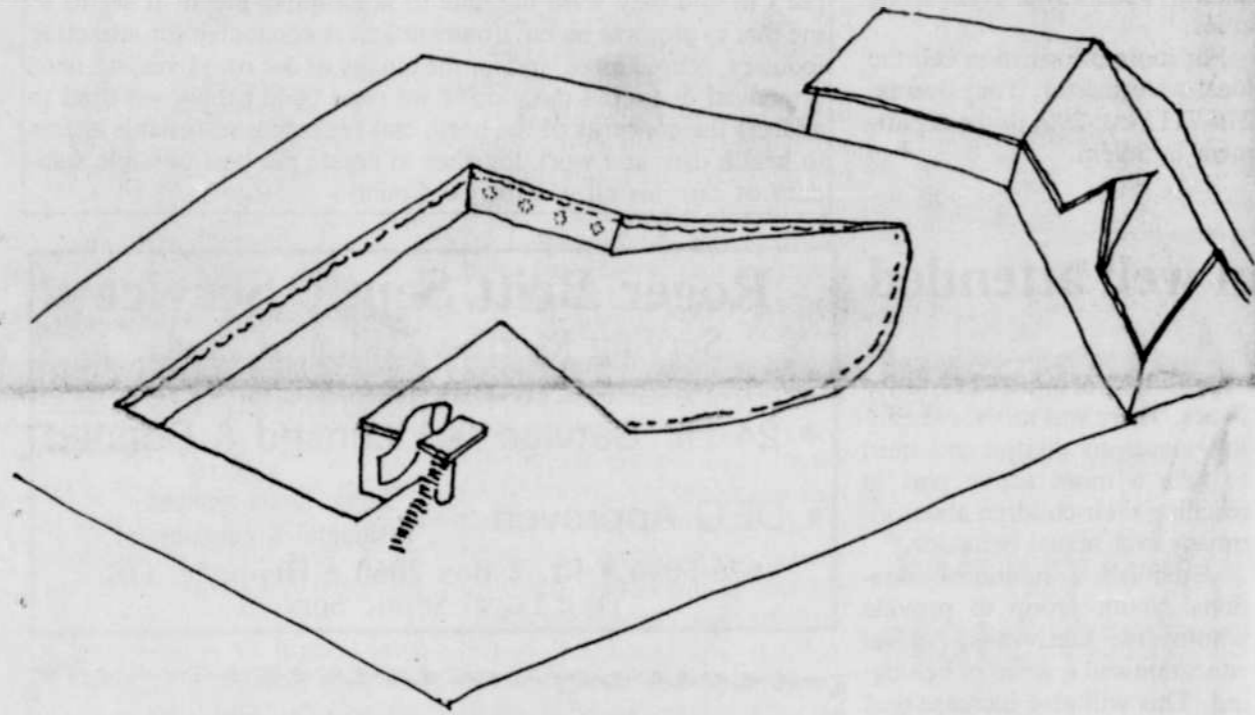


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Swimming pool plans chosen



New swimming pool to be built

A design has been chosen, price estimates completed and plans laid for construction of a new pool in Heppner. The only thing missing is the money to build it. That's what Skip Mathews of the Willow Creek Park District pool committee told the Heppner Chamber of Commerce Tuesday.

Mathews said if funding is obtained the pool probably will be built at Hager Park, have an indoor wading and therapy pool and cost around \$1.2 million.

He said the park district is considering asking voters for a bond issue to finance the pool on this November's ballot. And if the voters say yes "we could have people swimming by next summer," Mathews said.

People for the pool, a local group formed to push for construction of a new pool, has raised about \$12,000 so far, and that money will be used in construction, Mathews said.

Heppner's old pool, located near the south end of town by Shobe creek, was closed down by the city several years ago because of multiple structural and mechanical problems.

The park district had an engineering firm conduct a study to determine best design and location of the pool.

According to the study the best design would include an enlarged bath house and small indoor therapy and teaching pool which is a maximum of four-feet deep. An extra room is incorporated in the bath house as a recreation room or meeting space. The pool itself would feature a four-lane 25-yard lap pool, a deep end with a slide, a fan shaped shallow end that starts with zero feet and extends out for handicapped access

and small children swimming. The pool would also have a sun deck, men's and women's showers, toilets and changing rooms, plus a central control area and lifeguard station.

Mathews said the report estimated operation of the pool to cost \$10,000 per month (it would be open only three months during summer) not including entrance fees paid by users.

Survey included in G-T

The Oregon State Legislature has directed each county to develop a comprehensive plan that will allow communities to achieve conditions that protect, nurture and realize the full potential of children. The Morrow County Commission on Children and Families is currently developing the plan, but they need help.

Inserted in this week's Gazette-Times is a survey to help the Commission discover the strengths of the county, potential risks to families and any ideas or suggestions that might help them formulate the plan. "Without your input, the plan will not be as effective," said Dar Merrill, executive director of the Morrow County Commission on Children

and Families. "You know your individual strengths and the potential risks to your family better than anyone else."

