

Auction donations still accepted



The St. Patrick's leprechaun (alias auction chair Doris Brosnan) shows off some of the items to be auctioned. Goodies include a clawfoot tub, a bread machine, a dome tent, food dehydrator, a Dirt Devil vacuum and a Pendleton woolen blanket.

The St. Patrick's celebration auction committee is still accepting donations for its annual auction, set for Sunday, March 17, at 1 p.m. at the Morrow County fair pavilion. Viewing will begin that day at 11 a.m.

Items donated so far range from new merchandise from private citizens and Oregon businesses to used and collectible items. Many Hermiston and Pendleton businesses are joining the Heppner merchants in support of the auction, said auction chair Doris Brosnan. Donations have also been

received from Salem, Portland and Newport.

Committee members canvassed much of Heppner last week. This Tuesday, March 5, they and their leprechaun were in Pendleton, and on Wednesday they visited Hermiston to solicit support.

Donations will be accepted through Friday, March 15. However, the committee emphasizes that the program of auction items must be printed on Saturday, so their efforts would run smoother if donations came in no later than

Wednesday or Thursday, March 13-14.

Triad Auctioneers of Arlington will again handle the auctioning of items, with many Heppner volunteers, including the Heppner chief of police, assisting them.

To make donations, call 676-5382 or send to: Rt. 2, Box 2397, Heppner.

Auction proceeds will help fund community needs, said Brosnan. In previous years, the auction has helped fund the South Morrow County Scholarship and playground equipment at the city.

Preceding the start of the auction, the South Morrow County Scholarship committee begins a lamb barbecue in the annex of the fair pavilion which continues to 3 p.m. The St. Paddy's team roping takes place in the rodeo arena, starting at 11 a.m.

Gun club plans 100-bird shoot

Jeff Cutsforth broke 23 out of 25 targets last Sunday, Feb. 25 at the Morrow County Gun Club shoot event. Mark Schlichting shot a 22 to take second place.

Jim Eynetich shot a score of 21 to win the handicap event. Cutsforth, Kelwayne Hague-wood, Tim Hedman and Roger Mortimore tied at 19 for second.

This Sunday, March 10, the Gun Club will open at 10 a.m. to begin a 100-bird shoot. Trapshooters will be grouped according to their skills. Each shooter will shoot 50 targets from the 16-yard line and 50 targets from their handicapped distances. "Fun shoots" will follow.

Leprechauns prepare for 14th annual St. Patrick's celebration

By Claudia Hughes

Leprechauns in the form of fantastic Wee Bit O'Ireland volunteers are scampering hither and yon to pull all the details together for the 14th annual celebration. (Actually, 14th is not entirely accurate as the true Irishmen would be quick to tell you.) 'Tis true, they could write volumes of March 17 tales if only they would.

Heppner has a few recent Irish immigrants with a true Irish brogue whom you'll hear on the KUMA coffee hour, as well as a couple of wannabes who carry on a pretty convincing conversation. These folks would be volunteers Bob Kahl, long time parade chair, and Doris Brosnan, back in the area and deeply immersed in the celebration. "Keep those auction items coming in," says Brosnan.

Others new to the celebration are Jannie Allen and Karla Waterland, who are eager to sign up tables for the O'Craft fair, located in the Union Hall, and Peggy Johnson. Johnson is encouraging one and all to join the O'Shanty challenge. 'Tis rumored that there will be fierce competition between O'Osmin; the Chamber Pot and the O'Brosnan and O'Ball entry.

Molly Rill, entertainment chair, will soon have tickets available for "The Irish Cowboy", offered Saturday even-

ing at 7:30 p.m. at the grade school gym. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Co-chairwomen of the annual event, Claudia Hughes

and Rene Devin are convinced that only the people of Morrow County could put on such a lively and mischievous celebration because they know how to work hard and put on a good show. "'Tis true and we'll be seeing you out and about," they say.

St. Patrick's Senior Center Bulletin Board

There were 105 people present for the birthday dinner meal at the senior center Wednesday, Feb. 28. Five meals were home delivered and one meal was taken out. Members of the Catholic Church served. Ernie McCabe received the birthday gift certificate, Ruth Bergstrom won the meal ticket and the bingo ticket went to Ann Schwarzin. Blood pressures were taken before the meal.

The menu for the St. Patrick's dinner March 13 will be corned beef with cabbage, boiled potatoes and carrots, fruit salad, hot rolls and cookies. Members of the Baptist Church will serve. The senior board will meet following the meal.

A group of volunteers folded newsletters for the Extension Service at the center Thursday morning, Feb. 29.

One table of cards was in play Friday afternoon.

Chances on the quilt to be raffled at the St. Patrick's celebration were sold Friday at the Bank of Eastern Oregon by Velma Wight, Irene Schroeder, Ralph and Barb Struthers, Tom and Eleanor Gonty, Alberta Johannes and Betty McDonald, working in two-hour shifts.

The Wilson family held a birthday party at the senior center Saturday afternoon, March 2.

Two ladies watched a movie Sunday evening.

The Morrow County RSVP recognition party will be held at Stokes Landing Senior Center Sunday, March 17. The bus will be leaving Heppner at 4:30 p.m. Those RSVP volunteers who wish to attend should sign up before Tuesday, March 12.

Plans are being finalized for the St. Patrick breakfast at the fairgrounds and the soup, roll, pie and coffee sale at the senior center. Any seniors who wish to volunteer some time and/or donate to the pie or soup expenses are asked to sign up at the office.

Dates to remember: Tuesday and Thursday exercise, 10 a.m.; Wednesday blood pressure clinic, 11 a.m.; senior meal, noon; Friday cards, 2 p.m.; Sunday movie, 6 p.m.

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Marriage Licenses

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March 4: Teruo Chinen, Jr., 23, Heppner; and Kimberley Wicklund, 22, Heppner.



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