

### Heppner merchants to meet

The Heppner Merchants Committee will hold a meeting this Friday at 12 noon at Kates Pizza. The program for this month's meeting will be City Manager

Gary Marks, who will speak about on-going projects in the city. All business people are invited to attend the no-host noon luncheon.

### Local girls perform in 'Cirque Ballet'



L-R: Allison Sykes, Stephanie Clough, Brooke Boyer, Camille Sykes

Local students performed in the Carlson School of Dance production of 'Le Cirque Ballet' on June 9 and 10 in Hermiston.

Performing in the ballet, which had a circus theme, were Brooke Boyer, Lexington and Stephanie

Clough, and Allison and Camille Sykes, all of Heppner.

The Carlson School of Dance is operated by Bonney Jo Carlson. The ballet was held in cooperation with the Friends of the Hermiston Public Library.

### St. Patrick's Senior Center Bulletin Board



There were 106 people present for the senior dinner June 9. Four dinners were taken out. Members of the lone United Church of Christ served. Bud Batty won the meal ticket, Ed Dick and Callie Huddleston won door prizes. Stan Foster director of CAPECO was a guest. He met with the senior board and meal site committee following dinner.

The menu for June 23 will be chicken and rice casserole, mixed vegetables, jello salad, rolls and apple crisp. Members of the Mormon church will serve. Following dinner there will be a half hour slide presentation by Simmons Insurance and Marlene Barnett on annuities as an investment alternative. Door prizes will be awarded.

A group of volunteers folded newsletters for the extension service in the office Monday afternoon June 14.

The senior bus will be going to Leavenworth, WA. Saturday June 19. Departure time is tentatively set at 5:45 a.m.. This is a one day trip with four hours driving time each way. Suggested donation per person is \$8 for the bus. To sign up call 676-9030 or stop by the senior office. The bus will also leave for Milton-Freewater Sunday, June 20 at 10 a.m.

### Local trust awards eight scholarships

South Morrow County Scholarship Trust has awarded its first year awards to Sherry Bingham, Mark Conklin, Peter Pearson, Alecia Tarnasky and Melissa, Wallace, all Heppner and Ryan Halvorsen, Crystal Minster and David Wagenblast, lone.

South Morrow County Scholarship Trust, officially organized in January of 1993, is an affiliate chapter of the Dollars for Scholars program. For an annual fee of \$100 per year, South Morrow County Scholarship Trust gets professional assistance and resources to establish and maintain the program.

The goals of South Morrow County Scholarship Trust are three-fold. First, organizers plan to work over the next 30 years to build a 4.5 million dollar trust, using only the interest for scholarships. Organizers hope this will be well in place when the Carl W. Troedson Educational Fund dispenses its assets to various medical organizations in the state of Oregon in the year 2023. They also plan to give annual scholarships to Heppner and lone High School graduates as money is made available and they intend to work with local scholarship committees to develop a common application form.

Because of the generous sup-

port of community organizations and individuals and a matching grant of \$2000 from the state of Oregon Scholarship Commission, the board of directors were able to award eight \$500 scholarships this year. The board of directors include Rev Stan Hoobing, president; Bill Rietmann, vice president; Roger Helmer, secretary; Bob Kahl, treasurer; George Kofler, Dana Reid and Jim Swanson.

Citizen's Scholarship Foundation of America Inc, is a national, nonprofit organization, committed to expanding access to educational opportunities by involving and assisting the private sector in the support of students and in the encouragement of educational achievement. In 1992 over 27,500 students received over \$26 million dollars in financial support through programs managed by CSFA or its "Dollars for Scholars" affiliates. "Dollars For Scholars" is a program of CSFA to provide interested communities with the tools and support for the establishing and maintaining volunteer operated, community based scholarship foundations. Today, Dollars For Scholars is a network of over 630 cities, towns and neighborhoods meeting the challenge of rising educational costs head on.

### Volunteers get rodeo grounds ready

Rebuilding a permanent rodeo facility at the fairgrounds in Heppner in time for the Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo August 21 and 22, got a major boost this past weekend. In two days, over 20 volunteers using donated equipment hauled over 1,900 yards of base rock and sand.

This modern all-weather 150 by 300 foot arena floor has been upgraded by the use of over 1,000 lineal feet of base rock placed in four foot deep trenches for improved drainage. The surface of the arena floor will be two feet deep in sandy loam soil that has been hauled from the Barry Munkers farm near Lexington.

Rodeo Committee chairman Jerry Gentry said that although the project was held up by wet weather this spring, there have been over 1,000 donated man hours to date since the old facilities were completely torn down.

Plans are to rebuild a permanent facility with bucking chutes and corrals. Bleacher seating will

be added on the south side, with long range plans to include a middle section of covered seats. Total seating will accommodate around 2,000 people. Last year's estimated head count was around 1,500.

"There has been tremendous support from everyone involved, we will have a rodeo in Heppner this year," Gentry said. "However, the committee is still encouraging support from the community to finish the project," he said.

Rodeo tickets will soon be on sale, Gentry said. And the fair and rodeo court have been busy traveling to other areas to promote this event.

Some of the donors who provided equipment and operators this past weekend were the Port of Morrow, Kinzua Corporation, Morrow County Grain Growers, Roger Britt Excavation, Miller and Sons, Umatilla Ready Mix, VanArsdale Construction, John Britt Logging, Don Barber, Devin Oil Company and Mahoney Ranches.



## WHY WE NEED TO PASS THE COUNTY OPERATING LEVY



The county tax base dates back to 1908 and only provides \$784,892 in revenue to support county services. The balance of taxes necessary to maintain county services comes from the annual operating levy.



We all use county services in one form or another. These services range from county roads to the Neighborhood Center's assistance for the needy and from police protection from the sheriff's department to the county health nurse.



County services are vital to the continued economic growth of our county. Without these services it will be virtually impossible to attract new business and jobs to the area. Plus, it will make it extremely difficult to recruit and retain people for our existing businesses.



The county operating levy will cost the owner of a \$50,000 home \$18.62 per month compared to \$19.29 per month last year.



Remember 65% of county taxes are paid by utilities. However, these payments are only made if we, the voters, pass the operating levy.



For all these reasons and many more, we need to

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