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Weather

By City of Heppner

	High	Low	Precip
Tues., Nov. 17	58	34	trace
Wed., Nov. 18	55	33	0
Thurs., Nov. 19	55	39	trace
Fri., Nov. 20	59	46	.17
Sat., Nov. 21	52	48	.02
Sun., Nov. 22	53	40	.16
Mon., Nov. 23	49	32	.10



Local churches to hold Thanksgiving services

Ione United Church of Christ

Ione United Church of Christ will hold a Thanksgiving Eve service Wednesday, Nov. 23, 7:30 p.m. at the church, "to give praise and thanksgiving in the midst of the holiday bustle," said the Rev. Cathy Barker.

An offering will be taken and donated to the Hunger Action Fund. Special music will be featured at the service.

"All are invited to come and worship - to remember what the Thanksgiving holiday is all about," concluded the Rev. Barker.

All Saints

An evening prayer service will be held at All Saints Episcopal Church in Heppner on Wednesday, Nov. 25 at 7:30 p.m.

"This service will be a service of Thanksgiving for God's bountiful gifts to each of us this past year," said the Rev. Edwin Watts.

Hope Lutheran

Hope Lutheran Church in Heppner will hold a Thanksgiving eve service on Wednesday, Nov. 25, 7:30 p.m.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Irrigon Comm. Service

By FRANCES ROSE WILSON

The annual Thanksgiving church service for the community of Irrigon will be held at the Baptist church at 7 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 26.

Churches of the community will come together for this

special community event. Emphasis will be on lay people of the churches with several lay persons as speakers. Each church is asked to provide a musical number.

Irrigon man pleads guilty

Allen Keith Tompkins, Irrigon pled guilty to burglary in the second degree on Friday, Nov. 20. A charge of theft in the second degree was dismissed, reports District Attorney Ann Spicer.

Tompkins will be sentenced in about six weeks said Spicer. Michael Palmer, 34, of Portland was found in contempt of court on Friday, Nov. 20 at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner.

Palmer was sentenced to 60 days in the Umatilla County Jail, said the D.A.

O.W. Cutsforth awarded M.C. Tree Farm plaque



Orville Cutsforth was presented an Outstanding Tree Farmer plaque at a Heppner Chamber of Commerce luncheon last Tuesday, Nov. 16.

Cutsforth and his wife Barbara were honored by the Portland Chamber of Commerce Monday, Oct. 26.

The Cutsfords received the Morrow Co. Tree Farmer Award after planting 21,000 trees, beginning a grass seeding project and thinning 100 acres of trees in the Heppner area.

The Outstanding Tree Farmer program is a national program resulting in the eventual selection of a nation-

wide Outstanding Tree Farmer from the states Outstanding Tree Farmer selections. The nationwide tree farm system is administered by the American Forest Institute with headquarters in Washington, D.C., and the Northwest Pine Association administers the program in Eastern Oregon. Both of these bodies are supported by the Forest Products Industry through membership of the individual companies that desire to participate, said Charles Arment, spokesperson from the American Tree Farms System.

Christmas Opening SALE IS FRI. & SAT.

Heppner merchants will be holding their Christmas Opening Sale this Friday and Saturday, with the theme to be "An Old Fashioned Christmas".

In addition to sale items and reduced prices, Santa Claus will be on hand downtown

at the Post Office Saturday, Nov. 28 at 1 p.m.

Also starting Friday, downtown merchants will stay open until 7 p.m. every weeknight up to Christmas for your shopping convenience.

See inside this issue for the many sale items offered by Heppner merchants.

Christmas tree permits available

It is again that time of year when families go to the woods to cut their Christmas trees. Permits must be purchased to cut trees in the National Forest. In order to preserve the scenic and resource values of the National Forest, we must ask each permittee to cooperate with us by complying with the following: (1) Cut tree as least 50 feet from roadways. (2) Clean up any trimmings or limbs from roadways. (3) Leave stumps no higher than 10 inches. (4) Cut off any green limbs left on stump (can be used for greens). (5) Do not "long butt" over 6 feet. Maximum size of tree to be cut is 14 feet. (6) Do not cut in timber sale areas which have been planted with new trees.

