

# The Heppner GAZETTE-TIMES

Morrow County's Home-Owned Weekly Newspaper



Weather  
by the City of Heppner

	High	Low	Precip.	Snow
Tues., Feb. 7	35	29	.02	
Wed., Feb. 8	40	30	.20	1"
Thurs., Feb. 9	50	30	t	
Fri., Feb. 10	48	32	.01	
Sat., Feb. 11	50	39	.12	
Sun., Feb. 12	58	42	.33	
Mon., Feb. 13	48	29	.11	

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HEPPNER, OREGON

## Heppner's first baby of 1984 is finally here!



Pioneer Memorial Hospital's first baby of 1984 finally made his debut. Kenneth Brian Allen was born at 2:53 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 7, at the hospital in Heppner. His mother is Melody Allen of Heppner.

Heppner's first baby weighed 5 lbs., 12 1/2 oz.  
His grandparents are Barbara Simmons of Salem and Dave Simmons of The Dalles.  
His great-grandparents are Esther McKenny of The Dalles and Susie Dunning of Lebanon.

## Changes, ideas proposed for chamber of commerce

The Heppner-Morrow Chamber of Commerce has begun laying plans for 1984, with proposals for increased community activities, a membership drive and changes in the organization's by-laws.

At a meeting Tuesday, Feb. 7, chamber leadership presented its new ideas to a full house at the Heppner Elks Lodge during a noon luncheon. President Harley Sager said the chamber board of directors has been working hard to come up with ideas and changes to revitalize the organization and "try to get it back on its feet."

Included in the proposals for the coming year are:

- possible scholarships for high school and college students, and 4-H summer school scholarships.

- establishing a business of the month award for businesses that do remodeling, add new products or new services.

- sponsor some type of annual event to be held in July (such as a soap box derby) with prizes to be given.

- sponsor an annual chamber golf tournament and invite surrounding chambers of commerce.

- change meeting format to have one week for business, two weeks for programs and one week for individual committee meetings. During months with a fifth Tuesday no meeting would be held that week.

- establish closer ties with city and other government bodies and work closely with the Heppner Economic Development Corp.

- possibly meet several times during the year in Lexington and Ione to form better relations with those communities.

- donate \$100 for the St. Patrick's Day celebration in Heppner March 17.

Also discussed during the meeting was a new dues schedule under which different size businesses would pay dif-

ferent dues amounts.

The amount of the dues would depend, among other things on classification of businesses (retail, service, wholesale, etc.), property value, number of employees and total volume of business.

In presenting the proposed changes to the chamber membership, Sager said, "We have heard some negative things

about the chamber in the past, and that they didn't do anything. We'd like to get this organization moving and make it something that will benefit us all."

The chamber meets every Tuesday at noon at the Heppner Elks Lodge, and everyone is invited to attend and participate.

## Irrigon school board member won't run again

Morrow County School Board member Bob Byrd of Irrigon has announced he will not seek re-election to the board in the coming election.

Byrd first served on the board during the 1981-82 school year. He was first appointed to the position and later ran and was elected. Prior to serving on the board he was a member of the Irrigon-Boardman Advisory Committee. Now an insurance agent, Byrd is a former Morrow County teacher.

Stating why he will not run for another term, Byrd cited a change in his employment and

wanting to spend more time with his family.

Anyone interested in running for Byrd's or any other open position must file with Morrow County Clerk Barbara Bloodworth by February 16. The election will be held Tuesday, Mar. 27.

## Monday closures announced

Next Monday, President's Day, all county schools, county offices, the post office and local banks will be closed.

## City council, planning comm. report vacancies

Both the Heppner City Council and the Heppner City Planning Commission have vacancies. Council member Joyce Winters and planning commission member Ron McDonald have resigned.

Winters' replacement will serve until January 1985, or

may run for election in November. Planning commission members are appointed.

Anyone interested in serving either position may contact Mayor Cliff Green, any council member, or call city hall, 676-9618.

## Campfire kids to begin candy sale

Local Campfire kids will begin selling Campfire candy door to door in Heppner, Lexington and Ione on Friday, Feb. 17.

Cost of the candy is \$2.50 per box. With each box purchased, a coupon for \$2.50 off on a Shakey's Pizza is given. The sale ends March 5.

## W.C.C.C. to hold annual meeting Feb. 20

An annual meeting of the Willow Creek Country Club membership will be held on Monday, Feb. 20, at 7:30 p.m. in the conference room of Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative in Heppner.

The agenda of the meeting will be presentation of the annual report for 1983; election of officers for the ensuing year; presentation, discussion, and voting of the budget for 1984; and, the presentation of the calendar for the coming golf season.

The usual presentation of the previous years' awards will be dispensed with. The executive committee felt that due to so many members being out of the area at this time of the year, it would be preferable to have the award

presentations at the opening of the men's and women's golf seasons, which would make possible the participation of those who are away at this time, said a club spokesperson.

It is the hope of the executive committee that those members in the area will attend this meeting. This year will necessitate some very important changes and additions to the budget due to the tremendous increase in property taxes and the need for building and grounds improvements. There is also a great need to plan for replacement and/or purchasing of necessary equipment to properly care for the course, the spokesperson concluded.

## Green will not seek another term as mayor

Heppner Mayor Cliff Green has announced that he will not seek re-election. Green has been mayor since taking office in January 1981.

