

## Irrigonite challenges incumbent for position of County Commissioner



Jerry Peck

Jerry Peck, 48, is the incumbent county commissioner and a long-time resident of Morrow County. Peck says the county road department is showing some new direction now. "Instead of just covering the roads with new asphalt, we are doing more reconstruction. We do less miles per year, but in the long haul it will be better for the county." Peck says these changes have been for the better. "We've made changes that have improved the road department. We have improved training of the road department. I would like to see that continue, the more training, the better."

On county health care, Peck says it has improved recently, but still has "a way to go". "In our declining economy it's important to put the tax dollars where they do the most good.

We could increase services and therefore income," he says. As an example Peck says the hospital might expand home health services. Peck, who is married with four children, lives in Boardman and is manager of the Peetsa Korner there. Peck also says he supports passage of a new county tax base.

Jerry Anderson, a 45-year-old farmer and soil and water district employee who lives in Irrigon, is challenging incumbent Jerry Peck for county commissioner.

Anderson says the county needs more direction in the road department, closer ties with the Port of Morrow and more cooperation between communities to promote industry and tourism.

"The road department is the biggest single budget item. I think we need more direction. There are excellent employees and they want to do a good job, they just don't know what to do." Anderson says a good public works director is essential and he suggested combining the county planner and the public works director jobs. "The planner and the public works director could be one in the same. This would free up the road foreman so he can be out with the road crews."

On economic development in Morrow County, Anderson says in addition to the county working closer with the port, he would like to see Chambers of Commerce in the coun-



Jerry Anderson

ty working more together. "Local chambers should sit down together and combine their efforts instead of fighting each other to see who can get the most."

On health care in the county, Anderson says the medical board and the county health nurse are doing a good job and thinks the situation will improve now that there are two new doctors in Heppner.

Anderson says since he works in Heppner and lives in Irrigon he will be able to represent the entire county "pretty good."

Anderson, who says he supports passage of a new county tax base, has lived in Morrow County 45 years. He is married and has four children.

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### Port requests approval on general bond

The Port of Morrow will be requesting approval of a \$750,000 general obligation bond on the November 8 ballot.

According to Port Manager Bob Miller \$70,000 of the bond will be used to shore up badly eroding riverbank near the port land in Boardman; \$600,000 will be used to retire existing revenue bond debt, and \$50,000 will be used to purchase property in the south part of Morrow County to be used for industrial development.

The bulk of the money, \$600,000 will refinance bonds which are currently being paid with revenue from

tenants at the port property in Boardman.

Miller says by shifting the debt out of revenue bonds it will allow the port to lower its utility rates charged to port tenants and make the site more attractive to industrial development and new businesses.

Miller also said the lower rates will be more attractive to the Lamb Weston Potato processing plant now located on the port, and possibly avoid a shut down of the plant.

Lamb Weston currently employs 600 people and operates 150 days per year, and port officials are worried the plant may close altogether if utility rates are not lowered. Lamb

Weston uses a large amount of water in the processing of potatoes.

Miller also said the Port of Morrow is in competition with other ports for new business, and the lower rates will make the port more attractive for future growth.

Since its formation in 1959 the Port of Morrow has never exceeded its tax base or asked for additional tax money, Miller said. The current bond proposal would cost Morrow County tax payers approximately 10 cents per thousand dollars of valuation per year, or \$4.87 on a \$50,000 home, Miller said.

### Entrepreneurship is new at RHS

by Mindy Nix

Brand Equis LTD., Boardman's newest company from the Riverside Entrepreneurship class made their first sales Friday, October 22.

The Entrepreneurship class is in its first year of operation at Riverside. Mr. Bob Deeter is the class advisor-teacher of the six future business men and women of our

world. Dan Peck was elected Chief Executive of Brand Equis, with the five vice-presidents, Robert Bates, Wendy Dawson, Lea Edwards, Sherri Lake, and Mary Stevens.

To get money needed for starting the business, Brand Equis sold stock for \$2 per share.

