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Farley and Monahan chosen as St. Pat's Grand Marshalls



James Farley

J.J. Farley and Kathleen Monahan Hisler were recently named Grand Marshalls of the St. Patrick's Day Parade, to be held in Heppner the weekend of March 18, 19 and 20.

The Farleys and Monahans are descendants from two pioneer Irish families from counties Leitrim and Longford in Ireland who immigrated

to Morrow and Gilliam Counties at the turn of the Century. Between 1895-1907 nine brothers and sisters from the two families settled in Heppner and Condon raising their families there.

While a substantial number continue to reside in Eastern Oregon many are dispersed throughout the United States in Arizona, California, New York, Washington D.C., as well as throughout Oregon and Washington.

The day will begin with the KUMA Coffee Hour, held annually at the Elk's Lodge beginning at 10 a.m. The Grand Marshalls will be guests for the coffee hour. The Irish Parade will begin at 1:15 p.m. on Main Street.

Numerous activities will be going on simultaneously during the day for the enjoyment of everyone attending. The Sheep Dog Trials will be held at the fairgrounds, a Bed Race on Main Street before the parade, an outdoor auction, senior breakfast, stew dinner, ham dinner, bowling tournament, lamb barbecue, and



Kathleen Monahan Hisler

Black Powder shoot are some of the events of the day. Numerous booths will be selling items on Main Street during the day, and of course souvenirs will be available for anyone wishing to purchase them.

Everyone is invited to attend the St. Patrick's Day Celebration and enjoy a "Wee Bit O' Ireland."

City to ask voters for Levy outside six percent limitation

The City of Heppner will be asking voters March 22 for a \$21,039 levy outside the six percent limitation.

If approved it would be the first time the city has exceeded the six percent increase since 1980, according to City Manager Marshall Lovgren.

Included in this year's levy request is \$6,500 for a study of the city's sewer system, money to repair the library roof, and funds to cover increased insurance costs for the city.

Lovgren says the city has an opportunity to apply for a state grant to upgrade the city's sewer disposal system, however, engineering fees must be included in the city budget to apply for the grant.

A second grant might be approved to also pay for the engineering fees, however, word on that grant has not been received, Lovgren said.

Also included in next year's budget is \$3,500 to help pay for repairs to the library roof. The city is splitting the cost of the repairs with the county.

City employees did not receive cost of living raises this year, however, it was agreed to have city health insurance pick up coverage of one dependent for each city employee, an increase of \$13,526 in payroll costs.

Not included in this year's budget is money for a fourth policeman. The budget committee voted to cut a requested fourth policeman and keep the police force at three officers.

The total city budget for 1988-89 is \$1,688,258, of which \$267,435 (includes bonded debt) will be raised from property taxes. The levy would require a tax rate of 10.46 per thousand of valuation, compared with 9.37 in the present year. The tax rate is based on an estimated city valuation of about \$25 million.

Buy your lucky St. Pat's button now

The Sixth Annual St. Patrick's Day buttons are now on sale. Check the back of your button and you will find your own lucky number which may be good for free prizes offered by merchants in Heppner on March 19.

Each button is numbered from 1 to 1000 and on Saturday only, local businesses will be posting numbers in their stores. If your number matches the posted number, you win a prize. Over 50 prizes are available.

This is the second year for the St. Pat's buttons. There was such a good response from the sales last year, they are being offered again. The buttons are one of the main monetary supports of the St. Patrick's Day Celebration.

The buttons were made by Judie and Butch Laughlin.

Buttons are on sale at local stores for only \$2. Support the St. Patrick's Celebration in Heppner, buy your button today.



Notices

The Morrow SWCD Board meeting has been postponed until March 13 at 3 p.m. at the Jim Swanson residence.

Adelman's making move to Pendleton

Bob Adelman with the Soil Conservation Service in Heppner and his family will be moving shortly to Pendleton. Bob was promoted to the Umatilla County office to a position as District Conservationist. He is to report in Pendleton on March 14.

Bob and his wife Chris, have lived 12 years in Heppner. This is the only home his children have known but he says it is time to move on. He and his wife feel this is the opportunity to make a change, with his oldest boy going into 9th grade. They are "looking forward to a change in their life". They have really enjoyed living in Heppner and the "small town" way of life has been

very good for them, but this opportunity presented itself and they opted for the change. They have been active in the community here and are looking forward to meeting new people and getting involved in Pendleton.

Bob says "I have enjoyed working with the farmers here, and basically that is what I will be doing in Pendleton. However, it is good to have a new person come in here with new ideas to present to the farmers. Change is good."

Bob will be taking the place of Don Greiner, who has moved to Albany to be the Area Conservationist there.



Bob Adelman

Applications deadline set for School Board position

An application deadline of March 17 has been set by the Morrow County School Board for the position of board member at-large.

The board will interview ap-

plicants March 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the regular meeting of the board.

