

Sheriff's Report

The Morrow County Sheriff's office reports dispatching the following business during the past week:

Jan. 7: Morrow County Sheriff's office and the Umatilla County Sheriff's office received a report of a person who had jumped off an I-82 bridge at Umatilla;

Oregon State Police received a report from the Mid-Columbia Bus Company of a cow on the I-84 freeway eastbound;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report from an Ione woman who said she had discovered who had cut the string on her Christmas lights.

Jan. 8: Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of a break-in and theft of a computer at A.C. Houghton Elementary School, Irrigon;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of cows belonging to Joe Rupe that were starving and neglected;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a request for an officer for a problem occurring twice with junior high kids on the Boardman-Irrigon bus;

Heppner Police Dept. received a report of smoke near the dam on the town side. HPD chief checked out the report and advised it was under control.

Jan. 9: Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of burning brush causing smoke across the roadway. Officers determined it was not a hazard;

Boardman Emergency Medical Technicians received a request for an ambulance for a man on dialysis who was not doing well;

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a sick dog at a home;

Oregon State Police received a report of a red car squealing its tires;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of a semi-truck on Highway 730 milepost 173 with a broken fuel line. It was spilling diesel. The Hermiston Police Dept. sent the Irrigon Fire Dept. to the scene;

Morrow County deputy reported following an erratic driver. The deputy determined that the subject was tired and warned him.

Jan. 10: Morrow County Sheriff's office and the Arlington ambulance and Fire Dept. responded to a call that a 40 year old duck hunter had complained of a headache and then collapsed on an island in the Columbia River. The hunters had only a kayak-no boat;

Morrow County deputy reported that he had followed a Fed-X van on Bombing Range Road who was driving in an erratic manner. The driver was found to be okay, just tired;

Spray ambulance received a report that the UPS man there was having chest pains. The patient was airlifted to Bend;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of an Irrigon man who had found a drill in the tree by his mailbox;

Oregon State Police received a report of a black cow in the road on Highway 74, west of Morrow County Grain Growers;

Lexington Fire Dept. received a report of a chimney fire at the Anderson residence in Lexington. It turned out to be a false alarm;

Morrow County deputy and the Irrigon ambulance responded to a residence for a medical emergency;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of suspicious activity at an Irrigon residence-cars were coming and going at all hours;

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a cable to a light at a residence had been cut and the resident gone;

Boardman Police Dept. received a report from a person who had returned to his home and found the place a mess. The resident was not sure if anything was missing, but believed his home had been burglarized.

Jan. 11: Morrow County Sheriff's office and the Oregon State Police received a report from an anonymous caller that someone was going to rip off the pump station 1/4 miles east of Boardman. Stations in the area checked the report, but were unable to locate;

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received a report of a stolen air compressor in Irrigon;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report relayed by the Oregon State Police of three males in an old white sedan shooting at geese on private property across Poleline Road off Frontage Road;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of a burglar alarm at Columbia Middle School in Irrigon in the computer room. It turned out to be an employee error;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of a green Ford van with tinted windows weaving in and out of lanes and driving on the shoulder of I-84 westbound, milepost 134;

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a woman who had left Boardman to visit a friend and had not shown up. The woman later made contact with her mother;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of a family dispute over custody of a child in Irrigon;

Heppner Police Dept. received a report of a holdup alarm at Les Schwab in Heppner. The alarm had been set off by a cleaning crew;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of an adult male walking near the fog line on I-84 eastbound, milepost 168. He was almost hit by three truck drivers. The man was given a ride to the Boardman Police Dept.;

Boardman Police Dept. and Fire Dept. received a report of a fire in Boardman. It turned out to be a electrical fire and was put out;

Boardman Police Dept. received a report that the man dropped off by the Morrow County deputy at the Boardman Police Dept. was sleeping near the pay phone and making sexual comments in his sleep. The man was moved to a different location;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of a disabled vehicle on I-84 eastbound, milepost 146.5. The deputy was unable to locate;

Morrow County Sheriff's office, Lexington Rescue and the Heppner Fire Dept. and ambulance received a report of a rollover on Highway 207, milepost 4. A two-tone pickup was found near the curve, but no one was located.