The commission asks that people fill out the survey and return it by June 8 to: the Morrow County Health Department/Morrow County Children and Families, Murray Drug or Central Market in Heppner; Del's Market in Lexington; Bristow's Market in Ione; Sentry Market or the U.S. Post Office outer lobby in Boardman; city hall, county annex building in Ione; or mail it to: the Morrow County Commission on Children and Families, P.O. Box 544, Heppner, OR 97836.

Additional copies may also be obtained at those locations. For more information call 676-9675.

Accident occurs near Tupper

Four people were transported to Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner following a two-car accident around 5:53 p.m. Tuesday, May 24.

According to a Morrow County Sheriff's spokesperson none of the people involved were believed

to have been seriously injured, but were kept overnight for observation.

The accident occurred on Road 21 near Tupper.

No further information was available at press time.

No Memorial day picnic this year

Jean Nelson of the Morrow County Historical Society has announced that the annual Memorial day picnic has been cancelled this year due to lack of interest in finding a family to host it.

Ione gears up for 32nd auction/bbq

By Anne Morter

Saturday, June 4, marks the 32nd annual Ione Auction and Barbecue sponsored by the Ione United Church of Christ. Located at the Willows Grange Hall in Ione, this yearly tradition serves as the main fund raising activity for the IUCC as well as providing an exciting and fun day for the town.

The day kicks off promptly at 10 a.m. with the opening of the Country Store. Held inside the grange hall, the Country Store features handmade crafts and sewing, homemade baked goods, the popular "New to You" selection and a fish pond for kids.

At 10:15 a.m. the silent auction begins outside on a large assortment of glass items including vases, dishes and knick knacks. Bids are opened at 12:15 p.m. for

that event.

The main feature of the day, the auction, gets underway at 10:30 a.m. Highlights of this year's auction list include a 1991 Alaskan Telescopic variety camper equipped with a refrigerator, stove and toilet. The camper has never been cooked in and is in like-new condition. It is scheduled to go on the auction block around 2 p.m. Other auction items include a beautiful hand-pieced quilt and a large assortment of antiques. Smaller items of interest include an 18" child's doll with seven outfits and shoes made by Judy Rea, specialty items like gourmet meals and other food items as well as a large selection of pre-owned goods.

The antique list includes a wooden ice box, several dressers, a treadle sewing machine, a piano

stool with glass ball feet, a couple of fancy gold picture frames, some harness pieces, several milk and oil cans, a cross cut saw, two irons, a chamber pot and an assortment of chairs and small tables.

The quilt, an auction tradition, features a hand pieced top originating in Missouri. The quilt committee of Ruth McCabe, Lyla Ann Pettyjohn and Judy Rea added two borders and hand quilted it. The quilt and the doll are on display at the Bank of Eastern Oregon in Ione.

At 12:30 p.m. the auction action halts when the pit barbecue beef dinner is served. Dinner, which costs \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for ages 6-12 includes barbecued beef, salad buffet, baked beans and French bread. An outdoor snack shack will feature snow cones and cold drinks for the duration of the auction.

Bonnie Grant opens shop



Bonnie Grant checks appointment book

Bonnie Grant began operating "The Hair House", formerly known as Cheri's Hair and Nails, at 124 Church Street in Heppner this week.

Grant purchased the hair salon from Cheri and Red Lovgren, who moved to Dutch Harbor, Alaska, where he has a job working at a co-gen plant.

Grant, who opened the shop Tuesday, May 24, will offer hair

cuts, barbering, nails, manicures, perms, colors and tanning. Grant has been in the hair dressing business since 1983 and worked for five years for Cheri Lovgren.

Hours for "The Hair House" will be Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tanning hours will be 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tentative phone number is 676-9667. Those unable to reach Grant during regular hours may leave a message on her answering machine.

Rape reported in Heppner

Heppner Police Chief Doug Rathbun said that the Heppner Police Department is investigating a reported rape that was said to have occurred Saturday, May 21, around 11:50 p.m. at the Heppner City Park.

Rathbun said that the alleged victim was an adult woman.

Stress, depression

workshop offered

Morrow County Mental Health and Morrow County Medical Services will co-sponsor a combined "Coping with Depression" and "Reducing the Stress in Your Life" workshop. This workshop will be held on June 2 at the home health conference room at Pioneer Memorial Clinic in Heppner. The workshop will begin at 5:30 p.m. and end approximately at 7 p.m. It will give an overview of depression and anxiety as well as offer coping skills to assist people in resolving these issues.

The program is free and open to the public. For more information contact Kelly Sager at Morrow County Mental Health, 676-9161 or Pam Sagely at Pioneer Memorial Hospital, 676-9133.

Mustangs play at home Friday



Heppner Mustang team, district champs

Heppner High School's baseball team will give the hometown fans a chance to see its district-champion skills, in action when it squares off against Elgin this Friday at 4:30 p.m. at home.

Price for first round action in the OSAA-US Bank state 2A

baseball championships will be \$4 for adults, and \$3 for students.

The game will be played on Heppner's new baseball field next to the high school.

If the Mustangs win they will face the winner of the Knappa-Sheridan game on Monday, May

30. Should Knappa win (the number two team from District 1), Heppner will have to travel to Knappa. If Sheridan (the number one team from District 2) wins, Heppner will have another home game on Monday.

Good Luck
Mustangs
in state baseball playoffs,
first round Friday in Heppner, 4:30 p.m.
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