

WCCC holds family barbecue

A family barbecue and playday will be held at Willow Creek Country Club on Sunday, August 16 at 4 p.m. Each family should bring their own meat to barbecue. Those whose names begin with A

through I should bring a dessert and J through Z a salad.

Hosts for the afternoon are: chairman, Don and Martha Peterson, Riley and Bebe Munkers, Gary and Martha Munkers and Gerald and Harriet Pierson.

DEQ specialist outlines landfill closure

A Department of Environmental Quality specialist, Edward Liggett, outlined procedures for final closure of the former Heppner City landfill at the city council meeting Monday night, Aug. 10.

The city has filled in and reseeded the area and has been monitoring two wells at the site since the landfill was closed two years ago. The city rents the land from owners Dale Turner and Robert Schultz.

The DEQ is asking that the city remove a pile of scrap metal and regrade and reseed the area. Liggett said that the landowners

may require filling in and reseeded of backhoe pits, and DEQ may require continued monitoring of the wells.

After that is accomplished the DEQ will draft a permit for closure and present it to the city. The city will then review and comment on the permit and then DEQ will issue a final permit. The city will review the permit, determine what activities must be accomplished to come into compliance with the permit. The DEQ must be satisfied that the landfill is not contributing to the degradation of the wells. After the requirements are met the city can apply for termination of the permit. Then closure of the site will "probably" be granted, said Liggett.

School district, teachers at impasse

The Morrow County School District and the teachers have reached an impasse, according to a district board member.

According to the district, the teachers and the board cannot agree on salaries, benefits and specific language in the contract. At this point an out-of-district team will review the situation and

attempt to resolve differences.

It is doubtful that the issues will be resolved before school starts on Aug. 31.

Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes, Chamber Manager

I'm told the Motel is booked for Fair and Rodeo weekend and not to send them anymore customers. Are we ready for these visitors who will take home a lasting impression of Heppner? The Soroptimists had an excellent idea when they invited individuals, neighbors, businesses and organizations to adopt a street. Let's not forget those visible alleys and backdoors. Weeds seem to have an ability to grow, even without moisture. Heppner Chamber is adopting Main Street from the bridge to the Forest Service. They will be getting to know the street intimately starting at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, August 18. People willing to help should meet in front of the Chamber office.

Malheur County has invited Morrow County to be a part of their cultural festival August 14, 15 and 16. A recent FAX requested our Irish dancers. Most of our Irish dancers were imported from Ireland, but wouldn't it be terrific publicity if a group of our young people, dressed in Gwen Healy's Irish outfits were to learn some Irish jigs and be available for entertainment during the year. Maybe the idea could be incorporated into the school music program or dance classes local children attend. Possibly we could "import" an instructor if the interest is there. Contact the Chamber office, it's not too early to begin thinking about our celebration and promoting local talent on a year 'round basis.


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