

## Ethiopian faith minister visits Heppner

Almaz Fisseha of Ethiopia, can now count Heppner as one of the many places she has visited since becoming a full-time faith minister.

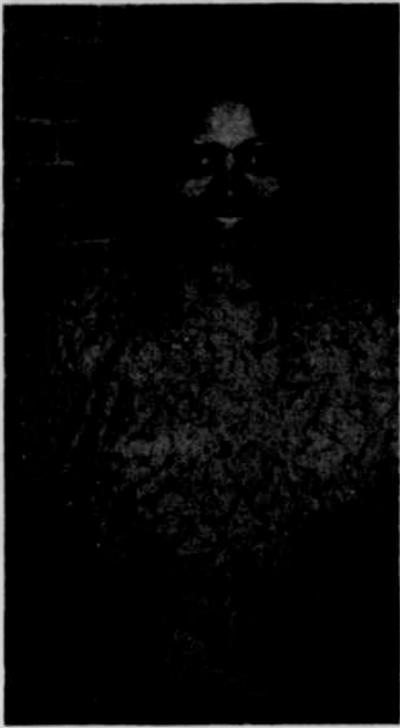
Fisseha was born in Addis Ababa, the capitol city of Ethiopia, where her parents still live. In January she plans on returning for a visit there as well as to other countries, she said.

"I've had the opportunity to meet God's children all over the world," Fisseha said. And though she now calls Seattle home base, she continues to travel abroad as well as in the United States and Canada.

It took a great deal of faith and prayers to survive in Ethiopia under communist oppression during her youth, she said. Although the country is one of the world's oldest Christian countries, Fisseha said that during that time religious observations had to be held underground.

Because of that oppression, Fisseha applied for schooling in the United States. She had already completed pre-medicine courses with the intent of becoming a doctor.

She was admitted at Sterling College, Sterling, Kansas, at age 17. However she found that



Almaz Fisseha

because she was not a United States citizen, it would not be possible to complete her medical degree. So she changed her career to that of a chemist.

She received her master's degree at the University of California in Berkeley. But to finance her education, she had to work many long hours at different jobs between classes and

during the summers. Following graduation, she worked full-time as a chemist in California for about five years.

"I always felt the calling to share Jesus's love," Fisseha said. And when she became partially paralyzed, she said she told the Lord that if she became well again, she would do whatever He wanted her to do.

"It's the Lord who helps me to speak to others," she said, because she was basically a shy person. She said that the Lord always provides a way for her to meet the expenses of her travels, but she prefers to stay in people's homes so that she can get to know them better.

She met Heppner host, Ruby Steers, when they both attended a religious conference in Seattle this past June. Along with others, they traveled together to California as witnesses, she said.

This led to the invitation to visit Heppner. After meeting many local people at gatherings, she said, "God has great plans for Heppner--there's a lot of caring and sharing in this small town."

## Justice Court Report

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

Gregory Allen Endicott, 20, Corvallis-No Controlled Elk Tag, \$90 bail forfeited;

Katrina Nadine Olson, 20, Umatilla-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 85 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$197 fine;

Mary A. VanBibber, 19, Heppner-Violation of the Basic Rule, 42 mph in a 25 mph zone, \$40 fine;

Angelica Lomas, Aguilar, 23, Stanfield-Failure to Wear Seat Belt, \$11 fine;

Lev Goktas, 30, Gervais-Violation Road Closure (passenger), \$56 fine;

Nickoli Snegirev, 35, Salem-Violation Road Closure, \$56 fine;

Ivan Samoiloff, 37, Mount Angel-Violation Road Closure, \$56 fine;

Roger Milton Stoneberg, 38, Eugene-No Valid Elk Tag, \$56 fine;

Alan Gene Mulkey, 42, Kimberly-Tire Violation (cord exposed) \$68 fine;

Charles Ellis McMullin, 53, Portland-Violation of Cooperative Road Closure, \$56 fine;

Kelly Gene McMullin, 30, Portland-Violation of Cooperative Road Closure, \$56 fine;

Michael Dean Lynch, 33, Heppner-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 75 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$62 fine;

Francisco Pablo Silva, 42, Stanfield-Failure to Wear Seat Belt, \$11 fine;

Sherri Marie Satko, 20, Kennewick, WA-Exceeding the Maximum Speed, 73 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$75 bail forfeited;

Matthew Austin Jimmerson, 29, Hermiston-Exceeding Truck Speed, 62 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$79 bail forfeited;

Donald Edward Greenup, 67, Heppner-No Taillights on Trailer, \$21 fine.

## Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes, Chamber Manager

\* Such brisk weather, makes you want to curl up by a fire and write Christmas cards or read a story that reaches your heart. Twinkly lights are appearing all around town. Be sure to have them on Sunday, Dec. 22 for the Chamber Christmas lighting contest. Gift certificates are awarded for both outdoor lighting and indoor (as viewed through the window).

\* As you pass people hurrying and scurrying, don't forget to nominate volunteers for the annual Chamber awards to be presented during Town and Country Jan. 8. Mark that Wednesday on your calendars for a day of informative meetings, capped off with a prime rib dinner with Bob Tallman as guest speaker. You won't want to miss the noon luncheons: Tuesday/Wayne Fawbush and installation of Chamber officers;

Wednesday, a presentation of "Eastern Oregon Specialties"...products we can be proud of from our county and Umatilla county. The 1992 Town and Country Theme is "Retailers, Consumers & Producers Working Together", an excellent way to kick off the new year. One and all are welcome to attend.