Applications are to be sent to: Attention: Doyle McCaslin, P.O. Box 368, Lexington, OR 97839.

Irish souvenirs available in stores

The St. Patrick's Day Committee has received the souvenirs they ordered for the promotion of St. Patrick's Day. These include monogrammed coffee mugs and steins among other Irish memorabilia. These items are on display and for sale at the Bank of Eastern Oregon, Gardner's Mens

Wear, Shoe Box, and First Interstate Bank. They also will be available for sale at the Elks Lodge on St. Patrick's Day.

Buy one of these souvenirs for a friend or family member as a reminder of the great time they enjoyed at the annual St. Patrick's Day Celebration in Heppner.

Organizational meeting Feb. 29 for Toastmasters

An organizational meeting to discuss forming a "Toastmasters" club in Heppner will be held at Kate's Pizza, 12 noon on Monday February 29. Anyone interested in participating is invited to attend.

Toastmasters is a national organization designed to help its members improve their communication skills. There are over 4,500 Toastmasters clubs throughout the world.

"Club members take turns preparing and giving talks while other members evaluate and critique the talks," said Fred Lundin, Morrow County Extension agent. Lundin and Jackie Allstott, loan officer at the First Interstate Bank are cooperating to organize the new club.

"The Toastmasters club provides its members with a professionally designed program to improve their ability to express their thoughts, ideas and opinions, and develop their leadership potential," said Lundin.

The organizational meeting is designed to provide information on Toastmasters to interested persons, decide when and how often to meet, and begin enrollment. Anyone with questions about Toastmasters or about the meeting may contact Lundin at 676-9642, or Allstott at 676-9613.

Talent show cancelled

The Talent Show that was to be held February 28 in Lone has been cancelled. A date will be announced later.

OOPS

It was erroneously reported last week that the name of the t-shirt shop owned by Jerry and Joyce Kay Hollomon was T-Shirts Plus. The name of their shop is Talk-N-Tops. Sorry, Joyce Kay and Jerry.

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Donations are slow coming in for St. Pat's

"Donations for St. Patrick's Day are trickling in," says Jim Farley, one of the promoters of the St. Patrick's Day celebration. "We have received more money from out of the county than in, at this point. We would like to be able to say we are self-supporting, but we are going to need more donations to accomplish this," says Jim. All of the people out there that enjoy the St. Patrick's Day week-end, show your appreciation to the committee by sending your donations in care of Jim Farley, Heppner.

Weather Report

by City of Heppner

February 16 - 22			
	High	Low	Prec.
Tues.	49	30	0
Wed.	53	26	Tr
Thurs.	52	30	.0
Fri.	61	33	.0
Sat.	64	38	.0
Sun.	70	30	.0
Mon.	52	24	.0

Market Report

Complements of the Morrow County Grain Growers

Monday, Feb. 22	
Soft White	
Feb.	\$3.16
Mar.	\$3.17/\$3.19
Apr.	\$3.21/\$3.23
New Crop	\$3.27
Barley	
Feb.	\$89T
PIK	103.5%

Black powder shoot to provide interesting entertainment



Sherman Murray is getting ready for the muzzle loader rifle contest being held in Heppner on St. Patrick's Day weekend. The contest will be Sun. March 20 at the Heppner High School.

The sport of muzzle loader or "spoon fed" rifle shooting is based on a very colorful period of American history.

When beaver hats and other uses of furs became fashionable in the large population centers of the world, the trappers pursued the beaver and other fur bearing animals deeper and deeper into the American wilderness.

The trappers would spend a season in the mountains trapping. Quite often they lived and traded with Indian tribes to obtain additional furs. These rugged individuals who eventually became known as "mountain men" would then transport their catches back to civilization to sell the furs and re-supply for another trip.

As demands for the furs increased, the purchasing companies began to send out supply trains to meet the incoming trappers. Word would be passed on regarding the location of the meeting or rendezvous for the next season.

These rendezvous eliminated the necessity of the long annual trek to market for each mountain man. Many of the trappers then would spend several seasons in the

wilderness without returning to the then civilized part of America.

At the height of the rendezvous era shooting matches with muzzle loading rifles and pistols, knife and tomahawk throwing, wrestling and foot races became popular as recreation at the meetings. This is the basis for the modern day sport of black powder shooting.

In the course of their travels, the mountain men pioneered some of the routes where four-lane freeways now cover the moccasin prints of a unique breed of men. Some rendezvous points became permanent trading posts and towns and cities along these routes that were also used by settlers of the American west. Commercial tugs and barges now ply the waters where the mountain man once paddled his dug-out canoe.

At the rendezvous to be held in Heppner on St. Patrick's Day you will see men, women and children wearing colorful and unique clothing of the mountain man era.

Rifles and other equipment used will vary from plain utility to ultra fancy with brass, silver and gold inlays. A truly American sport that is enjoyed by all family members.