

## Aug. 20 is Irrigon's Fifth Annual Watermelon Festival

The fifth Annual Irrigon Watermelon Festival will be held on August 20. The Irrigon Lions Club will be hosting the Watermelon Pickers Breakfast from 6 a.m. till 10 a.m. at the Marina Park. The Fun Run begins at 8 a.m. at the Marina park. For walkers and runners of all ages, the run has a 10K, 5K and a 1 mile distance which wanders

through the city and on into the county before returning to the starting point. Runners should be pre-registered by August 12 to guarantee a t-shirt on race day. Registration packets and late registration will be available between 7-7:45 a.m. race day. For pre-registration call Barb at 922-4175 evenings or write J. Anderson at Rt. 2 Box 471C, Irrigon, 97844.

The Watermelon Festival Parade gets under way at 10 a.m. on Main Street and includes a "Kiddie Parade". Festivities begin at the Marina Park at the completion of the parade. Several exhibitions are planned including a sheep shearing demonstration by former New Zealander and Mayor of Umatilla, Allen Lambert and a Tae-Kwon-Do demonstration by Kim's Tae-Kwon-Do.

Free entertainment begins at 11:30 a.m. and goes on all day long. The emcee will again be Tony Madrigal, who has the wonderful talent of getting his audience involved. His 1950's theme, limbo contests, and hula hoop contest are always a big hit. Included in the entertainment is trick horse "Silver Streak" the 4th great grandson of television's first Lone Ranger's horse Silver, Hermiston youth bike riders, Sun Country Shufflers swing dance group and several other local area talents.

Lots of game booths geared to the whole family, a dunk tank, watermelon eating and seed spitting contests, men's "best looking legs" contest, an ice cream eating contest and lots more.

The Bedrace begins at 1 p.m. For more information or sign-up call Angie at 922-3130. If you're tired of the same old promotions and want to do something innovative and original, sign up today. This unusual "athletic event" will be open to any business, church, youth group, or individuals wishing to participate.

Food of the homecookin' and great tasting variety will be available

with something to tempt every member of the family, including stuffed baked potatoes, corn on the cob, tacos, and more. Of course there will be cotton candy, snow cones, and plenty of ice cold watermelon for everyone.

The Lip Sync contest will be held at 7 p.m. with first and second place trophies being furnished by Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Pendleton. Everyone is welcome to participate in the fun. For sign-up and more information call Barb at 922-4221 days or 922-4175 evenings.

To round off a "Family Fun" day, the Watermelon Festival Street Dance will feature the Tony Madrigal Band beginning at 9 p.m. at the park. No admission price will be charged for persons with a numbered booster button. Buttons are on sale now for \$1, (\$2 on festival day). The lucky person whose number is drawn at the dance will receive \$100 cash. You must be present to win.

For a fun-filled day of relaxing family entertainment come join us.

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### Kenney farms open melon stand in Irrigon



Photo by Joyce Hensley

Christy Hibbick, 8, is surrounded by watermelons located on the corner of the Paul's Inn parking lot along Highway 730 in Irrigon at the newly opened Kenney Farm's Melon Stand

By Joyce Hensley  
Joining the delightful world of fruit stands along the oasis-like stretch of Highway 730 between Irrigon and Umatilla is the Kenney Farm Melon stand.

Located on the corner of Paul's Inn parking lot in Irrigon, the melon stand is the first one opened by the Bob Kenney family.

Kenney and his wife Bert and son Scott, chose a good year to open the melon stand. "There has been an excellent crop," said Kenney, "and the

week, "or whatever hours the public demands," said Kenney.

Kenney's dad, Don Kenney, began the third generation family farm in 1932. "The original farm was right where the Irrigon fish hatchery is now," said Kenney.

When the John Day Dam backed up, the family farm was moved up along Patterson Ferry Road overlooking the game refuge. It is now located between Irrigon and Umatilla along Highway 730.

price is right."

With the exception of Walla-Walla sweet onions, the Kenney's will offer produce grown on their 180 acre farm.

Although, watermelons and various soft melons will be the main feature, fresh garden vegetables, such as corn and tomatoes, will be sold daily.

The newly opened melon stand offers a ten-percent discount to senior citizens and will be open 10 a.m. to late in the evening seven days a

### Results of "Famous Eyes" contest

#### at Boardman library

By Mindy Nix  
The Boardman City Library's latest contest "Famous Eyes of Boardman" contest is complete. Pictures of eight pairs of "Famous Eyes" were taken to be identified by the children. The eyes belonged to Jerry Alldredge, Ray Michaels,

Susan Tolar, Dora Viall, Lisa Constantine, Shirley Zielinski, Sally Larsen and Mary Lou Daltoso.

Winners of the contest are: first prize, a pizza from Peetsa Korner went to Juli Mason; second prize, a can of M & Ms went to Desiree Trudeau; and third prize, a certificate from C & D went to Kristi Mason and Jade Marston.

