

Engagement



Finley — Mullins

Don and Sharyn Finley, Heppner, announce the engagement of their daughter, Michelle, to Brian Mullins of Austin, TX.

The bride-elect is a 1983 graduate of Liberty High School, Twisp, WA, and a 1987 graduate of Eastern Washington University and Washington State University.

Mullins is the son of Linda Kieschnick of Bakersfield, CA. He graduated from O.D. Wyatt High School, Fort Worth, TX, and is employed by Dynamic Systems, Inc. of Austin, TX.

The couple will be married December 30, at St. Mary Catholic Church in Pendleton.



Orem — Ball

Brandi Lynn Ball, Ione, and Eric M. Orem, Pendleton, announce their engagement to be married.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Robert and Bonni Ball, Ione. She graduated from Ione High School in 1992 and Blue Mountain Community College in 1994. She attends Eastern Oregon State College at LaGrande and plans to graduate in 1997.

The groom-elect's parents are Joe and Anita Orem, Ione. He graduated from Ione High School in 1992 and Blue Mountain Community College in 1994. He is employed with Les Schwab Tire Center in Pendleton.

The couple plan a Dec. 30 wedding at the Ione United Church of Christ. A reception will follow at the Ione Legion Hall.

Wedding



Wilson-Dammeyer

Jodi Fae Wilson and Scott Michael Dammeyer, both Heppner, were married October 14, 1995, at the Lexington Grange Hall. Morrow County Judge Louis Carlson officiated at the ceremony.

Jodi is the daughter of Danny Wilson, Heppner, and Carmen Wilson, Lexington. She graduated from Heppner High School and is employed in the personnel department at Oregon Potato Company in Boardman.

Scott's parents are George and Mary Dammeyer of Bothell, WA. He graduated from Bothell High School and is employed at Lexington Auto Body as an auto body man.

A reception was held at the Lexington Grange Hall. After a wedding trip to Las Vegas, the couple are at home in Heppner.

Pesticide training offered at fair

Core A and B pesticide training will be offered at the Farm-City Fair in Hermiston. Core A will be offered Wednesday morning, Nov. 29 and Core B, Thursday morning, Nov. 30. Fifteen recertification credits will be available during the fair,

but there will probably not be other Core A or B classes offered before the first of the year.

For more information, contact Jeff McMorran, Hermiston Agricultural Research and Extension Center, 567-8321.

Taxpayers may appeal property values

Those who disagree with the property values on their tax statement may file an appeal no later than Dec. 31. The value is on the tax statement mailed in October. Forms needed to appeal are available from the county clerk or county assessor's office.

Appeals should be filed with the county board of equalization, which will meet from Jan. 31 to April 15 to consider the appeals of the assessor's estimate of value.

Those who appeal should present evidence to support the value they are requesting. This

evidence could be an appraisal done by an independent appraiser or a comparison of nearby properties that were sold recently.

Before filing an appeal, the property owner may talk to the staff in the county assessor's office about the real market value of the property and sales data. They can check the information in the assessor's file used for the appraisal. If there is a factual error, such as the wrong square footage, the file can be corrected.

For more information, call your county assessor's office.

Off the Wall

By Meryn Robinson

It's time to talk turkey. So the "clean out the refrigerator" day last week inspired me to get ready for the big Thanksgiving event so family members might feel comfortable about eating at my house.

It's easy to get lax about such housekeeping measures while satisfying only my own hunger pangs during this past month while hubby was incarcerated in the V.A. hospital. I think I remember how to turn on the oven. Forcing a "big bird" into the microwave might be difficult.

I did dispose of one moldy cucumber; however, that blue-covered cheese must still have some useful purpose. One petrified hard-boiled egg and some questionable semi-ripe tomatoes from the garden does not sound like a terrific salad. Looking good now...that leaves one red potato, two scroungy onions and five withered apples in the frig. Perhaps I should grocery shop. A dab of jam, an almost empty margarine carton and a bottle of wine does not make a great Thanksgiving menu. But I did part with a half can of congealed tomato soup, the stale orange juice and an unidentified dish that the dog would not eat.

After we have finished stuffing ourselves, we are supposed to shop 'til we drop during the biggest Christmas shopping binge of the year. According to reports, consumers are not parting with hard-earned shekles as readily. Many merchants began advertising sales before Thanksgiving.

