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Letters to the Editor

Alcohol a killer drug

To the Editor:

Last week I had a cup of tea with a fellow pastor. As we sipped our tea and talked about a variety of subjects, he told me that over 400 people had crowded into his church building to pay their last respects to a young man and express their commiserations to his fine middle class parents. It was a tragic loss of a young man who in high school had a brilliant career in high school sports.

It was a devastating blow to his parents and friends. Life was now over for a young man age 23. He and a couple of friends under the age of 20 had possibly gone out looking for deer. Someone had seen their vehicle and alerted the sheriff's department. A deputy came to investigate,

the vehicle took off quickly. The vehicle went out of control and a young man age 23 died. As the sheriff deputies investigated the wreck they discovered that all three young men had been drinking.

It is a shame that a gifted young life was wasted. It is a shame that 400 people's lives were deeply affected by an alcohol related death. It is a shame when alcohol takes the life of a young person, but it doesn't have to. If we would but instill in our children that alcohol is a killer drug.

Red Ribbon Week committee and Oregon Together group invites grandparents, parents and our youth to say "no to alcohol" and yes to life. And then join us Red Ribbon Week, October 20 to 26.

(s)Rev. Stan Hoobing

Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes Chamber Manager

October is a busy month, kicked off with a SAIIF presentation by Chris Davie on the first. October 8 Margo Sherer and Greg Sweek will be introducing the new tax forms as related to Measure 5 and our local talent will give us a brief glimpse of the October 12 play, "No, No, A Million Times No".

Ralph Reed, Morrow County Superintendent of Schools, is on the chamber noon agenda for October 15 and October 22 Brenda Kincaid, executive director of the Redmond Chamber of Commerce, will discuss "Trends and Rural Economic Development."

No chamber on October 29, fifth Tuesday; however, chamber will be sponsoring a special program for all Heppner businesses on October 30 after business hours. All businesses, ranches and farms included are invited to join chamber members at noon, Tuesday, Heppner Elks for a taste of chamber. Your membership is welcomed. It takes all of us working together to "create a positive environment where people and businesses thrive."

Thought for the week: "Don't wait for a crisis to decide what is important in your life."

Market Report

Compliments of the Morrow County Grain Growers

Tuesday, Oct. 1	
Soft White	
Oct.	\$3.75/\$3.77
Nov.	\$3.78/\$3.80
Dec.	\$3.81/\$3.83
Jan.	\$3.84/\$3.86
Barley	
Oct.	\$104.50
Nov.	\$105

Health Dept.

The Morrow County Health Department lists the following monthly schedule for October:

Thursday, Oct. 3-blood pressures and immunizations, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Heppner office;

Tuesday, Oct. 8-blood pressures and immunizations 1-4 p.m. Irrigon County office building;

Wednesday, Oct. 9-flu clinic, lone school 4-7 p.m.;

Thursday, Oct. 10-blood pressures and immunizations, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Heppner office building;

Tuesday, Oct. 15-blood pressures and immunizations and flu clinic 1:30-7 p.m. Boardman City Hall;

Wednesday, Oct. 16-blood pressures 11 a.m.-noon, St. Patrick's Senior Center, Heppner;

Thursday, Oct. 17-blood pressure and immunizations 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Heppner office building;

Tuesday, Oct. 22-flu clinic 1-7 p.m. Irrigon, county office building;

Thursday, Oct. 24-blood pressures, immunizations and flu clinic 8:30 a.m.-7 p.m. Heppner office building;

Wednesday, Oct. 30-blood pressures and flu clinic, 9 a.m.-noon, St. Patrick's Senior Center, Heppner;

Thursday, Oct. 31-blood pressures and immunizations, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Heppner office building.

Weather Report

by City of Heppner

Sept. 25 - Oct. 1, 1991			
	High	Low	Prec Rain
Tues.	79	47	.0
Weds.	83	52	.0
Thurs.	85	56	.0
Fri.	85	57	.0
Sat.	73	49	.0
Sun.	83	50	.0
Mon.	89	54	.0

Sheriff's Report

The Morrow County Sheriff's office at the courthouse in Heppner reports dispatching the following business during the past week:

September 24: Morrow County deputy responded to the Irrigon area to take a report of a burglary. Two saddles were taken, one was a Hamley's saddle. Amount of value was unknown;

Morrow County deputies responded to an Irrigon residence for a report of a domestic disturbance. Kenneth Raymond Davis, 41, Irrigon was arrested for assault IV and was released on his own recognizance;

Morrow County deputy responded to I-84, milepost 166 for a report of a driver going the wrong way. Jerome Allen Hahn, 49, Prospect, was arrested for Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants, Driving While Suspended. Hahn was cited and released;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Boardman area for a report of loud music. Problem was resolved;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Irrigon area for a report of criminal mischief. Investigations are continuing;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Irrigon area for a report of a Burglary at a local business.