Thought for the week: "We can't all be shining examples, but we can at least try to twinkle a little."

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## BOWLING

Koffee Kup Keglers November 26, 1991

	W	L
Hopeful Has Beens	37 1/2	14 1/2
Gutter Dusters	30 1/2	21 1/2
Hi Ho's	27	25
No Pin Hitters	25 1/2	26 1/2
Alley Cats	25	27
MCGG	23 1/2	28 1/2
The Pytts	20	32
The Dregs	19	33

High game: Linda Schultz 180.

High series: Ida Foster 499.

Splits converted: Ruth Bergstrom 4-5-7, Verna Brinda 3-10, Linda Schultz 2-7, Darlene Scroggins 4-5-7, Bebe Munkers 3-10, Betty McDonald 3-10.

Dime A Dozen December 1, 1991

#	W	L
# 3	38	14
# 1	31	21
# 4	30	22
# 5	27	25
# 7	27	25
# 6	21	31
# 2	21	31
# 8	15	37

High game: Katie McRoberts 200, Delbert Binschus 223.

High series: Nola Binschus 520, Delbert Binschus 584.

High team game: # 5, 786.

High team series: # 1, 2234.

Splits converted: Delbert Binschus 2-10; Verna Brinda 3-10; Nola Binschus 3-10; Dianna Hoeft 5-7; Larry Scroggins 3-10; Garry VanArsdale 6-7; Darlene Scroggins 9-10.

Koffee Kup Keglers December 5, 1991

	W	L
Hopeful Has Beens	41 1/2	14 1/2
Gutter Dusters	31 1/2	24 1/2
No Pin Hitters	28 1/2	27 1/2
Hi Ho's	28	28
Alley Cats	25	31
MCGG	23 1/2	32 1/2
The Pytts	23	33
The Dregs	23	33

High game: Alvina Padberg 219.

High series: Alvina Padberg 512.

Splits converted: Chris Whalen 3-10; Rene Ledbetter 4-5-7; Verna Brinda 3-10 (2); Ruth Bergstrom 4-5.

Koffee Kup Keglers December 12, 1991

	W	L
Hopeful Has Beens	42	18
Gutter Dusters	35	25
No Pin Hitters	31 1/2	28 1/2
Hi Ho's	30	30
The Pytts	26	34
Alley Cats	26	34
MCGG	25 1/2	34 1/2
The Dregs	24	36

High games: Rene Ledbetter 196.

High series: Janie Beamer 510, Iris Campbell 500.

Splits converted: Juanita Martin 1-7; Millie Hanna 5-10, Rene Ledbetter 5-6.

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## Lexington News

By Delpha Jones

--Bill Nichols is home after a stay at the Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston where he underwent major surgery.

--Delta Huber has her arm in a cast after a painful fall at her home.

--Leila Palmer was a weekend visitor with her brother Bud Marshall his wife Ramona in the Vancouver area. The Marshalls recently moved there from Heppner.

--Word has been received that Kenneth Cutsforth is a patient in the hospital in Hermiston and will be transferred to St. Vincent's in Portland soon for a re-evaluation of his condition. He suffered a stroke this past week.

--Several members of Holly Rebekah Lodge and Lexington Oddfellow Lodge attended the dinner and Christmas party at the Oddfellow Lodge in Heppner on Wednesday evening. A lovely dinner was enjoyed after which visiting and games were enjoyed. There was a good crowd in attendance.

--Vic Klinger from Portland was a visitor with his mother and stepfather Bill and Annetta Padberg last week.

--The Past Noble Grand Christmas supper and party was held at the C.C. Jones home on Wednesday Dec. 11 with nine ladies present. The table was decorated with Christmas motif and there was a gift for each lady present. A short business meeting was held with an election of officers. Kathy Tellechea was elected president and Annetta Padberg secretary. Secret sister gifts were exchanged and names revealed and a drawing was held for next year's sisters. The door prize was won by Leila Palmer. Those present were: Geri Martin, Leila Palmer, Joyce Buchanan, Kathy Tellechea, Annetta Padberg, Luella Taylor, Virginia Peck, hostess Delpha Jones and co-hostess, Hilda Yocom.

--The window of Cottage Accents, a business in the Oddfellow and Rebekah Lodge building is lovely with Christmas decorations. Several houses in the area also have outstanding decorations--the airport with the large star overlooking the town, the Christmas tree at city hall and the homes on Main Street are outstanding. Leonard Munkers' home is also lovely with decorations. He lives in the remodeled home of his parents Edna and Frank on Willow Creek as you start up the Clark Canyon road. The effort put forth by all these people in making the Christmas spirit felt is greatly appreciated.

## 1991 Farmer's tax guide available

The Farmers Tax Guide for your 1991 returns are now available at the Morrow County office of the Oregon State University Extension Service in the Pettyjohn Office building, Heppner.

This publication explains how federal tax laws apply to farming and can be used as a guide to figure individual taxes. It is an excellent resource for farmers and tax advisors.

The Farmer's Tax Guide reflects a number of important changes for the 1991 tax year including the increase in the stan-

dard mileage rate to 27.5¢ per mile for business travel; the change in tax rates for and maximum net earnings for self-employment taxes; and the new maximum tax rate on net capital gains is now 28 percent. There are many other changes, suggestions and administrative changes in the Farmer's Tax Guide.

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