

# FFA delegates travel to KC

Three officers of the Heppner FFA chapter last week boarded a chartered Kansas City-bound bus for six days at the 50th Annual FFA National Convention.

Unique to this year's Heppner delegation is the fact that all three FFA'ers are female, as is the entire board of officers—a first for both the chapter and the State of Oregon. Vice President Geri Grieb, Treasurer Julie Grieb and Secretary Jackie Mollahan will represent Heppner at the convention which is held each year in the midwestern metropolis.

After surviving the 40 hour bus ride, the three girls will face a full schedule of voting sessions on FFA issues, attend informational meetings, sit in on awards presentation and national contest finals and even hear words of welcome from President Jimmy Carter.

The chartered bus, originating in Portland, will make stops throughout the state to pick up delegates and will transport about 40 of Oregon's 200 delegates to the convention. A state FFA officer will accompany the delegates on the trip.

In between convention sessions, the Heppner High School



Geri Grieb, Jackie Mollahan and Julie Grieb...FFA'ers Kansas City bound.

threeosome—Geri, a sophomore and Julie and Jackie, both juniors—will have some time to tour the attractions and take in the sites of Kansas City.

Tours have been arranged to the city museums, Arrowhead Stadium and other points

of interest such as the American Royal—a horse show and rodeo presented for the FFA'ers. The convention itself is being held in Kemper Auditorium—the site of the 1976 Republican National Convention.

The girls were picked to represent Heppner by Vo-Ag instructor Hal Whitaker. The selections were based on leadership, participation, activities and a written essay detailing reasons for wanting to attend the convention.

## Ione news

• Eva Hamlett

• 422-7557

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ekstrom Sr., recently attended the Pacific International Livestock Show and a polled Hereford meeting in Portland. Later they spent several days at the coast and returned home on Wednesday, Oct. 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crabtree spent Oct. 25 and 26 at Lincoln City, where on Wednesday morning they attended Memorial Services for L.C. Meyers at Marlin's Pacific Mortuary. Interment was at Newport.

Jr. and Mrs. John Eubanks returned Oct. 31 from a 15-day vacation in the Hawaiian Islands. They visited three islands, Hawaii, Oahu, and Maui. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. John Sanders of Portland.

Visiting this week at the mountain cabin of Mr. and Mrs. John Eubanks are Mr. and Mrs. Errett Hummell of Aloha, Dr. Errett Hummell Jr., Dr. Harold Paxton, Dr. Anthony Gallo, and Dr. Bill Slotter, all of Portland. They came up for Elk hunting season.

Ione's first grade Bluebirds met at the home of Mrs. Karen Beck Thursday, Nov. 3. The girls finished table center pieces they were working on to be used at the Senior Citizens dinner Nov. 12.

On Saturday Karen Beck and Julie Nelson took the girls to Da-Kno-Yu (Campfire girls camp near Pendleton) for their first cookout of the year.

Mrs. Gladys Drake returned home Sunday after a two week visit with her daughter, Mrs. Delores Turner and family at Vancouver, Wash. Mrs. Turner was brought home and is spending a couple of days.

Mrs. Adon Hamlett accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Elmo

McMillan of Salem to Desert Hot Springs, Dal. last week. On the way down they visited with Mr. and Mrs. John Swanson and family in Redding, Cal. They also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Otto

Mortensen in Palm Springs, Cal. The Mortensens had recently returned from a five-week trip to France and Denmark. Mrs. Hamlett was met at the airport in Portland by her sons, Richard and Tom

Hamlett, and spent a day with them returning home on Sunday.

The Cardinal Club meeting has been changed from Nov. 10 to Nov. 17.

## Court discusses CETA program in county

The Morrow County Court convened Wednesday, Nov. 2, at the courthouse with all members present.

Jeff Cohen and Jim Stephenson, planners from the East Central Oregon Association of Counties (ECOAC) introduced Dave Hodges as CETA counselor for both youth and adult programs in west Umatilla and Morrow Counties. The group discussed the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act as it affects Morrow County and explained the title classifications under the act.

Don Burns and Sheriff

Larry Fetsch reported on the "911" emergency telephone system meeting they attended in Hermiston. The court planned a meeting with representatives from the cities of Heppner, Ione and Lexington for Nov. 9 to see if they approve of participation in the program and to determine how the costs would be divided. Results of the meeting were not available at press time.

Pat Wright was appointed by the court to fill the vacancy left by Liz Curtis on the Sub-area Health Planning Council which functions as an

advisory body to the Eastern Oregon Health Systems Agency, Inc.

Members representative of the whole county were appointed to a Road Study Committee to make recommendations to the court on city-county road questions. Names will be published after the appointees accept their positions on the new committee.

John Williams discussed with the court the availability of a land-fill tractor and presented costs on a side-mount brush mower.

## State dept. selects Krebs

Henry Krebs, Ione, has been appointed by the Oregon Director of Agriculture to serve on the seven-member Oregon Sheep Commission.