Jan. 12: Morrow County Road Dept. received a report that the stop sign on Old Patterson Ferry Road had been broken off and was missing;

Morrow County Sheriff's office and the Boardman Police Dept. received a report that a man had been assaulted by his ex-girlfriend over custody of their six year old son;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received additional information from John Sebastian, principal at A.C. Houghton in Irrigon concerning the theft of the computer;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of a bronze Pontiac Firebird with the front grill missing that was traveling at a high rate of speed and weaving in and out of the lane;

Heppner Police Dept. reported the door at the city hall was open. An officer locked and closed the door;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report that a man at the Boardman Texaco station wanted to get his wallet back from the Boardman Police Dept.;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of a cow in the road on Highway 74 near Morrow County Grain Growers;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of a burglary at a home in the West Glenn addition in Boardman;

Morrow County deputy gave a teenager a courtesy ride from Boardman to his residence in Irrigon. His father had not picked him up;

Morrow County deputy bumped into Duane Randall White, 30, at the Irrigon BP station and arrested him on a warrant for being a Felon in Possession of a Firearm. White was lodged at the Umatilla County Jail;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of a child who

had not been returned to his custodial parent in Irrigon;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of a suspicious vehicle;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of a fire alarm at Oregon Waste Management. Turned out to be a false alarm. The alarm had been disconnected for maintenance.

Jan. 13: Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a child who had fallen and hit his head;

Morrow County Sheriff's office and the Boardman ambulance received a report of a Boardman man who had gotten drunk and stabbed himself in the neck several times with a boning knife. The patient was transported to Good Shepherd Community Hospital;

Boardman Police Dept. received a request for an officer from a woman who had heard someone knocking on the windows of her home off and on for almost an hour.

Morrow County deputy and the Heppner Police Dept. responded to a domestic dispute at Mt. Glen Apts. in Heppner;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report from a store manager in Gresham who had found the purse of a Heppner resident;

Heppner Police Dept. received a report of a vehicle speeding up and down Baltimore Street in Heppner. An officer made contact with the subject;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report from private citizens of a person in a red Chevrolet S-10 pickup with a white canopy who had taken tires off equipment on Western Empire property.

When the subject realized he was being followed by the citizens, he tried to lose them. Mar Nathan McDonald, 27, was arrested for Criminal Mischief II, Criminal Trespass II, and issued an Uniform Traffic Citation for Driving Uninsured and Driving while License Suspended infraction;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of a missing 10 year old. The missing child was located by mother walking home.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report from a babysitter that the mother of the children she was babysitting reeked of alcohol and could hardly stand up.

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of a theft of a CD player and other stereo equipment taken where the vehicle was left near Sunridge Mobile Homes while waiting for a tow;

Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of a disabled semi-truck on I-84 westbound, milepost 157. A deputy got antifreeze at the BP station and took it to the citizen.

Jan. 14: Morrow County Sheriff's office received a report of a domestic dispute.

Site council plans meeting

The Heppner Junior/Senior High School Site Council will hold a regular meeting on Monday, January 20, at the HHS library at 6 p.m.

Spaghetti feed set for Jan. 17

A spaghetti dinner, sponsored by the Heppner High School senior class, will be held this Friday, Jan. 17, from 4 to 7 p.m. during the Heppner-Pilot Rock basketball game.

Dinner will include spaghetti bread, salad, dessert and drink for \$4 per person or \$15 for a family. Proceeds will go to the senior class Drug & Alcohol Free Senior Trip.

Candidates file for school spots

Dwayne Carroll and Lisa Nelson have filed for the Morrow County School Board Zone 2 position currently held by Carroll. Barney Lindsay has filed for the Zone 6 position currently held by Bill Doherty, who has said he will not run for reelection; and incumbent Scott Bauska has filed for the Zone 7 position.

Virginia Nairns, Greg Smith and Steve Hill have filed for Heppner/Lexington Advisory Board positions they currently hold. No one has filed for Position 1, which was held by Janice Huddleston before her resignation, Position 4, held by Mark Rietmann, and Position 7, held by Rollie Marshall.

Hank Pointer and Jim McElligott have filed for positions they currently hold on the Ione/Lexington Advisory Board. No one has filed for Position 4, held by Valery Doherty.

