

### Foster homes needed in Morrow County

Do you have experience with children with developmental disabilities in your personal or professional life? Do you have the skills, abilities, or desire to help a child?

Are you able to:  
 \*teach self-care and independent living skills to a child with retardation? or

\*work with professionals in providing treatment for a medically needy child? or

\*advocate for the child with schools and social services to obtain the best plan? or

\*implement a behavior management plan to reduce inappropriate behaviors? and

\*maintain your sanity and your relationship with bureaucracies at the same time?

If so, we want you. Children's Services Division is looking for people who can foster parent children with developmental disabilities.

At present, over 200 children with varying degrees of disabilities need the experience of living and learning in a family home. Some of these

children come from abusive or neglectful families, some children have special needs that are beyond the ability of their families to provide. These children's ages range from infancy to adolescence. Many have behavioural difficulties in addition to their disabilities.

All of these children need a family environment in which they can experience the nurturing and training necessary to reach their full potential. You are the people with the skills and experience to provide this environment.

If you are interested, or know someone who would be interested, please contact your local CSD foster home certifiers. There is a foster care payment which includes room and board, plus an additional payment given that special skills, individualized services or extra supervising are required. Single and/or working parents will definitely be considered. All foster parents must meet certification standards and have a foster home certificate before children can be placed.

Call Sue Warren, 481-9482.

### New Tele-Tax is available for Tax info

Tele-tax offers a statewide toll-free telephone service to permit Oregonians to receive refund and recorded tax information provided by the Internal Revenue Service.

The recorded information service offers more than 150 information tapes on tax subjects such as filing requirements, itemized deductions, tax credits, dependents, and adjustments to income. A list of subjects available and reference numbers is located in the tax information package and Publication 910.

Tele-Tax also provides automated refund information. It gives direct access to IRS computer information for those who mailed their personal income tax returns to the IRS service center in Ogden, Utah, at least ten weeks prior to their phone call. Callers will need to know their

Social Security number, filing status and expected refund amount to access the computer. This automated refund information is available Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Users of the push-button (tone signaling) phones have access to Tele-Tax 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Tax subjects are selected by pressing the appropriate numbers on the phone.

Access for rotary (dial) and push button (pulse dial) phone is not automatic. It is limited to working hours, 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. These callers will need to verbally tell the IRS operator the topic or tape number they want.

Tele-Tax telephone numbers are: Portland, 294-5363; elsewhere in Oregon 1-800-554-4477.

### Wine tasting huge success



Barbara Watkins, Jerry Holloman and Sue Evans enjoy tasting wines provided by Oregon Wine Advisory Board and Boardman Farms.

Laura Pryor, Gilliam County Judge was the guest speaker at the Town and Country Day's Wine and Cheese Tasting party held at the Elk's Lodge on January 14. Quite a large number of people enjoyed listening to her dissertation on "Getting Involved and Staying Sane". The message she seemed to be supplying was the fact that we, in the Eastern block of the state need to band together to form a force to be reckoned with against

the Western faction in order to assess them of our needs and wants", says Laura. The number of people in the eastern section need to join together for the betterment of our side of the state and work twice as hard to do so because of our limited population. Laura, you can be sure, is a dedicated East Oregonian and is also very dedicated to the purpose of promoting the welfare of our state.

### 4-Corners snowmobile club hold trail ride

The next play day is scheduled for February 7 at Kelly Prairie at 10 a.m.

The Four Corners Snowmobile Club held a trail ride on Sunday, January 17. Thirteen riders left Kelly

Prairie at 11:30 a.m. and rode to Penland Lake where they had lunch at Loyd Campbell's cabin.

The 60 mile ride was taken on good snow with a beautiful day included.

### Republican Central Committee elects 1988 officers

The Morrow County Republican Central Committee met January 7 in Heppner at the Columbia Basin meeting room.

Plans were made for the annual Lincoln Day Banquet and Auction to be held in Boardman at the Nomad Restaurant on Saturday evening February 13, 1988.

