

Heppner Happenings

By Mary Bryant, 676-9493

--Ruth Locust Chapter No. 32, Order of the Eastern Star, will hold their last meeting of the year Monday, December 8. After a short business meeting, there will be a Christmas get-together. All are asked to bring a Christmas goodie, have a gift for exchange, and, if they wish, add something to the evening's entertainment (for example, a poem, story, song, or a Christmas memory).

--Mrs. Merna Toll spent the Thanksgiving holiday at her daughter's home in Spray. Leonard and Lorine Toll, from Woodburn, her son and his wife, their son Terry, from Prineville; Ted Toll from Heppner, son of Mrs. Toll; her daughter and son-in-law, Joanne and Don Griffith, were all together for dinner, and in addition, Gib Griffith, student at B.M.C.C. in Pendleton, who had picked up Mrs. Toll and taken her to Spray with him. He is a son of the Griffiths. Mrs. Ted Toll is recovering from surgery and was unable to attend. In the afternoon, Donita and Brian Adams, daughter of the Griffiths and John and Karen Griffith and baby visited.

--Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Nash were guests at the Dean Connor home for Thanksgiving. Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hickey, son-in-law and daughter of the Connors were late day visitors and spent the rest of the weekend with Mrs. Hickey's parents. Greg Connor, son of the Connors and his friend Lori, were also guests and with Penny Connor and Eric Connor, made up the family gathering. On Friday morning, Mrs. Nash, Deann Hickey, and Lori were in Pendleton for a doctor's appointment for Mrs. Nash. She will have further eye surgery in June.

--Last month, while her husband, Major Chris Brown was on a training assignment, Mrs. Chris Brown from the island of Oahu, Hawaii, and her son, Kyle spent three weeks with Paul and Betty Brown here at their ranch. It was the first time the Browns had made the acquaintance of their new grandson.

Mark and Sandy Brown and sons, Christian and Robbie of Port Orchard, Washington came on Am-Trak for Thanksgiving with the Browns.

--Chuck and Betty Bailey were holiday dinner guests with his mother, Mrs. Edna Bailey.

--Helen Troxell from Portland, daughter, and Mary May Green from Pendleton, granddaughter, were Thanksgiving visitors of Mrs. Harriet Evans. Sandra and Ron Adams of Portland were holiday guests of Mrs. Doll Campbell.

--Friends of Mrs. Sadie Parrish were shocked to hear of the death of her son, Jack. His services were Tuesday at the Christ Episcopal Church, at Lake Oswego.

--Mr. and Mrs. Claude Graham were hosts for a family dinner for the holiday. Attending were their daughter and son-in-law, Jean Marie and Bernard Damon, and son, Mark, from Eugene, and son John from Long Beach, California and Josephine from Gresham.

--Mr. and Mrs. Cornett Green spent the holiday with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Troyer of La Grande. Prior to their leaving for La Grande, they were visited by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Green with their great granddaughters, Jenna and Melissa.

--Gail Rowell and family from Pendleton, Frances Mitchell from Portland and Mr. and Mrs. George Miller and daughter from Cecil, were dinner guests of Fred and Kathryn Hoskins for the holiday.

--Mrs. Alice McCabe was hostess for a family dinner with Bill and Kelly coming from La Grande, Alan and Susan from Eugene with daughter, Heather, Pat and Gay, from Heppner, and Linda from Portland. Linda returned home with Alan and Susan.

--The Charles McConnells were pleased to have three sons home for the holiday.

--Roy and Frances Orwick will be celebrating their 60th anniversary this Friday, Dec. 5.

Economist says high tech industries boom while resource-based industries decline

Our economic future lies not in a continuing dependence on the recovery of the state's traditional industries, but in an aggressive development of the support structure for the new information processing/high tech/services economy which is emerging in this country, says Richard Kuczek, economist for the East-Central Oregon office of the State Employment Division.

Oregon's job structure is changing, he says. The traditional natural resource based industries of timber and agriculture have offered declining employment opportunities since 1979. Fewer people are employed by grain mills, miscellaneous food products, logging, saw and planing mills, millwork, wood buildings and mobile homes, and miscellaneous wood products.

By startling contrast, Kuczek continues, new industries have expanded during the same time period. Growth industries include office and computing machinery, communications equipment, electronic components and accessories, grocery stores, radio, TV, and music stores, security brokers, eating and drinking establishments, miscellaneous personal services, advertising, mailing, reproduction and stenographic services, computer and data processing, miscellaneous business services, miscellaneous amusement and recreational services, legal services, and residential care facilities.

Virtually every declining industry is a part of the basic manufacturing sector, he says, almost exclusively based upon exploiting the state's forests, hydro power, and agricultural land. Projections are for a 20% decline in agricultural employment alone over the next six years, he adds.

Declining industries are almost uniformly low in managerial/professional employment and high in employing craft occupations while growth industries are high in professional/managerial employment and low in employing craft occupations, he says.

In the declining industries, labor jobs such as heavy equipment operator, machinist, and sheet metal worker require skills and are high paying, the economist points out. The growth industries require different craft laboring occupations such as electronic assembler, computer operator, law clerk, electronic technician, fast food service worker, accounting clerk and key punch operator. These growth industry jobs tend to be much lower paying, he says, as well as requiring different skills.