Dean Mason, Kathy Neal, Wayne Huwe and Pat McNamee have all filed for spots they currently hold on the Boardman/Irrigon Advisory Board.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF BALLOT TITLE

Notice is hereby given that a ballot title for a measure to levy \$3,087,990 outside the tax base for operating purposes for Fiscal Year 1997-98, has been filed with the County Clerk of Morrow County on January 8, 1997.

MEASURE NO. 25-25 ONE YEAR OPERATING LEVY OUTSIDE THE TAX BASE

The ballot title caption is "ONE YEAR OPERATING LEVY OUTSIDE THE TAX BASE". Any elector dissatisfied with the ballot title may file a petition for review of this ballot title in the Morrow County Circuit Court no later than 5:00 p.m. on January 17, 1997. Any person filing a challenge must also file a copy of the challenge with the Morrow County Clerk, 100 N. Court St., Heppner, by the end of the next business day after the petition is filed with the Circuit Court.

MEASURE NO. 25-25 ONE YEAR OPERATING LEVY OUTSIDE THE TAX BASE

QUESTION: SHALL MORROW COUNTY LEVY \$3,087,990 OUTSIDE THE TAX BASE FOR OPERATING PURPOSES FOR FISCAL YEAR 1997-1998?

EXPLANATION: This operating levy represents a decrease in total tax asking from the 1996-1997 fiscal year. The purpose of this levy is to provide funds to balance the Morrow County operating budget for fiscal year 1997-1998, which includes: Road Fund; County School Fund; Citites portion of Road Fund., Fair Fund; Rodeo Fund; and General Fund (which provides funding to Extension Service, Soil & Water Conservation District, Irrigon-Boardman Emergency Assistance Center, Neighborhood Center of South Morrow County, Watermaster, Predatory Animal Control, Museum, Justice Court, and Veteran's Services, as well as those services required by Oregon Law). The tax is subject to the other Governmental purposes limit of Section 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Barbara Bloodsworth
Morrow County Clerk
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Births

Steven Keith Hedlund-a son, Steven Keith, was born to Cathy and Gene Hedlund, Jr., New Pine Creek, on January 10, 1997. The baby weighed 7 lbs. 11 3/4 oz.

His grandparents are Roger and Shirley Palmer, Heppner, and Gene Hedlund, Sr., New Pine Creek. He joins brothers, Jeffrey and Eric, and sisters, Karen and Emily, at home.

Steven was Lake County's New Year's baby.

Ella May McCormack-a daughter, Ella May, was born to Jamie McCormack of Heppner on January 10, 1997, at Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston.

Her grandparents are Dale and Marda Adlard, Heppner.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City Council of the City of Heppner will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 10, 1997, beginning at 7:00 p.m. on a proposed ordinance amending the City Zoning Code, Title 11, to allow beauty and hair care salons as conditional uses in R-1 and R-3 (residential) zones and declaring an emergency.

Copies of the above ordinance are available at City Hall for public examination.

This is a public meeting where deliberations of the City Council will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed ordinance with the City Council.

Gary B. Marks
City Recorder
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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF BALLOT TITLE

Notice is hereby given that a ballot title for a measure to levy \$95,000 each year for five fiscal years outside the tax base for operations beginning in 1997-98, has been filed with the County Clerk of Morrow County on January 9, 1997.

The ballot title caption is "CITY OF HEPPNER FIVE YEAR SERIAL LEVY". Any elector dissatisfied with the ballot title may file a petition for review of this ballot title in the Morrow County Circuit Court no later than 5:00 p.m. on January 20, 1997. Any person filing a challenge must also file a copy of the challenge with the Morrow County Clerk, 100 N. Court St., Heppner, by the end of the next business day after the petition is filed with the Circuit Court.

MEASURE NO. 25-26 CITY OF HEPPNER FIVE YEAR SERIAL LEVY

QUESTION: SHALL HEPPNER LEVY \$95,000 each year for five fiscal years outside the tax base for operations beginning in 1997-98?

