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## Oregon Trail kiosk dedicated



Jim Renner of the Oregon Trail coordinating council presents a certificate to Jean Nelson. Nelson is wearing a replica of an 1859 dress. The dress was made by Mabel Heath for the 1959 centennial celebration.

A kiosk, commemorating the Well Springs site, where pioneers camped on the Oregon Trail was dedicated Sunday May 16 in a ceremony on the site. Well Springs is located on the Navy Bombing Range and the kiosk on the Charles Doherty property on Emigrant road.

Over 100 people attended the dedication which honored both the pioneers and those who had a hand in construction of the kiosk.

Jim Renner, interpretive director with the Oregon Trail Coordinating Council read some pioneer accounts of the site and presented certificates of appreciation to John Wood, who designed the kiosk; Robin Baker, Ione, who puts in many hours taking school children and other groups on the tours to the site as well as doing maintenance on the area; Charles Doherty, who donated

the land; Kent Goodyear, representing the Port of Morrow which donated money to fund construction of the kiosk and Delpha Jones, Ruth McCabe and Jean Nelson, all of the Morrow County Historical Society. Renner was presented a plaque for his contributions toward the kiosk.

The Well Springs campsite, described as a "poor" campsite by those traveling along the Oregon Trail around 150 years ago, has had 2,500 visitors since March of last year, 131 of those this past month. The spring, located in the midst of rolling hills and sagebrush was hazardous for the pioneers' livestock. Diaries reported that guards were posted at the spring to prevent the cattle from falling in the springs. Once they fell in, they could not get out by themselves.

"We reached the springs at 10

o'clock at night; in a perfect gale of wind," reports Philemon Vauter Crawford in 1851. "We turned loose and all hands went to bed without supper, but not without some growling—the Well Springs are at a sort of valley or depression in the hills, and consists of several small mounds with water boiling up in the center and sinking to the base of the mounds. This morning we collected enough greasewood to get breakfast with and left Well Springs as soon as we could get off."

The site is located along seven miles of undisturbed ruts of the Oregon Trail on land leased by Boeing and land leased or owned by the Miller, Pettyjohn, Doherty, Lindsay and Krebs families and Oregon Circle Farms.

## Law enforcement officers receive recognition



Law enforcement honored at the Heppner Chamber of Commerce recently are l-r: Merle Cowett, asst. chief police, Heppner, Oregon State Police Carl Martin, sheriff Roy Drago, Boardman Police Dept. Greg Sayles, Heppner chief Doug Rathbun.

Morrow County judge Louis Carlson presented certificates to representatives of all the law enforcement entities in the county at a ceremony at the Heppner Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, May 11.

Carlson said that the presentation, in honor of "Law Enforcement Week," recognized the officers' "unusual contribution to Morrow County security."

### Weather Report

by City of Heppner

May 11 - 17, 1993		
	High	Low Prec
Tues.	91	56 .0
Weds.	91	52 .0
Thurs.	80	52 Tr.
Fri.	78	46 .0
Sat.	79	51 .0
Sun.	82	51 .0
Mon.	87	54 .0

## Housing plan outlined at city council

George Koffler of the Bank of Eastern Oregon outlined a plan for a housing project in Heppner at the Heppner City Council meeting on Monday, May 10.

According to Koffler, the project, which is only in the "exploratory stage," would involve building several affordable three-bedroom, two-bath homes which may be purchased in a lease-to-own plan. Koffler said that proponents of the project have isolated four or five lots in dispersed areas around town as proposed building sites. He said that nine families have already contacted him concerning homes, which would probably be in the \$65,000 range.

Koffler said that if the plan is approved by bank officials, the bank would loan money to the housing authority which would, in turn, administer the program. The monthly lease payment is estimated to be around \$450.

Koffler said that as much as \$3,500 for a down payment could be accumulated in monthly lease payments over a three-year period.

At the end of three or five years, the buyers would obtain a loan for the home. The home would not be placed on the tax rolls until that time.

