

KHKF -Issues and Programs- 4th Quarter 2018

1. ISSUE: NeighborWoods Month
GUEST: City of La Grande
DESCRIPTION:

October is NeighborWoods ® Month. Sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation and the Alliance for Community Trees. “NeighborWoods® Month is an annual campaign to plant and care for community trees during the month of October. Each year, tens of thousands of volunteers take action to make their communities greener and healthier by planting trees keeping their neighborhoods vibrant. Trees clean our air and water, cool our homes, and improve the health and wellbeing of the community.

Fall is a great time to plant trees. The City of La Grande street tree planting program provides trees to be planted in the City right-of-way (near the street). The cost of the trees is shared by the City and the homeowner. Your cost would be \$30 per tree. You may plant the tree yourself, or you may request that volunteers plant it for you. Contact the Urban Forestry Division at trees@cityoflagrande.org or call (541) 663-1952 to request your tree.

The La Grande fall tree planting day is Saturday, October 6 from 9:00 – noon. Join the Grow La Grande! volunteers to help plant trees in neighborhoods throughout the City. Meet at the Parks and Recreation Department, 2402 Cedar Street, at 9:00. In the last ten years volunteers have helped plant over a thousand shade trees in La Grande’s urban forest.

Fall Photo Contest! Take a picture of your favorite tree showing off its fall colors. Grand prize winner gets a free tree! Send your digital photos to trees@cityoflagrande.org. Contest deadline October 30. For more information about La Grande’s urban forestry program visit our website at lagrandeparks.org.

TIME: KHKF MORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM ** Oct 3, 2018.

2. ISSUE: Single vehicle accident on Snake River
GUEST: Baker County Sheriff’s Office
DESCRIPTION:

On October 12th at approximately 3:24 p.m., Baker County Dispatch was notified of a single vehicle crash on Snake River Road at Rock Creek. It was reported that the vehicle was submerged in the river. Baker County Sheriff’s Office Deputies and members from

the Baker County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue dive team and rope rescue team responded.

Upon arrival, it was determined that the vehicle had left the roadway and travelled approximately 150 yards down a steep embankment. The vehicle became submerged in the water. The driver, identified as Rebecca Lee Johnson (DOB 2/19/57), was ejected from the vehicle and sustained severe injuries. Johnson was loaded onto the Baker County Sheriff's Office marine patrol boat and taken to the county gravel pit on Snake River Road where Life Flight was waiting. She was transported to an out of area hospital. Huntington Fire Department and a Hazmat Team from Ontario also assisted. Alcohol is believed to be a factor in the crash. The investigation is ongoing.

TIME: KHKF MORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM ** Oct 15, 2018

3. ISSUE: Oregon Trail Electric Youth Tour
GUEST: Andrew Cutler
DESCRIPTION:

Starting Monday, Nov. 5, high school students, returning students, and adults entering educational and technical programs can apply for OTEC's annual scholarship program. OTEC will award a total of 32 scholarships: 26 academic scholarships, four trade school scholarships and two linemen scholarships. Each scholarship is \$5,000 and 10 of the 26 academic scholarships are earmarked for returning college students. Trade school scholarships are \$2,500.

Applications received for the academic are sorted and evaluated by four independent scholarship selection committees made up of voluntary OTEC members residing in each of the four counties served by the cooperative. Each committee then works through an evaluation process ending with the final selection of recipients for each county.

Applications received for the trade school scholarships and lineman scholarships are evaluated and selected by the OTEC Board of Directors.

Washington D.C. Youth Tour

Starting Monday, Nov. 5, current high school students in their junior year can apply for a one-week, all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C. to celebrate the 2019 Rural Electric Cooperative Youth Tour. The trip will be held from June 14 – June 20, 2019.

Over the course of the tour, OTEC's delegates will visit famous historical sites, meet with congressional leaders and learn leadership skills. The students will also create podcasts and digital photo projects as they learn about electric cooperatives and current issues in energy and climate change legislation that face their communities and our nation.

Applications received for the youth tour are evaluated and selected by the OTEC Board of Directors.

To apply

Applications for all OTEC scholarships and the youth tour are available online at www.otecc.com.

The deadline for academic, trade school and lineman scholarships is Friday, Feb. 1, 2019. Youth Tour applications are due to the cooperative Friday, Jan. 25, 2019. Scholarship and Youth Tour recipients will be notified mid-April, 2019.

Funding for OTEC scholarships and the Washington D.C. Youth Tour come from unclaimed capital credits and their earnings. Applications for 2019 scholarships are open to current graduating high school students and returning college students who are members, or dependents, of OTEC members.

TIME: KHKF MORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM ** Nov 7, 2018

4. ISSUE: Union County Shop with a Cop
GUEST: Sgt. Jason Hayes
DESCRIPTION:

The 10th annual Shop with A Cop will be held December the 11th. This annual event is put on by the La Grande Police Department for children that are selected from Central Elementary School, La Grande Middle School, Greenwood Elementary School, Island City Grade School and the Rising Stars Program. Children get to shop with a cop buying Christmas gifts for their immediate family. There will be 15 children selected, with 15 officers to spend a one-on-one time with the child, also lunch is provided. The La Grande Police Department has partnership with Walmart and Loveland's Funeral Chapel. The \$100 dollars the children receive to purchase gifts is donated by Walmart and lunch is provided by Loveland's Funeral Chapel. The La Grande Police Department will provide a Christmas tree to a child, if they do not have one. There also, will be volunteers to wrap the Christmas gifts. There have been 150 kids that have participated in the past 10 years. When the program started in 2009, the program received a total of \$1,000.00 and now \$2,000.00 is received from community members and business contributions.

