

## Comm. Theater group to meet Oct. 5 in Heppner Group

The local community theater group will meet Wednesday, Oct. 5, 7:30 p.m., at the Heppner High School cafeteria.

Possible productions to be given will be discussed as well as ideas and suggestions.

"We've had a good response from interested people," said Cheryl Greenup, a founder of the group. Some are experienced actors and directors who have worked with the Ashland Shakespearean Festival, she said.

Greenup said Larry Cerullo, head of the HHS drama department is to be present at the meeting, and the possibil-

ity of combining the community group with the high school's drama department will be considered.

She stresses that people of all ages are welcome to join the group, and experience is not necessary.

For more information, contact Greenup, 676-5319, or Jane Rawlins, 676-9435.

## Hunters can help stop spread of noxious plant

Hunters can help in several ways to prevent the spread of tansy ragwort in Eastern Oregon, says the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife in Portland. This noxious plant, common in western Oregon, has only been found east of the Cascades in recent years.

It is poisonous to some species of livestock and efforts

are being made to eliminate the plant when it is found and to prevent further introduction.

Hunters who see tansy ragwort in Eastern Oregon are asked by the Department of Fish and Wildlife to report the location to department biologist, State Police, the U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, State Forestry Department, or county extension offices.

Last year 122 tansy sites were located in northeast Oregon alone. 17 of them reinfestations from the previous year. The first sighting of tansy in Eastern Oregon occurred in 1969.

About two-thirds of all sightings have been close to camping areas, and many of them in popular hunting spots. Hunters who see tansy plants can help stamp it out by clipping flowering plants off just below the topmost flowering head. The clipped portion should be placed in a plastic bag and later burned. The clipping will cause the plant to put on a spurt of new growth but there will not be enough time for the plant to grow new flowering heads and seeds before frost kills the plant.

Plants should not be pulled up by the roots since they can regenerate from any roots left underground. And the accurate location should be reported to any of the agencies listed above so further action and followup checks can be made.

Some infestations have been traced directly to hunters who bring contaminated hay from western Oregon to feed riding and pack animals, or to insulate tent floors.

Hunters are asked to buy hay after they arrive in Eastern Oregon or to feed their animals pelleted rations. Stock should be fed pelleted food or tansy-free hay for at least 48 hours before transport to Eastern Oregon to insure tansy will not be spread in their manure.

Tansy is identified by its lacy leaves and clusters of yellow, daisy-like flowers near the top. In Australia the plant is called "stinking Willy" because the leaves have a distinctive odor.

Hay, straw and pelleted feed can be purchased from many outlets throughout Eastern Oregon.

## 'The Joy of Hunting'

(Editor's note: Since this Saturday marks the opening of deer season, and because a large percentage of local citizens participate in this sport, the Gazette-Times is printing the following article for readers' enjoyment. The author is unknown.)

1:00 a.m. Alarm clock rings.  
2:00 a.m. Hunting partners arrive, drag you out of bed.  
2:30 a.m. Throw everything except the kitchen sink into pickup.  
3:00 a.m. Leave for the deep woods.  
3:15 a.m. Drive back home to pick up gun.  
3:30 a.m. Drive like hell to get to the woods before daylight.

4:00 a.m. Set up camp. Forgot the damn tent.  
4:30 a.m. Head for the woods 6:05 a.m. See eight deer.

6:06 a.m. Take aim and squeeze trigger.  
6:07 a.m. "CLICK"  
6:08 a.m. Load gun while watching deer go over the hill.  
8:00 a.m. Head back to camp.

9:00 a.m. Still looking for camp.  
10:00 a.m. Realize you don't know where camp is.

12 noon Fire gun for help. Eat wild berries.  
12:15 p.m. Run out of bullets. Eight deer come back.  
12:20 p.m. Strange feeling in stomach.

12:30 p.m. Realize you ate poison berries.  
12:45 p.m. Rescued.  
12:55 p.m. Rushed to hospital to have stomach pumped.

3:00 Arrive back in camp.  
3:30 p.m. Leave camp to kill deer.  
4:00 p.m. Return to camp for bullets.  
4:01 p.m. Load gun. Leave camp again.

5:00 p.m. Empty gun on squirrel that is bugging you.  
6:00 p.m. Arrive at camp.

### Pvt. Rietmann completes course

Pvt. Christopher E. Rietmann, son of Gene and Maxine Rietmann of Ione, has completed a strategic microwave systems course at the U.S. Army Signal School, Fort Gordon, Ga.

Students received instruction on fixed station communications equipment consisting of microwave radio and multichannel carrier equipment.

He is a 1982 graduate of Ione High School.

### Makers & Bakers 4-H Club to meet Sat.

The Makers and Bakers 4-H Club will begin meeting on Saturday, Oct. 1, at the home of leader Chloe Pearson in Heppner.

The club will be for third and fourth year cooking club members. Members should be in the sixth grade or older, said Mrs. Pearson.

Anyone interested in joining the club should contact her at 676-9830.

See deer grazing in camp.  
6:01 p.m. Load gun.  
6:02 p.m. Fire gun.  
6:03 p.m. One dead pickup.  
6:05 p.m. Hunting partner arrives in camp dragging deer.  
6:06 p.m. Repress desire to shoot hunting partner.  
6:07 p.m. Fall into fire.  
6:10 p.m. Change clothes, throw burned ones into fire.  
6:15 p.m. Take pickup, leave hunting partner and his deer in woods.  
6:25 p.m. Pickup boils over from hole shot in block.  
6:26 p.m. Start walking.  
6:30 p.m. Stumble and fall, drop gun in the mud.  
6:35 p.m. Meet bear.  
6:36 p.m. Take aim.  
6:37 p.m. Fire gun, blow up barrel plugged with mud.  
6:38 p.m. Mess pants.  
6:39 p.m. Climb tree.  
9:00 p.m. Bear leaves. Wrap '!'&-'! gun around tree.  
12 Midnight! Home at last. Sunday. Watch football game on TV, slowly tearing up

hunting license into small pieces, place in envelope and mail to Game Department with detailed instructions on where to place it!!!!

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### What's Your Opinion?



Question: "Do you think James Watt should be replaced as Secretary of the Interior?"

"I think so," said Lawrence Becket of Heppner. "If only for those comments he makes

## Annual Hunters' Night

Thursday, Sept. 29

BBQ Rib Dinner  
6:30p.m.



Fun 'n' Prizes!

Grand Prize:  
RUEGER M77 243  
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No Lodge  
Thursday

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wants your opinion  
about  
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Highway Improvement Program

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TIME: 7:30 p.m.

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ADDRESS: Circuit Court Room  
Morrow County Court House

PHONE: 963-3177

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- Learn what improvement projects are scheduled for your area.
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104 Transportation Building, Salem, Oregon 97310.

For Information Phone...