Their first product was Data-Match, a computer quiz to match up students with the ten most competi-

ble. Data-Match sold the quiz results for \$2. Brand Equis plans to sell various products throughout the year.

Mr. Deeter is "very pleased with the attitude the students have taken". The students are quickly learning how to deal with the problems they will have to face in their future careers as business persons.

### Fillies/Pirates play final game of season

by Jill Conklin

In their final outing of the year, Heppner traveled to Boardman to play the Riverside Pirates.

The Fillies fell behind early, 7-0 and they were unable to contain the serving of Pirates Lisa Erickson and Tina Palmer. Nikki Brisbois and Christy Stroeber tried to bring Heppner back, but fell short and only got within five points, 9-4. Nance Wright served the last Fillie points and then Riverside took over, scoring three straight points to take the game 15-6.

In game two the Fillies came out strong. They were ahead 6-3 until Riverside came back within one

point 6-5. Both teams played very well and kept the match fairly even and eventually were tied at 11 all. Heppner stole the game. Stroeber, Wright and Brisbois scored the three points that Heppner needed to win 15-11.

The Fillies looked good at the beginning of the third game, riding Wright's serving to a 5-1 lead. Michelle Wallis boosted Heppner's lead to 8-1. Riverside's Kassie Westmoreland served 10 straight points. This pulled the Pirates ahead 11-8. The Fillies scored five more points to put them in contention for the match, but Riverside pulled away and received a narrow victory 15-13.

Heppner was led by Wright and Sandi Turner. The Pirates won behind the impressive net play of Shanna Evans, who had 6 kills, and Westmoreland with four kills. Riverside coach Donna Barton also cited the back row play of Marina Colmenero and Dawn Stanhope.

This was the final game of the year for both teams. The win evened Riverside's league mark at 5-5 and the Fillies finished 2-8.

### Hole-in-one for Lienau

Gordon Lienau made his second hole-in-one on Wilson's Willow Run Golf Course in Boardman in 24 years of golfing.

Gordon made his hole-in-one on the 135 yard 8th hole.

### Engagements



### Sheirbon — Carver

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lowry, Hermiston announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter Janet Kim Carver to Douglas E. Sheirbon, Heppner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Sheirbon, Hood River.

The bride to be is a graduate from Hermiston High School and is currently living in Hermiston.

Doug is a graduate of Hood River Valley High School, Eastern Oregon State College and is currently employed with the Morrow County School District as a fourth grade teacher in Heppner.

The couple plan a November 12, 1988 wedding at 2 p.m. at the First Christian Church, Highland Ave., Hermiston, with a reception to follow. All friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend.

### 110 students attend FFA District contest in Heppner

The Blue Mountain FFA District Soils and Crops contest was held in Heppner on October 26.

Approximately 110 students participated in the soils contest which was held at the Hoskins-Madison farm on Upper Rhea Creek.

Riverside FFA placed first in Soils followed by Pendleton and Weston. McEwen, Heppner placed fourth, Stanfield fifth, Condon sixth and Hermiston seventh. Riverside has won the contest for the last eight years.

Mike Sturdy and Jennifer LePlatt, both of Riverside tied for first place.

Barney Lindsay of Heppner was the sixth place individual and Dan Lindsay and Cory Rill tied for 10th high individual.

Other Heppner students participating were: Nancy Bailey, Raymond Hire, Jacob Maben, Kristi O'Brien, Tim Hays, Wayne Plochorsky, Mike Gorman, Rick Osmin, Shawn Eng, Melanie Gates, Larry Cecil and Ted Britner.

Ninety-five students participated in the crops judging contest. No individual or team results were available at press time.

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### 4-H News

#### Two-Trackers

The first meeting of the 4-H Two-Trackers will be Sunday, November 6, 2 p.m. at the fairgrounds 4-H Annex. Items needed for this meeting will be \$4.50, a parent and any friend that might be interested in horses. Sign up and get your project materials. New officers for the year will be elected.

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