The occupational shifts will mean more than just a loss of jobs, Kuczek says. "When a person loses a craft production job today, he or she is faced with more than just having to find another employer or settle for a short period of unemployment. This person must change occupations. This means learning new skills, perhaps moving to a new community, and, most often today, accepting lower wages."

The high tech and service industries are located in the metropolitan areas rather than the traditional mill and agricultural communities. As the available jobs decline in the state's rural areas, there is an accompanying loss of secondary employment, and as fewer workers have less to spend in local stores, the area suffers, he says.

A displaced worker must face not just retraining, but also starting over

again at the bottom of the career ladder as an entry-level worker with no seniority or job security, he says. "The resulting loss of income can devastate a middle-aged, middle class family."

Metropolitan areas will prosper from new industries and rural areas will suffer along with the declining industries, unless economic development efforts focus on nonmetropolitan areas, he says. "Development must be such as to provide opportunities for displaced local workers to retrain for higher paying skilled positions. Support services must be established as well. Support for those families where the income earners must retrain or relocate, support for the increased number of two-earner families (with day care facilities, etc.) which will be necessitated as two lower-paying jobs must substitute for one higher-paying one."

"Oregon can lead the transition to the new information processing/service economy, rather than forlornly trailing along as the more progressive and far-sighted states pass us by," he says. "This will mean a considerable public investment, one which the State has not yet seen fit to make, but the alternative to investing in our economic future is to face continuing economic decline and disruption in our future. We must view the transition our State's economy is undergoing as an opportunity to be seized, not as an obstacle to stumble over," he concludes.

Forest offers few desirable yule trees this year

The traditional trip to the woods to select the family Christmas tree may be a disappointing chore for the close to 2,000 families who are expected to cut their holiday trees on the Umatilla National Forest this year, warns J. Phil Kline, Timber Staff Officer.

The supply of desirable trees on the south half of the forest has been sharply reduced by the infestation of the spruce budworm which attacks the tops and needles of conifer trees. The branches of many white fir and Douglas-fir trees, two of the most popular species used to decorate homes during the holiday season, are bare of needles. Those needles remaining are brown and dry.

Last year, over 1,600 families purchased the \$2 permit which entitles the purchaser to cut one tree. Permits are limited to one per household and can be purchased for relatives and friends.

"The permit does not guarantee that you will find a desirable tree; it is only a hunting license," Kline says.

The best places to hunt for a tree

are on the north half of the forest, on the Pomeroy District in Washington, and in the Tollgate-Spout Springs area on the Walla Walla District which straddles both states.

Christmas tree cutters may have a difficult time finding the ideal tree on the Heppner District due to Spruce Budworm defoliation and snow-blocked roads. "Accessibility has always been a problem for tree cutters on our District," reports John Keersemaier, Timber Manager Assistant. Permits will be available Monday through Friday, 7-45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Santa wise to choose reindeer

Santa Claus sure knew what he was doing when he chose reindeer to pull his sleigh. While reindeer are quite small—usually around three-and-a-half feet tall—they have great strength and endurance. "Ranger Rick" magazine reports that a healthy reindeer usually weighs about 150-250 pounds and can pull its own weight in cargo on sleds across the tundra—or the rooftops.



First grade class

Children's Book Week

Ione Elementary School observed Children's Book Week November 17-21 with a variety of activities. On Monday, students read books and wrote reports on favorite older books from the library. The reports were posted on a special bulletin board in the hallway. Tuesday, the classes read stories to children in other grades. On Wednesday, students brought favorite books from home to share with others. Thursday, classes highlighted a certain author or illustrator. Friday, students and teachers dressed as book characters for an assembly.

The highlight of Friday's assembly was a special recognition of school employees by the students with direction from librarian, Betty Carlson and reading specialist G. Ann Thomas-Heddle. During library time each grade made a book for an employee based on the book "Kindness" by Jane Belk Moncure. The books told of kindness the children appreciated from school cooks Mary Ann Palmer, Pauline Gates and Karen Kandle, school secretary Cindy Greenup, elementary aide Pam Minster, custodians John Marick, Randy Vosberg and Anne Bedortha.

Neighborhood Center

/By Neola Mackey

Volunteers are having a Tupperware party as another money-making project for the Heppner Neighborhood Center, Thursday, December 4. Books and orders are available at the Neighborhood Center.

Cheese and rice will be distributed Tuesday, Dec. 9 from 1-4 p.m. An Adult and Family Services

New 4-H clubs form

Bill Broderick, 4-H Extension Agent has begun working on putting together a commodity marketing 4-H Club. The club will begin by focusing on cereal grains, then advance on to the marketing of livestock and new ways to market meats. Those interested may contact the Extension Office at 676-9642.

Another new club being formed this year is a cross-country ski club. Christy Crowell of Ione has agreed to share her expertise in this area. This club promises to be educational as well as fun. Parent support is greatly needed, however, to assist in getting the members to and from the mountains. For those 4-H'ers interested who don't have ski equipment, a rental system with a nearby ski shop will be set up to rent any equipment needed. If any 4-H'ers are interested in being a member of this club, they may call Christy Crowell at 422-7564, or the Extension Office.

representative will be at the Center from 9:30 - noon, Wednesday, Dec. 17.

