

### Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes, Chamber Manager

Oh, to be the age again when time passed slowly. Now the years roll by faster and faster. With the chamber year coming to an end, the nominations committee is currently accepting names from the membership of individuals to be considered as candidates for the Heppner Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. Terms for the new directors will begin January 1 and will be for three years. Drop by the chamber office or call the office with nominee suggestions.

Town and Country committee has held two planning meetings for the annual event scheduled for Wednesday, January 13. This is an opportunity for everybody in our rural area to "rub elbows", share concerns that affect each and every one of us, compliment folks on a job well done and have a good time. The Wheat League Livestock Growers, Weed Department, Soil and Water Conservation District and the

Chamber of Commerce are all working together to plan a day for everyone. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 8, 7 p.m. Rollie Marshall is chairing the '93 event. Mark your calendars now. It's going to be "all about eastern Oregon".

A St. Patrick's committee meeting will be held Tuesday, Nov. 17 at the Columbia Basin Conference Room at 7 p.m. All past chairmen need to attend and it is hoped additional persons wishing to become involved in 'A Wee Bit 'O Ireland' in Heppner, Oregon, will join them. The event is less than four months away.

Chamber's program next week will be the Oregon Trail's promotional video for the Sesquicentennial '93 celebration. Everyone is encouraged to plan events and activities with the pioneer theme in mind. People from as far away as Australia are already making plans to visit Morrow County.

Thought for the week: It could be a sign of age when you walk around a puddle instead of through it.

### Willows Grange plans dinner

Willows Grange will hold their turkey dinner and bazaar on November 15 from 12:30 to 2 p.m. at the grange hall in Lone.

An election of officers was held in October and the following were elected: master, Willard French; overseer, Wilma Martin; lecturer, Helen Crawford, steward, Lauretta Lantis; assistant steward, Lee Palmer; lady assistant steward, Mary Ann Palmer; chaplain, Loree Hub-

bard; treasurer, Jim Swanson; secretary, Dot Halvorsen; gatekeeper, Margaret Akers; ceres, Geneva Palmer; pomona, Lucile Rietmann; flora, Nyna Knighten; executive committee, Berl Akers, Anna Ball and Mary Wilkins and musician, Mary Wilkins.

Installation of officers will be on November 11 at the regular Grange meeting. A potluck supper will begin at 6:30 p.m.

### Men's prayer breakfast set

The second meeting of the Lexington/Heppner Ecumenical Men's Prayer Breakfast will be this Friday, Nov. 13 at 6:30 a.m.

in the lounge of Cal's Restaurant. Men of all Christian faiths are welcome to join the fellowship, prayer and study. Breakfast will be off the menu.

### Lutheran church plans services

Pastor Stan Hoobing will conclude his stewardship sermon series with a meditation entitled, "The Greatest of These" based on scripture reading of I Corinthians 13:13 this Sunday Nov. 15.

Valby will hold its monthly Saturday Sunday School on Nov. 14 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. for the youth of the church. Adult Bible class will meet Sunday morning

at 8:15 a.m. to continue its study of the theme of "Hope in light of Christian Stewardship". Celebration of Holy Communion will be at 9 a.m.

Service of Holy Communion and Sunday school will begin at 11 a.m. at Hope Lutheran church in Heppner. "Visitors are always welcome to participate in the life and ministry of either congregation," says Pastor Stan Hoobing.

### Heppner stop on Oregon Trail tour



Dorothy Kenny, left, and Katherine Gordon, both Portland, pause during the Historical Society tour of the Morrow County Museum in Heppner. Kenny, who was an investigative reporter for the Oregon Journal, doesn't believe she is related to any of the local Kennys.

The Morrow County Museum in Heppner was a coffee stop Nov. 6 for Oregon Historical Society members tracing the Oregon Trail in reverse.

Around 60 members from the coastal and Portland areas traveled by bus from Portland to Biggs, Condon, Heppner, Pendleton and Baker City before returning to Pendleton Sunday. They planned to spend Friday night in Pendleton and Saturday night in Baker City where they were to visit the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center.

While the tour members said they were enjoying their trip, the journey was marred by mechanical problems. A wheel on their bus broke on the way to Heppner and the tour was delayed for about an hour. When they finally arrived, they were greeted by Museum director Marsha Sweek and Morrow County Historical Society members, who served the travelers coffee, punch and cookies. There was also time for a brief tour of the museum. Many of the members commented on the beauty of the Morrow County Courthouse.

Accompanying the tour was the director of the Oregon Historical Society, Chet Orloff, his wife, Wendy and their daughter, Hannah, who says that she is four and 1/2 years old.

Orloff says that this is his third time in Heppner, just this year, and his fifth time in Eastern Oregon. He added that he tries to accompany all of the Historical Society tours. Orloff first came to the society as a volunteer in 1975. He worked his way up in the organization and in 1986 was named assistant director. After a short time away from the society, he was named director a year ago.

Also traveling with the group was Charlotte White, Portland, who lived in Pendleton years ago. White had quite an interesting story to tell about Heppner's darker past. White's husband Herb, was court reporter from 1953 to 1967 for the district which included Heppner. Mor-

row County District Attorney at the time was long time county resident and attorney Bob Abrams, who is now a judge in Pendleton. According to White, a woman left her husband and fled with her son, ending up in Heppner. Her husband eventually found the pair and sent his attorney to Heppner to bring the boy back to him. The attorney attempted to take the boy from his scout meeting, but was prevented by Abrams, who also happened to be the boy's scout leader. Since Abrams wouldn't turn the boy over to him the attorney then found the woman at the restaurant where she worked as a waitress and demanded that she turn over the boy to him. She refused and in a struggle shot and killed the attorney. White says she believes the woman is still in prison.

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