

Town and Country Days Jan. 12

The "Slob Sisters", Peggy Young and Pam Jones, will be guest speakers at the Town and Country banquet Wednesday, Jan. 12, beginning at 7 p.m. at the Heppner Elks Club.

The pair, who really are sisters, provide humor for the "organizationally impaired." Jones and Young, "former slob", have been featured on "AM Northwest", "Oprah", "Donahue", "CBS This Morning", "The Today Show", "Sally Jessy Raphael", "Geraldo" and "The Home Show", among others.

In addition to guest appearances the sisters lecture, conduct organizational workshops and publish a newsletter that goes to subscribers in every state and many countries.

Jones and Young both live in Vancouver, WA, with their families.

The banquet will also include

the coronation of the Morrow County Fair and Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo Court, the Century Farm award and presentation of the Chamber of Commerce first citizen and educator awards.

A gem drawing will also be held, sponsored by Peterson's Jewelers. Morrow County Grain Growers will host a social hour prior to the banquet beginning at 6 p.m.

Town and Country Day activities will also feature meetings throughout the day beginning with the Soil and Water Conservation District business meeting at 8:30 a.m. The Small Woodlands annual meeting will get underway at 9:30 a.m. followed by a break sponsored by the Bank of Eastern Oregon; the SWCD annual meeting with Rep. Chuck Norris at 10 a.m.; a noon luncheon buffet with Bruce Andrews, Oregon director of

agriculture, who will speak on the "State of Oregon Agriculture and Effects of NAFTA"; Kirk Lloyd of Agri-Comp and Scott Brown of SAIF who will speak on farm and ranch safety/Workman's Comp. rates and claims at 1:30 p.m.; break at 2:45; Oregon Women for agriculture speaking on private property rights, legislation and agriculture unity at 3 p.m.; Casey Beard, speaking on the Hanford and Umatilla Depot Emergency Management Plan regarding crops in Morrow County in the event of contamination at 5 p.m.

Tickets for the prime rib dinner are on sale for \$15 each at Morrow County Grain Growers, Heppner Chamber of Commerce, Bank of Eastern Oregon, Heppner and Ione branches and Murray Drugs.

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Three arrested in Park vandalism

The Morrow County Sheriff's Department has arrested three young men in connection with criminal mischief at the Willow Creek RV Park outside of Heppner.

Arrested and charged with first degree criminal mischief were William Robert Kraft, 18, DeCox Road, Heppner, Robert Shadley, 17, and Randy Riggs, 21, both of Rt. 1 Box 4041, Lexington.

Riggs was also charged with two counts of furnishing alcohol to a minor.

