

Neighborhood Centers giving trees, adopt a family and kid's shopping day

The Giving Tree will be decorated at Heppner Market Fresh the Monday after Thanksgiving, **December 2nd**. The ornaments on the tree will be gift suggestions for those on the Neighborhood Center's list of families who qualify for food baskets. Children from these families have chosen a need and a wanted gift. Often these are clothes, sneakers, furniture or a toy. If you would like to gift a child, up to the age of 18 still living at home, please take an ornament from the tree and fulfill the requests. Bring the unwrapped gifts to the Neighborhood Center by **December 18th**. Be sure to have the ornament firmly attached. The Neighborhood Center staff will wrap the gifts and give them to the families. Please include the ornaments with your gifts. If your family, work

group, church or civic organization would like to **Adopt a family** please let the Neighborhood Center know as soon as possible so we can match you to a family. These are families who get food boxes as well. Your group can choose a family by the number of children. Your group shops for the family choosing gifts on their lists. Please bring these wrapped gifts by **December 18th**. This is a great excuse to shop with friends and bring joy to a family. Another event for our client families is **The Kid's Shopping Day**. Kids get to 'shop' for their siblings. Kids (ages 3 to 13) whose families can't afford to buy presents can pick something special for their siblings. They can experience the joy of giving Christmas gifts to their siblings and parents. The shopping will be at the St. Patrick's Senior Center.

High school students will help arrange the gift choices and clean the dining hall after the event. This year's Shopping Day will be **December 15th** between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Times for families will be by prearranged appointment. The Neighborhood Center welcomes any donations of new presents or monetary gifts. Specifically, we need gifts for teens and parents. If your family is on our client list, return your applications to the Neighborhood Center by **November 14, 2023**. If you want to contribute to these events, please bring donations to the Neighborhood Center by December 12th. New gifts and monetary donations are always welcome. Please help a family have a joyous Christmas Season!

Mustangs beat Outlaws



The Heppner football team. -Photo contributed.

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Outlaw punt on their first possession. The Mustang offense went on another long drive as the offensive line continued to control the line of scrimmage. A nine-play drive of all runs ended when Rodriguez scored again from 4 yards out. Orem passed the ball to Tripp Stewart for the 2-pt. conversion to make the score 14-0 at the end of the first quarter.

After another Outlaw punt, the Mustangs only needed three plays to score again. A 27-yard pass completion from Orem to Stewart, then a 6-yard run by Zach Brown led to a 29-yard scamper by Rodriguez for a touchdown. Hayden McMahon scored the 2 pt. to now make the score of the game 22-0 early in the second quarter.

Enterprise put together a small drive that ended when Landon McMahon sacked the Outlaw quarterback on a fourth down and 11 play. Heppner took over and scored again when Orem completed a pass to Caleb George, and he outran the entire Enterprise defense for a 54-yard touchdown. Stewart took the handoff and scored the 2-pt. conversion to make the score 28-0 midway through the second quarter.

The teams then traded possessions a couple of times. Late in the second quarter, Enterprise fumbled the ball, and Stewart recovered it to give the Mustangs great field position at the Outlaw 17-yard line. Orem ran the ball for 5 yards and then he threw a touchdown pass to Hayden McMahon for a score from 12 yards out. That made the score 36-0 in favor of the Mustangs as the first half ended.

The second half would be played with a running clock as the Mustangs were ahead by 35 points or more. That makes the rest of the game go very fast, but it is a good time for many of the younger Heppner players to get valuable varsity playing time. It also contributes to the team by giving the starters some rest and helps them avoid possible injuries. The teams traded possessions several times in the second half and the Mustangs ended the game with the ball and

that secured the win by the score of 36-0.

Heppner dominated the statistics for the game as they had 17 first downs and Enterprise only 7. The Mustangs had 338 yards of total offense compared to Enterprise with 95. Heppner ran the ball for 245 yards and passed it for 93.

Orem was 3-4 passing the ball for 93 yards and 2 touchdowns. George caught 1 pass for 54 yards and a touchdown while Stewart had a reception for 27. Hayden McMahon had 1 reception for 12 yards and a score.

Rodriguez led the team in rushing with 46 yards on 5 carries and he scored 3 touchdowns. Brown followed closely with 45 yards on 7 carries and Hayden McMahon finished with 40 on 6 runs. Orem carried the ball for 39 yards, Stewart had 37 and Darby Spivey carried the ball 2 times for 18 yards. John Lindsay had a carry for 8 yards, Joseph Albitre finished with 6 and with 3 yards each in the game were George and Mason Haugen.

The dominating defense was led by Landon McMahon with 7 tackles. Rodriguez and Stewart were next with 6 tackles each and Brown recorded 5. With 3 tackles each in the game were Jaime Caven, Keaton Coiner, Kaden King and George. With 2 tackles each were Albitre and Owen Guerra. Recording 1 tackle in the game for the Mustangs were Hayden McMahon and Lane Critchlow.

The Mustangs will take on the Waldport Irish on Saturday, November 9 at 1 pm. The game will be played on Les Payne Field at Greg Grant Stadium.

The MCRP to hold biennial organizational meeting Nov. 14th

The Morrow County Republicans will meet at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, November 14th at the Bartholomew Building, Heppner, Oregon. The purpose of the meeting is to elect the officers for the 2024-2026 biennium. The group will also discuss the general election results and the election night watch party.