The following are the officers and committee chairpersons for 1988:

Chairperson, Bob Jepsen, Heppner; vice-chairperson, Gladys Hobbs, Iririgon; secretary/treasurer Avon Melby, Heppner; finance Kay Proctor, Heppner; Publicity Suzanne Jepsen, Heppner; voter registration, Marvin Preston, Iririgon; candidates Dorothy Krebs, Boardman; Republican Booth John and Erin Lovette, Ione; parades Ed Glenn, Boardman; and Senior Citizens Dr. Wallace H. Wolff, Heppner.

### Parenting Education series features "Footsteps"

"Footsteps" a series of video taped lessons relating to parenting skills will be introduced in Morrow County on Wednesday, February 17, 1:30 p.m. Extension Conference Room, Heppner.

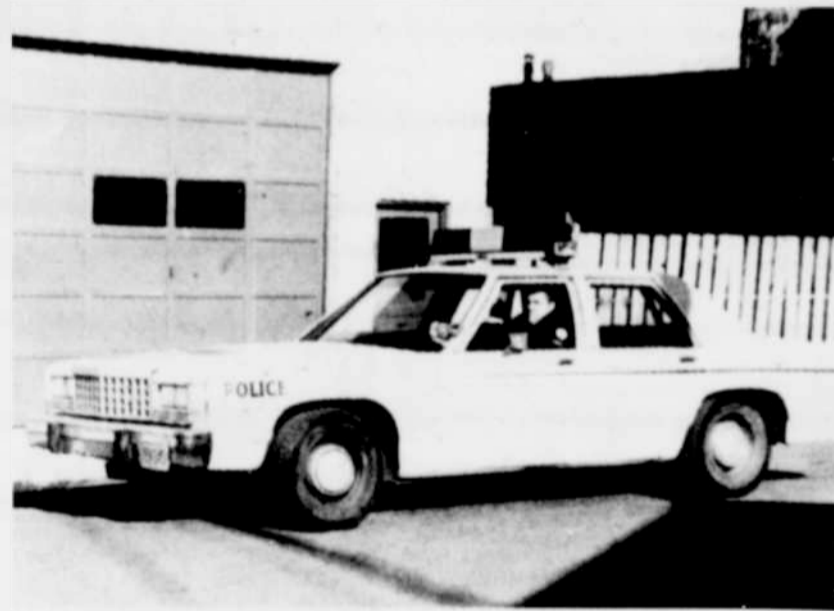
Individuals interested in child development for their own family use, because of employment where family issues or parenting skills are emphasized, or those working directly with children are encouraged to become familiar with the

program.

Ten topics are available on video tape, along with other resource materials. Those who attend the February 17 meeting will receive information on presenting the ten topics, as well as resource notebooks.

For more information, call Birdine Tullis at 676-9642. There is no charge involved. Pre-register to attend by calling 676-9642 so adequate resource materials may be prepared.

### City purchases demo police car



The City of Heppner recently purchased this 1987 demo police car from Gresham Ford. The car is equipped with a heavy duty police package, which is standard for police cars. The blue police car was traded in and the city saved money by purchasing a demonstrator.

### School exclusions for immunizations begin in Oregon

All public and private schools and certified day care centers in Oregon are currently reviewing immunization records to make sure each child in attendance is properly immunized. Those children with no immunization records or incomplete records will be receiving exclusion

orders from the county health departments by February 3, 1988. Parents have until February 17, 1988 to provide evidence of their child's immunization record or obtain the needed vaccines for the child to remain in school or day care center. Signed written evidence of the date of each dose of each vaccine that the students received is required to be on file at the school or day care.

### Parent Community Day is Jan. 27

Ione Junior-Senior high school will be holding its annual Parents Community Day on Wednesday, January 27. Parents and members of the community are invited to attend school that day in place of students in grades 6-12. Shortened classes will be held through the morning and followed by time for conference with teachers. Lunch will be available.

Pre-registration materials will be mailed to parents the week of January 18 and will be available to the general community at the school and local businesses.

Vaccines that are required for attendance are: Polio, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, and Tetanus/Diphtheria containing vaccines. Vaccines are available at private physician offices and county health departments.

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To enhance implementation of this policy, Tri County Home Health Services has access to its facilities and programs, amplified telephones for the hearing impaired, and will provide, at no extra cost to patients requesting them, foreign language or sign interpreters.

Questions about this policy or complaints alleging violations of it may be directed to the Tri County Home Health Services office at 676-5133, TTY #276-3868, or to:

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