

Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes, Chamber Manager

My family and I spent the weekend introducing 24 family members to the wonders of camping in Morrow County. The children truly "caught the pioneer spirit" as they discovered that it was possible to have a great time without Nintendo, VCR, organized athletics, a swimming pool, and indoor plumbing. Instead they dammed up the creek to swim, hiked, sang around the campfire, invented their own games, slept in a tent, roasted wieners and marshmallows, watched the full moon rise, learned the purpose of the little building on the hill with the half moon in the door, and didn't want to return to civilization when Sunday evening arrived. It may become an annual "Cousin Campout"...a great way to unwind, and it's free. Everybody should try it for a day or two. I guarantee you'll appreciate the comforts of home and

your mind and spirit will be healthier. The opportunity is only minutes away. One of the many advantages to living in Morrow County.

Speaking of the "pioneer spirit", our fair and rodeo is just around the corner and it's time to get those creative juices flowing. The Heppner Chamber puts on the parade each year and one and all are encouraged to participate. Get out those sunbonnets, chaps, horses, buggies, covered wagons, and join the fun August 14 to 18. Remember: Chamber will meet as usual for lunch, Tuesday, August 6 at the Elks followed by a Forest Service Tour from 12:30 to 6 p.m. The following week Chamber will have lunch together on Thursday at the fair. Summer is flying by.

Thought for the week: When you wake up each day do you say, "Good morning, God," or "Good God, it's morning?"

Wilson family reunion Aug. 3

Children of Edwin M. and Nora Wilson will hold their 7th bi-annual reunion at the Irrigon Marina Park Saturday, August 3. There will be a potluck dinner at noon.

Edwin Wilson came to Irrigon in 1928 with his family and farmed the Blalock place, now owned by Pete Richards, until his death in 1932. The reunion includes the descendants of William Stange Wilson, who was an outstanding pioneer and grandfather to Edwin Wilson. He served as an Indian scout and wagon master and crossed the plains several times. After residing in Nevada, Idaho and Oregon, he settled in Boise Valley and was buried in

Nampa, in May, 1917, at age 95.

An article in the Idaho Statesman stated, "No one man of the West had a more varied experience in life than Mr. Wilson." Besides his wagon train duties, he owned gold and silver mines. He had a cattle ranch in Nevada which was wiped out in one severe winter. He named Grimes Pass in Idaho, and the town of Mayseville in Nevada. Wilson River in Oregon was named after him.

As in prior gatherings of the family, descendants are expected from Oregon, Idaho, Washington and California.

Shrine players report to camp

Rick Osmin, 5' 10" 175 pound running back and kicker from Heppner High School and Marco Reyes, 5' 9" 225 pound lineman from Riverside, reported to training camp at Eastern Oregon State College in La Grande July 31 to prepare for participation in the 39th Oregon Shrine Hospital East-West football benefit game.

Graduating seniors from Oregon's A, AA, and AAA schools are nominated by local coaches and chosen by the Shrine team coaches to participate in each year's classic. The game is played on the Baker City High School field. This year the game is set for Saturday, August 10. Doug Devin of Heppner and J.P. Green of Spray, both running backs, were named alternates. Greg Grant, Heppner High School football coach and Dirk Dirksen, Riverside, coached the Shrine game in 1990.

The annual contest of players from Eastern Oregon schools competing with those from west of the mountains has been one of the most financially successful Shrine Hospital fund raisers in the United States.

