

**Deadline nears
for BMCC
registration**

Next week will be the final opportunity to register for any of Blue Mountain Community College's fall term evening classes.

The season's collection of night classes began this week throughout Morrow and Umatilla counties.

A weaving workshop will begin Saturday at 9 a.m. in the district school office building in Lexington. Persons interested in attending who have not registered are urged to contact Nancy Brownfield, BMCC's field coordinator at 676-5039.

**Weather
by Don Gilliam**

	Hi	Lo	Pre
Wed	75	43	
Thu	69	47	.04
Fri	72	42	
Sat	80	48	
Sun	76	47	
Mon	80	48	
Tue	86	49	

Hospital board

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but could be used on animals. Several individuals appeared at the board meeting to complain about recent increases in daily room costs for non-welfare residents of Pioneer Memorial's nursing home unit. Rates have risen from just over \$23 in summer of 1977 to the current maximum daily rate of \$29.50.

Others complained that certain charges were not clearly itemized, and that discrepancies existed in rates charged to nursing home residents who were apparently receiving similar services.

"You're asking 13 people (the non-welfare nursing home residents) to make up a \$30,000 loss for the nursing home," complained Jewell Hager. "The elderly shouldn't be penalized." Mrs. Hager suggested the board consider attempt to pass a bond issue similar to one approved in Wallowa County which would serve to subsidize some of the nursing home expenses.

The board is expected to study the nursing facility fee situation and report on the matter during its next meeting.

In other developments during Tuesday's meeting, Byrnes reported that he has been informed that three physicians have expressed interest in locating practices in the three-county area of Morrow, Wheeler and Gilliam. One is scheduled to arrive in Morrow County for interviews and tours on Oct. 15.

ced their first business meeting of the hospital board during the Tuesday session. The three were recently appointed to the board to fill vacancies created by the resignations of Larry Mills, Dick Sargent, and Hubert Wilson.

Hunting Briefs

Hunters coffee break

The Heppner post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars will be manning a coffee and donut booth at Cal's Arco for traveling hunters that will be open continuously from Thursday noon to Saturday noon.

Jim Launer, VFW commander, said proceeds from the sale will be used in the organization's hospital and relief fund programs.

A cup of coffee and a donut will sell for 50-cents, and Launer extends an invitation to local, non-hunter traffic also.

Nimrod breakfast

The 5th Annual Hunter's Breakfast is set for sportsmen who want to get an early start with a full stomach. Sponsored by the Heppner American Legion and Auxiliary, Post 87, the grill will be on between 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 29 and 7 a.m. Saturday.

Ham, eggs, hotcakes and beverage will be served for \$2.50 per plate in the showroom at Wayne's Diesel on Main Street in Heppner.

Elks seek buckskins

Heppner Elks Lodge 358 is again this year asking hunter cooperation in collecting hides for their annual program that benefits patients in Oregon's veterans hospitals.

Deer, elk and cattle hides are wanted and may be left in any of the barrels located in Heppner, including those at Jerry's Mobil, Heppner Chevron and in the parking lot behind the Elks Club.

**Bennett blasts lack of planning
for Columbia water use**

Oregon's water development policy, as it pertains to the Columbia River, "is hopelessly inadequate," Democratic District 55 representative Chuck Bennett told the Chamber of Commerce group meeting in Moro Tuesday.

The inadequacy of Columbia River water resource planning "is a direct result of a lack

of action by the State Legislature on water issues, and a lack of forcefulness and direction on the part of the Water Policy Review Board and the Department of Water Resources," Bennett said. "At present, there is really no state policy governing our use of Columbia River water."

The District 55 candidate stated that at present, Oregon

"couldn't enter into negotiations with Washington or Idaho" on the Columbia water use issue, because "we're working in the dark—we have no policy—and we're using old information that doesn't fit today's needs." The two neighboring states, he noted, "appear to have their policy

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**Two hour parking on
main starts Monday**

Residents are reminded that enforcement of Heppner's 2-hour parking begins Monday, Oct. 2.

Those areas affected by the parking limitation are Main Street and side streets off Main for about a block in either direction. All areas are clearly marked with 2-Hour Parking signs.

An ordinance passed by the City Council last fall raised parking violation penalties to \$2 if paid within 24 hours; \$4 after 24 hours and if not paid within 10 days, warrant for the violator's arrest will be issued, carrying a \$10 fine. Payments may be made by depositing fine money in the yellow citation envelope, in the courtesy box in front of City Hall.

Enforcement will be done by marking tires with chalk.

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