



The Royal Court at the Heppner High School Prom this year was (left to right) Jackie Gentry, Dan Nix, Janice Sherman, Chris Zita, Kaedene Hollomon and Todd Sherer. Janice Sherman was crowned queen and Chris Zita king. At right, the royal couples dance to "Stairway to Heaven."

Pride of Oregon ice cream maker back after retirement

By Steven A. Powell

Equipment at the Morrow County Creamery in Heppner has been repaired and 45-year ice cream maker, Bud Tash, is back so Pride of Oregon ice cream is on the grocery shelves again.

Problems with equipment have caused the ice cream making portion of the creamery to be inoperative for 2½ months, according to manager Brian Sweeney, who owns it along with his brother Mike Sweeney.

And Tash, who has worked

at the creamery since 1932 but retired seven years ago, "has come back to help us," Sweeney said.

"He knows the equipment and how to make ice cream," Sweeney said. "We will keep him as long as he will stay." Frank Payne drives truck for the company delivering ice cream and Mayflower Dairy Products to Heppner, Lexington, Ione, Fossil, Condon and Spray.

"We are the sole distributor in the area," Sweeney said.

Payne's route includes trips from Hermiston, where he picks up the Mayflower Products, to Heppner twice a week and to Condon two other days.

The Sweeney brothers purchased the creamery along with Hager's Dairy last July. The creamery has been around for 60 years and was first owned by the Cox family, Sweeney said.

Ice cream is made from a pre-made mix of butterfat from the Mayflower company

in Yakima, Wash.

"No one around here makes it anymore," Sweeney said.

The mix is poured into a 10 gallon "batch" freezer that can make 10 gallons of ice cream at a time. Flavoring is added and then a mixture of air is added to make it fluffy.

Tash mixes the air into the mix to get the proper weight.

"Air determines if it is too heavy or too light of a mix," Sweeney said.

Even though it is a batch freezer that takes about eight

minutes to freeze each batch of ice cream, Sweeney said it is a fairly continuous operation since getting the containers ready and adding flavoring can be done while the ice cream is freezing.

Brian Sweeney emphasized that the creamery makes a "premium" ice cream with 12 percent butterfat rather than the usual eight to 10 percent.

The ice cream is sold mainly in half gallon plastic containers but restaurants buy it in three gallon barrels.

"We sell all we can turn out as fast as we can make it," Sweeney said. "It has quite a reputation and women love the plastic containers and would scream if we quit using them."

Sweeney said ice milk from the creamery is top quality with 3.8 percent butterfat while most ice milk is one or two percent.

"The more butterfat, the

more expensive the mix," he said.

Pride of Oregon ice cream comes in 10 flavors: chocolate, strawberry, vanilla, pecan, raspberry ripple, maple nut, sherbert, English toffee, peppermint stick, and another flavor that varies according to demand.

Since they cannot get cream locally anymore, butter is not made at the creamery. They do sell crushed ice along with the ice cream and Mayflower Products.

The Sweeneys added a loading dock to the creamery last summer but that is the only major change they have made since they have owned it.

As far as he knows, Sweeney said the Heppner creamery is the only small one left in eastern Oregon.

"We make it the same way today as they did 25 years ago," he said.

Congressman Ullman says 'increase wood chips'

Oregon Congressman Al Ullman told the Forest Service recently that it must develop an emergency program to increase the supply of waste wood for chips.

"This is an opportunity for the Forest Service to rid national forest land of salvage timber and put idle loggers back to work," Ullman said.

Economic conditions in the Pacific Northwest have resulted in the closure of a number of mills, throwing thousands of loggers and mill employees out of work. The demand for wood chips re-

mains strong in the pulp market however.

"The timber-based Oregon economy is in crisis and demands an emergency response," Ullman said.

"We are clearly headed into a recession and it already is having a devastating impact on the Oregon economy," Ullman said. "The federal government must take all fiscally responsible steps to alleviate the harsh impact of recession and an emergency program on salvage logging is a step in the right direction."



Bud Tash (left) and Brian Sweeney mix up a batch of Pride of Oregon ice cream in the 10-gallon batch freezer.

Dr. says

Expect baby tooth by 6 months

By Michael D. Moore
Heppner dentist

As our children are developing in the womb, a grossly disfigured and frightening figure appears with its folds and wrinkles. From the fusion of these folds comes the dental arches which contain the tooth buds, the future baby and adult teeth. The baby tooth buds begin to form their prospective teeth about six weeks in the womb.

It is often asked if the mother takes fluoride during pregnancy whether this will help baby teeth to be strong. Fluoride does not cross the barrier between baby and mother. There are certain

vitamins and minerals which do cross the barrier to help build bones and teeth. A few important ones are calcium, phosphorus, vitamin D and Vitamin A.

Once the baby teeth have formed substantially they begin to erupt. Of the children who are six-months-old, 33 percent of them will have one to three teeth visible, 12 months 50 percent will have four to eight teeth, 24 months 60 percent will have 15 to 18 teeth visible and children 36-months-old will have 20 teeth. If the child does not have all 20 teeth at 42 months, a parent should begin to worry.


Some characteristics of our children's newly acquired teeth are: they are usually very white, unlike the adult teeth which usually have a yellowish color; teeth are usually in the arch in a circular fashion; and there are usually spaces between the front teeth which in later life is important.

Our children begin to form their baby teeth while still in the uterus. The important vitamins and minerals needed to develop bone and teeth are able to cross the mother baby barrier. The result of all this are 20 white, well-spaced teeth, which should appear no later than four years of age.

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