

A.C. Houghton read-a-thon raises funds for Multi-media center



Photo by Joyce Hensley

Winners of A.C. Houghton's annual Read-A-Thon are (top L to R) Ericka Hoffnagle, Ralynn Martin, Jared Vandecar and Chris Huxoll; (Bottom L to R) Joey Hiatt, Robby Vandecar, Steve Grigsby and Frank Roa.

By Joyce Hensley

Typewriters, educational computer games, tape players, and other

fun and interesting items are being added to the A.C. Houghton's multi-media center with funds raised by

students during the Irrigon elementary school's annual Read-A-Thon.

The reading program, which raised \$1,800, is to "promote a desire in the children to visit the library on a regular basis, thereby developing life long habits," said Gregory Hanson, media Specialist/Librarian.

A free video library check-out service, offering classical literary stories and just plain fun stories to the students, was established at the school with funds raised in last year's Read-A-Thon. "We try to keep the kids coming into the library," said Hanson.

Book bags filled with "books, goodies and lots of surprises," were won by this year's Read-A-Thon participants Jared Vandecar, first grade; Ralynn Martin, second grade; Robby Vandecar and Erika Hoffnagle, runner-up, third grade; Joey Hiatt and Chris Huxoll, runner-up, fourth grade; Frank Roa, fifth grade; and Steven Grigsby, sixth grade.

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Kids bike to raise money for camp



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Boys and girls from the Irrigon Assembly Church of God, thirty in number, wave goodbye along with their adult chaperone's before heading down the road to participate in a ten-mile bike-a-thon to raise money for summer church camp.

The youth group, organized by Sunday School Superintendent Dan Gordanier, planned the bike-a-thon to help families with more than one

child wanting to swim, fish and play baseball at camp with their friends. "If a family has more than one child, the fifty dollar tuition per child can get expensive," said Rose Wilson, Sunday School teacher.

The church camp, located at Camp Elkana in the Blue Mountains, is not all games. The kids also pack their bibles in their back-packs. Puppets and other teaching methods are used to bring the youngsters closer to

God. "We want them to become better grounded spiritually," said Allen Gordanier, Pastor of the Irrigon church, with twenty years as camp counselor experience behind him.

The summer church camp runs for a week at a time. Youth camp, for jr. high and high school young people, is the first week in August and the boys and girls camp for kids nine years to twelve years-old is the last week of July.

Bi-County special olympic track and field meet to be held April 22

The Umatilla-Morrow County Track and Field Meet will take place April 22, 1988 at Shockman Field near Mac-Hi in Milton-Freewater. This competition will bring athletes with mental retardation to compete

in running, jumping, and throwing events.

The meet will begin with opening ceremonies at 9 a.m. with track and field events beginning at 9:45 a.m. The regional meet in LaGrande will be held May 6. Oregon State Special

Olympics Summer Games will be held May 20, 21 and 22 in Eugene.

Special Olympics is an international program of sports training and athletic competition for adults and children with mental retardation.

Soil and Water Stewardship week April 24 - May 1

Emphasizing everyone's role in protecting soil and water resources for future generations, the Morrow Soil and Water Conservation District is encouraging local churches, organizations and individuals to join the nationwide observance of Soil and Water Stewardship Week, April 24-May 1, 1988.

The local district, which works throughout the year on soil and water conservation measures, is providing literature that highlight man's responsibility to be active stewards of our nation's soil and water resources.

Rudy Bergstrom, chairman of the Morrow SWCD, said that while farmers and ranchers know that good conservation practices help increase yields and improve their profit potential, they also know the importance of passing on well-cared-for natural resources for future food

producers. "We could give our children all the money in the world, but it would do them little good unless we also give them a productive soil on which to live," said Bergstrom.

Since 1955, the National Association of Conservation Districts has sponsored Soil and Water Stewardship Week, in cooperation with nearly 3,000 local conservation districts

nationwide, as one way to emphasize the importance of good stewardship of basic soil and water resources.

