



HAPPY NEW YEAR

Chamber Pushes to Acquire a Doctor

The Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce endorsed the action of the County Court in its efforts to secure a doctor for Heppner at its last meeting of the year. Judge Paul Jones explained the Emergency Health Personnel Act of 1970 aimed at alleviating acute shortage problems of physicians and other health personnel.

The Court has written a letter of intent to apply for assistance under this act. Judge Jones explained when approved doctors are assigned to areas of at least 4000 people they would serve two years in lieu of military service. The doctor would charge fees but the money would go to a special Federal account to pay his salary and other expenses of his office. He would also be required to help those who can't pay.



ED DICK, the 1972 president of the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce. (Photo by Rachel).

This is a community project and the community would be expected to provide a clinic if possible.

The Chamber letter of endorsement will be composed following a meeting of the Morrow County Health Department, the County Medical Association and the Hospital Board so that there is agreement from all groups.

This was the final action of the Chamber under the gavel of outgoing president Gene Pierce who was presented with a handsome plaque in appreciation of his year as Chamber president.

Herman Winter swore in the new board members: LeRoy Gardner, Vel Robinson and Dorothy Heard. New directors absent were Larry Mills and Jim Bier. Mr. Winter then installed the new officers: Ed Dick, president; LeRoy Gardner, 1st vice president and Harley Sager, 2nd vice president.

Ed Dick spoke briefly on what he believed was a "Common Belief", and that "Morrow County is a good place to live." He said, "the Chamber's part is to insure its staying a good place to live. Emphasis will be on Heppner's 100th birthday and all of Oregon should know that Heppner has a birthday."

He commented on two 1971 projects, Homesteads and Heritage, which will also be pushed during the Centennial year and the Scoreboard out at the Fairgrounds.

Harley Sager won the pot. **Dam Informational Meet**

Judge Jones announced a Willow Creek Dam informational meeting with the Corps of Engineers on Jan. 5 at 7:30 at the Courthouse. He urged those who opposed the dam as well as those in favor of the dam to attend the meeting.

Morrow County Fair and Rodeo Court Complete

GRAIN PRICES
88th Year
(F.O.B. Lexington, does not include warehouse chgs.)
(Courtesy of Morrow County Grain Growers)

Soft white wheat 1.45 1/2 bu. (post strike settlement)
Red wheat 1.49 (post strike settlement)
Barley 46.00

Price 10 Cents

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Four Chosen From Annual Princess Tryouts

The annual Princess Tryouts were held Sunday afternoon at the Morrow County Fairgrounds. Joining Queen Susan French on the 1972 Morrow County Fair and Rodeo court are Princesses Pat Luciani, the Wranglers; Ann Hoskins, by the Willow Creek Grange; Debbie McCoy, sponsored by Greenfield Grange; Kerry Coppock, Lexington Grange.

Pat Luciani is a senior at Heppner High and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Luciani.

Ann Hoskins is a junior at Lone High and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoskins.

Debbie McCoy is a junior at Riverside High and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren McCoy.

Kerry Coppock is a junior at Heppner High and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Coppock.

Announcement of the court was made by Tom Currin, president of the Morrow County Rodeo.

Other fine contestants were Debbie Peck, Tracy Norene, Joan Healy, Mary Abrams, Chris Lindstrom, Karen Crowell.

1971 First Baby Soon to Have Birthday

Sandra Lee Turner, the first baby born in Morrow County in 1971 will be one year old on Jan. 20. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Turner, Sand Hollow. Her dad says they have built-in baby sitters with three older daughters, Cheryl 13, Lori 11, and Missy 4. They like to baby her and entertain her.

Sandy is pretty and a chubby one, happy and good-natured. She has been walking since she was 9 months old and has two teeth already. She has dark brown eyes.

Her dad says her longest trip was to stay with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gar Swanson, at Lone, while the rest of the family went visiting in Canada last summer.



QUEEN SUSIE FRENCH stands with her newly chosen Princesses who will make up the 1972 Morrow County Fair and Rodeo Court. Princesses from left are Debbie McCoy, Riverside High School; Patti Luciani, Heppner High School; Kerry Coppock, Heppner High School, and Ann Hoskins, Lone High School. Queen Susie is a freshman at BMCC.

Children's Division Worker Assigned To Heppner

Peter Sundin, case worker for the Children's Services Division serving Morrow, Gilliam and Wheeler counties, began work Monday. His offices are in the County Welfare office in the Gilliam and Bisbee building formerly occupied by Lowell Chally. He works under the regional supervisors office in Pendleton.

Judge Jones said he was pleased to have a Children's Services worker assigned to this office. "I have high hopes for the new Children's Services Division. It will fill a need that this area has felt for a long time. We can appreciate having this help so close at hand rather than making calls to Pendleton or Salem."