A Woman, Infant and Children (WIC) clinic will be held Friday, Dec. 19 from 10 a.m. - noon and 1-3 p.m.

The Neighborhood Center will be distributing Community Christmas boxes Monday, Dec. 22 and Tuesday, Dec. 23.

The Center will be closed December 25 and 26.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Morrow County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, December 15, 1986, at 7:30 p.m. in Morrow County Courthouse Annex Building, Irion, Oregon. A public hearing will be held on the following:

1. Application by Murray Findlay for a variance under Article 7 of the Morrow County Zoning Ordinance to place an additional mobile home in a suburban residential one acre zone located in Township 4N, Range 25E, Section 20A, tax lot 4300. The purpose of the variance is for hardship reasons.

Interested persons are invited to the hearing to express their views. Written, signed statements will be considered. Reasons for approval or disapproval should be included in oral or written statements.

John Bristow
Chairman
Morrow County Planning Commission
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1 CARD OF THANKS

My deepest feelings of love and gratitude to my family and friends. All your cards, flowers, food and calls are the sunshine in my recovery. Thank you and God Bless.
Donna Orwick
12-3-1c

To all my friends and Dr. Wolff who sent me cards and flowers while I was in the hospital all I can say is thanks and God Bless you all.
Hazel Mahoney
12-3-1c

I have a lot of people to thank for everything that was done for me since my surgery.

First of all to Ted and Staci who have done everything for me. I am so proud of both of you.

To Susan a big thank you for taking care of my family while I was gone. And for taking care of me when I got home.

A big thank you to Jo for taking care of the shop and my customers for being so good.

To all the people who brought food a special thank you. It made it so much easier for us all.

A thank you to all the people who sent cards, flowers and phone calls. Ernie gets a thank you for letting me come home in his car. I had such a nice "cushy" ride home.

A thank you also goes to Joe T. for my best and first poem. It does deserve a ride in the convertible.

Thank you all
Trish Toll
12-3-1c

Attention Community Band Members

Thank you for your contribution and support during the 1986 football season. We appreciate you! Hope to see you at the basketball games.

Sincerely,
Christi, Dawn, Jacque, Sheri & Nancy
The Heppner H.S. Cheerleaders
12-3-1c

A special thank you to all our friends and neighbors who helped us and for food, cards, prayers, flowers, and phone calls while I was in the hospital.

And a special thanks to all the nurses for their loving care and Dr. Thiesen and Dr. Koznek for their special care.

We appreciate it all very much.
Lovingly,
Marie and Huston Lesley
12-3-1c

I wish to extend my sincere appreciation to friends and relatives who remembered me with cards, flowers, visits and other acts of kindness during my recent surgery. God Bless you all

Bertha, Harley & Kim Sager
12-2-1c

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to all our friends and relatives for their cards of sympathy, floral offerings, money, memorials, prayers and other expressions of sympathy at the time of our bereavement. We can never adequately show our thanks for the wonderful thoughtfulness.

Connie, Bruce, Shawn and Shane
Eng
12-2-1p

2 NOTICES

Heppner Al-Anon meetings have been changed to Saturday nights at 8:00 at St. Patrick's Parish Hall.

\$250 Reward offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons involved in the vandalism of the 1986 Toyota pickup parked at the Van Arsdale shop on Riverside St. in Heppner, on Saturday night, Nov. 1, 1986. Call 989-8549 or the city police at 676-9618. 11-26-2c

Magnetic Door Signs: Advertise your business. Gazette-Times, 676-9228 3-12-1f

Heppner Alcoholics Anonymous meeting at St. Patrick's Parish Hall. For more information call 676-9815 or 676-9724 7-30-1fc

No extra charge for using credit cards at Vern's 76. Full service price is the same as mini service price at other stations in town. Vern's 76. 11-19-1fc

3 LOST & FOUND

Lost: Watch with Black Hills Gold band. Reward offered. 676-9203. 11-26-3c

Found: Large silver poodler, old, blind, and deaf. 676-9177. 123-1c
Lost: Female German Shepherd-Husky cross, 4 mos. old. She is colored and marked like a German Shepherd and her tail curls like a Husky. Disappeared Sunday from our yard. If you have any information please call 676-5066. 12-3-1c

4 HELP WANTED

ENJOY CHILDREN? Study at nationally recognized nanny training school. Free nationwide placement/incredible demand. Contact NNI, 2100 NE Broadway, Suite 3F, Portland, OR 97232. Tel. (503)284-1240. Call collect. 12-3-1nc



Holiday Traditions.

Loved ones home for the holidays. Caroling parties. Egg nog. Mistletoe. Wide-eyed children. Crackling fires. Hot spiced cider. The exchange of secrets and gifts. Family Friends. Holiday goodies. Delicious smells coming from the kitchen. Spice cakes. Homemade breads. This year, make a nutritious, succulent beef roast part of your holiday traditions.



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