September 25: Morrow County deputy responded to assist Oregon State Police with a traffic problem on Hwy. 730 at the on ramp of I-84;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Boardman area for an animal complaint;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Irrigon area for an animal problem. Investigations are continuing.

September 26: Morrow County deputy responded to take a call of harassment from the Boardman area;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Irrigon area to take a report of a suspicious person;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Lexington area for an animal problem;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Irrigon area for a dog complaint. Patricia M. Duff, 43, Irrigon was cited for maintaining a dog as a public nuisance;

Morrow County deputy assisted the Heppner Police department with an alarm sounding at the Department of Motor Vehicles;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Lexington fire department to a vehicle on fire just out of Lexington. Call was unfounded.

September 27: Morrow County deputy responded to the Irrigon area for a burning violation;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Heppner fire department to a structural fire at Blackhorse Canyon;

Morrow County deputy responded to take a report of harassment in the Irrigon area;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Anson Wright Park area for a child whose arm was caught in a hole. Child was freed before deputy arrived;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Irrigon area for an animal problem.

September 28: Morrow County deputy responded to a report of poachers on Big River Farms. Deputy was unable to locate poachers;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Arlington ambulance for a one vehicle roll over on I-84, milepost 133-134 east bound. One 20 year old male was transported to Mid-Columbia Hospital in The Dalles for injuries;

Morrow County deputy made contact with a resident in Irrigon regarding a possible theft. There was no action taken by complainant;

Morrow County deputy responded to Bombing Range Road in

Boardman for a report of trespassers on private property. Shayne D. Hoffman, 22, Irrigon, was cited and released for Criminal Trespass II;

Morrow County deputies responded to a report of trespassers on Big River Farms, Boardman. Deputies were unable to locate trespassers;

Morrow County Sheriff's office responded to a business in Boardman to assist police department with a vandalism problem.

September 29: Morrow County deputy assisted a motorist south of Heppner who was out of gas;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Arlington fire department to a brush fire by the Hurst residence on Main St. in Arlington;

Morrow County deputy made contact with an Irrigon resident regarding an animal problem. Investigation is continuing;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Cantelazo residence on California St., Irrigon for a report of trespassing. Call was unfounded;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Holtz residence in lone for a report of theft of numerous weapons. Values are yet to be determined, investigation is continuing;

Morrow County deputy made contact with an Irrigon resident regarding an illegal sale of a weapon. Call was unfounded;

Morrow County deputies responded to Anson Wright Park south of Heppner for a report of a dispute between campers. Call was unfounded.

September 30: Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Gilliam County rural fire department to a range fire near the Jack Reese ranch east of Condon;

Morrow County deputy assisted Wheeler County Sheriff's office with a message delivery to a Boardman resident;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Boardman ambulance to a residence on Faler Road in Boardman for a report of two injured people due to a domestic fight. Rodney Blackburn and Kenneth Sicard, both of Boardman, were transported to Good Shepherd Hospital with multiple injuries. Morrow County deputy assisted the Boardman Police department with this report;

Morrow County deputy made contact with an Irrigon resident regarding a possible legal problem. No action was taken;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Ken Maynard residence in Irrigon, for a report of a burglary. Items taken including a cassette radio were valued at \$150. Investigation is continuing.

Justice Court Report

The Justice Court office at the courthouse annex building in Heppner reports handling the following business during the past week:

Cory Alan Grabeel, 18, Heppner-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 68 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$49 fine;

Clifford Theodor Schiel, 73, Newport-Illegal Backing, \$20 fine;

Gale Ray Gray, 51, Lexington-two counts of Failure to Obey Traffic Control Device, \$40 fine;

Linda Colleen Englert, 27, Heppner-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 75 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$43 fine;

Rodney L. Berthold, 44, Mosier-Failure to Use Safety Belt, \$20 fine;

Alvin Harvey Ayers, 45, Redmond-No Operator's License, \$122 fine.

How Much Does It Cost?

How often have we made an inquiry about the cost of something? A new car? a home? a hamburger? Maybe that's part of our free enterprise system. Maybe it's part of a free society that is used to making decisions about the value of things. I don't think the communists are even allowed to ask "How much does it cost?"

And I don't think the Northwest Power Planning Council asked that question last week when they shut down the Pacific Northwest to raise a few salmon.

Understand we're not talking about SALMON. The fact is the Power Planning Council has spent \$1 billion over the last 10 years to increase the salmon runs in the Columbia River. And they have been successful in increasing the number of salmon passing Bonneville Dam by about 300,000 fish. Yes, that's 300,000 more salmon per year now than 10 years ago. So don't get the impression that the shut down is to save the SALMON.