Mr. Sundin taught school in California for 10 years. He became interested in coming to Oregon from visits to his grandfather who lived at Independence.

He took a three week's orientation course before being assigned to this office.

He and his wife have an unusual hobby. They raise rabbits. Mr. Sundin is also a coin collector. They formerly lived at Cedar Pine Park near San Bernardino, Calif., in forested mountains.

Two Lone Musicians Thrice Honored

Chuck Nelson and Jim Swanson, graduates of Lone High School who were trained by Darrell James, bandmaster, have received three distinguished honors at Oregon State recently.

Chuck, son of the Norman Nelsons, and Jim, son of the Gar Swansons, proved their superiority early when they were selected for the marching band as freshmen. Now the two have been elected to Kappa Kappa Phi, the national band honorary fraternity. At the band banquet in Corvallis on Dec. 8, saxophonist Chuck and cornetist Jim were declared "outstanding bandmen" along with only five other members of the over 200 person band.

This week the two are playing with the select Dixieland Band in support of OSU at the Far West Classic at Portland's Coliseum.

New Years Eve Dance at Fairgrounds

Dance the New Year in at the New Years Eve dance at the Morrow County Fairgrounds pavilion. Dance to Boyd's Music of Portland. Dancing from 9:30 until 1:30, sponsored by the Jaycees. Tom Wilson is dance chairman.

"Boyd's Music" played recently in Hermiston. Tom says, they promise a wide variety of music that will appeal to the teenager on up.

Livestock Growers Elect Officers

The Morrow County Livestock Growers board of directors held a meeting, Dec. 21 to elect officers for 1972. Outgoing president, Tom Currin, gave the gavel to president-elect Merlin Hughes. Backing Merlin up for 1972 will be vice president, Eddie Brosnan; secretary, Don Stangel; and treasurer, Larry Lindsay.

The board of directors also made appointments to committees for the 1972 year. They are as follows:

Animal Health, Don Stangel; Beef Improvement, Charles Daily; Brands, Ned Clark; Cow-calf, Bob Van Schoelack; Feeder, Larry Lindsay; Forestry, Public Lands, Eddie Brosnan; Legislation - Taxation, Merlin Hughes; Marketing, Dick Krebs; Membership, Raymond French; Rancher - Sportsman, Bob Mahoney and Transportation, Tom Currin.

The Morrow County Livestock Growers also want to take this opportunity to thank everyone in the community who helped make the Farm-City Banquet a success.

Happy Day Awaits 1972's First Baby

More prizes than ever await the arrival of the first baby in 1972 to be born at or enroute to Pioneer Memorial Hospital. Prizes will begin the day he is born and others will be collected as he or she needs them.

Other First Babies

Sandra Lee Turner of Heppner was the first baby in 1971. Orval Headley, Jr., of Kinzua was first in 1970. Jerry Alan Blanckert of Condon was first in 1969. Another Heppner family had the first baby in 1968. That was Keith Alan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kenison, born on Jan. 3. A handsome little fellow, he will be 4 years old next Monday. Heppner parents had the first baby in 1967, too. That year it was a girl, Ann, born to Mr. and Mrs. Dirk Rinehart who moved to Pendleton two years ago.



THE ELKS November Boy and Girl of the Month winners: Jim Cutsforth and Dianne Mills.

Elks Lodge Selects Couple As Teenagers of the Month

Dianne Mills and Jim Cutsforth were the first selections by the Elks Lodge in its Teen-Ager of the Month program. They were presented at the meeting last Thursday. Principal Jim Bier read their accomplishments which as he said "reads like a Who's Who".

Teen-agers of the Month are selected by a panel of teens in each participating high school which for Heppner Lodge No. 358 includes Lone and Heppner High Schools. Multiple achievement, citizenship, scholarship and leadership are the basis for selection. Nominations for next month's Teen-ager will be accepted after the first Monday of each month.

Jim's mother, Mrs. Gene Cutsforth and his grandfather, O.W. Cutsforth, attended the presentation.

Dianne Mills

Dianne came to Heppner as a Sophomore and was quickly accepted as one of the more promising students. She's on the Honor Roll, member of the National Honor Society, in school play and chairwoman the Sadie Hawkins Dance.

She was elected vice president of the student body, president of the student council and Pep Club. She was Worthy Advisor of Rainbow and has been Girl of the Month at HHS.

Jim Cutsforth

Jim has been elected to several offices of leadership. These include vice president of his Junior Class, president of the Pep Club, president of his Sophomore Class, Boy of the Month twice, manager of the football team and basketball.

Helped with the UNICEF drive, goes out for baseball and track. He serves as student secretary in the school office. It is unusual for a boy to apply for this job.

Basketball Next Year

The first week of the new year sees only one home basketball game and that is Jan. 4. Heppner Frosh vs. Grant Union here at 6 p.m.

