

MCGG manager named prexy of regional trade organization



Roger Hodgson, (left) outgoing president turns gavel over to President Larry Mills

Larry Mills, General Manager of Morrow County Grain Growers, Inc., a grower-owned grain warehousing and farm supply coop in Lexington, has been elected President of Pacific Northwest Grain and Feed Association at the group's annual membership meeting June 7 in Portland. The Morrow County Grain Growers also have warehousing and shipping facilities in Heppner, Ione, Irrigon, and North Lexington.

Pacific Northwest Grain and Feed Association is a regional trade organization representing 175 country grain elevator firms, feed and flour milling companies, and export shipping interests throughout Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana. The Association maintains profes-

sional staff and offices in Portland. Mills has been the Manager for Morrow County Grain Growers for the past 16 years. Prior to that, he was employed with Odessa Trading Company, Odessa, Washington, for 11 years. He has been an active member of the Association and its Board of Directors for many years with five years of service on the Board of Directors. Mills has also been an active member of the Heppner City Council, and President of both the Heppner Chamber of Commerce and Heppner Lion's Club.

He and his wife Betty have two grown children. Mills expects to continue work on several legislative matters which the association board and staff have been interested in.

Farmers can influence 1986 wheat program

The U.S. Department of Agriculture is formulating plans for the 1986 wheat marketing quota program and is asking for public comments by July 5. Marketing quotas are used to allocate the Market among farmers growing wheat when an excess crop is expected. Before becoming effective, however, marketing quotas must first be approved in a referendum by two-thirds or more of the eligible wheat growers, according to Judy Buschke, Director of Morrow County ASCS.

"Since the public is increasingly called up to help establish food and agricultural policy, it is in the best interest of all the programs that effect them.

The comments will be used to finalize program provisions for the wheat producers' referendum scheduled for July 19-26.

She said written comments should contain eligibility requirements for voters participating in the grower referendum, type of balloting to be used, diverted acreage requirements and uses if marketing quotas are approved by referendum, levels of price support for cooperating and noncooperating producers if marketing quotas are approved, and levels of price support for cooperating and noncooperating farms if marketing quotas are disapproved by the referendum.

"Farmers voting in the referendum will be choosing the type of program they want in effect for the 1986 wheat crop," said Buschke. If two-thirds or more of the voters favor marketing quotas, basic program provisions should include mandatory acreage controls and penalties for overplanting, a three-tier price support system, a domestic and export certifications program financed by processors and

exporters, and a mandatory unpaid land diversion program.

If more than one-third of the voters reject marketing quotas, the basic wheat program would contain a price support loan program set at 50 percent of parity for cooperators and possibly noncooperators, no domestic or certificate program, and no land diversion program.

The ASCS official said farmers can directly influence the 1986 wheat program if they let their views be known to Washington, by July 5. Wheat comments should be mailed to the Director, Commodity Analysis Division, USDA-ASCS, Room 3741-S, P.O. Box 2415, Washington, D.C. 20250.

Benefit fund established

A benefit fund has been established at the Bank of Eastern Oregon Ione Branch for Leslie and Kim Thompson.

An accident last week cut a nerve and two arteries in Thompson's right arm. He was taken by Lifeguard helicopter to Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston where he spent two days in intensive care.

It is estimated that Thompson who did general ranch work at the Rick Peterson Ranch will be unable to return to work for approximately three months.

Donations may be made directly to the fund at the Bank of Eastern Oregon in Ione.



The first pencil with an attached eraser was patented in Philadelphia in 1858

City budget trimmed

The Heppner city budget committee met Thursday, July 27, and trimmed \$85,191 from the budget levy which went down for the second time June 25. The total city budget including the tax base was \$820,277 which has been adjusted to \$735,186, a 10.38 percent cut. The total budget amount was also effected by increased revenues of \$37,600 above December estimates. The resulting tax levy outside the tax base reflects a 76.6 percent decrease to \$38,515. The reduced budget levy will be submitted to voters on August 13. City Budget Officer Marshall Lovgren reports that the following

budget cuts were made by the committee:

- \$26,770 including payroll and payroll expense by not funding a fourth crew member in a maintenance department.
- reduction of \$3,000 in salary for crew foreman. This does not reflect a pay cut but since the previous foreman had been with the city for several years, his salary was higher than the entry level salary of the beginning foreman.
- dog control was cut \$1,500
- \$6,321 was cut from overtime for the Heppner Police Dept.
- \$10,000 was cut from the street paving fund.