Prior to his election as mayor, Green served on Heppner's City Council for four

and one-half years.

"There are some things I want to do in my personal and business life that do not allow enough time to do justice to the position of mayor," Green said.

## Heppner Elks to hold 87th annual celebration

Members of the Heppner Elks Lodge will hold their 87th annual celebration this Saturday, Feb. 18.

The event will begin with a ladies tea at 1:30 p.m. and lodge at 2 p.m.

A seafood dinner will be served at 6 p.m., followed by a dance at 9 p.m. Two bands will be performing. The Coffey

Twins will entertain a crowd upstairs while Bill Nichols will play downstairs.

To wind up the celebration, a breakfast will be served Sunday morning from 8:30 to 11:30.

Courtesy Cars will be available to take people to and from the lodge. Call 676-9181.

## Three Heppner businesses burglarized last weekend

Three Heppner businesses were burglarized Sunday night, Feb. 11, reports Heppner City Police Chief Doug Rathbun.

Around \$500 was taken from a safe at the Heppner Elks Lodge, as well as an American flag. Rathbun said entry was gained by breaking through

the back door. At Heppner Bowl, the back door was pruned open and an undetermined amount of money from video games was stolen, as well as \$20 from the cash register. A back window was broken out at Vern's 76 station and a gun cabinet was pruned open and \$142 in cash plus checks and

credit cards were taken. None of the guns, however, were taken. The chief said the thief or thieves were unable to open the cabinet far enough to remove the firearms.

The Heppner City Police Department is investigating the case.

## Les Schwab Tire Centers holding annual beef promotion

Les Schwab Tire Centers in Oregon, Washington and Idaho are celebrating their 20th Annual Free Beef Give-Away now through February 28. For the past 20 years the company has been giving away free beef certificates with the purchase of new and retread passenger and pick-up tires. This year a \$7.50 certificate will be given with the purchase of two new passenger, pick-up tires, or four Les Schwab passenger or pick-up retreads. A set of four new passenger or pick-up tires qualifies for \$15 in free beef.

Throughout the Northwest the tire centers will promote free beef on television, radio and in local newspapers as well as local cook-offs and beef demonstrations with the CowBelles at the Les Schwab Tire Centers. (See CowBelle corner in this week's issue).

Mr. Schwab stated, "It's our way of beefing up the tire business in February and at the same time supporting our Northwest beef industry. Many of my first customers were farmers and ranchers. In fact, their loyalty over the years helped our growth and our free beef promotion was

our way of saying thanks. It's been a good deal for all of our customers. We don't raise our prices to cover the cost, it's a bonafide savings. Many of our customers wait until February to buy their tires just to get the free beef. We gave away \$142,125 in free beef last year and we expect that figure to reach \$160,000 this year."

Les Schwab Tire Centers was started in 1952 by Les Schwab in Prineville. The first store was a dirt floor O.K. Tire

Shop specializing in retreading. Today the company operates the largest retreading facility in the nation and services 143 tire centers from its Prineville Distribution Center with a complete supermarket selection of tires, wheels and batteries along with complete alignment, brakes, shocks and service backed with warranties in writing honored at any of its 143 locations.

## Many events planned for St. Patrick's Day

Planning for the St. Patrick's Day celebration in Heppner is well underway with many events planned for the big day.

A parade through town will be held, and anyone wishing to participate is urged to begin preparations now.

Other events planned are a ham dinner at the Catholic

Church, demonstration of sheep dog training, a slide show, KUMA's "Coffee Hour" at the Elks, champagne receptions at Farley Motors and Ron McDonald Chevrolet, and a Shillelagh Ball at the Elks Lodge.

Other activities are in the works and will be announced at later dates.

## Salem agency contracts funds for medical services here

Northwest Human Services, a private non-profit agency based in Salem, has contracted monies to Dr. Clare Koznek in Heppner to access medical services to unemployed and/or disadvantaged persons. These monies were made available through federal legislation known as the

"Jobs Bill," reports Luz Bagan Gutierrez, the project director stated, "These monies were made available through congressional legislation P.L. 98-8 more commonly known as the 'Jobs Bill.' These monies are to access medical services to unemployed and disadvan-

taged persons by contracting with physicians, health departments and/or agencies providing medical care. We provide them the money so that they in turn can provide medical care at minimal or no cost to the patient, one or two times on an outpatient basis."

## Hundreds enjoy breakfast at M.C.G.G. Appreciation Day



Brittini Padberg, nine months, enjoys a pancake breakfast during Saturday's Morrow County Grain Growers Customer Appreciation Day. Brittini is the daughter of Wade and Connie Padberg, Lexington.

The annual appreciation day drew approximately 700 people to a free pancake breakfast and a variety of equipment and farm supply displays at the M.C.G.G. headquarters in Lexington.

Winners of the door prizes given away were: Jonathan Metz, Heppner, who won a 2 plus 2 toy tractor; Mike Lott, Heppner, won a roll-around tool box with chest; Jerry Dagget, Heppner, won a pickup tool box; Linda Hutchinson, Lexington, won a kerosene heater; Kym Warren, Heppner, won an oxygen acetelyn welding kit; Ken Palmer, Lexington, a toaster oven; and Charlie Doherty, Ione, won a salad bowl.