Other Games

4 Lone High School at Wheeler 6 lone Jr. HI at Arlington, 2:00
7 Heppner Grade School at Pilot Rock at 2:00 p.m.
7 Heppner High at Wallowa

Essay Contest Draws Only Two Entrants

Only two Heppner High seniors have entered the Soroptimist Citizenship Essay Contest. This means that each of these girls is certain to win the local prize money. The Heppner club awards the writer of the best essay \$25 and the next best \$10. If the best essay goes on to win regional or national honors it could bring its writer \$2,500.

Bird Counters Find Birds are Decreasing

Barney Marshall, the Heppner High School senior who has supervised this year's bird counting in Morrow County, says the total number of birds has decreased.

Barney and others interested worked on this year's count on Dec. 22. They found 50 different species and counted 2,627 individual birds. This total is down about 600 from last year.

Barney says they have not received the official forms from the National Audubon Society which must be used in sending on the local report. Barney is seriously considering making ornithology his life work.

Oregon 4-H Leaders' Conference is Soon

All Morrow County 4-H leaders are invited and encouraged to attend the Leaders' Conference on OSU campus at Corvallis, Jan. 19-21. The Leaders' Conference is the one opportunity each year for all Oregon leaders to get together and learn what is new in 4-H, meet other leaders from all over Oregon, and really get the inside view of the total scope of the 4-H youth program.

Reservations to attend must be in the State 4-H Office by Jan. 8, and room reservations must also be made. Please call the County Extension Office 676-9642 as soon as possible to pre-register.

County contributions to the International Farm Youth Exchange are made at the International Banquet on Jan. 19. Morrow County 4-H clubs have made contributions this year, and their funds will be presented at this time.

Susan French On Honor Roll

Susan French, a freshman at Blue Mountain Community College, is on the Fall Honor Roll. She graduated from Heppner High last spring.

Lover's Lane Bridge Completed

Vic Groshens was in Wednesday morning to say that "Lovers Lane" bridge has been completed. The City Crews replaced 60 feet of bridge including a bridge span. This is the foot bridge by the bowling alley that was washed out during the May, 1971 flood.

The bridge was built at a considerable saving by the city crew. The engineer's estimate was \$2100. The bid for the construction of the bridge was \$1800. Vic said "it was constructed at a cost of \$700."

People on the east side of Willow Creek will be pleased to have this "short-cut bridge" back in use.

Christmas Cheer Warms Hospital

The holiday season brings the feeling of good will to our fellow men. This is especially true for Pioneer Memorial Hospital and Nursing Home.

Church groups, service clubs, individuals, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, High school and Grade school students came singing their lovely carols and bearing trees, swags, decorations, tray favors, fruit, candy, cookies, etc. It is truly a beautiful time of the year and is enjoyed so much by those who cannot go home for Christmas and also by all the personnel of the hospital and Nursing Home.

GED Classes Will Resume on Jan. 6

Morrow County residents with educational levels below their high school diplomas are reminded that Basic Education and General Educational Development classes will start again on Thursday, Jan. 6.

Two classes meet each Thursday in the school district building at Lexington. The afternoon class starts at 1:30 and ends at 3:30. An evening class meets from 7:00 until 9:00.

Students are enrolled under Blue Mountain Community College's adult education division which is supervised by Mrs. Pat Harris. BMCC furnishes supplies for these classes.

Co-op Policing Helped by Radio

A Law Enforcement Assistance Administration Grant of \$33,000.00 has been awarded to the District 12 Law Enforcement Planning Agency for the development of a five-county radio network. This money comprises 60% of the total project costs with the other 40% coming from local budgets.

This project is significant because it will allow local enforcement agencies to transmit over a five-county area should they wish to broadcast information or need to seek assistance. In the near future this network, encompassing the counties of Umatilla, Morrow, Gilliam, Wheeler, and Grant will be tied in with a planned network in Baker, Union, Walowa Counties and an existing system in Malheur and Harney Counties to provide communication between all ten eastern Oregon counties.

Hermiston Police Chief Robert Shannon, Chairman of the District 12 Law Enforcement Planning Agency and his subcommittee; Morrow County Sheriff John Mollahan, Grant County Sheriff Tom Negus, Chief Ernest Gallisher and Lt. Gib Branstetter from the Pendleton Police Department all put in many long hours establishing and designing this program which will not only be a boon to law enforcement and therefore the general public, but also indicates a remarkable cooperative spirit between all government entities involved.

WEATHER
By DON GILLIAM

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| Friday | 58 | 41 | — |
| Saturday | 43 | 30 | .12 |
| Sunday | 31 | 24 | — |
| Monday | 27 | 13 | — |
| Tuesday | 25 | 18 | .02* |

*—2 snow. Tuesday's snowfall was measured at 7:00 p.m.