



SEN. KENNETH JERNSTEDT

'A relaxed politician'

Jernstedt discusses ballot measures

State Sen. Kenneth Jernstedt was guest speaker at the Chamber of Commerce Monday.

Jernstedt put the meeting at ease by first saying, "I am the most relaxed speaker there is, and at present I would rather visit than speak. One of the reasons I am so relaxed is that I am not running for office this year."

Jernstedt told Chamber members that in addition to his regular duties he also serves on both state and federal committees plus helping local city governmental committees.

He serves on the governor's advisory board to prison industries, a rehabilitation program for prison inmates. Part of the inmates work consists of making furniture for state offices and also the repairing of state owned vehicles.

Along with his other duties, he and State Rep. Jack Sumner have been appointed to make a study of the Navy's Bombing Range at Boardman and its impact to Morrow County.

Magnuson, Evans and Jackson don't want the Navy to relocate in Washington, and Admiral Tierney has made the statement that unless the Navy is allowed to relocate in the State of Washington the United States Navy may close Whidby Island. Jernstedt said, "This would be a great blow to residents of Washington as the Navy has a \$12 million payroll per year in Washington."

Jernstedt then spoke briefly on the six measures coming before the public on the May ballot, which included the "conflict of interest" measure. While he agrees that some public officials should have their disclosure statements open for public inspection, he also pointed out that members of city and county government should be exempt from the disclosure law.

Should the measure pass, all officials would have to disclose to the dollar their entire source of income. Although he would be willing to disclose his source of income, his main objection to the measure is that most people do not fully realize that one corporation could be involved in more than one company. For example, one official might own shares in a single company; however, that company may also be the mother company of other companies.

When the disclosure law was enacted in the State of

Washington there was a wholesale resignation. Oregon at the time was in a better shape with its code of ethics law.

"The conflict of interest measure would also keep some of the persons involved with large companies from voting, and their vote would be counted as a no vote," continued Jernstedt, "and in many cases a no vote is what large companies are seeking. Measure One changes the tax structure. Presently, about 72 per cent of the school district's money is received from property taxes. If the measure passes, 57 per cent would be derived from property tax with the state paying the additional 47 per cent.

There would be very little or no change in the school tax in Morrow County; perhaps the reduction of one dollar per thousand dollars of assessed valuation."

Measure Two, is the mass transit measure. At present taxes derived from gasoline sales are spent for highways and parks, with state highways receiving 68 per cent; 12 per cent is going to the cities and 20 per cent to the counties. If this bill is passed the highway department would receive 60 per cent with the other 8 per cent going either into mass transit or for the benefit of non-participating cities. These monies could be spent for improvements in cities for streets or

sidewalks. Final approval would rest with the Department of Transportation.

Morrow County would receive approximately \$29,000. Measure Three sets up a new tax base for school districts. If passed, this measure would set the 1974 budget as the tax base in future years. There could only be two elections held per year, and would reduce the tax limitation from 6 per cent to 5 and 1/2 per cent. "Although this measure seems plausible there are some counties still acting on the tax base set in 1964," Jernstedt said.

Measure Four is the water bond issue. "This is an important issue for Morrow

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National award for home extension work

Special recognition and special collections were the highlights of the annual Extension Homemakers' Day held at the Rhea Creek Grange Hall, April 24.

Sixty women from throughout the county and representatives from Umatilla and Gilliam counties shared ideas and friendships throughout the day.

Molly Saul, home extension agent for Umatilla and Morrow counties, presented the national award which has been presented to the Home Extension Study Groups of the two counties for the World Day of Work career program

they have sponsored for the past three years.

The certificate of recognition was presented by the National Extension Homemakers' Council at its annual meeting last August. The certificate which read, "In recognition of an outstanding program carried out in Youth Development in Family Life awarded to Umatilla and Morrow Counties and the Oregon Extension Homemakers' Council," was read by Mrs. Saul.

This was the second national award for the home extension groups for their work with the

WOW program. In 1972 the National Association of County Agents awarded the women its top youth award. Birdine Tullis showed slides of the 1974 WOW Day which was held for Umatilla and Morrow County high school students at Blue Mt. Community College. This past year 400 students took part. One hundred resource people talked about careers with the young people and 75 study group members took part in putting on the program.

Joyce Rohde of Umatilla County was the main speaker. She shared her family's love

of collecting things with the group. She related how she began collecting furniture, progressed to dishes and is now particularly interested in Heisey glass. She displayed and discussed pieces from her collection. Goblets, animals, dishes, and nut cups and individual vases were just a few of the pieces displayed.

Mrs. Rohde demonstrated how to operate a quaint pencil sharpener of 1908 vintage. Among other collectables she displayed a very heavy charcoal flat iron. The Rohde family has restored a 1918 Cadillac and a 1919 Oldsmobile. They are now restoring a 1924 Model T of which they are only the second owners. Their two sons like to collect date nails from railroad ties. "It's funny what we'll pay for what we collect. Anything is a bargain if it is a particular piece we want very much," she said.

