

Senior Meals and St. Patrick's Day Committee Hosts Free Breakfast Event

In a heartwarming display of community spirit, the South Morrow Co Senior Meals, in collaboration with the St. Patrick's Day Committee, hosted a free breakfast event that served 180 attendees from 9 am to 1 pm.

The event, held on St. Patrick's Day, featured an array of delicious dishes prepared by the talented Jodi and Todd Seagraves, brother and sister, whose culinary skills left attendees raving about the meal.

Adding to the charm of the occasion were the volunteers, many of whom were seniors revisiting their days as waitstaff. Their dedication, enthusiasm and laughter contributed to the warm and welcoming atmosphere that permeated the event. Some of our exemplary waitstaff included Tim Adams, Phillip San-Forenzo, Coral Mitchell, Maria Lopez, Janet Greenup and giggly Kay Rene Qualls. The cleanup crew

included Debra Bloecher, Pam Norton, Charlotte Wisner and Doris Brosnan. The hard-working board of Seniors Matter rounded out the staff. The amazing family of Jamie Mullins managed the dishwashing and mopping.

Attendees were treated not only to a delightful meal but also to the joy of community camaraderie, as neighbors and friends came together to celebrate the spirit of St. Patrick's Day and support one another. Many brought their whole families and out of town guests.

Reflecting on the success of the event, organizers expressed gratitude to all who contributed, from the volunteers who generously gave their time to the sponsors who helped make the event possible. The free breakfast served as a shining example of the power of community and the spirit of giving back.

MCSO forms Community Bond Advisory Committee

Morrow County School District and its Board of Directors is excited to announce the formation of a Community Bond Advisory Committee for the Pre-Bond Process. The committee, which is composed of 21 community members from Boardman, Heppner, Lexington and Irrigon, will be charged with considering various options for submitting a potential capital construction bond to voters in May 2025. The committee will meet monthly through December 2024 when they will submit their recommendation to the School Board. The committee is composed of the following community members:

Zac Acock, Doris Brosnan, Luis Campos, Andrew Cemore, Dave Cooley, Pamela Cutsforth, Jose Dueñas, Frances Glenn, Torrie Griggs, Brett Harrison, Jan Huddleston, Karla Jimenez, Angela Jones, Tia McNamara, Sue Oliver, Brandi Orem, Michelle Patton, Lisa Pratt, Madison Rosenbalm, George Shimer, Lisa Wedam, Gina Wilson

The Morrow County School District Board of directors recently adopted the following goals as part of the Pre-Bond Process: 1. Ensure all buildings are structurally safe. 2. Extend the life of our buildings for future generations of students. 3. Be the Eastern Oregon leader for CTE and STEAM programs. 4. Create inspiring educational environments that are uniquely Morrow County.

If you have questions about the process or would like further information, please contact the school district at 541-676-5705 or visit our MCSO Bond page at <https://www.morrow.k12.or.us/page/community-bond-advisory-committee>

Heppner SDA Church to host 'Mindfit' April 4th-6th

A four-part series for mental health

Millions throughout North America are struggling with their mental health. In fact, over 20% of Americans and Canadians experience mental illness in any given year. What's causing this epidemic – and more importantly, what can be done to help fight it? Mindfit is a series that cuts to the core of the issues – exposing the roots of mental illness and stigma and exploring how modern medicine and biblical faith offer real hope to those who are struggling.

Join Pastor Alex Rodriguez for MindFit as he seeks to shed light on our

current mental health crisis. The problems run deep... but there is REAL hope, for both those who are struggling and those who love them.

Join us on this journey for answers and hope. You will learn about encouraging modern treatments and how Bible-based spirituality can really aid in healing.

This free event will be hosted at the Heppner SDA Church, April 4th-6th at 7:00 pm

To learn more visit MindFitEvent.com or call Erik at 541-922-8697 for questions and to reserve your spot.

Matheny takes home 3rd place trophy

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was designed to level the playing field for smaller children, giving every participant a fair chance to showcase their skills. This competition has been expanding into a national event with its first finals held in Kansas City, Missouri, in 1972.

In 1974, the program received crucial backing from the Elks National Foundation, ensuring its growth and sustainability. By 1975, the program's stature was further recognized when the Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Massachusetts, offered to display a plaque listing the names of all national champions, a tradition that is.

Through decades, the program has seen changes in venues and leadership, with the national finals moving from Indianapolis

to Springfield and finally to Chicago in 2016.

The Elks Hoop Shoot has evolved into more than a sports competition; it's a vital community event that celebrates youth engagement, sportsmanship, and the enduring values of equality and perseverance. Its history, combined with a well-thought-out set of contest rules, ensures that it remains a significant and impactful program for young athletes across the country, teaching them valuable life lessons in dedication, fairness, and resilience.

The Regional Contests ran from February 24 through March 16. The 72 Hoop Shoot National Finalists—the best free throw shooters from 12 Regions across the country—will compete to be Hoop Shoot National Champions on April 20, 2024, in Chicago.



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