

Budget hearing set for March 2

Morrow County citizens will get a crack at the details of the 1988/89 county \$9.3 million dollar budget. The meeting will be held Wednesday evening, March 2 at the Heppner Elementary Multi-Purpose room at 7:30 p.m. Members of the County Court, budget committee and department heads will be on hand to explain the programs of service that are currently ongoing along with planned expenditures on county roads.

Judge Carlson will provide the brief presentation of the overall budget with questions to be fielded by department heads and organizations represented in the budget.

This year's levy will be presented to the voters by mail ballot. The ballot will be in the hands of the registered voters early in the week of March 7. Deadline for returning those ballots to the County Clerk will be March 22 at 8 p.m. and must be in the office at that time according to Barbara Bloodsworth, County Clerk. Anyone interested in the cost of services provided by county government should attend this meeting to hear the explanation of the budget and to offer their input, Carlson said.

The Morrow County Extension Service along with the Heppner Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the hearing.

Barrel club re-organizes

The Greater Columbia Barrel Racing Association and the Eastern Oregon Barrel Racing Association has joined together to form one Association. The club will be known as the GCBRA.

A business meeting was held at Shari's Restaurant and the rules were approved and adapted. These were used for the EOBRA in 1987. Officers were elected for 1988: president, Shirley Martin; vice president Barbara Seeger; secretary/treasurer Randy Britt; points person Margaret Ray.

The first barrel racing night will be March 16 and every other Wednesday through October 26 at 7 p.m. May 25 and September 28 are jackpot nights. Combined monies won on both jackpots earn an award for both Open and Novice classes.

There will be a garage sale held at Thompson Hall March 12, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. in support of the Barrel Futurity to be held in June. Contribute as much and whatever you have. Call Randy Britt 376-8175; Debbie Frost 567-9096; or Shirley Martin 989-8438 for pick-up or bring articles to Thompson Hall March 12.

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The Heppner High School Basketball teams, boys and girls, will be playing at District Tournament this Friday, February 26 at 1:30 p.m. for the Fillies and 3 p.m. for the Mustangs.

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p.m. will be Sherman girls and Weston-McEwen girls, and Sherman boys vs. Stanfield boys at 8:30 p.m. The winners of these games will advance to Regionals held in Pendleton, as first place District champs. The losers of these games will play the winners of the afternoon games and go into regionals as

second place. Regional play-offs will be held in Pendleton March 4 and 5. They will be playing District 8, Wapiti League and the two top teams there will go to State, also in Pendleton March 9. Heppner supporters are encouraged to attend this match, wear blue and gold and support our teams.

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St. Pat's Day finalizes plans

The St. Patrick's Day Committee met Monday at Kate's Pizza. Bob Kahl, parade chairman, reported that entries are coming in for the parade. Anyone interested in joining the parade is urged to contact Bob.

According to Pat Sweeney, auction chairman, a few items have been received from celebrities, and some other items have been consigned for the auction. However, more items are needed.

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County Agent's Corner
By Morrow County Ag Agent
Fred Lundin

The issue of 2, 4-D drift into sensitive crops has been a topic of discussion in this area for several years. More recently it has been the subject of legal dispute.

In an effort to reduce the risks of drift and possible drift problems, a meeting has been organized to address the issue. It will be held at Willows Grange, Lone, February,

25, 9 a.m. A complimentary lunch is included.

Russ Canon, field representative for Monsanto, is the person responsible for the meeting. In cooperation with Phil Greif of MCGG and the Extension office, Russ has organized a balanced, informative meeting.

This meeting and two others (in Umatilla and Gilliam County) were organized by Russ at the request of the ad hoc committee studying 2,

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The Black Powder Shoot was okayed by the city to be held at the high school. Sherman Murray is working on this project.

Not many entries have been received as of yet, for the Bed Race. Kaedene Bailey is the chairwoman for this event. Entry forms have been sent out to interested parties or may be picked up at the Gazette-Times. Anyone interested may contact Kaedene.

4-D drift. "Hopefully, these meetings will help develop a more cooperative effort among all pesticide used," said Canon.

The agenda at the Willows Grange includes Jim Witt, Extension chemist from OSU, discussing formulations and volatility of 2, 4-D; sprayer calibration by Jim Benson of Cenex; factors affecting drift by Carl Lawrence of Wilbur-Ellis; the safe handling of pesticides by Ken Cowdry of Wilbur-Ellis; and an update on the ad hoc committee recommendations by Tom Pointer, Lexington farmer and committee chairman.

Following a complimentary lunch, the county weed committee will give an afternoon program on private applicator licensing, new weeds, and competitive grass plantings in CRP.

Recertification points will be awarded for the meeting - two for the morning session and one for the afternoon. These points apply only for those with commercial licenses, not for private applicators. The Oregon Department of Agriculture still has not developed a new system for recertifying private applicators.

Booster club to meet March 7

Heppner Booster club will hold a meeting, Monday, March 7 at Kate's Pizza. Members are urged to attend.

School Budget to be voted on March 22

Morrow County School District will present a budget to voters March 22, that requires an increase in property taxes of about 1.8 percent over the present year. The total school budget for the coming year is \$12,154,437, of which \$7,750,330 will come from local property taxes.

The election will be through mail-in ballots, and voters should begin receiving their ballots in the mail next week.

The budget reflects increased expenditures on building repairs, wages, busses, general purchases

Jim Johnson in concert at Hope Lutheran church

A concert will be held at Hope Lutheran Church, Sunday, February 28 at 7 p.m. The public is invited and encouraged to attend this special concert.

The songs of Jim Johnson, like the best sermons, deal with the practical application of the Christian Faith in our daily life, here and now. Jim's concert is with the manner in which we, God's Children, meet and deal with the problems and challenges of life in this present world.

Jim is an active and committed pastor of both Messiah Lutheran and Joliet Lutheran Churches in

southern Montana, and his ministry as pastor and teacher is to apply the "down to earth" love of God in Christ to the problems and challenges faced by the members of his congregations in their day to day life.

Johnson, 31, has recorded his first album, "The Father's Heart", of which he composed all 10 songs. It contains folk songs with a country flavor. There is no charge but there will be a freewill offering for Jim to help defray expenses.

For more information contact Rev. Rick Evenson, 676-5069 or 676-9940.

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