TIME: KHKF MORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM ** Nov 20, 2018

5. ISSUE: North Powder School District Bond Project
GUEST: Superintendent Lance Dixon
DESCRIPTION:

Construction progress on the bond projects for the North Powder School District is on budget and on schedule, according to district administrators and project managers.

The new Middle School/High School is completely enclosed, with walls and roofing complete. Joseph Hull, the project manager from McCormack Construction, said the schedule was geared to getting “weathered in” before snowfall and that has been accomplished.

Fully enclosing the new gym and getting the heating system operational is the next step. After the space is heated, the flooring can be brought in to acclimate before being installed.

All of the HVAC systems for the new school are being installed in the ceiling. According to the engineering firm, this will cause fewer obstructions on the roof, allowing a “cleaner” surface to allow for snow and water runoff. As part of the “green” state funds, solar panels are being installed on the roof – power from these will run all the LED lights in the building, with extra power generated sold back to the electric company.

The new school has 13 classrooms, plus office space, support services and staff spaces. At a construction meeting on Tuesday, September 25, Superintendent Lance Dixon said the classrooms will offer benefits such as the art room having the electric kiln located directly outside instead of across campus, access to water at science lab tables and a Home Ec/Life Skills Room that will be outfitted for all students.

The main entrance to the school is through the lobby, located between the new school building and the new gym. Security measures incorporated during the design and construction phases will make the new school safer. Doors will be accessible with key cards only and all exterior doors will automatically lock when they close. Front desk staff will have line of sight to individuals entering the main doors, and a secure vestibule features a double set of doors, with access granted only by the receptionist to the interior of the building. “Our goal is to make this one of the most secure schools on this side of the mountain,” Dixon said.

Construction of the buildings has utilized hundreds of employees, including many local subcontractors and vendors, benefiting the North Powder community. Hull of McCormack Construction said since the company has been doing projects for more than 80 years in the region, some of those on projects are second and third generation workers.

All those present at the district’s construction meeting in September credited the many months of pre-planning, cooperation between the engineers and construction managers and communication between the district and the involved companies for making the process go smoothly. “That has been the success of where we are right now, the pre-construction,” said Superintendent Dixon.

6. ISSUE: Abby Gravens Fundraiser

GUEST: Family of Abby Graven

DESCRIPTION:

\$18,000 was raised during a recent fundraiser for Abby Graven in Baker City. Graven was injured in an automobile accident in October near Richland, Oregon. The fundraiser consisted of a chili feed, silent auction and live music.

Friends and Family of Abby Graven would like to thank the following individuals and businesses for their generous donations during the Silent Auction and Chili Feed Fundraiser for Abby Graven: Anthony Lakes Mt. Resort, Appliances and More, Terri Axness Baker Aircraft, Baker City Auto Ranch, Baker Dental Group Baker Valley Tire, Barley Brown's Brew Pub, Behlen Manufacturing, Bingham and Watt, Bi-Mart-Baker City, Black Distributing, Britt Sand & Gravel, Broderick Gallery, Luke Brown, Chuck and Cheryl Buchanan, Burger Bob's Drive-In, Cody's General Store, Bob Colton, Bonnie Colton, Commercial Tire, Copper Belt Winery, Craft Brew Alliance, Wade and Betty Dahlen, Gennie Dethloff, D & J Taco Shop, Eagle Cap Grill, El Erradero, Eltrym Theater, Destini Felton, Dave and Sandy Gobel, Golden Crown Restaurant, Grocery Outlet, Grove Team Real Estate, Guyer & Associates, Haines Steak House, Kelly & Rob Hardy, Harrell Herford Ranch, Hills Auto Parts, Hooks & Horns Cabins, Christina Smith, Inland Café, J. Tabor Jewelers, Kimberly Jonas, Katie's Cupcakes, Tom and Fawn Kerns, Lefty's Tap House, Lew Bros. Les Schwab Tire, Lotus Yoga Studio, Janie Mahaffey, Lube Depot, Mad Habit, Dr. Kim and Janie Mahaffey, Main Event Sports Bar & Eatery, Marvin Wood Products, Myron and Dotty Miles, Waynette Morin, Patty Nash, David Nemarnik, No. 1911, Danny O'Neil, Oregon Trail Livestock, Oregon Trail Restaurant, Pendleton Roundup & Happy Canyon, Puka Dog, Queen City Modern, Rite Aid-Baker City, Robbins Equipment, John & Kate Rohner, Royal Artisan, Saint Anthony Parishioners-North Powder, Janie and Scott Selby, Shady Brook Farms, David and Kathy Sherman, Lisa Shira, Side A Brewing, Silven, Schmeits & Vaughan, Sorbenots Coffee, Chuck and Nancy Staten, Sunfire Real Estate, Super 8 Motel-Baker City, Sweet Wife Baking, Sycamore Tree, T2 Engraving, The Lone Pine, Café, Theresa's Treasures, Thomas Angus Ranch, Treasure Every Stitch, Brian Vetger, Mark, Lisa and Matt Ward, Ward Potatoes, Wisdom House B&B.