Several people displayed collections. Lavella Grauel of Umatilla displayed dolls. A table of beadwork and weaving from the Umatilla Indian Reservation was displayed. Birdine Tullis showed quilts. One quilt had been made by hand from carding of the wool

to the weaving in 1948. Old fruit jars from the Jerry Brosnan Ranch on Little Butter Creek were seen. Kathy Clark of Rhea Creek exhibited her cow bells. Among the collection from the Albert Wright Ranch was a copy of the 1887 "Home Library." Old pocket watches and 1886-87 Montgomery Ward catalog were on display from Norman Nelson of Lexington. Ruth Bergstrom of Heppner exhibited her collection of old handkerchieves.

Dorris Graves, who represents Morrow, Umatilla and Union counties on the Oregon Homemakers' Council, announced the Mini College to be held at Oregon State University, June 18-21. The new program, filled with a wide variety of courses taught by professors on the OSU campus, takes the place of the old Homemakers' State Council meeting. She urged each study group to send a representative.

The members of the Extension Homemakers' Advisory Committee for Morrow County were introduced: Mrs. Ken Nelson of Lexington, chairman; Mrs. Jerry Myers of Butter Creek, vice-chairman; Mrs. William Brinda of Heppner, secretary; Mrs. Art Allen of Boardman, treasurer; Mrs. Ned Clark, Rhea Creek; Mrs. Harvey Wright, Lexington; and Mrs. Richard Ryan of Irrigon. Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. Allen and Mrs. Ryan are completing their three-year terms of service this year.

Study group chairmen were presented with gifts. They were Pat Wright of the Lexington group, Barbara Witherrite of Pine City study group, Alice Harrison of Boardman and Kathy Clark of Rhea Creek. Mrs. Clark was emcee for the day. Women of the Rhea Creek study group hosted the meeting.

Road cleared for housing project

Another special meeting of the Heppner Common Council was held Thursday night at City Hall, the fourth special meeting held in April.

Planning Commission Chairman Randall Peterson was asked to appear by Mayor Jerry Sweeney in an effort to clarify the status of Evergreen Terrace, and thereby allow the council to either grant or deny building permits sought by the builder.

Peterson told the council that the planning commission had approved the preliminary

plat, but that the final plat had not yet been recorded. He also elaborated on the final plat requirements, saying a performance bond must be posted prior to construction, and a bonding company requires the final plat be filed. The final plat has been accepted and the signing of the plat means building permits can be issued, but construction can not be started until the bond is posted.

He explained to the council that although the conditional use permit has been changed

from six four-plexes to three eight-plexes, he and members of the planning commission approved a conditional use permit for multiple dwellings. Multiple dwellings is defined as living quarters for three or more families under a single roof.

Peterson said he saw no reason why Kinzua Corporation couldn't build two 12-plexes if it so desired, as long as the number of families originally applied for was not changed.

If the application was

changed from six four-plexes to three eight-plexes, would another hearing have to be held in order to grant another conditional permit? was asked of Peterson.

"The planning commission and the city have granted the conditional use permit, therefore no other hearing is needed for any changes as long as the original 24 family units are not increased," he explained.

Sweeney was asked if contracts between the city and county had been signed, giving the city authority to

supply the subdivision with county water.

"At present there is only a verbal agreement between the city and the county. Papers are being drawn up for the convenience of interested parties," he replied.

After discussion regarding water, sewer and storm drains were again brought up to the council, Peterson retired and returned with a plat showing the locations of water and sewer mains. The plat was approved in November 1973.

Councilman Clyde Allstott

moved that all applications for building permits be denied Kinzua Corporation until a bond is posted guaranteeing completion of all work. The motion was unanimously approved by the council.

It was also pointed out that once building permits are issued, construction must be started within 45 days or the permits become null and void and must be applied for at a later date.

The next regular meeting of the Common Council will be held Monday, May 6, at 8 p.m.

Heppner's honor graduates named

Kristi Haguewood and Charma Marquardt have been selected as valedictorian and salutatorian for the Heppner High School class of 1974.

The selections are traditionally awarded to the two top students in the class for their academic achievements. The girls will be giving speeches at the graduation ceremonies, May 23.

Kristi's 3.88 grade point average placed her above her classmates in her selection as valedictorian. She has been involved with all phases of school activities during her high school life, and currently holds office in many of the school's activities.

Kristi is presently president of Pep Club, vice-president of Future Homemakers of America, treasurer of Future Farmers of America, secretary of National Honor Society, and secretary of the Student Body. She accompanied the choir and has participated in sports at Heppner High.

