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Fairgrounds master plan underway



Volunteers use roller to lay new sod at fairgrounds last Wednesday

The first phase of the Morrow County fairgrounds master plan is underway.

So far 12,000 square feet of sod has been laid to cover the baseball base paths, and home plate and the old horse path on the field. The football field will be closer to the grand stands and squared up so that the 50-yard line will be aligned with the center of the

grandstands.

Four new lights will be installed, hopefully before the second Heppner High School football game, said Steve Dickenson, a member of the long range fairgrounds master plans committee. But until the new lights are installed, he said, the old field set-up will be used. Two additional lights will be installed on the back of two poles for use at the rodeo

grounds.

The master plan is a cooperative effort of the Morrow County Fair Board, the Rodeo Committee, the Morrow County School District and a variety of other users, said George Koffler, who is vice chairman of the committee. Funding for the project is a combination of grants, donations and in-kind labor, he said.

1st Interstate rep covers 13 branches

Devin Campbell, 25, is the personal finance representative for 13 eastern Oregon First Interstate Banks including the Heppner branch. This is a non-traditional banking profession, Campbell said, in which he has been trained to help people with investments such as mutual funds or stocks and bonds.

Campbell said he was selected for the job partially because of his rural background and first-hand knowledge of the lifestyle of rural clientele. And he said he enjoyed working with people from his area as he describes himself as "just a small town guy."

Currently Campbell is living in Bend, but he will move to LaGrande in October to be closer to the majority of his customers, he said. In his work, he averages about 3,000 miles per month and spends a lot of his driving hours using his car phone.

Campbell was born in Hermiston, but spent summer months on a ranch that belonged to his grandparents. In addition to schooling in Hermiston, his eighth-grade school year was in Heppner. He graduated from Sprague High School in Salem after his family moved to that area.



Devin Campbell

At Linn-Benton Community College, Albany, he graduated with a degree in farrier science (blacksmithing). After working on ranches in the Northwest and Canada and doing construction work, he decided that the world of finance offered him a better occupation.

In August, 1988, Campbell passed his exams after taking courses at Anderson Financial Group of Portland. In a field he knew little about, the courses and on-the-job training were very

intensive.

Campbell claims that people can easily lower their standard of living with traditional banking savings accounts that don't keep pace with the cost of living increases. Historically, he said, the stock market has always climbed upward, which overshadows any temporary down trends.

Customer referrals come from satisfied customers, he said. And, because he knows what it's like to lose money that was unwisely invested, he's anxious to help people protect their savings and provide for the future. Often this entails working with a customer's accountants or advisors in the best interest of potential investors, he said.

Appointments to meet with Campbell can be made through the Heppner Branch of First Interstate by calling 676-9163.

Gazette-Times to close Labor day

The Gazette-Times will be closed Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 7. News deadline will be Friday, Sept. 4, 5 p.m. and advertising deadline will remain the same, Tuesday, Sept. 8, 5 p.m. Classified ad deadline is noon, Sept. 8.

