

## Amateur cooks recruited for annual St. Pat's lamb cookoff

Amateur cooks of all ages are being recruited for the 4th annual St. Patrick's Day Lamb Cook-Off

in Heppner, on Saturday, March 19. The competition will take place at the "old" Farley Motor Company Building, currently

Skagg's Auto Clinic, 126 E. May Avenue.

Deadline for entries is Thursday, March 10. Entry forms are available from Maureen Krebs, event coordinator, Cecil Star Route, Ione, 97843, or the office of the Oregon Sheep Growers Association.

Competition is divided between adults and students (school age through college). Adults compete for a grand prize of two nights lodging at the Driftwood Shores in Florence. Students compete separately for two scholarship awards, \$100 for first and \$50 for second place. Prizes are donated by 3-K Livestock in Brownsville, the Oregon Sheep Commission, Superior Farms in Hermiston and the Oregon Sheep Growers Association.

Recipes are separated into three categories, barbecue, conventional and miscellaneous. Judging will be on the basis of taste, ease of preparation, appearance and appeal. Each recipe must serve 4-6 persons.

Contestants may cook their

lamb dish on-site or bring it prepared to the judging. On-site cooking begins at 8 a.m. with judging at 10 a.m. Samples of barbecued lamb will be available for tasting, beginning at 10 a.m. "The Cook-Off is an opportunity to discover the taste and versatility of fresh American lamb," said Krebs.

The Lamb Cook-Off is jointly sponsored by the Oregon Sheep Growers Association, the Oregon Sheep Commission and the Heppner St. Patrick's Day Committee.

## Weather Report

By City of Heppner

January 18 - 24, 1994		
High Low Prec		
Tues.	68 34	.0
Weds.	60 25	.0
Thurs.	50 25	.0
Fri.	44 28	.0
Sat.	43 30	.0
Sun.	54 25	.10
Mon.	56 30	.02

## Births

**Russell Robert Adkins**-a son Russell Robert was born to Shannon and Robert Adkins, Molalla, on December 29, 1993. The baby weighed 9 lbs.

Grandparents are John and Brenda Ratcliff, Molalla. Great grandparents are George and Anna Mae Steagall, Heppner.

**Zachary Lars Yocom**-a son Zachary Lars was born to Paulette and Jack Yocom of Heppner, on January 22, 1994 at St. Anthony's Hospital in Pendleton. The baby weighed 6 lbs. 12 oz.

Grandparents are Joe Yocom, Lexington and the late Hilda Yocom and Wybonia and Clayton Eddy, Sr., Federal Heights, Co. Great grandparents are Venice Hendrickson, Hermiston and Lloyd and Lois Priest, Golden, Co.

Zachary joins a sister Heather, six and a brother Justin, 18 months, at home.

**Rebecca Suzanne Jepsen**-a daughter Rebecca Suzanne, was born to Nancy and Dr. William R. Jepsen of Heppner, on January 22, 1994 at Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston.

Grandparents are Bob and Suzanne Jepsen, Heppner and Elmer and Gertrude Hibma, Harris, Iowa. Great grandparents are Max and Violet Cheney, Pendleton.

Rebecca joins three brothers Matthew, 12, Daniel, nine and Eric, two and a sister Amy, six, at home.

## BOWLING

Thursday Night Ladies January 20		
	W	L
Lancer Lanes	5	3
Kinzua	5	3
Team #1	5	3
OSEA #59	4	4
B & C Repair	3	5
Gettin' Better	2	6
High Game: Bobbi Childers 180.		
High Series: Bobbi Childers 501.		

January 13		
	W	L
Kinzua	4	0
OSEA #59	3	1
Lancer Lanes	2	2
Team #1	2	2
Gettin' Better	1	3
B & C Repair	0	4
High game: Marie Rudisill 199.		
High series: Marie Rudisill 580.		
Splits converted: Glenda Taylor 3-10, Shannon Lancaster 5-7, Dianna Hoeft 3-10.		

## Trail Blazers seek 'Super Star' team nominations

Each day concerned citizens and volunteers in our county are working to make our communities a better place to live. The Portland Trail Blazers and Budweiser want to make sure these individuals are recognized and rewarded for their outstanding contributions. For the third consecutive year, they are teaming up to present the Community Super Stars Team. Morrow County's own Grace Drake was selected and honored last year.

