

## PGE donates to United Way fund

The 1987-88 United Way campaign in Morrow County has been boosted with the presentation of a \$5,000 corporate gift from Portland General Electric Co. (PGE).

Scott Bauska, Boardman Plant Shift Supervisor, has delivered the check to Morrow County United Way Board member Ron Black.

In addition to the corporate contribution, 54 PGE employees in Morrow County have pledged more than \$5,000 to the United Way campaign. When totaled, these contributions represent nearly two-thirds of the \$15,000 goal for United Way of Morrow County.

"Since the United Way chapter in Morrow County began five years ago, PGE employees at the Boardman Plant have been committed to the community-based annual fund-raising campaign," says Bauska. "The funds go directly to United Way-supported agencies that help the needy in Morrow County."

Agencies in Morrow County that receive United Way funding include the Boardman Child Development Center, Columbia River Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Association,



By Mindy Nix

tion, Boardman, Heppner Day Care Inc., Lone Volunteer Fire Dept., Irrigon Early Learning Center, Domestic Violence Services, Pendleton, Morrow County Neighborhood Council, Heppner, Stokes Landing Senior Center, Ir-

rigon, Oregon Trail Camp Fire, Pendleton, Blue Mountain Council Boy Scouts, Kennewick, WA, Pioneer Memorial Hospital Home Health, Heppner, The Christmas Basket Program, and Heppner Senior Citizens.

## US WEST is coming to Heppner, Ione, Lexington area

As part of a \$46.5 million investment in Oregon economic development, U S WEST Communications is bringing some 1,500 Heppner, Lexington and Ione telephone customers the latest in state-of-the-art technology.

The company's business and residence customers will receive the new service on December 13.

U S WEST will host an open house to celebrate the event on December 15, 4-7 p.m., Morrow County Fairground Pavilion, Heppner. Company representatives will be available to answer questions about the new system and its features.

The highly advanced telecommunications system offers local business and residence customers the same technology available in major

urban centers like Portland—making the local telephone system a better resource, especially for current and prospective businesses in the area.

"We're installing one of the most technologically advanced communications systems available," said Clell Gibson, community and economic development manager, U S WEST Communications, "and we're about to enter the Information Age."

Optional Custom Calling services will soon be available: Call Waiting (put call on hold to take a second call); Call Forwarding (forward incoming call to another number); Speed Dialing (reach frequently called number quickly by dialing just one or two digits); Three-Way Calling (talk to two other parties at the same time); Intracall (turns extension

phones into intercoms); and Call Holding (puts calls on hold while you move to another extension).

Another new option is TeleChoice, offering customers packages of local service, Custom Calling, Directory Assistance calls, Special Directory Listings (non-listed, non-published or additional listing) and Line-Backer (inside phone wire repair service). "With TeleChoice, you can get today's most popular services, at economical package prices—and you can reduce what you're paying for local calling," according to Gibson.

To sign up for new services, customers can either attend the open house or contact U S WEST's business office toll free, 1-242-5316 (residence) or 1-242-3384 (business).

## Sheriffs Assoc. giving scholarships

Sheriff Drago announced that the Oregon State Sheriff's Association is giving 34, \$500 scholarships to students in Law Enforcement and Corrections in Oregon. The scholarships are provided as a result of a fund raising drive by the Sheriffs through the Honorary Sheriffs Membership Program. Scholarships will be \$500 each and will be provided for second year students in Law Enforcement and Corrections.

Sheriff Drago said that students interested in applying for the scholarship should apply through the Financial Aid Office of their local community college or university. In Oregon, all community colleges except Central Oregon, have programs in law enforcement and corrections. In addition, Southern Oregon College in Ashland, Western Oregon College in Monmouth, Portland State University and the University of Portland have programs where students can apply for the scholarships. Two scholarships will be offered by Lower Columbia College in Longview, Washington to "Oregon" students.

The Oregon State Sheriff's Association has now developed a permanent endowment fund for scholarships and encourages persons interested in making donations and bequests to contact Gail Heenan, Executive Director, Oregon State Sheriff's Association, 2023 25th Street, S.E. Salem, OR 97302, phone, 1-800-624-4405.

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## Irrigon meeting supports City and police department

By Joyce Hensley

Residents of Irrigon pleaded with each other to stand together to save their city at a recent town-hall meeting after the city lights had been turned off and the police force given notice due to a lack of city operating funds.

"We started with nothing and we hoped to build a city," said Don Adams, a long time Irrigon resident. "We've taken a step backward. Let's take a lot forward."

"I'm proud of this town. When there is a crisis people help each other," said Michele Ball. "We need to pull together now."

And stand together they did. There was a unanimous decision by the crowd of 100 residents to hold a special emergency election December 27 to place the same proposed levy of \$46,474 before the voters again.

The November 8 levy ended with a tie vote. After a recount November 14, the tally came up 130 against and 120 for the levy.

There were a few complaints about information concerning the levy not reaching everyone. "Part of the problem is there has been no communication," said Carl Riley, Pastor of New Life Christian Center.