Permits may be purchased at the Heppner Ranger District - open regular hours Monday through Friday and Saturdays on December 12 and 19 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Permits are good for the entire district. No commercial cutting areas are available, said a Umatilla National Forest news release.

Morrow Co. awarded \$1,554 from OACD

This is the first time project funds have been made available to SWCD's through the Division of Soil and Water Conservation, State Department of Agriculture. The Division until this year was an independent state organization known as the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission. It is now officially a division within the Oregon department of agriculture. As a result of that merger, grant funds to SWCD's are expected to be available each year, according to Liles.

A total of 25 applications for grants totalling over \$3 million were submitted this year. The State Soil and Water Conservation Commission (the Division's governing body) was in charge of screening and selecting grantees. Oregon Department of Culture Director Leonard Kunzman approved the commission's recommendations for final review by the State Board of Agriculture.

bids for grants were unsuccessful, but according to Liles, those projects not funded this

time will be held by the Division for possible future funding. Liles urges districts to continue to submit worthy projects for grants to be given in the future.

Nine soil and water conservation districts (SWCD's) in Oregon including Morrow Co., will soon be sharing \$36,000 in grant money. The grant recipients were announced Tuesday, November 17 at the Oregon Association of Conservation Districts' (OACD) Annual Meeting held in The Dalles. According to Chuck Liles, Administrator, Division of Soil and Water Conservation, grant applications were also approved from West Multnomah, East Multnomah, Sherman County, Yamhill, Washington County, Klamath, Malheur County, and Polk SWCD's. OACD also received a grant for an educational project to help carry out the other SWCD programs.

The smallest grant, \$1,554 was awarded to Morrow SWCD for a no-till demonstration on a 10-acre field. The six-year project will examine both possible economic benefits and reduction of soil erosion and water quality improvement.

"Most projects chosen were those considered by the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission to be high priority, helping to solve the most critical erosion problems," Liles said.

Local cowboys qualify for National Finals Rodeo

Seven Oregonians, two from Morrow County, have qualified for the December 5 - 13 National Finals Rodeo to be held in Oklahoma City. The NFR playoff totals \$613,000, including PRCA and Women's

Professional Rodeo Association events.

Qualifying from Morrow County are Butch Knowles, Heppner 15th in saddle bronc riding with \$21,071 and Jody Tatone, Boardman, 12th in bull riding with \$31,336.

Anita Palmer named 1982 Morrow Co. Fair & Rodeo queen



Anita Palmer has been named 1982 Morrow County Fair & Rodeo Queen announced Rodeo Board President Bob Montgomery Monday, Nov. 23.

Anita, a senior at Ione High School, has been riding horses all of her life and was a pennant bearer for four years. Anita was also a princess on the 1981 court.

In addition to her court activities, Anita has

been involved in 4-H, the Girls Athletic Association, National Honor Society, tote painting projects and girls sports.

Anita is the daughter of Lee and Mary Ann Palmer of Ione.

Princesses for the new court were to be selected Tuesday night, Nov. 24 and will be announced in next weeks Gazette-Times.

year-old daughter, Christie. He will be working under Police Commissioner Bill Cooley.

Cahill attended schools in Hermiston and graduated from Blue Mt. Community College in 1978, where he studied police science.

Irrigon's new police and safety officer sworn in

By FRANCES ROSE WILSON

Mike Cahill has been sworn in as Irrigon's City Police and Public Safety officer. Cahill, 24, will be moving to Irrigon from Denver, Colorado this week to accept his duties, with his wife Candy and three

G-T closed Nov. 26-27

Because of the Thanksgiving holiday, the Heppner Gazette-Times will be closed Thursday, Nov. 26 and Friday, Nov. 27 so that staff members

may enjoy the holiday with their families.

The Gazette-Times wishes everyone a very pleasant Thanksgiving.