Precinct Committee Person, PCP, positions are open for Lexington, Heppner, Boardman, and Irrigon. Individuals interested

Heppner drama shorts Nov. 12th-13th



front row (L-R) Moira Di Salvo, Kason Botefuhr, Lizzie Finch, Luke Imes, Rylee Palmer. Back row (L-R) Hannah Smith, Avia Botefuhr, Joe McMasters, Tyler Rice, Lizzie Ginn, Samantha Lamb, Hannah Brannon, Izzi Killebrew, Jude Smith, Aubrey Smith. Not pictured - Paisley Cutsforth, Laila Hess. -Photo contributed

Heppner Drama Club will be performing Drama Shorts November 12th and 13th at Heppner High School Cafetorium at 7pm. Admission is by donation. Refreshments at intermission. Drama Shorts are comprised of jokes, short skits and musical numbers.

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LADIES NIGHT NOVEMBER 7TH AT 6PM

Herb Pork Loin, Potatoes/Stuffing with gravy, salad, vegetable, and dessert prepared by Melissa Lindsay

Also mark your calendar for the following events:
October 28th thru December 1st - Annual Toy Drive - Drop off an unwrapped toy at the lodge
December 6th - Tom & Jerry Party, Dinner, and Music
December 31st - New Years Eve Dinner
February 15th - EIK's Annual hosted by ER Shane Lazinka and Regi

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October MC marriage licenses

October 3rd- Daniel Al-dape Lopez, 33, and Elisabeth Estrada Ibarra, 30. October 7th- Cheyanne Marie Clark, 19, and Russell David Walden, 18. October 8th- Carson Patrick Brosnan, 23, and Alyse Corene Wentz, 22. October 10th- Armenta Josue Gonzales, 25, and Rodriguez Zuleyma Medel, 24. October 24th- Michael Scot Sheirbon, 64, and Artemiza Beltran Quintero, 48.

HHA to meet Nov. 12th

The next meeting of the Heppner Housing Authority for the Heppner Senior Center will be Tuesday, Nov. 12th, at 4:00 p.m. in the St. Patrick's Senior Center dining room. For more information, please contact KayRene Qualls at 541-980-2836.

in one of these positions are encouraged to attend this meeting to learn about the positions. PCP appointments can be made during MCRP meetings.

The Republican Party is open to individuals interested in conservative ideals and values. The Republican Party platform can be found at <https://oregon.gov/>. For more information on the Morrow County Republican Party, contact mocoreps@gmail.com.

A View from the Hill by Doris Brosnan

The residents and staff at Willow Creek Terrace viewed the handful of Trick-or-treaters who visited on rainy Halloween as pretty determined and hardy young people. The community was ready for them, having previously had their popcorn-ball-making party, as well as their pumpkin-carving get-together.

Soon to follow was the changing of their facility and apartment clocks from daylight savings time to standard time, causing a sometimes-confusing day or two.

Tomorrow, residents and staff will be encouraged to wear pink, showing support for Cancer Awareness Day.

Next Monday, Alex Camarillo and Ed Baker will attend the Heppner High School assembly that will honor these two men and other local veterans who served in the US military. A special dessert will be served at the Terrace in honor of these residents.

For some extra fun and relaxation, the residents might decide to lounge around in their pajamas all day on the 14th, PJ Day, and then, on the 22nd, enjoy a

spa day of manicures and pedicures.

Thanksgiving Day will feature a traditional lunch of turkey and all the trimmings. An opening remains for a part-time cook, which would be very helpful in preparing that complex meal. (Interested persons should call 541-676-0004 or come to the Terrace.)

Annagrace did recently leave the Terrace to explore other employment opportunities, but she has been there again quite often lately, as she has agreed to fill in for employees who are not able to come to work. She is certainly a reason to be thankful!

A new face joining the staff in time for the coming holiday activities belongs to Julie Teeman, who is now adding her skills as a resident-care associate.

As November passes quickly and the Christmas season comes, thoughts sometimes also turn to end-of-the-year donations that are tax deductible. Donations to Willow Creek Terrace are deductible, and the Community views any such contributions with great appreciation.

Ione celebrates veterans Nov. 11th

On November 11th, 2024 (Veteran's Day) at 10:00 am at the Ione Legion Hall flagpole, the American Legion Post 95 will be holding a short Remembrance

Ceremony for Ione and Heppner veterans who gave their lives for their country. Refreshments following the program.



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Oregon Department of Forestry Wildfire Risk Map Released for Morrow County Property Owners

The Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) has published its updated Wildfire Risk Map, categorizing properties as low, moderate, or high wildfire risk. Morrow County property owners are encouraged to visit the link below and review their property's classification.

Those who believe their risk level is incorrect have 60 days from the release of the final map to file an appeal. Appeals must include supporting documentation, such as evidence of fire mitigation or property changes.

Visit the ODF Wildfire Risk Map Portal to review classifications and find more information about the appeals process at the link below.

For more information, contact the Morrow County Planning Department: Stephen Wreccics, GIS Analyst at 541.922.4624

<https://www.oregon.gov/odf/fire/Pages/wildfire-hazard.aspx>