In other business, the council: -heard a report concerning bids for the construction of the Heppner Fire Hall. Out of 17 requests for specifications, four bids were received, two from Hermiston, one from Pendleton and one from Lebanon. Bids will be opened at 2:30 p.m. on May 27;

-heard that bids have been let for purchase of a fire truck. Bids will be opened on June 28 at 3:30 p.m.;

-heard the schedule for the sewer improvement construction. The city expects to advertise for bids in June, with bids opened in

July:

-discussed formulating a new burning ordinance;

-approved a transfer of \$2,250 for repair of the city hall roof;

-heard a report that Union Pacific plans to abandon the railroad line into Heppner. The city is against the plan because Kinzua still uses the line;

-heard a report on several properties in town that have become a nuisance because of tall grass, garbage or other debris;

-learned of a Department of Environmental proposal concerning weekly testing of the sewer system;

-reimbursed Doug Dubuque \$150 for street repairs he and his neighbors completed on their street. The council agreed to the reimbursement as a "one-time thing." "This isn't going to be the norm," said a council member.

## County operating levy fails

One Year Operating Levy Measure No. 25-2

The Morrow County One Year Operating Levy Measure No. 25-2 failed by a margin of 94 votes. The Irrigon Social Gaming also failed by 37 votes: 88 yes 125 no.

Following is a breakdown by towns:

	Yes	No
Boardman	207	262
Hardman	16	6
Ione	132	87
Irrigon	181	343
Lexington	122	81
Heppner	371	344
Totals	1029	1123

## Memorial service held

A police memorial service honoring those who have died in the line of duty, was held last Thursday at the cemetery in Boardman.

The Morrow County Sheriffs dept., Oregon State Police, Heppner and Boardman city police departments and the Morrow County District Attorney's office were represented at the memorial service. This is the sixth year for the service, said Morrow County Sheriff Roy Drago.

## Market Report

Compliments of the Morrow County Grain Growers

Tuesday, May 18, 1993

	Soft	White
May		\$3.58
June		\$3.58/\$3.53
July		\$3.50/\$3.42
Aug.		\$3.40
Sept.		\$3.43/\$3.44
	<b>Barley</b>	
May-July		\$93
Aug.-Sept.		\$95

## Linda LaRue promoted to BEO vice president

G.H. Pierson, president of the Bank of Eastern Oregon, announces the promotion of Linda LaRue to vice president of the Bank.

LaRue, who is cashier of the bank, is responsible for the internal operations of the bank and is a member of the bank's senior management team.

LaRue has been with the bank since 1974. She started her career at the Ione branch as a parttime teller. She transferred to the Heppner Branch as an operations officer in 1987 and was named cashier of the bank in 1990.

LaRue is a native of Lostine Oregon. Linda and her husband Del live in Ione, where Del is a teacher for the Morrow County



Linda LaRue

School District. The LaRue's have three grown children, Robin, Shawn and Michelle.

## 'Hot Meal Express' delivers

Many older Americans experience difficulty in meeting their basic nutritional requirements. In fact, a recent nationwide survey of nurses and doctors indicates that as many as one in four elderly may be malnourished.

In June of 1992, Pioneer Memorial Hospital initiated a program called "Hot Meal Express" to provide a nutritional hot lunch to local homebound seniors. These meals are delivered four days a week throughout the Heppner area by volunteers. Meals are provided for a minimal fee to cover costs. Depending on need, delivery can be arranged on an on-going or a one-time only basis. Referrals to the program

can be made by the physicians, Pioneer Memorial Home Health, or Pioneer Memorial Hospital's dietary director. Evelyn Sweek, dietary director at Pioneer Memorial Hospital, encourages anyone who feels that they, or someone they know, are having difficulty maintaining proper dietary standards to contact her at Pioneer Memorial Hospital, 676-9133, for more information on this service.

Jane Rawlins has been coordinating the effort to deliver meals. She says, "I am always in need of more volunteers willing to help with the driving and delivery." Anyone interested, contact her at 676-9435.

## Mustangs win league championship



Heppner Mustang championship baseball team

The Heppner Mustang baseball team won the Columbia Basin Conference championship for the first time in history this year.

The Mustangs posted an 11-0 conference record, and also earned a fourth place rating in the last state poll as the players prepare for the district playoffs beginning

next week at Pendleton. The Mustang have one more league game Thursday, against Weston-McEwen in Athena.

Heppner will face Dufur, the first place team from the East CBC, at 12 noon Monday, May 24 at Bob White field in Pendleton.

If the Mustangs win their first game they will not play again until Friday, May 28 at Boardman, where they will face either Grant Union, Union or Elgin.

If Heppner loses its first game Monday, the team will play later in the day around 6 p.m.

## REAL ESTATE LOANS

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