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Letters to the Editor

Morrow County needs Grace

To the Editor:
We are writing this letter to endorse the candidacy of John Grace for the Port of Morrow Commission. As we have built our business this past nine years, we have come to appreciate and rely upon John's expertise in finance and business to help us grow.

Under John's direction, Inland Empire Bank has served Morrow and Gilliam Counties most successfully. His position with the bank has enabled him to become familiar with the needs of all areas of Morrow County. He has

also been actively involved in community services areas, serving for a number of years on the Morrow County Planning Commission, on the board of directors of Community Action Program of East Central Oregon, and the board of directors of the Greater Eastern Oregon Development Corporation.

Morrow County needs John's youth, energy and leadership, please mark your ballot in support of John Grace.

Yours very truly,
(s) Rose, Dean and Karen Kegler

Anderson for Port of Morrow Board

To the Editor:
I would like to ask the voters of Morrow County to elect Jerry Anderson on the Port of Morrow Commission.

It is time to start working some new board members in. The recent letter to the editor indicates that once on the commission, no one else is capable of taking their place. Remember that every man on the board was new once.

Jerry Anderson would go on the board with no financial interest in the Port business such as owning a garbage truck... a conflict of interest.

Jerry would be interested in looking at new businesses that are clean and benefit Morrow County instead of looking for business that no one else wants. The current generating plant proposed would be built with or without the Port if they decide to build it.

The Port should have someone on the board that when more than one party is interested in Port property it should be put up for bid and go to the highest legitimate bidder to benefit Morrow County and keep as much port property on the tax roll as possible.

Jerry Anderson is a life long resident of Morrow County. His work in Soil and Water Conservation and various other government jobs prove he has the ability to get along with people and at the same time having the knowledge of how government works.

I urge you to vote for Jerry Anderson in the coming mail-in election.

Sincerely,
(s) Charlie Daly

4-H beef weigh-in this Saturday

All 4-H beef project members are reminded that beef weigh-in is this Saturday, March 13.

North Morrow County members will weigh-in their beef at Philippi Ranch in Boardman at 8 a.m.

South Morrow County members will weigh-in at the Morrow County fairgrounds in Heppner at 8 a.m.

"Please be prompt, Saturday will be a busy day with St. Patrick's activities," said extension agent Bill Broderick.

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Justice Court Report

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

John Lavern Micheler, 35, Elgin-Driving Without Headlights, foggy, \$24 fine;

Rocky John Rodriguez, 26, Heppner-Defective Equipment (horn, lights), \$31 fine; Driving While Suspended (driving while suspended infraction), \$347 fine; Driving While Suspended, \$447 fine;

Joseph Vance Taylor, 24, Lexington-Driving Without Headlights, foggy, \$31 fine; Expired Vehicle License, \$35 fine;

Tony W. Garretson, 34, Lexington-No Vehicle License, \$55 fine; No Trailer Registration, \$55 fine; Operating Out of Class, \$25 fine;

Tina Marie Dreher, 32, Hermiston-Open Container of Alcohol Beverage in a Motor Vehicle, \$55 fine; Open Container of Beer in a Vehicle, \$55 fine; No Vehicle License, \$25 fine;

Leanna Fennemore, 29, Washington-Hunting from Motor Propelled Vehicle \$46 fine; Driving While Suspended, \$147 fine;

Corrine A. Lindsay, 53, Lexington-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 72 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$55 fine.

County transfer station lists

closure

The transfer station will be closed Saturday, March 13 for the St. Patrick's celebration.

Brown family honored at ceremony

Former Heppner resident Chris Brown was promoted to colonel in the United States Army recently, in a ceremony that featured a surprise award of the Prisoner of War Medal to his father, Paul Brown.

Paul Brown was recognized for his sacrifice as a prisoner of war from May 1942 until September 1945. A member of Company F, 31st Infantry Regiment, then Cpl. Brown was captured and held prisoner first in the Philippines and later Japan.

Also honored at the Pentagon event was Col. Brown's mother, Betty Brown, who received an award of the World War II Honorable Service Lapel Pin in recognition of her World War II service as a member of the Marine Corps.

Col. Chris Brown, with more than 23 years of active duty com-

Chamber Chatter
By Claudia Hughes, Chamber Manager

As I drove over the rolling hills with the fog drifting in and out of the canyons and the sun breaking through on hills beginning to show green, I couldn't help but wonder if this type of scene was what attracted the Irish to settle in our part of the country. Pictures I've seen and books I've read create this scene on the misty moors of Ireland.

The terrific volunteers who make our Wee Bit 'O Ireland celebration a reality are on a dead run this week. There are thousands of behind the scene tasks that have to be handled from creating pens for the sheep dog trials, preparing food, publicity, making buttons, hanging banners (Healys and Columbia Basin are hard at it as I write) parade entries, pageant rehearsals, the lamb cook-off, races, KUMA coffee hour, and the auction, to name a few. To keep this celebration ongoing is a challenge and would take an entire newspaper page to list those involved. When each citizen contributes in some small way, it takes the load off those who are close to burn-out. There's "work" for everyone, even if it's convincing your house guests to come to the auction for awhile or to donate an auction item (which are still needed 676-9141). Rumors have it that certain locals will be auctioned off for a day of work. Now's your chance to see one of those leprechauns in action. The auction will be shorter this year and great fun, so check it on your itinerary.