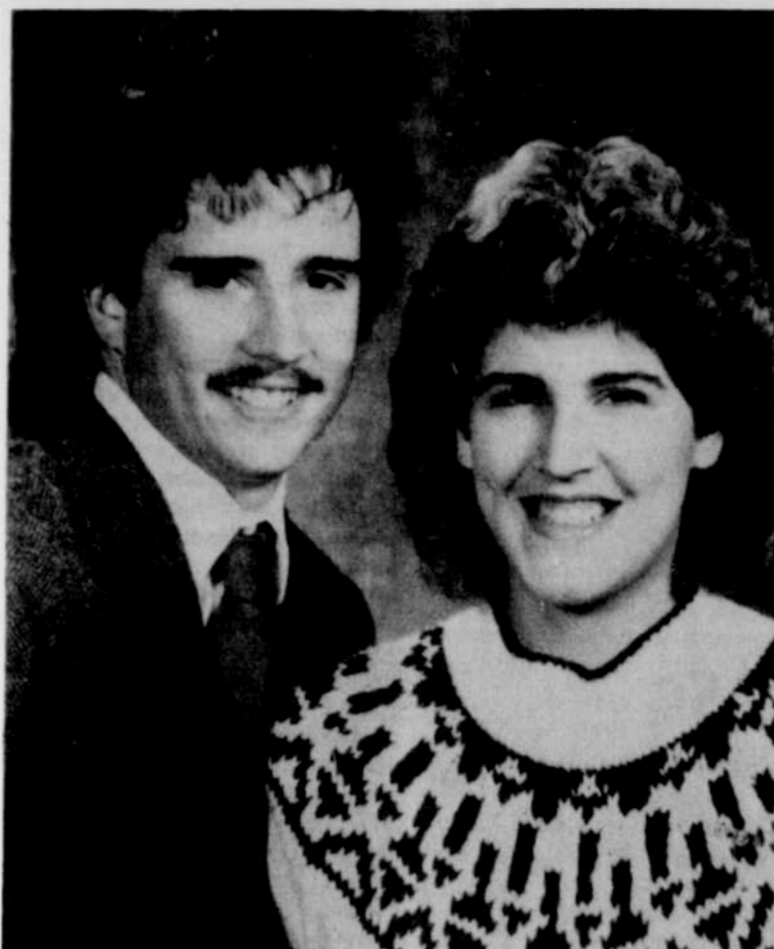
The Shriners began treating needy crippled children, without consideration of race, creed or color, absolutely free over 50 years ago. Today there are 19 orthopedic hospitals, three burn centers and three spinal cord injury treatment units in North America. Should you know of a child 18 or under in need of care, tell a Shriner. In Morrow County the Shrine Hospital representative is Howard Bryant, of Heppner.

The Shrine game festivities will begin with breakfast served in the Baker City Park by the Baker County Cowbells. The Cowbells have promised you won't go away hungry. A parade will begin at 10:30 a.m. downtown Baker City.

Kickoff is set for 7:15 p.m., preceded by honoring all 60 players and two queens, one for each team. The Queens are always young ladies who have received treatment from the Shriners.

Baker City's stadium has 4500 reserved seats. Should you wish to enjoy a super game and lend support to the crippled and burned children, call 676-5574 Heppner for tickets.

Engagements



Pointer — Holstad

Jack and Penny Holstad, formerly of Salem, now residing in Atlanta, Georgia, and Hank and Kathi Pointer of Lone announce the engagement of their children, Vikki Marie Holstad and Eric Michael Pointer.

The bride-elect is a 1987 graduate of South Salem High School. She is currently a senior at Oregon State University, studying sociology and is employed as a legal secretary to Willard E. Fox, attorney.

The groom-elect is a 1986 graduate of Lone High School and a 1991 graduate from Oregon State University with a degree in agricultural engineering technology. Currently he is an intern for Senator Wayne Fawbush.

A fall 1992 wedding in Salem is planned.



Laughlin — Holcomb

Announcing their engagement are Lottie Laughlin, daughter of Butch and Judie Laughlin, Heppner and Kirk Holcomb, son of Duane and Joanne Holcomb of Madras. The bride-elect is the Recreation Director at Kah-Nee-Ta Resort in Warm Springs. The future groom works for the North Unit Irrigation District in Madras. They are planning a November 23 wedding in Heppner.

Currin wins All-Around title

Heppner cowboy Tony Currin won the All-Around title at the Chief Joseph Days Rodeo last weekend.

Currin set an arena record with a time of 5.2 seconds in steer wrestling in the final go-round on Sunday just edging out his brother Ron who had a 5.3 second run. He also placed fourth in the calf-roping.

Other local cowboys competing and winning were Clay West, Lone, third place in steer wrestling; Randy Britt, Echo, second in barrel racing and Mary Knowles, Heppner, ties for sixth place in barrel racing.

In other rodeo news, the Oregon High School Rodeo team ended up the week in Shawnee, OK with a 10th place team standing. Local cowboy and cowgirl competing were Jody McDowell, Heppner and Trevor McCain, Condon, who qualified to compete on the team in the National Finals. Jeff Coehlo, Long Creek, was among the leaders in the boys cow cutting.