Courthouse gets new facelift

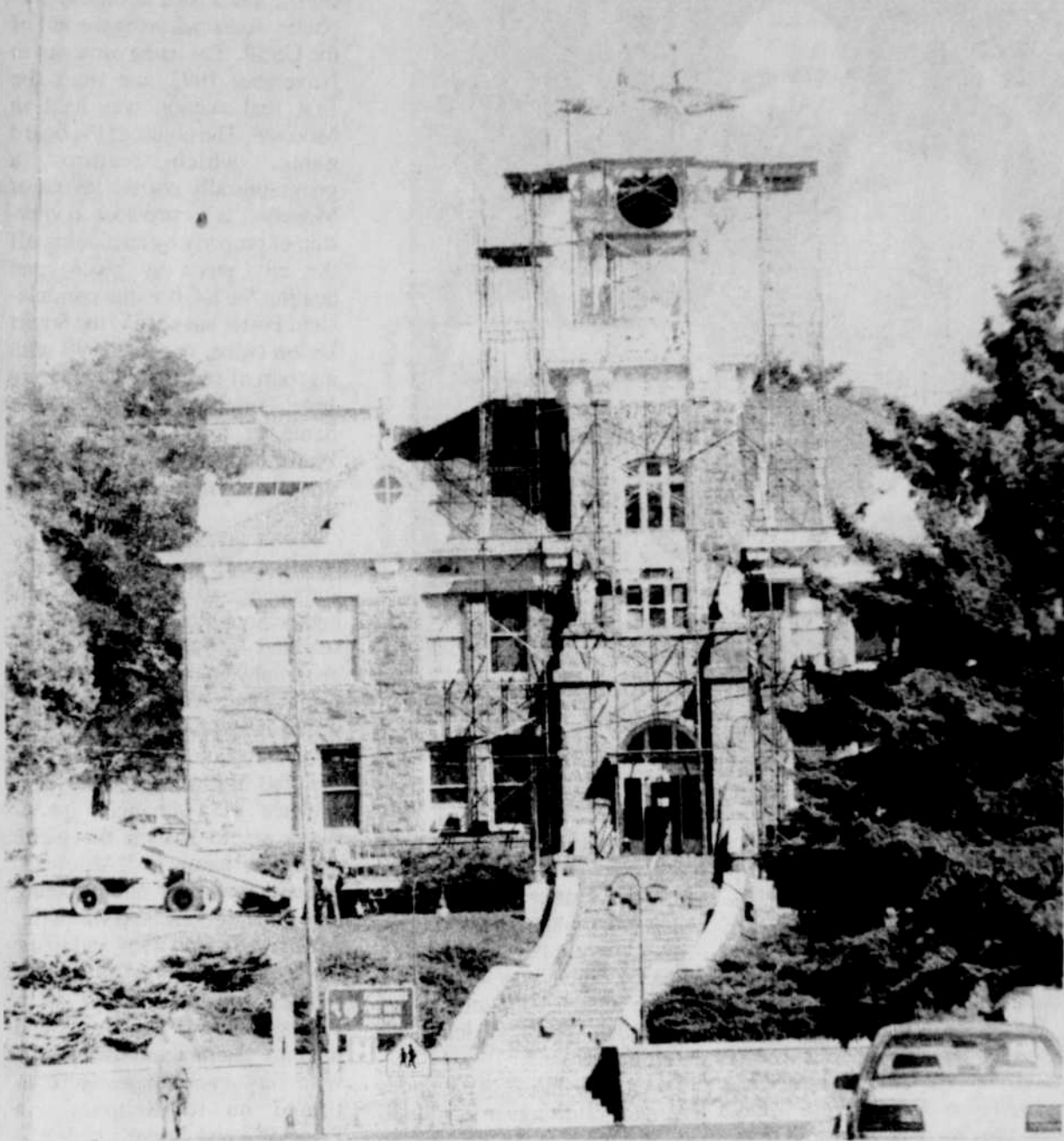


Photo by Joyce Hughes

The Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner is getting a new facelift. A section of the courthouse that was peeling has been sandblasted and is being repainted. The job is expected to take around two weeks. Central Oregon Sandblasters of Bend are the contractors.

Booster club plans tailgate party Boy injured in accident

Heppner Booster Club's Tailgate party will be this Friday, Sept. 4, from 5 to 6:45 p.m. in the fairgrounds parking lot at the first Heppner High School game of the season against John Day.

The menu includes a hamburger, baked beans, chips and beverage for \$3 or a hot dog, baked beans, chips and beverage for

\$2. The Booster Club's annual Reno Night has been scheduled for Saturday Oct. 17 at the Heppner Elks Club. Gambling will begin at 7 p.m. with the auction getting underway at midnight.

To donate items for the Country Store, call Susan Johnston 676-5562.

A Heppner boy, Craig Scott, 9, was air lifted to St. Mary's Hospital at Walla Walla, WA, following injuries sustained in a collision with an automobile around 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 27.

A wagon in which Scott was riding came out of a drive way into the path of a pickup on Gilmore St. near Terrace Drive, according to Heppner Police Chief Doug Rathbun. Craig was released from the hospital on Monday, August 31.

Local button purchase supports swimming pool fund



People for the Pool fund raisers and a booster club for a Heppner swimming pool, now have lapel buttons for sale for \$2 for those who would like to show their support for a swimming pool in Heppner.

The buttons, with a life preserver background, went on sale during county fair week and have already brought in \$342. They may be purchased at Heppner TV, Murray's Drugs, and the Heppner Gazette-Times office.

In other fund raisers, the bake sale during the county fair parade produced \$103, despite the rain, while the junior bowlers from Heppner Bowl donated \$21 from their cotton candy sale.

People for the Pool volunteers staffed the county fair gates and earned \$600 for their efforts. Donation jars set out at Heppner and Lexington merchants have yielded \$289. Leading the competition of highest collections in the donation jars is Red Apple Central Market with Murray Drugs, Miller's Chevron, Court St. Market, Bucknum's Tavern and R & W Drive-In following. The Willow Creek Country Club raffled a donated golf bag and donated \$411.

An account at the Bank of Eastern Oregon originally opened by proceeds from Heppner

Elementary third graders bake sales, is set up to accept donations. People for the pool have applied for non-profit status with the IRS so donations can be tax deductible.

A pool calcutta, auction and spaghetti dinner are planned for October 1 at the Heppner Elk's Club. Sales of laser-printed bricks to be placed at the new swimming pool will be available in time for Christmas shopping. A bowling calcutta is set for Jan. 9, 10, 16 and 17, 1993.

Items for the October auction are needed and more information can be obtained from Theo Greenup, 676-9795.

Janet Beamer has pledged \$20 per year towards the pool and challenges others to make pledges.

Meetings during the school year are planned for the second Wednesday of the month at the county fairgrounds 4-H annex, at 7:30 p.m., beginning Sept. 9.

People for the pool is not affiliated with any city or school district bodies.

Oregon Together sponsors dance

The Oregon Together group cordially invites the Heppner High School students to a drug and alcohol free dance this Friday night, Sept. 4, following the football game against Grant Union. The dance will be held at the Heppner Elks Lodge from 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. 3-D Productions of Pendleton will be providing the music. The cost is 50 cents per person or \$1 per couple.

"This is the first big social event of the 1992-93 school year," said an Oregon Together spokesperson, "so come out to the game and root for the home team Mustangs and enjoy a pleasant evening of dancing afterwards."

Degree of Honor to host convention

Kate J. Young Lodge of the Degree of Honor will be host to the district convention to be held September 12 at the Catholic Church Parish Hall, beginning at 9:30 a.m. with coffee hour.

Nellie Henderson, the state fraternal director from Bend, will attend the meeting.

Luncheon will be served at noon by the Altar Society of the Catholic Church.

For more information call Ruth Bergstrom, 676-9717.

Local OSP number

Heppner residents can now contact the Oregon State Police by calling a local number 676-9467, reports OSP Lieutenant Mitchell Southwick.

Lieutenant Southwick reminds people that they should still call a separate number, 1-976-7277 for road conditions in the winter and road construction in the summer.

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