SUMMARY: Heppner seeks a serial levy outside its tax base for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 1997 and ending June 30, 2002. Recently enacted ballot measure 47 will cause a loss of tax revenue without which the City cannot maintain current service levels. Without additional tax funding, the City will be required to reduce its service levels in the following areas: police protection, parks maintenance and utility services. Without additional funding, the City will lose in the 1997-1998 fiscal year: one police officer, all summer utility workers, the part-time police/administration clerk, a public works employee and the majority of its park maintenance fund. This levy keeps the current City funding level and prevents any loss of services. Since this levy replaces lost funding, the tax rate will be no higher than the current rate of \$10.00 per thousand dollars of true cash value. The total amount of money raised by the proposed levy is \$339,665.00. The estimated rate for this levy is \$2.02 per thousand dollars of true cash value of taxable property. The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of the estimate. This tax levy is subject to the other governmental limits of Section 11b, Article XI, of the Oregon Constitution.

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St. Patrick's Senior Center Bulletin Board

There were 74 present for the senior meal Jan. 8 and six meals were home delivered. Nita LaLonde won the meal ticket. Members of the Christian Life Center served. Hearing aid assistance was given and blood pressures taken before the meal. The Nutrition Site Committee met after the meal. Carol Mitchell met with seven committee members. Menus were discussed and preliminary plans made for a Valentine's Day fund raiser and a thank you luncheon for church volunteers tentatively scheduled in late April.

The menu for January 22 will be chicken and rice casserole, tossed salad, fruit cocktail, roll and cupcakes. Members of St. Patrick's Catholic Church will serve. The suggested donation for those over 60 is now \$2 and the charge for those under 60 is \$3.75. People are invited to come and bring a friend.

One table of pinocle was in play Friday afternoon. There was no Sunday evening movie, as it is too cold in the recreation room in the evening.

Daisy Collins and Maxine Gray have been working on the St. Patrick's Day quilt. They have the top all together and it is beautiful. Tickets will be available for the drawing soon.

A group of volunteers folded newsletters for the Extension service Monday afternoon, Jan. 13.

Off the Wall By Merlyn Robinson

Lacking the judgment of a ground squirrel, a few sunny January days and warmer weather prompted me to burn weeds and pick up scattered junk.

But the garbage I'd really like to dump is the past year's accumulation of paperwork relevant to tax calculations. No doubt the reason it turned colder was to direct me back to pencil work.

With tax preparations in mind, I wrongfully labeled Post Office patrons as probable tax payers, inferring that the Postal Service is tax supported. Sorry, Mike.

The Post Office is a sub-agency of the government subject to government regulations, but it is not tax supported. Therefore we need to write more letters or send more greeting cards. Yet even some billing agencies seem to have forgotten how to write or at least how to make statements legible.

We certainly can't knock the postal system efficiency. (So please don't burn my letters.) It's just that with our escalating national debt, I see red when reading about wastefulness or overspending of any agency.

But hey, what's a few extra million dollars if we must subsidize the work to save face?

Take the upcoming inauguration-a somewhat spendy affair. Although no more effective than the first swearing in of a president in 1789, there's no comparison in cost or ceremony.

Either there was a shortage of wood, except for George's false teeth, or no one deemed that an inauguration platform was necessary back then. President Washington took the oath of office with his hand on the Bible after they took away his hatchet. And they rustled up enough black powder to stage a fireworks in celebration.

But then George and Martha never jet-setted around the globe as world leaders. He even had to paddle his way across the Potomac River. And the upkeep of his white horse was cheap compared to jet fuel.

Barring a blizzard, should the current cold snap in Washington D.C. exist on Jan. 20, all the planned outdoor pageantry can still be held. There's enough hot air being bantered about by politicians there to keep thousands of spectators warm. And the bands will play on if their instruments don't freeze up.

Market Report

Compliments of the Morrow County Grain Growers

Tuesday, Jan. 14	
Jan.	\$4.09
Feb.	\$4.09/\$4.08
March	\$4.06
April	\$4.04
new crop	\$3.78

Barley	
Jan.	\$120
Feb.	\$119

Justice Court Report

The Justice Court office at the courthouse annex building in Heppner reports handling the following business during the past week:

Donald N. Sneddon, 41, Heppner-Violation of the Basic Rule, 72 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$67 fine;

Douglas Eugene Perkins, 70, Spray-Violation of the Basic Rule, 72 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$101 fine;

Samuel Paul Bellamy, 43, Lexington-Violation of the Basic Rule, 71 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$67 fine;

Martin William Glaser, 34, La Grande-Driving While License Suspended, Driving Uninsured, \$354 fine.

Happy Birthday Poppa Green

January 20th
From Zack, Maranda and Hannah