Kristi has been selected as an Outstanding Teenager of America for 1974, and was

recently a first place winner in the Elks scholarship contest and winner in the Elks leadership contest. She has also won the FFA chapter scholarship award and many 4-H awards. Kristi is the daughter of Ron and Lynn Haguewood.

Charma has also been active in many school affairs during her four years at Heppner High. She amassed a 3.75 grade point average to win the honor of salutatorian for the 74 class.

Charma is a member of International Thespians; the Heppner High dance team, The Goldtrotters; National Honor Society; and Association for Girls. She has played clarinet in the band and pep band for the last four years and has been an active member of the high school chorus.

Last year Charma was accepted into The Society of Outstanding American High School Students. Outside of school she is involved in church activities at the First Christian Church. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Marquardt of Lexington.

Nine seek positions on BMCC board

A nine-candidate race for four positions on the Blue Mountain Community College Board of Education is expected to bring out a big vote on the college's budget election May 7.

Hearing on dam ends on optimistic note

Testimony on the reauthorization of proposed Willow Creek Dam was heard before Sen. Mike Gravel's Senate subcommittee, April 25.

Steve Anderson, city engineer, Heppner, testified before the committee, as did Orville Cutsforth. A letter written by W.W. Weatherford was read at the hearing, and, according to Anderson, was "well received by the committee."

Sen. Mark Hatfield testified in favor of the dam. Sen. Bob Packwood, who was attending a Senate Banking Committee and unable to attend, had submitted a statement in favor of reauthorization of the project. Gen. Kelly, representing the Corps of Engineers, told the committee the Corps will do everything possible to work with the City of Heppner on the city's water

On nine candidates, only one is running unopposed. He is Bob Zerba, Athena, chairman of the board and currently holding position No. 1.

Another incumbent, Harmon Springer of Hermiston, is being challenged by Robert Ridgway of Pendleton for position No. 6.

Six candidates are running for the two posts being vacated by long-standing board members Bob Abrams, Heppner, and Russell Dorran, Hermiston. Both have served on the board since the college was formed almost 12 years ago.

Seeking position No. 2, now held by Abrams, are Dorothy Krebs, Lone; Irvin Rauch, Lexington; and James Whitney, Pendleton.

Running for Dorran's position No. 7 are Malachi

Campbell, Hermiston; Dr. L.J. Feves and Lawrence Rew, both of Pendleton.

Voters are also being asked to approve the college's 1974-75 operating levy to provide funds to run the college. BMCC has no tax base, requiring annual elections to approve operating money.

The operating levy on the May 7 ballot is \$952,882, requiring a tax levy of \$1.59 per \$1000 true cash value. This is 4 cents over this year's figure.

Total 1974-75 operating budget for the college is \$2,262,732, an increase of 9.9 per cent over the current figure. Balance of the funds

needed to run the college comes from state and federal sources and from student tuition and fees.

College President Wallace McCrae said no new programs are being added next year. He attributed the budget increase largely to inflated costs for utilities, social security, retirement, health and accident insurance, unemployment insurance and faculty salaries. He also said the proposed budget allows for more community services and more courses to be offered in outlying communities.

Polls will be open from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Morrow County. Since a number of

polling places, especially those in Morrow County, are different from the normal school polling places, voters are asked to consult their newspapers before going to the polls.

Following are polling places in Morrow County:

Precinct No. 1 will vote at Greenfield Grange, Boardman.

Precinct No. 3 will vote at Lone City Hall.

Precinct No. 4 will vote at Irrigon School Building.

Precinct No. 5 will vote at Lexington City Hall.

Precincts No. 2, 6, 7, 8, and 9 will vote at the Lane Apartment Building, Heppner.

First appearance for rodeo court Saturday

Morrow County Fair and Rodeo Queen Sherry Kemp and her court will make their first official appearance Saturday, May 4, at the Arlington Jack Pot Rodeo.

The girls will ride in the parade at 10 a.m. At noon they will be guests of the Arlington Rodeo at a luncheon at the Village Inn. The afternoon

schedule calls for the girls to ride in the grand entry prior to the rodeo events.

Members of the court will create a bright splash of color in their new uniforms of turquoise. Queen Sherry will be dressed entirely in white with a touch of turquoise on her boots. Princesses Michelle

Evans, Patricia Van Schoiack, Cassie Chapel and Micky Hoskins will be wearing uniforms of shadow turquoise and blue stripe accessorized by turquoise hats, blouses, gloves and boots.

The pennant bearers for this year's will ride in the grand entry with the court. They are Barbara Palmer and Cherrie

Wilson of Lone and Teresa Hughes and Sally Matheny of Heppner.

Official pictures of the court will be taken Sunday, May 5, Saturday, May 11, the queen and court will ride in the Pea Festival at Milton-Freewater. The chaperon for this year's court is Mrs. Bob Jepsen.



CHARMA MARQUARDT



KRISTI HAGUEWOOD