Matthews-Derbyshire

Deniece Matthews and Art Derbyshire, both of Hermistion, announce their engagement to be married.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Edith Matthews of Lone and the late Mike Matthews. She is a graduate of Western Oregon State College and is employed as a teacher at Stanfield High School.

The groom is the son of Jean Paige and the late Arthur Derbyshire of Carluke, Scotland. He is a graduate of Eastern Oregon State College and is also a teacher at Stanfield High School.

The couple will be married on September 14, 1991 at the United Church of Christ in Lone at 2 p.m.

4-H News

Picture Perfect Photographers

By Shaun Hisler, Reporter

President Jodi Johnston called the meeting to order on Wednesday, July 24, at 11:30 a.m. Sarah Greenup read the minutes from the last meeting. Donnie Pointer and Kathleen Greenup led the pledges.

The 4-H members showed photos they took. Then they worked on their 4-H pre-registration forms for the fair. The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m. The club will meet again August 6 at 1 p.m.

The Martingales

By Amber Peck, Reporter

On July 16 The Martingales held a meeting at Ann Bedortha's house. Kimberly Bedortha gave two presentations and Amber Peck gave one. This is the last record meeting of the year and all the members have been riding.

Ewes R Us

By Jenny Krein, Reporter

The Ewes R Us sheep club held a meeting June 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the annex at the fairgrounds. Many things were discussed at this meeting.

Financially the club is doing well. The club recently received a check for \$125 for the pickups washed bringing the club balance to \$376.83. With this money the club plans to order blades for the clippers so members will be able to slick shear their lambs.

A committee was made to have members write buyers in the area asking them for their support at the fair.

New signs for new members have been completed and they will meet to paint them.

Kim and Jodi Johnston gave presentations at this meeting. Kim gave hers on equipment needed for fair and Jodi gave hers on what shots your lamb needs.

The club will be painting panels and putting them on their pens at fair but no date has been set for this.

July 9 there was a swine workshop for judging pigs at the Umatilla fairgrounds at 6 p.m. Also on July 20 there was a fitting and showing day on sheep and beef at Kenn Evans house in Irrigon. The club had a showmanship workday on July 30 at the fairgrounds.

Members were reminded to pay 4-H dues and that the Umatilla Judging contest is coming up August 2.

If members need stands they are available from Mr. Rankin for a cost of \$50. If one is needed please contact him as soon as possible.

At the end of the meeting members went over the results from the Tygh Valley Judging contest and pictures of placers were taken. The club did very well at this competition and may try to put on our own judging contest. The next meeting was held July 11 at the 4-H annex. The letter committee worked on their letters to send to the buyers.

Members were reminded to get all their equipment that they will need for fair. Members worked on the showing day at Kenn Evans house. It was optional to weigh lambs before the workday held July 30. The next meeting was held July 23 at the fairgrounds. Some members weighed their lambs and painted panels to put on the pens. Members brought pre-registration to work on.

Church plans truck wash

Christian Life Center will sponsor a truck and car wash on Saturday, August 3, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. It will be held in the parking lot behind

Les Schwab. Costs are: logging trucks, \$15; pick-ups and cars, \$2. Proceeds will go toward a new roof for the church parsonage. For more information call 676-5448.

Willow Creek Country Club will be CLOSED Sat. and Sun. AUGUST 3 and 4 from 6:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. for the Willow Creek Couple's Tournament.

Register now for pre-school

It's time to pre-register for pre-school. The four year-old class starts September 3 at 8:30 a.m. Registration fee is \$7.50, payable at Heppner Day Care Pre-School. Tuition is \$50 a month. They meet Tuesdays and Thursdays every week.

The three-year-old class starts September 4 at 9 a.m. The registration fee is \$5, and tuition is \$25 a month. The class meets every Wednesday.

To register a child, call Heppner Day Care or stop by as soon as possible. Classes are filling up fast.

Four-year-old pre-school will involve a creative pre-school curriculum which follows monthly themes, and encourages development of basic concepts and skills in an environment where children and teachers answer questions together. Simple experiments, hands-on explorations and free form art activities enable the child to learn about the world first hand.

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