August 1 another contest started with the Summer reading program. Scenes from well-known childrens books were placed around town in business windows. The children are to find the clues and guess the titles of the books to win. To enter, fill out an entry blank when you check out a book.

The Boardman City Library has many fun activities planned for the remainder of the summer, so get to the library and "check it out."

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### Boardman pulls together

The Boardman community recently banded several entities together in an effort to lure the Lamb-Weston headquarters building to Boardman. The City of Boardman, Port of Morrow, Boardman Development Co., Inc and the Chamber of Commerce submitted a proposal to Lamb-Weston offering incentives such as land, building, utility and permit fee waivers and reductions. It was an all out effort by the community and a showing of how well the various agencies work together. "The community needs a shot in the arm and we are willing to go that extra mile to see that it happens," says Mayor Art Kegler. "We pulled together to make this proposal realistic with each agency offering what it could. We work hard to maintain that positive atmosphere so that we continue to offer the kind of community desirable to grow in and develop.

We appreciate the help and cooperation we received from Bob Miller, General Manager of the Port of Morrow, Jerry Reid of the Oregon State Department of Economic Development, and the backing of Boardman Development Company, Inc. Without their able assistance, an offer of this nature wouldn't be possible. They know we are here, that we strongly support their continued operation here, and maybe next time we will get the nod," Kegler stated.

The Boardman community still holds one of the greatest potentials for development and the effort displayed by the Lamb-Weston proposal proves the community can and will pull together to make development happen. Boardman just might be one of the next great growth areas in Oregon.

### Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes, Chamber Manager

\* New Chamber member Roger Williams was rapidly indoctrinated into Chamber as he grabbed a paintbrush to spruce up new and old Main Street planters. Many thanks to Roger, his son Mike, LoRayne Bowman and volunteers Wayland Hyatt, Pat Hyatt and Larry Bowman. In less than two hours ten planters were painted. Unfortunately, the gallon ran out before the last two were completed. Brushes are available on request.

\* Looking for a weekend by the water? Try the Boardman Marina. The Morrow County Tourism Committee met there this month, the object being to become familiar with all our county has to offer. What a beautiful spot for an evening or weekend R and R. There are 63 hook-ups, some next to the river, with spacious lawn, picnic tables, boat docks, and swimming area. Next stop was the Kosk at the Boardman rest area. Plans have been sent to the Travel Info Center to fill one panel encouraging people to "Stay and Play Another Day" in Morrow County.

\* Plans are progressing for the State Fair booth, following the theme "Around The World In Eleven Days." "Around Morrow County" will be depicted. Chairman

Jane Rawlins is looking for volunteers who might man the booth for a few hours during State Fair.

\* Meanwhile, don't miss our own county fair. Chamber will again be taking the shuttle bus to fair on Thursday, (no Chamber Tuesday) for lunch and entertainment by the BMCC St. Patrick's Singers. Catch the bus in front of Les Schwab a little before noon. See you there.

### New alfalfa compressor in Boardman

By Mindy Nix

The latest in farm machinery is now residing in Boardman. Ivan Cook and Dave Murdock's own completely automated alfalfa compressor.

After seven months of hard work, the alfalfa compressor is complete. The compressor was built from scratch. After about a year of thought, Ivan Cook contacted Dave Murdock and they designed wire and hydrolic diagrams to make sure it would all work when completed.

The compressor takes 40", 130 lb. bales and with 175 tons of push, compresses them to 18" bales, producing six bales a minute.

The alfalfa is all locally bought and prepared for shipment overseas, where it is used for dairy cattle.

The purpose of compressing the alfalfa, is to fit more into the shipping containers.

By the end of the year, they plan to hire 5-6 people fulltime to help with all the compressing and loading.

### Pomona Grange met at Marina

By Delpha Jones

Wheatland Pomona Grange met July 31 at Boardman Marina for the regular picnic and Memorial. The roll call found several officers absent. Introduced at this time was the newly appointed State GWA chairman, Dorris Ried from Hermiston. She has been District 6 GWA chairman for several years. It was announced that Delpha Jones, has been reappointed District deputy for Wheatland Pomona, for Clarno Grange, Mikkalo, Spray, Willows Greenfield and Lexington. The memorial honored the following departed brothers and sisters: Berniece Thompson from Willows; Stella Palmer from Mikkalo; Roy Bates and Jack McIntyre of Greenfield. There were five visitors from Cold Springs, three from Columbia and Mr. and Mrs. Metalf from

### Registration for new students

New students to the Riverside High School District may register beginning August 15-24 between the hours of 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. All students seeking to make schedule changes may do so between the hours and days indicated above. Registration will take place in the counseling center at the high school.

### Pioneer Memorial Hospital Emergency Room FULLY STAFFED EACH WEEKEND

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