Sheriff Drago calls for safe July 4 celebration

Morrow County Sheriff Roy Drago is calling on all citizens of our community to make this July 4 a safe holiday.

"Since July 4 falls on a Thursday this year, many will make a long weekend out of this holiday period which means a high number of motorists will be traveling our highways," Sheriff Drago said. "I would like to remind all motorists to be especially careful and cautious while driving the highways over the holiday weekend."

wise passengers and responsible drivers use safety belts. "But many people make excuses for not buckling up," the sheriff noted. "Seats belts are needed whenever you get in the car."

It is false to think that seat belts are not intended when traveling at a

low speed or on short trips. All driving can be dangerous. In fact, recent highway safety studies have shown that more than half of the accidents causing injury or death occur at speeds of less than forty miles per hour. Fatalities involving non-belted occupants have been recorded as low as twelve miles per hour - the speed you'd be driving in a parking lot. And, three out of four accidents causing death occur within twenty-five miles from home.

Therefore, seat belts are needed for both short trips and long trips. It is also false to think that by not wearing seat belts you can be saved if you're thrown clear of the vehicles involved in an accident. The probability of death is almost five times greater when the motorist is thrown from the car. Under almost any set of collision circumstances, people are better off belted up inside the car.

Motor vehicle collisions are also the number one killer of young children. Whenever you, your children or others get into your car, make sure everyone has buckled their seat belts.

"During this Fourth of July holiday period - and throughout the year - whether you're traveling short distances or longer distances, always remember to buckle up for safety," Sheriff Drago concluded. "Take the extra precaution to ensure the safety of you, your family members, and others riding in your vehicle."

Accident under investigation

An accident Saturday, June 29, from which two Heppner women were taken to Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner is still under investigation says the Hermiston Office of the Oregon State Police Dept.

The accident occurred on Highway 207 near the North Lexington elevator at 11:10 a.m. Police report that a car driven by Evelyn Warren, 72, Heppner, allegedly struck a van which had stopped on the east side of the highway after being flagged down to assist a motorist with car trouble. The van was operated by Dale W. Holland, Heppner.

Warren, still a patient at the hospital Monday was reported in stable condition. Her passenger, Kim Warren was released from the hospital on Sunday. A passenger in the Holland vehicle, Karen L. Holland, 44, reportedly received minor injuries and was treated as an outpatient at Pioneer.

Reserve Community Booth space now

Community booth space is filling up fast for the Morrow County Fair, says a Fair Committee spokesperson. Those who wish to reserve space should call the fair office to reserve space as soon as possible before the space is gone.

The fair office will be staffed from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Friday to take reservations. For additional information, call the fair office, 676-9474.

Fair buttons now on sale

Morrow County Fair buttons are now on sale at Court Street Market, Coast to Coast and MyCal's in Heppner or by contacting Ellen Kennedy, Bill Broderick, Ione, and Kenn Evans, Irrigon, also have buttons for sale.

Buttons sell for \$2.50 this year and serve as a season pass to all five days of the fair. Regular daily admission to the fair will be \$1 for adults, 50 cents for children 6-12 years, and free for children under six and senior citizens over 75.

The next meeting of the Fair Committee and Fair Board is scheduled for Monday, July 8, 7:30 p.m. at the fairgrounds.



Births

Maranda Lacey Wight - a daughter, Maranda Lacey was born June 27 to Bob and Betty Wight, Hermiston, at Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston. She weighed 7 lbs 10 oz. Grandparents are Harry and Fae Green, Lexington. Honorary great grandmother is Bertha Holt, Creswell. Maranda Joins a brother Zackary at home.

District Court Report

District Court at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner reports handling the following business during the month of May:

William Jesse Thomas, Lexington - Exceeding the Maximum Speed (70 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$24.50 fine.

Artlet Avery Campbell, Heppner - Truck Speeding (63 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$12 fine.

Frank Dee Halvorsen, Ione - Exceeding the Maximum Speed (72 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$3 assessment.

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