Meanwhile, bazaar shoppers trample over each other to purchase those hand-crafted goodies that I label "dust-catchers". If I'd only known that people would fight over coiled-up, rusty barbed wire festooned with a few decorations, I would have redirected my efforts long ago. There is enough rusty wire on this place to decorate the White House. A more useful measure might be to place said prickly wire in congressional seats so that our representatives would get off their rears.

When it comes to decorating, I do have a collection of some earthy, country objects during my latest crusade to clean up our environment which involved moving the junk out of barns and outbuildings. A person can now step inside our so-called shop without a gas mask and band-aids. I found antique tools that would stump a computer technician. And the shop vacuum came to light having been out of action so long that the mice were using it for a home. My big mistake was turning it on before I discovered that some of those critters hadn't escaped, thus adding to a smelly situation.

But I'm feeling better about battening the hatches for winter by repairing broken glass windows and battered barn doors devastated by bulldozers-the live ones, that is. Now I need to organize a barn party where everyone brings hip boots and shovels to remove that high-grade natural fertilizer. I'd certainly furnish coffee and doughnuts. But my collection of broken-handled hammers, tools, shovels and pitchforks that I've assembled gives me a great Christmas gift idea. Every family member gets a new implement handle tied with a red bow-accompanied by instructions, of course.

Cattle producers learn to be smart shoppers and have ingenious ways of making things operate with the use of baling wire and twine. But they need to learn new marketing techniques whether it is for the main product or that fragrant residue. Store merchants mark down products and take less profit when sales are slow. But on one has ever figured out how to stabilize beef prices at above production costs. Car dealers, for instance, do not devalue their vehicles by marking them down. Instead, they offer bigger rebates, trade-ins or vacation trips. Ranchers should offer working vacations.

There are other chores besides smelly barns. With beef prices low, it might be a good time to purchase beef gift certificates for Christmas. And how about a juicy, standing rib roast for Thanksgiving and let those feathered friends take a hike. When it comes to shopping, be careful to not max out your credit card. Christmas comes but once a year and monthly bills just keep coming and coming. Think homemade, whether it's food, clothing, handiwork or I.O.U.s for services rendered. However, if you received a paid furlough last week as a government worker, you've probably already taken care of that shopping.

BIG BOB'S BABY'S BIRTHDAY BASH BE THERE

Bob Kilkenny invites friends and family to join him in celebrating Kevin's 21st birthday. November 24th 7-10 p.m. at YAW'S Cocktails and Buffet



FSA LAA election to be held

The Morrow County Farm Service Agency (FSA) Committee election will be held this year on Monday, Dec. 4. Ballots will be mailed around Wednesday, Nov. 22 and must be post-marked Dec. 4 in order to be counted.

The Local Administration Areas (LAA) candidates by area are as follows: A. Boardman/Sandhollow/Buttercreek (two year term)-Virginia Grieb, Rod Taylor, Vern Fredrickson and Don Key; B. Lexington/Heppner/Upper Willow Creek (one year term)-John Kilkenny, Mark Miller, Craig Miles and Lori Seitz; C. Ione/Rhea Creek/Lower Willow Creek (three year term)-Clint Krebs, Marnie Anderson, Joe McElligott and Bill Jepsen.

Anyone who has not received a ballot by mail and who is

Regional

Strategies

meeting slated

A meeting of the North Central Oregon Regional Strategies, staffed by the Greater Eastern Oregon Development Corporation, will be held Thursday, Nov. 30, at 10 a.m. at the Fossil Senior Center.

Agenda items include election of officers, a vote on a proposal for the next funding round and a vote on multi-region projects.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF CREATION OF LIVESTOCK DISTRICT

The County Clerk of Morrow County hereby gives notice that the majority of all the votes cast upon the issue is in favor of creation of a livestock district known as "Fuller Canyon Livestock District". On and after the 15th day of January, 1996, it shall be unlawful for the following classes of livestock to be permitted to run at large within the boundaries of the livestock district: animals of the bovine species, horses, mules, asses, sheep, goats, swine and "exotic animals"; "exotic animals" include, but are not limited to, buffalo, bison, llama, ostrich, emu, or any animal resulting from the crossbreeding thereof, or the crossbreeding of such exotic animals with domestic animals.

