

IN BRIEF

Grange plans benefit breakfast

A hearty meal of biscuits and gravy, sausage, eggs and drinks will be served during a grange fundraiser.

The meal, which benefits the Umatilla/Morrow Pomona Grange, is Saturday from 8-10:30 a.m. at Columbia Grange, 32339 Diagonal Blvd., Hermiston. The cost is \$6 per person. In addition, door prizes will be drawn during the breakfast.

Everyone is invited to come and enjoy fellowship with friends and support the grange. For more information, call Scot Jacobson at 541-278-0615 or Doris Reid at 541-567-8663.

Stanfield band trip features 'The Lion King'

The Stanfield band department has made arrangements for a trip to Portland to see the Broadway musical "The Lion King."

Several seats are available for interested community members who would like to attend. The day-long trip is Thursday, Aug. 11, with a departure time of 7:45 a.m. and an anticipated return at 9 p.m. The fee is \$80.

The cost includes travel by motor coach and reserved seats at Keller Auditorium. Those who attend must bring a sack lunch and money for dinner. In addition, a stop is planned at Voodoo Donuts in

Portland.

For more information or to reserve a seat, contact Deborah Wryn at deborah.wryn@stanfieldsd.org or 541-422-7017.

Seed to Supper offers gardening program

People can learn to grow their own food during a six-session course offered by OSU Extension Service.

Seed to Supper begins Sunday, May 22, from 3-5 p.m. at the OSU Extension Service in Umatilla Hall at Blue Mountain Community College, 2411 N.W. Carden Ave., Pendleton. Textbook, seeds and other goodies are available to class participants for free.

The program highlights practical, low-cost gardening techniques for building, planning, planting, maintaining and harvesting a successful vegetable garden. It doesn't matter if you live in an apartment or on acreage, everyone can learn something from the course. Sessions are conducted inside and outside, with classroom lectures followed by time in the garden for hands-on learning.

For more information or to register, contact Colleen Sanders at 541-278-5403, colleen.sanders@oregonstate.edu or visit www.oregonfoodbank.org/our-work/building-food-security/education-programs/seed-to-supper.

Baptist church plans movie night

A good laugh and a message of hope is featured during the upcoming Free Movie Night at the Church.

"Mom's Night Out" will be screened Saturday at 6 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, at 200 Willow Fork Drive, Boardman. There is no admission charge. Refreshments and popcorn will be available for purchase.

The 2014 release is rated PG. Among the cast are country/gospel musician Trace Adkins, Sean Astin, Sarah Drew and Patricia Heaton.

For more information, call 541-481-9437.

Counseling group focuses on step-mothers

A four-week counseling group designed to provide support and information for step-mothers is being offered in Pendleton.

Presented by Connie Umphred, PhD, and Stephanie Evans, PsyD resident, the sessions began Tuesday from 6:30-8 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, 201 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. It continues through May 31. The cost is \$10 per class. Coffee and snacks will be provided. There is no child care available.

Participants don't have to attend each session. For more information or to pre-register, call 541-278-2222.

Ribbons support officers next week

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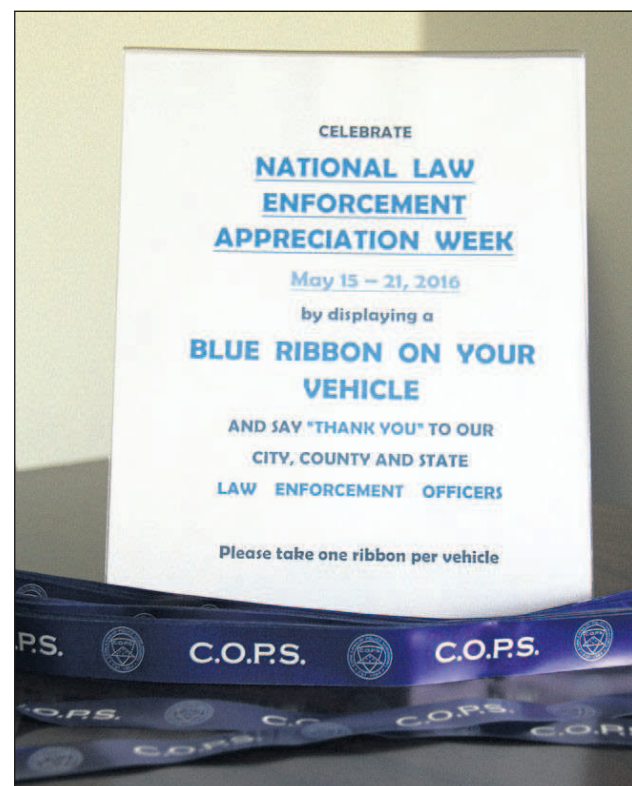
Showing support for police officers is as easy as picking up a ribbon.

National Police Week is next week, and Terry Cummings, chaplain for the Hermiston Police Department, is reminding people around town to pick up a ribbon and support local police officers.

"This is just a week for the community to say, 'Thank you, we appreciate you' to these men and women who put their lives on the line every day," Cummings said. "The idea is for people to go around town to some of these businesses, pick up a ribbon and put it on a vehicle to show their support."

The ribbons are free and available at Ace Hardware, Banner Bank, the Chamber of Commerce office, city hall, the police department and Washington Trust Bank.

Last year, 1,300 ribbons were distributed across the west end of Umatilla County, and Cummings said he hopes to break that record this year. The ribbons come from the "Concerns of Police Survivors" — or C.O.P.S. — organization.



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These ribbons and displays are set up at businesses in Hermiston to support national law enforcement appreciation week.

The ribbons were designed to tie around a radio antenna, but Cummings said the ribbons can be displayed anywhere on the vehicle — such as around rear-view mirrors or in a back window — to show support.

National Police Week traces its origins to 1962,

when President John F. Kennedy established May 15 as Peace Officer's Memorial Day. The week in which May 15 falls — beginning on a Sunday — is then National Police Week. Locally, a memorial event is scheduled at Til Taylor Park in Pendleton that week.

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