Morrow County may submit up to 10 nominees through March 4. Heppner Chamber is the designated contact and will provide individuals interested in

making nominations with information and forms. Call 676-5536 for more information.

Chamber manager Claudia Hughes encourages those who nominated the recent Town and Country volunteers to submit them on the required forms. "Citizens in our community have an excellent chance," said Hughes.

Those selected as Super Stars will be invited to attend the Trail Blazers/Seattle Superpersonics game at the Memorial Coliseum on April 24. Each will receive a recognition plaque and \$500 donated to the charity of their choice.

## Dioramas give kids hands-on learning



depict in the miniature scenes. When the kids were done, the dioramas were judged and winners were awarded prizes.

Following are diorama winners: first-Kimberly Hansen and Laurie Michael; second-Michael Schonbachler and Brandon Blodgett; third-Casey Ingraham; fourth-Josh Hill and Clint Bellamy; fifth-Kimberly Marvin; sixth-Alecia Strouse; seventh-

Trisha Adams and Ashley Ropp; eighth-Kim Pointer and Stephanie Clough; ninth-Ben Goodyear and Matthew Jepsen; 10th-Justin Nelson; honorable mention-Macy Rhea, Allison Sykes, Tom Skultety, Corey Miller, Stanley Cutsforth, Matthew VanLiew, John Looney, Cody Bellamy and Jake Cimmiyotti.

The Heppner Middle School sixth grade class learned about Canada in a way that proved to be a little more interesting than the usual dry textbook.

The kids, under the direction of teacher Vicki Broden, had a diorama contest. Each group of children chose a different Canadian province, like our states, to

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## Around the County

By Earl Woods, Jr.

Morrow County and Umatilla County share a common boundary which divides the Umatilla Army Depot. Two-thirds of the Depot lies within Morrow County and one-third lies within Umatilla County. The good news for Morrow County is that the primary water source for

the depot lies within Morrow County. The bad news is that a coalition of folks representing Umatilla County want that water for a truck stop and other uses. The Benkendorf Association Corporation plan (known as the "Depot Comprehensive Plan") fails to specifically locate the water source except generally as "within the Depot". The questions is "who will get control of the water?" I'm betting that Umatilla County will get the water unless we're willing to fight. Contact our commissioners and Judge Carlson if you think Morrow County should get that water.

This brings me to a related topic. I call it the "Slow Death" syndrome. Have you noticed that Heppner used to support a couple of car dealerships—and now has none? Have you noticed that Boardman seems to have a thriving residential/industrial base but virtually no shops or commercial area? Have you noticed that Morrow County doesn't have a major retail chain outlet anymore? What happened to Sears, J.C. Penny and Safeway? What happened is that decent roads, i.e., improvements to I-84, the Bombing Range Road and Highway 207 now make it easier for people to leave the county to do their shopping. Hermiston, Tri-Cities and Pendleton have prospered, while Heppner, Ione, Lexington, Boardman, Irrigon are feeling "the Slow Death". It seems that big towns often suck the life out of their smaller neighbors. I don't know how we can reverse this trend but one step might be a "buy local" policy.

There has been some "grumbling" recently by court personnel. There have been complaints to county court and the sheriff's office that there are too few citations being issued in the south end. The real cause of the discontent is the retirement of our local OSP officer Carl Martin. With no replacement being named the state police have twice opened the Heppner position for applications, with no result. Because nobody has applied for the position, an OSP officer operating out of Hermiston will begin patrolling the south end in February. His name is Allen "Butch" Muhs. OSP has given him the green light to move to Heppner if he wants to. Let's work on him.

For your general information, the Oregon State Police in Morrow County work traffic enforcement and by agreement with the Morrow County Sheriff's office work virtually no investigations. The sheriff's office works investigations.

They do an excellent job and have a secondary mission traffic enforcement on primary county roads. The Sheriff's office handles all prisoner transport for all agencies in the county and serves as dispatcher and coordinates law enforcement and emergency services with in the county. For a small county we have an excellent law enforcement team.

There is a real "brouhaha" developing over the soon-to-be abandoned railroad right of way between the Columbia river and Heppner. Judge Carlson reports that BLM and the Oregon Department of Transportation have initiated a claim. I'll have more for you next week on this. In the meantime, if you have an interest contact Judge Carlson.



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