skills they acquire in class through regional, state, and national competitions. This participation in extracurricular activities further enhances students' real-world experiences and fosters their growth as future professionals in the manufacturing industry.

While National CTE Month primarily focuses on recognizing the accomplishments of CTE educators like Dave Fowler, it also sheds light on the immense impact of CTE programs in schools. Fowler's dedication and passion for developing students' skills in Manufacturing and Pre-Engineering exemplify the transformative potential of CTE in Eastern Oregon's educational landscape.

MCBOC seeking parties to serve MCFCC

Morrow County Board of Commissioners are seeking three interested parties to serve on the Morrow County Forestland Classification Committee. Per ORS 526.310, of the three community members to be appointed; at least one member must be an owner of forestland or the representative of an owner of forestland, at least one member must be an owner of grazing land or the representative of an owner of grazing land. Forestland is land defined in ORS 526.005 that lies within an Oregon Department of Forestry Fire Protection Dis-

trict within Morrow County. Grazing land is land defined in ORS 526.324 that lies within an Oregon Department of Forestry Fire Protection District within Morrow County. Interested members will be appointed to a four-year term and may be reappointed to any number of terms.

Letters of interest must be received by Monday, February 19. Please submit letters to Valerie Ballard, vbballard@co.morrow.or.us or by regular mail, Morrow County Board of Commissioners, P.O. Box 788, Heppner, OR 97836.

JV girls go undefeated

The Heppner JV girls basketball team ended their season at home on February 8th against Stanfield with a 38-23 victory. They finished their season with a perfect 16-0 record. Thirteen girls shared playing time all season, as there was not an organized C-team for Heppner. A portion of the girls did play a Pendleton team for three more wins.

The game on Thursday was not an easy win. Stanfield matched them every step of the way in the first half. Heppner pulled away in the third and fought off a scrappy Tiger team to finish the fourth quarter off with a big win 38-23.

1Q: 9-9
2Q: 18-18
3Q: 26-18
4Q: 38-23

Scoring Highlights:
Teagan Kelton: 2, Hailey McDaniels: 11, Zaleta Mas-

erson: 12, Healy Hisler: 2, Clair Lindsay: 4, Maya Payne: 4, Olivia Ogden: 3. Also contributing in other skill areas are: Isabelle Ogden, Avree Lathrop, Brooklyn Hendricks, Ashli Pallus, and Jules Archer. Riley Archer sat out with an injury.

This season comes to an end, on a high note and with lots of wins. However, not having a C-team denied the girls of court time. Varsity floaters are Healy Hisler, Riley Archer, Maya Payne, Zaleta Masterson, and Avree Lathrop.

Russ Nichols has been the mentor and coach of the JV team for many seasons, and Kacee Lathrop has been guiding this year's young squad since they were in the fourth grade. She has invested a lot of energy and dedication with this amazing group of girls.

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Lunch
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Menu

Specials 2/15 - 2/21

Thursday - Buffalo chicken wrap w/ fries
Friday - Loaded Baked Potato Soup w/ a grilled ham & cheese
Saturday - Corn Chowder w/ a quesadilla
Monday - Chicken Bacon Ranch Burger w/ jojos
Tuesday - Taco Salads
Tuesday Night - 6-9pm \$2 hard shell tacos
Wednesday - Spaghetti & meatballs w/ salad & breadstick

*Mark Your Calendar
for the upcoming events!*

February 8th Ladies Night 6:00pm
Taco Bar prepared by Regi Lazinka
February 11th 1pm Super Bowl Party Bring your favorite snack/finger food to share.
February 17th 127th Elks Annual hosted by ER Corey Sweeney and wife Brandi Ladies Tea 2pm, Lodge 4 pm dinner at 6pm
March 7th Old Timers Night 6pm
Dinner prepared by Kim Coil
March 16th St. Patricks Celebration Corn Beef and Cabbage Dinner at 5pm



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HCMD to hold meeting Feb. 20th

The Heppner Cemetery Maintenance District will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 20, 2024. The regular meeting will be held at 5:15 p.m. Agenda items include minutes of previous meeting, financial report & Cemetery Operations. The meeting

will be held at the Ag Service Building conference room at 430 W Linden Way. Meetings of the Heppner Cemetery Maintenance District are open to the public according to ORS 192.640(1). For questions, contact Janet Greenup at 541-561-6768.

Ione cardinals upcoming sports events

On Friday the 16th 1A varsity girls' basketball team will play against Sherman County at 6pm in Arlington in the first round of playoffs for districts. Saturday the 17th the 1A

girls' basketball will travel to the Dalles for the Big Sky District Championship, who they will play against and what time is to be determined.

Good Luck at District - Heppner Girls and Boys Basketball teams!

Boys - February 16, 2:45 pm VS Grant Union
Girls - February 16, 6:00 pm VS Irrigon



Coach Ken Grieb, Cameron Proudfoot, Caleb George, Marty Medina, Tripp Stewart, Thomas Bales, Mason Orem, Landon Mitchell, Keaton Coiner, Logan Turner, Caylan Proudfoot, Caden George, Jackson Coiner, Alakae Rodriguez, Coach Jeromy Rosenbaum



Coach Rob Wilson, Hadlie Nation, Arianna Worden, Healy Hisler, Avery Lathrop, Katie Spivey, Hallee Hisler, Ava Gerry, Riley Archer, Kadie Henrichs, Zaleta Masterson Maya Payne, Morgan Cutsforth, Delaney Stefani, Lily Nichols, Coach Russ Nichols

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