Materials especially designed to convey the 1988 theme, "Stewardship Is Our Future," are being distributed by the Morrow SWCD and may be obtained by calling or visiting the district office during business hours at 430 Heppner/Lexington Highway, 676-5452.

Historical Society plans bus trip

The Morrow County Historical Society is again planning their annual bus trip. This year's trip will be to Spokane on May 6, 7 and 8. They will be attending the Junior Lilac Festival, Coeur d'Alene Lake, a museum and some other interesting

sights. The fare will include the bus trip, motel and the museum.

Anyone interested in going on this trip may contact 989-8189 or 422-7194 for more information. The reservations need to be made as soon as possible.

Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes, Chamber Manager

This column is dedicated to the Irish of Morrow County and to the Swedes, Scots, and everyone else in the middle who plan on sharing a wee bit 'o Ireland in Heppner this weekend. The quotes shared are from a little book entitled "Irish Blessings" and depict the Irish love of life, strong religious belief, pride in national heritage, and sense of humor associated with Irish people.

"May there always be work for your hands to do,

May your purse always hold a coin or two,

May the sun always shine on your windowpane,

May a rainbow be certain to follow each rain.

May the hand of a friend always be near you,

May God fill your heart with gladness to cheer you."

"Green are the hills of Ireland, And green they will always stay, Warm are the blessings wished for you, And they'll always be that way."

"As sure as the shamrocks are growing, in the land which the Irish all love, As sure as the lakes of Killarney, reflect the blue heavens above, As sure as the warmhearted Irish, all pay honor to Saint Patrick too, I'm wishing you top o' the morning', and happiness, always, for you."

"May Leprechauns strew happiness, wherever you walk each day, And Irish angels smile on you all along the way."

Speaking of leprechauns, there must be some about. Prizes await those who appear in the parade. Have a Happy Saint Patrick's Day and a great weekend in Heppner.

WCCC plans

spring workday

The Willow Creek Country Club is planning to start the season off with a work day scheduled for March 26 beginning at 8 a.m.

Lunch will be served. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend this work day.



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

How the Tax Reform Act of 1986 affects agricultural producers, investors and families is the subject of a new publication now available from the OSU Extension Service.

A Western Regional Extension effort, the publication presents timely information for the agricultural community, explained Bart Eleveld, OSU Extension farm management specialist. Although most provisions of the law became effective in January 1987, other provisions will be phased in over a period of a few years.

Copies of "The Tax Reform Act of 1986" WREP 106, are available for \$1.50 each plus 25 cents for shipping and handling from Agricultural Communications, Publications Orders, OSU, Corvallis, OR, 97331.

Edited by Harry Ayer, University of Arizona Extension policy specialist, and Gayle Willett, Washington State University Extension farm management specialist, the booklet explains major provisions of the tax law particularly as it affects agricultural producers. Such changes

Notice

Voters are reminded to have their ballots into the County Clerk's office by 8 p.m. on Tuesday March 22. These ballots must be in by that time in order to be counted.

Births

Arnold Justin Phipps—a son, Arnold was born February 28, 1988, to Arnold and Maria Phipps of Irrigon at Good Shepherd Hospital.

Matthew Ray Phipps—a son, Matthew, was born February 27, 1988 to Rex and Rhonda Leigh Phipps of Boars an at Good Shepherd Hospital. The baby weighed 7 lb. 12 oz.

Tax information for ag producers available from OSU

are important since taxes can comprise up to 30 percent of farmers' taxable income, Eleveld noted.

The publication includes analyses which show federal taxes before and after the new law for an example family, and for example dairy, cow-calf, feedlot, field crop, and orchard operators and producers. The effect of the law on outside investors is also examined. Contributors to the publication include Extension farm management, family economics and

marketing specialist from the University of Arizona, Utah State, Colorado State, Montana State and Washington State universities. Also contributing were a Utah State professor of accounting and Ron Durest, leader, rural finance and tax section, Agriculture and Rural Economy Division Agricultural Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

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