"I voted against it," said Marla Corriel, "because I didn't know what the levy was for." "I really did want to know," she added.

"We are going to put together a committee to inform the people about why it is so important that the levy passes this time," said Judy Creighton, chairperson for the Committee of Concerned Citizens for Irrigon.

"We will use leaflets and get information out door to door," she said. "Our first goal is to get everyone registered to vote by December 7."

## Sheep growers choose Coos Bay to meet

The 93rd annual convention of Oregon Sheep Growers Association is to be held Friday and Saturday, December 2-3 at the Red Lion Inn, 1313 North Bayshore Drive, Coos Bay, Oregon. The Auxiliary will hold its annual meeting at this same time and location.

The convention kicks off with a welcoming reception on Thursday evening, December 1, with the official opening ceremonies to begin at 9 a.m. Friday. Speakers on Friday morning will include U.S. Forest Ranger Director James Guest discussing changes in Forest Service grazing practices; an in-depth discussion on lamb cutability - the latest methods for producing the greatest profitability by Eldon White of American Sheep Producers Council in Denver; Dr. Marie Bulgin, Caldwell, Idaho, who's well-known nationally for her interest and knowledge in animal health issues.

Luncheon speaker will be Mike Dewey, Salem, who will give an overview of the upcoming legislative session.

Friday evening is the annual President's Banquet which will again include an auction for the benefit of the scholarship fund.

On Saturday morning Don Meike, of Kaycee, Wyoming, Chairman of the national Consolidation Task Force, will discuss the proposed consolidation of the three major national sheep industry organizations



By Joyce Hensley

Police chief Steve Mackey answers questions tossed at him from the residents attending a recent emergency town-hall meeting in Irrigon called after the city's operating levy was voted down for the third time.

The operating budget for the city of Irrigon is divided into four categories. \$9,000 goes for insurance; \$4,992 for bookkeeping; \$7,500 goes to the City Recorder at \$5.50 an hour, and \$77,770 goes toward the operation of the city's Public Safety Department. The salary of the Director of Public Safety is \$1,916 a month and for the officer, \$1,400 a month.

The month of December will see no police protection for the city of Irrigon by the Public Safety Department.

## Christmas tree permits now available

Christmas tree permits can now be purchased at all offices of the Umatilla National Forest for \$2 per tree. There is a limit of one tree per household, although friends, relatives and neighbors can pick up permits for others.

"A Christmas tree permit is only a license to hunt for a desirable tree. It does not guarantee that you will find that perfect Christmas tree," according to Phil Kline, Timber Staff Officer. Kline adds "a high-quality tree will be difficult to locate due to the spruce budworm infestation."

Permits can be purchased during regular office hours Monday through Friday at the Supervisor's office in Pendleton, and at the district offices in Ukiah and Heppner.

## 4-H members receive awards

Morrow County 4-H Leaders Council held their annual Achievement Night on November 20, at Sam Boardman Elementary School.

There were approximately 150 leaders, members and parents present. After a potluck dinner, Tina Kemp, Jossie Evans and Dani Hill did a dance routine.

Judy Jepsen and Benji Pearson received their Teen Leaders Pins. The following received their Junior Leader Pins: Nancy Bailey, Debi Driver, Anthony Tarnasky, Scott Johnston, Linda Morter, Carmen Britt, Joy Hellberg, Judy Jepsen, Jenny Martin, Brandon Pedro and Nance Wright.

The Morrow County Livestock Growers presented the Beef All-Around awards to: first place-Angie Partlow; second-Joy Hellberg; third-Jared Wicklund; fourth-Jeff Legore and fifth-Linda Morter.

The livestock growers presented the winners of the Swine All-Around awards to: first-Bryan Broderick;

second-Justin Miller; third-Sarah Clark; fourth-Scott Meakins; and fifth-Bryan Broderick. This is the first year that a Swine All-Around award has been given in Morrow County.

The record book winners in Home Economics were Jessica Summer junior; Nancy Morter intermediate; and Benji Pearson, senior. The winners in the Livestock area were Kelsie Evans, junior; Justin Miller intermediate; and Linda Morter senior.

The winners of the County Medals, the highest award a 4-H'er can receive at the local level, were: Leadership-Judy Jepsen; Citizenship-Benji Pearson; Foods/Nutrition-Andy Mesteth; Dairy Foods-Amy Gantenbein; Achievement-Linda Morter and Tricia Coe; Public Speaking-Nance Wright; Clothing-Nancy Morter; Swine-Justin Miller; Beef-Casey Allison; Meat Animal-Nancy Bailey; and Horse-Debi Driver.

## Tillicum club to sponsor bazaar

Boardman Tillicum Club will hold their annual Christmas Bazaar featuring a wide assortment of baked goodies and hand-crafted Christmas decorations and gifts at the Inland Empire Bank lobby in

Boardman, Friday, December 2, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. This annual fund-raiser will benefit the volunteer Boardman Fire-Fighters Association and the Columbia River E.M.T. Association.

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