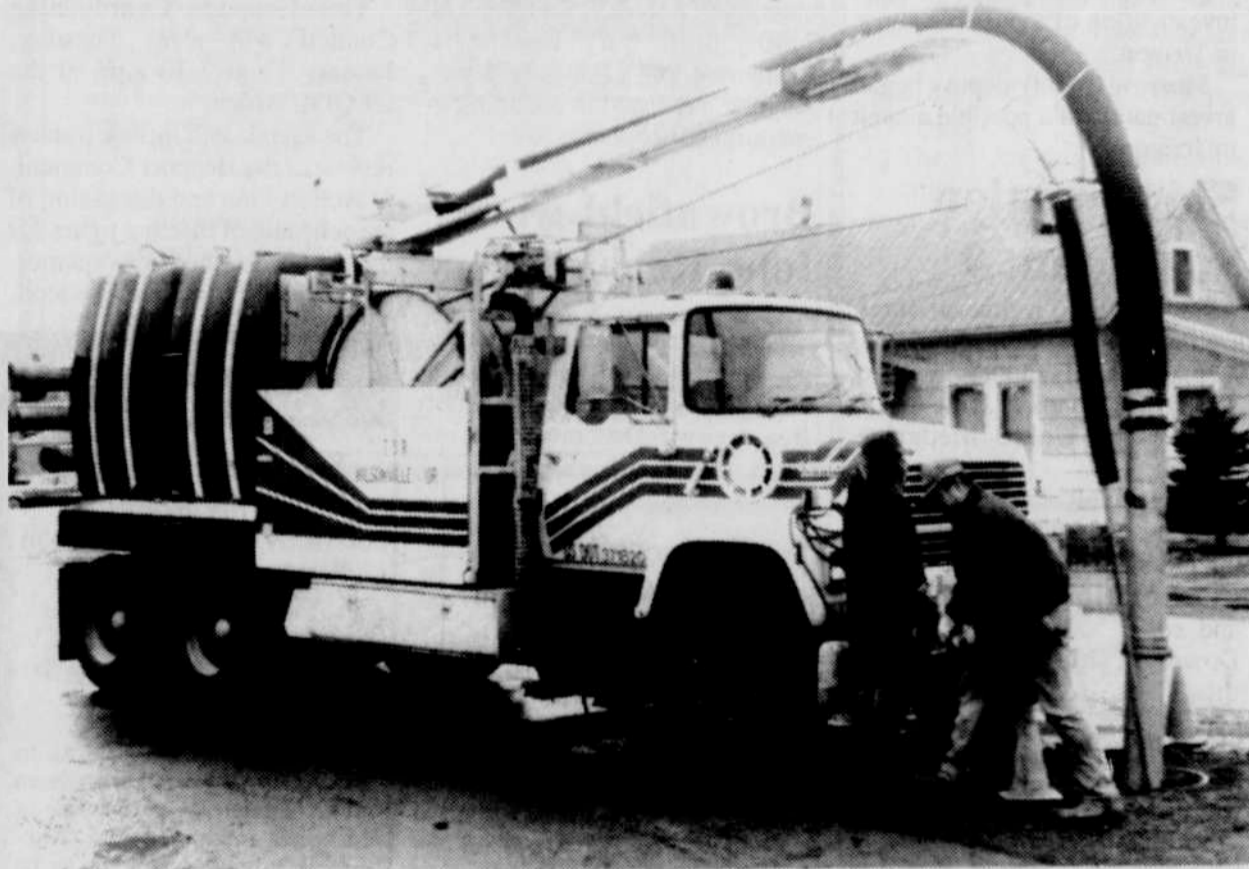
The arrests stem from a Dec. 11 incident in which around \$1500 damage was done to the park restrooms, picnic tables and other park property. Approximately a week earlier, the park caretaker reported similar damage to the park.

The park district had offered a reward for information on the

vandalism. On January 4, a concerned citizen provided the sheriff's office with key information that led to the arrests. The citizen declined the reward offered by the park district.

Sheriff Roy Drago credits the citizen and "some good police work" by deputy Gary Warren and Heppner police chief Doug Rathbun.

Sewer work underway



Mike Loomis (right) and Mike Eakle of TSR, Wilsonville, clean sewer lines in Heppner as part of sewer repair project.

After cleaning, a second truck also working in Heppner, will send a TV camera through the lines looking for breaks. Another truck will come later and grout holes and joints in the sewer lines.

Loomis, who is owner of the business, says he expects the job to take about nine weeks. He and his wife, who runs the camera truck, are staying at the Heppner RV Park.

Judge Louis Carlson delivers county budget message

Morrow County Judge Louis Carlson delivered his budget message on Jan. 3 at the courthouse.

In the message, Judge Carlson discussed the "serious cash shortfall" existing at the end of the 1993 fiscal year, June 30.

Carlson attributed the cash crisis to the compression effects of Ballot Measure 5 and the county's effort to maintain services without increases to the taxpayers, thereby causing the general fund to absorb the impact.

Carlson said that in order to "keep up with the increasing cost of doing business each year, it

will be necessary to raise additional revenues, decrease existing expenditures or budget to a lower ending fund balance." Carlson said that the county has budgeted a lower ending fund balance, which has begun to eat away at the cash carryover into the next fiscal year.

Carlson said that less cash carryover will require borrowing money, which will in turn require that interest be paid. But Carlson cautioned that not having any ending fund balance would be devastating and said that the county needs to resolve to maintain those ending fund balances.

Jonas Healy wins Geography Bee

Jonas Healy, an eighth-grader at Heppner Elementary and Middle School, won the school-level competition of the National Geography Bee on January 4 and a chance at a \$25,000 college scholarship. The school-level bee, at which students answered oral and written questions on geography, was the first round in the Sixth Annual National Geography Bee, which is sponsored by "National Geographic World", the society's magazine for children, and Amtrak. Josh Roy was runner-up.