Krebs represents Area B consisting of Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Grant, Baker and Gilliam Counties. The Commission was established under a law passed by the 1977 Legislature which stipulates three-year terms for the Commissioners.

Terms are staggered and the original appointees will determine the length of terms for the various members at a Nov. 15 organizational meeting to be held in the Oregon Dept. of Agriculture Building in Salem.

Also on the agenda for the meeting will be the election of Commission officers. The Commission plans to determine what assessment rate to propose to the Agriculture Dept. and to develop a proposed budget for the remainder of this fiscal year.

Both the assessment rate and the proposed budget must be presented at public hearings. The assessment—which is on the first commercial sale of wool—is limited by law to one-half cent per pound. Money from the assessment will be used for research promotion and public relations.

## Soil judges take ninth

With a win in district competition behind them, the Heppner FFA soil judging team traveled to Roseburg Nov. 3 to place ninth among 40 teams.

Brian Thompson, Ron Young, Lee McCarl, Darwin Ansotegui and Tim Dalke comprise the Heppner team—the only representative from Eastern Oregon in the state contest.

"Considering they hadn't seen that particular type of soil before, I think the boys did a real good job," Vo-Ag instructor Hal Whitaker said.

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### Looking for History

Oregon Extension Home-maker's State Council will publish a history of Extension home Economics and Study Group activities this spring, and has requested a brief history of such from each county in Oregon.

Thursday, Nov. 10, a group of women will meet at West of Willow, Heppner, at 11 a.m. to pool their thoughts and memories, and launch an effort to put together information of interest relating to the local history of Extension activities. Anyone with information they feel would be valuable is invited to join the group, and assist with the effort!

### Speaking of History...

Twenty-seven homemakers and one man, journeyed to The Dalles last Wednesday to observe the historical homes and buildings there, and were totally amazed and delighted with their look at the history of The Dalles. We recommend it for everyone interested in both history and architecture!

A free guided walking tour is available, with informed guides to share insights on each restored home and building. It is well worth the hour's walk from the very old courthouse, which is located next to the chamber of commerce, around the residential area with the very old home, and through the business district.

The tour group enjoyed lunch at the Portage Inn, where they viewed the old bar from the "Umatilla House", the ancient Indian worship rock, and the remains of the original Indian Settlement Houses at the site.

Several museums and old churches are included in the tour, and many came home with plans to return for more extensive research and viewing of these.

The tour was sponsored by Morrow Homemakers Extension Advisory Committee, and included women from Ione, Heppner, Lexington, and Irri-gon.

Leaders Training, Saturday, Nov. 12  
Leaders and junior leaders are reminded of the first 4-H training offered this year, which will be for leaders from Morrow, Gilliam, Wheeler and Sherman counties, Nov. 12, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Episcopal Parish Hall, Heppner.

Many special helps are included in the day's program, with a program on national report forms and records to be presented at 1 p.m. by Lois Redman, OSU 4-H & Youth

Specialist. Any older 4-H member wishing to attend this part of the day's program is very welcome!

Lunch will be provided by Extension staff of the four-county area...no charge! This is the chance for all leaders, both new and experienced to get answers to all their questions, relating to both specific projects and general 4-H program information.

### Looking Ahead...To Community Events of Interest

Livestock growers and Cowbelle are planning many interesting events for their annual meeting December 9, as well as the popular Farm-City Banquet in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce that evening. You'll want to watch for more information on plans for that day, and plan to attend!

Cowbelle president, Susie Ward, is hard at work planning for an extra good Cowbelle meeting, with special program, and Livestock Growers president Charlie Daly promises programs and speakers of interest to all livestock growers.

### 4-H Enrollments... and Leaders

We've visited all the schools and told the kids about the value of belonging to the 4-H in our county, and found it a fun experience to talk with the kids! We find much enthusiasm for the program, and lots of kids wanting to join clubs! So once again we say...if you like kids, and lots of action, volunteer to be a 4-H leader! There's a long list of kids wanting in, and we'd be very happy to discuss all aspects of the program with any interested adult!

Enrollments are coming in from leaders, and this is really great! When your enrollment are in the office, we are able to notify members as well as leaders of coming events! We are asking leaders to get them in as soon as possible...more members may be added to your enrollment sheet at any time! We'd appreciate!

### Words from Mike...a progress report on things with the Howell family (former 4-H agent, now Vo-Ag teacher from Nyssa was happily received at the Extension office...a taped report! We enjoyed hearing from Mike about his new adventures as a vocational-agriculture teacher, family news, and reports of his new farm and sheep enterprise! Anyone wishing to hear Mike's message is most welcome to come by the office and share his taped report to his friends in Morrow County. He sends greetings to all his friends!

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**Elks Calendar**

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Friday, Nov. 11  
Happy Hour 5-7 p.m.  
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