Thought for the week: An Irish Blessing—May the road rise up to meet you; May the wind be always at your back; May the sunshine warm upon your face; And rains fall soft upon your fields; And until we meet again, may God hold you in the small of His hand.

Off the Wall By Marilyn Robinson

Sure and begory perhaps the leprechauns won't have to wear snowboots for the St. Patrick's festivities in Heppner this weekend. Everyone seems ready to trade snowballs for mudballs. And the garden fever will strike some people much quicker than others that are more cautious.

For instance, our eldest son was out rototilling last week, while the melting snow water was rushing down Hinton Creek. But I think I'll wait awhile because when I went to read the well meter, my boot got stuck in the mud causing me to lose my balance. At least no one witnessed my rolling in the muck like a hog rooting out a mud wallow.

Like other people, I'll join in the "wearing of the green" though the blood coursing through my veins is only part Irish. And rather than try to modify some wild Irish jokes, this column has to do with a true life story about the feted Mollahan family.

Before Morrow County became a consolidated school district each little district had charge of their children's schooling. My mother continuously drove an old Ford school bus for our district even before I started school. When the children of that district dwindled during my high school years, I drove the family car to school.

How anyone ever trusted their kids' safety to a 16-year-old driver, I'll never know. Maybe it was because of World War II gas rationing which also led to delivering the neighbors' groceries and mail. However I tend to think it was because of the unimproved country roads that didn't permit speeding since one could hardly get out of the tracks. And many a time I found overnight refuge in a neighbor's house when roads became impassable.

My route over Bunker Hill from our ranch in what was then called Clark Canyon took me to Willow Creek. In 1942 when the Mollahan family moved to what is now the Thompsons place, I suddenly found myself in charge of three lively little Irishmen, Bob, John, Larry and their sister, Mary.

Now I won't say that these kids were any different from others, it's just that I never had any little brothers. I will say that a dome light got broken. And if the boys couldn't pick a fight with each other, they delighted in teaming up on their sister, Mary.

Many's the time she threatened them with their lives, although I insisted that the annihilation not take place until they were out of the car. But the boys had evasive tactics worked out to a science since once out of the vehicle they could out maneuver her and make their 200-year dash to the safety of their mom in the house.

But it wasn't until many years later that I was reminded of the time that without ever stopping the car, I backhanded the culprit who leaned over from the back seat and kissed me on the cheek. It just goes to show that Irishmen love everyone and this weekend everyone becomes Irish to celebrate the coming of spring.

RV parking available

RV parking will be available at 12 and 13. Cost is \$3 a night or the Morrow County Fairgrounds \$5 with a hookup. on Friday and Saturday, March

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**Heppner Elks #358
Members and Guests
Saturday, March 13**

Elk's Coffee Hour - 10 a.m.
Brunch - 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Dinner - 6 p.m.
Music: Irish Singers - 4 to 5:30 p.m.
Dance: 9 p.m.
2 Bands
1 upstairs - 1 downstairs

Heppner Elks 358
676-9181 "Where Friends Meet" 142 N. Main

Lexington News
By Delpha Jones

--The card party held at the Oddfellow Hall on Saturday night was well attended. Refreshments were served and prizes given. Robert Taylor was men's high and Cecil Jones placed second; Kathy Tellechea, women's high and Delpha Jones, second; Luella Taylor and Leo Crabtree traveling and Bernice Nash, door prize. The next card party will be April 3 at 7:30 p.m.

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Salad Dressing	\$2.29	Broccoli	59¢ lb.
Western Family Semi Sweet 12 oz.	reg. \$1.79	Seedless	
Chocolate Chips	\$1.00 ea.	Grapes	99¢ lb.
Imperial 1 lb. pkg.	reg. \$1.09	Golden Delicious	
Margarine Cubes	2 for \$1.00	Apples	59¢ lb.
Spam 12 oz.	reg. \$2.45	4 inch pots	
Lunch Meat	\$2.00 ea.	Shamrock Plants	\$1.00 ea.
Western Family 28 oz.	reg. \$1.19	Bar S Ez Carve	
Peeled Tomatoes	65¢ ea.	½ Hams	\$1.79 lb.
Frozen		Ends & Peices	
Corned Beef	\$1.00 lb.	Bacon	99¢ lb.
Western Family frozen 12 oz.		Extra Lean	
Orange Juice	79¢ ea.	Ground Beef	\$2.00 lb.
Banquet Country 25 oz.		Rib Eye Steak	\$4.39 lb.
Fried Chicken	\$2.00 ea.		
Large size			
Tomatoes	65¢ lb.		

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