ORS 607.045 provides: "No person owning or having the custody, possession or control of an animal of a class of livestock shall permit the animal to run at large or to be herded, pastured or to go upon the land of another in a livestock district in which it is unlawful for such class of livestock to be permitted to run at large." Violation of this statute is an Unclassified Misdemeanor, punishable by a maximum penalty of one year in the county jail and/or a fine in the amount of \$5,000.00.

The boundaries of the Fuller Canyon Livestock District are: Commencing at the intersection of State Highway 74 and Fuller Canyon Road in Section 27, Township 2 South, Range 26, E.W.M., in Morrow County Oregon; thence south along Fuller Canyon Road a distance of 2 miles, more or less; thence continuing along Fuller Canyon Road as it turns to the Northwest a distance of 4.5 miles, more or less, to the intersection of Fuller Canyon Road and Paul Brown Road (aka Bunker Hill Road); thence north along Paul Brown Road (aka Bunker Hill Road) to the north section line of Section 24, Township 2 South, Range 25, E.W.M.; thence west on Paul Brown Road (aka Bunker Hill Road) to the northwest corner of said Section 24, Township 2 South, Range 25, E.W.M.; thence north on Meadow Brook Farm Road a distance of one mile to the northwest corner of Section 13, Township 2 South, Range 25, E.W.M.; thence east along the section lines to the west right-of-way boundary line of State Highway 74, a distance of two miles more or less; thence southeast along the said State Highway right-of-way boundary to the point of beginning. Published: November 15 and 22, 1995

eligible to vote may stop by the Morrow County FSA office, Pettyjohn Building, Heppner-Lexington highway, Heppner, and pick one up.

The duties of county FSA Committee members include: informing farmers of the purpose and provisions of the FSA programs; keeping the state FSA Committee informed of LAA conditions; recommending needed changes in farm programs; participating in county meetings as necessary and performing other duties as assigned by the state FSA Committee.

4-H News

Kool Kitchen Kids

By Jodie Carlson

The Kool Kitchen Kids met recently and nominated officers. Then the members talked about what they have to make for fair, and talked about nutritious ingredients in certain cakes. After the meeting, the Kids made a tasty double chocolate snack cake.

New R&W owners continue program

The R & W Reading Program, which provides incentives for students to reach reading goals, is continuing at Heppner Elementary School. This year's program began Nov. 1 and will end March 31.

Students who have already earned certificates are second grader Katie Britt, third grader Emily Bergstrom, fourth graders Zachary Skaggs and Adam Wight and fifth grader Jeremy McKenzie.

The program was suggested nine years ago by former R & W Drive-In owners, Tom and Helen Riehl, as a way to encourage the development of reading as a life-long habit. The new owners of the R & W, Alex and Patty Rystedt, and their assistants, Scott and Carol Hollis, are continuing the program because they also believe that the ability to read is an important and essential skill.

Reading teachers at Heppner Elementary School establish reading goals for students based on the age and reading ability of the child. Students are also required to do projects related to the reading. These have ranged from a first grader's "Reading Log" to an advanced fifth grader's comparison of books by the same author.

Heppner Elementary School says that treats at the Drive-In encourage the students to read for recreation and information, thus promoting the early development of an essential life skill.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A Special Meeting of the Morrow County School District Board of Directors will be held on Monday, November 27th, 1995 at 7:30 pm at the District Office in Lexington, OR. Published: November 22, 1995

PUBLIC NOTICE

On December 5, 1995, at 10 a.m. at the Morrow County Courthouse, the Special Transportation Fund (STF) Committee will be holding a meeting to discuss senior transportation issues. This is a public meeting and interested parties are welcome to attend. For additional information, please contact Carrie Legg at 276-0406, or 1-800-752-1139, or Morrow County Court at 676-9061. Published: November 15 and 22, 1995

PUBLIC NOTICE

Board of Director's Meeting
A public meeting of the Board of Director's of the Morrow County Unified Recreation District will be held at Riverside High School, Boardman, Oregon, at 7:00 pm, November 30, 1995. The meeting is open to the public. Any person may appear at the meeting and participate.

(s) Toni Carter,
District Secretary
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