Al Beck, junior high social studies teacher, presented the questions and served as judge.

Thirteen students in grades four through eight qualified for the school bee based on scores given

Chamber to install officers

The Heppner Chamber of Commerce will hold their annual meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 11, at noon at the Elks Club.

Included in the annual meeting will be the installation of 1994 officers, the presentation of the annual "Hats Off" award and a recap of 1993's activities.

Search & Rescue to raffle wood

The Morrow County Search and Rescue is raffling off two cords of wood.

The drawing will be held on Jan. 14. One ticket will be drawn for each cord. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5.

Proceeds will go toward training and equipment.

For more information contact any member of Morrow County Search and Rescue or call 676-5592 or 676-5237 or the Morrow County Sheriff's Office. The group will provide free delivery of the wood within 50 miles.

Morrow SWCD to hold annual meeting

The Morrow Soil and Water Conservation District Weed Control District will hold its 1993 annual meeting on Wednesday, January 12 at 142 Main Street, Heppner in conjunction with Town and Country Day.

The meeting will begin at 10 a.m. with a financial statement and accomplishments for fiscal year 1992-93. Grieb Farms will be honored as the Morrow SWCD 1993 Outstanding Cooperator of the Year. There will also be a brief update on an upcoming yellow starthistle project. Representative Chuck Norris will be the featured speaker reviewing water related legislative issues.

A no-host luncheon will follow at noon with Bruce Andrews, director of the Oregon Department of Agriculture, speaking on the North American Free Trade Agreement.

To complete the day, a no-host prime rib dinner will begin at 7 p.m. with a program including coronation of the Morrow County Fair and Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo Court, Chamber of Commerce

awards, gem drawing and entertainment by "The Slob Sisters," Pam Young and Peggy Jones. The meetings are open to the public. For more information contact the Morrow SWCD office at 676-5452.

Town & Country Day "Meeting Tomorrow's Challenges Together"

Tuesday, Jan. 11: Heppner Chamber of Commerce annual meeting, installation of officers, "Hats Off" award, recap of 1993.

Wednesday, January 12

- 8:30 a.m. Soil & Water Conservation District Business Meeting.
- 9:30 a.m. Small Woodlands Annual Meeting
- Break Hosted by the Bank of Eastern Oregon
- 10 a.m. Soil & Water Conservation District Annual Meeting, Rep. Chuck Norris.
- Noon Luncheon Buffet, \$6. Bruce Andrews, Oregon Director of Agriculture "State of Oregon Agriculture and Effects of NAFTA"
- 1:30 p.m. Farm & Ranch Safety/Workman's Comp. Rates and Claims, Kirk Lloyd of Agri-Comp and Scott Brown of SAIF.
- 2:45 p.m. Break
- 3 p.m. Oregon Women For Ag: Private Property Rights, Legislation, Agriculture Unity
- 5 p.m. "Ingestion Pathway Planning", Casey Beard, Hanford and Umatilla Depot Emergency Management Plan regarding crops in Morrow County in the event of contamination.
- 5:30 p.m. Break
- 6 p.m. Social Hour hosted by Morrow County Grain Growers
- 7 p.m. Prime Rib Dinner, \$15; gem drawing; guest speakers "The Slob Sisters", Peggy Young and Pam Jones. Humor for the organizationally impaired featured on shows such as 'Oprah', 'Donahue', 'The Today Show', etc.; Coronation of Queen and Court; Century Farm Award, Chamber of Commerce Awards.

All meetings are open to the public.

Tickets are on sale at MCGG, Heppner Chamber of Commerce, Murray Drugs and Bank of Eastern Oregon, Ione and Heppner branch.

Shirley George new manager at Gardner's Men's Wear



Owner Roe Gardner and manager Shirley George

Shirley George has been hired as the new manager of Gardner's Men's Wear in Heppner.

George, who grew up in Heppner and graduated from HHS, operated the Sears catalog store

with her husband Kit, for around 15 years.

"I'm glad to be back on Main Street and see all the people," said George.