

Willow Creek meeting set

An organizational meeting for all persons interested in organizing the Willow Creek Streambank Enhancement Project will be held Wednesday,

April 4, at noon at Kate's Pizzeria in Heppner. For more information call the Morrow Soil and Water Conservation District at 676-5452.

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Friday - Prime Rib 9⁹⁵

Saturday - March 31

Installation of Officers-4 p.m.
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First Interstate Art Contest winner



First Interstate commercial loan officer Charles Taylor and Luke Swanson

Luke Swanson, a fifth grader at Lone, was the local winner in First Interstate Bank's 125th Anniversary Art Contest. Students could choose to depict either banking in the year 1865 or banking in the year 2065. For his entry, Luke won a certificate of appreciation, a \$100 US Government EE Bond, and a \$50

savings account at First Interstate Bank.

Luke's entry will be entered in a statewide contest from which a grand prize winner will be chosen. The grand prize winner, to be announced April 9, will receive an all-day field trip for his or her class.

Luke, 10, is the son of Jim and Monica Swanson of Lone.

Grant received for position



Cindi Doherty

In January the Morrow Soil and Water Conservation District received an administrative grant of \$5,500 from Oregon Department of

Agriculture National Resource Division, to establish a position as conservation information education coordinator Cindi Doherty of Heppner was hired to fill that position.

Doherty, 32, Heppner, is a long time Morrow County resident. She and her husband, Mike, have three children.

A resource guide on conservation information will be compiled and distributed and a self-guided tour will be developed. The tour consists of a brochure that will show the location of various conservation practices in Morrow County and explain their purposes.

A conservation workshop will be developed for the local teachers. This workshop will focus on conservation issues in the County.

A riparian demonstration project is planned on Willow Creek. The project will demonstrate the importance of and benefits from sound riparian management by developing a walkway along the creek with informational signs and examples of practices.

Oral presentations will be made to local schools and groups on SWCD activities or general conservation information.

In March an Oregon Youth Conservation Corp. grant for \$5,000 was received from Oregon Department of Agriculture, Natural Resource Division. The grant will be used to build a hiking and horse back trail around the south side of the Willow Creek Dam.

A grant of \$27,000 was also received in March from the Governor's Watershed Enhancement Board for the Rock Creek Watershed Enhancement Proposal, West Fork, Juniper Creek.

"The present condition of the watershed is severe stream erosion and stream entrenchment," said Doherty. Water quality has declined due to increased sedimentation and the diminished capability of the meadows to filter runoff."

The proposed project will consist of a range management plan that will be developed to assist with proper grazing use and a planned grazing system. A one-mile fence will be constructed between LeFevre Prairie and Camas Prairie to delay grazing in the spring. Grass will be seeded on Lee Prairie and the access road will be relocated on LeFevre Prairie and a series of water and sediment control structures will be constructed.

"The goals for the district are educating and informing the public on current soil and water conservation," Doherty said. "With organization and hard work all the goals of the district will be accomplished."

Local students named to BMCC honor roll

Matt Clark, Melissa Lindsay and Mike Mahoney, all of Heppner; Gary Rea, Lone; and Kierin Doherty, Barney Lindsay and Doug Marquardt of Lexington have been listed on the winter term honor roll at Blue Mountain Community College.

James Cason, Terry Gray, Clint Michael and Christy Rathbun, Heppner; and Brian Ball and Kimberly Logan of Lone.

Students receiving a 3.5 or better are eligible for the college honor roll and those with a 3.0 to 3.5 earn a place on the dean's list.

St. Patrick's Senior Center Bulletin Board



By Jane Rawlins

The St. Patrick's fun weekend is past but at this center pleasant memories linger.

The Methodists' Irish Stew, the senior breakfast and potato soup, bread, pie feeds were so well attended that the food ran out. Several requests came for copies of the Irish Video tapes in our front room, and Karen Phegley was a happy winner of the Irish quilt. Darrel and Sue Vinson put together our mini-float in the parade. Senator Timms, Velma Wight, Truman Messenger and Tom Wilson rode on it; the Heppner Elementary students and Susie Hisler made charming leprechauns and original stories that marched around our walls, and many others contributed to the fun. Already, we're planning for next year.

Next week: Our most exciting news beginning Monday, April 2, is that our center will be an area work station for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (often called RSVP). The purpose of this program is to provide a variety of opportunities for retired persons aged 60 or over to participate more fully in the life of their community through significant volunteer service. St. Anthony Hospital sponsors this program in Morrow and Umatilla Counties. Funding comes from ACTION, the federal agency on volunteerism and local sources. Our area senior center work station is sponsored by the Heppner Senior Center Board of Directors, Inc.

What can this mean to our community? For seniors it means that anyone over 60 who wants to volunteer time for worthwhile community activities may come to our office and sign up as a volunteer and report their volunteer hours there. Accident, personal liability, and excess auto liability insurance are provided for each registered volunteer. For any person or group needing volunteer help it means they can come in or call the office 676-9030, and describe the activity needed. The only limits are that volunteers will not be assigned to activities of a religious, sectarian, or political nature or those that would displace employed workers or impair existing contracts. When we have the description of the job, we will try to find a volunteer who fits the request.

We think this is a good opportunity to serve both seniors and the community. More later.

Monday, from 1 to 4 p.m. - quilting. Quilters and Company's next project is an offer to help some of you folks who have an unfinished quilt project, for any reason. We are not completely knowledgeable of all quilts but our group has various skills and putting them together can solve numerous problems. We would love to know your quilting problems and you. We will not cut, sew or rip until we have your OK.

Also Monday: Heppner Garden Club meets in the front room at 6:30 p.m. and Blue Mt. Community College Knitting Class in the dining room at 7 p.m.

Wednesday: free blood pressure check before noon dinner. Dinner menu: meat loaf, baked potato, carrot and cabbage slaw, hot rolls, and applesauce cake. The helpers will be from St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Nutrition Site Committee meets at 1 p.m. in the office. The new chalkboard there will greatly facilitate the many committee meetings held in this office. Sunday, April 8-the monthly potluck and games party beginning at 4 p.m.

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