All the rhubarb now is over one little dinky run of sockeye salmon that spawn on a little dinky tributary of the Salmon River in Idaho. Understand that a sockeye salmon is a fluke of nature, technically a member of salmonoid family but hardly worthy of the name. They are unfit to eat unless you have absolutely nothing else to eat, like skunk or skunk cabbage. My father used to pitchfork them out of the river to feed to hogs.

And this particular run is tiny. They now number a few hundred fish, but if fully and completely restored to historic levels, they would amount to only a few thousand.

So understand, we're not talking about saving THE SALMON. Today, we're only pricing out a few thousand fish for hog feed. And we're not talking about anything certain. The "recovery" plan for the Power Council has announced is only a maybe thing, highly unlikely to have any effect on the dwindling numbers of Salmon River sockeye.

Given what we're buying, now what's the price? First, we're going to spill water down the Columbia to create a stronger current. That's in addition to the spill now going on. The water we spill does not generate power through the turbines at the dams so we have to buy power at more expensive generation plants. It costs about five times as much to make electricity at the Boardman Coal Fired Plant as it does to make it at McNary Dam.

It costs about \$100,000 per day to replace the power not generated by the spilled water. The spill goes on for 60 to 90 days a year. In addition, the spill to save the Salmon River sockeye will cost another \$250,000 a year.

In addition to the spilled water, the council plans to lower the water levels in the reservoirs. Just in the John Day pool, that will leave most of the irrigation pump stations high and dry. The cost of lower those pump intakes has been estimated at \$40 million. In some instances that cost will be so high, some irrigated farm land will be abandoned. Land that is now producing about \$4 million worth of crops every year.

Well, the costs go on and on. Ports will have to dredge their docks, marinas will have to rebuild their boat launch ramps, cities will have to rebuild their water intakes.

All for a slim chance to rebuild a tiny run of nearly worthless fish. I don't know about you, but now that I know just a little bit about how much it costs, I'm not buying.



4-H News

Two Trackers

The Two Trackers horse club will begin their fall season with a program Sunday, Oct. 6 at 2 p.m. at the fairgrounds in Heppner. This program will be primarily for those who want help with the basics. Beginners and juniors are encouraged to come to these meetings. New members are also welcome to attend.

The Martingales

By Erin Crowell, Reporter

The lone Martingales 4-H club held a playday September 15. The playday featured 10 events including the saddling race and the sweetheart rescue, which the kids had never done before. Thirty-seven people helped and rode in the playday. Participating besides the 4-H kids were parents, one grandfather and some specially invited guests.

Al Rosenbush of Naches, WA, donated all the ribbons and his time and Tom and Anne Bedortha provided the use of their arena.

In the Service

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Gregory A. Groshens, a 1981 graduate of Heppner High School recently departed on a seven-month deployment in support of Operation Fiery Vigil.

Groshens is a member of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion Four (NMCB), based in Port Hueneme, CA.

The disaster recovery effort was instituted in the aftermath of the June 15 eruption of Mount Pinatubo in the Philippines which covered the Subic Bay naval facility with volcanic ash.

NMCB assisted in disaster recovery efforts by removing the ash from Cubi Point airfield and roads, restoring water, sewer, refrigeration, air conditioning and demolishing structures which collapsed under the weight of the ash.

Groshens joined the Navy in October 1981.

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Louis Rich Bun Length 16oz		Western Family 20oz Chunk-Crushed-Sliced	
Weiners	\$1 ³⁹ ea.	Pineapple	79 ^c ea.
Oregon Grown - Cut-up		Prego 30oz.	
Fresh Fryers	89 ^c lb.	Spaghetti Sauce	\$1 ⁰⁰ ea.
Imperial 1lb. Cubes		Western Family 8oz.	
Margarine	69 ^c ea.	Cream Cheese	89 ^c ea.
81% lean 3lb. or larger pkg.		Fresh	
Ground Beef	\$1 ³⁹ lb.	Broccoli	49 ^c lb.
Boneless		Large Size	
Pork Chops	\$2 ⁷⁹ lb.	Tomatoes	49 ^c lb.
Beef Rib		Head	
Steak	\$2 ⁷⁹ lb.	Lettuce	2 for 99 ^c
New York Cut		Red Delicious - Local Grown	
Steak	\$3 ⁰⁰ lb.	Apples	49 ^c lb.
Boneless Beef		Thompson Seedless	
Pot Roast	\$1 ⁸⁹ lb.	Grapes	69 ^c lb.
Western Family 2lb. Sandwich Creme		6 pack 12oz. can	
Cookies	\$1 ⁴⁹ ea.	Pepsi Family	\$1 ⁰⁰ +dep.
Western Family Gallon		Regular-Diet 6 pack 12oz. can	
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