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Coast to Coast now Heppner Hardware



Heppner Hardware staff Bev Harris (left) and Kay Proctor, along with owner Cliff Green, show off new sign.

Heppner Hardware has become a member of the True Value retail network, with more than 8,000 independent retailers nationwide.

Heppner Hardware is one of nearly 2,500 independent hardware stores that will be changing to the True Value retail identity from ServiStar and Coast to Coast over the next six to eight months as part of a massive retail brand consolidation.

Cliff Green, owner of Heppner Hardware, says, "As a long-time member of Heppner's retail

business community, we have always offered great service, product selection and advice for a wide range of home repair and improvement projects. We're still the same great store with the same great people. And now we've got a new name that coincides remarkably well with our business philosophy."

Coast to Coast in Heppner was purchased by Cliff Green in 1984. Since that time, Coast to Coast has served the community with a full line of hardware, plumbing, electrical and

houseware items as well as painting and decorating supplies for a diverse range of home projects. The 5,000-square foot store also specializes in sporting goods.

Heppner Hardware, located at 106 May Street, is open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. The phone number is 676-9961.

Heppner Hardware is a member of Chicago-based TruServ Corporation, a Fortune 500 company and wholesaler to the world's largest member-owned cooperative. The TruServ cooperative includes nearly 10,000 independent retailers in the U.S. and around the world. Retail sales exceeded \$14.5 billion for 1999.

Principals reassigned within district

The resignation of Don Holes as principal of Columbia Middle School in Irrigon created a sort of "Domino effect" in schools within the Morrow County School District.

Ron Anthony, principal at Heppner High School, will take the head position at CMS starting this fall and Dick Allen, principal at Ione Schools, will move to the principal's position at Heppner High School, also at the beginning of the 2000-2001 school year.

Date set for Bike-a-thon

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital has announced plans for the lone "Wheels For Life" Bike-A-Thon to be held on Tuesday, April 25.

Coordinator for this year's event is Anne Morter who encourages all residents and businesses to support this community effort.

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, founded in 1962 by the late entertainer Danny Thomas, is the largest childhood cancer research center in America in terms of the number of patients treated and treatment success.

Treatment is provided at no cost to the family and all findings are shared freely with doctors and hospitals all over the world. Thanks to St. Jude Hospital, children who have leukemia, pediatric AIDS, sickle-cell anemia and other life-threatening diseases now have a better

chance to live.

Three year-old Macarena Ottogalli represents all of the patients who have received the benefits of St. Jude's research. Macarena was only three months old when she was diagnosed with neuroblastoma. Since the tumor was discovered early, Macarena's chances of survival are good. She has been in remission for two years and has returned home to Argentina.

According to St. Jude Children's Hospital reports, she is a very bright child. She loves to draw with markers and play with wooden blocks. Doctors report that she comes to the hospital every six months for checkups and is doing extremely well.

"Thanks to all who support events like the "Wheels for Life", St. Jude Hospital will always be available for children like Macarena," said a release.

Couple from Ireland visit Heppner St. Pat's festivities



Left to right: Raymond French, Bridie Hickey, Norma French and Jim Hickey.

The Raymond and Norma French family and the Heppner community had some special visitors from Ireland during the St. Patrick's Celebration over the weekend.

Visiting from Ireland were Raymond's second cousin, Bridie Hickey and her husband, Jim.

Following is a brief family history.

Patrick (Wee Paddy) Doherty, Raymond's great grandfather, was born about 1838 in Ballyloskey, Carndonah, County Donegal, Ireland. He died about 1920 in Carndonah. He married Mary Canny and to this union was born one daughter, Susan, in 1870, who later married Dillard French. Dillard and Susan are Raymond's grandparents.

Susan's mother died sometime before 1886 and Paddy married Hannah McLaughlin. After the birth of Jimmy, Hannah also died in 1886. Shortly after Hannah's death, Paddy took his sixteen year old daughter, Susan, and baby son, Jimmy and immigrated to America. Paddy took up a homestead in the Butter Creek area. The East fork of Butter Creek is also known as Paddy Creek and was named after Paddy Doherty.

After spending nine years in Ireland with his son, now nine years old. Susan, in the meantime, had married Dillard French and now had a child of her own. Susan remained in America and apparently never her saw her father or brother again.

Bridie Hickey is the granddaughter of Jimmy and is a second cousin to Raymond. Wee Paddy is the great grandfather of both Raymond and Bridie, but they have different great

grandmothers. Bridie was also born and raised in Carndonah, Co. Donegal. After her marriage to Jim Hickey she moved to his home at the village of Ballagh in County Tipperary where they still live. Ballagh is around the size of Heppner.

Jim has been a "guarda" (Irish police officer) for 28 years and Bridie operates a pub, Bridie's Bar. The Hickeys have three children, a girl in college and a boy and a girl still at home.

Jim Hickey's website is jgmh@gofree.indigo.ie.

Lewis and Clark program entertains, educates students



Jo Olsen (left) and Mildred Baker.



Teachers and students sample "Lumpy Dick" pudding. Teachers include Diana Kincaid, Linda Jones, and student teacher Alison Sullivan. Students are Tiana Camarillo and Brenna Rietmann.

Students at Ione Elementary School enjoyed a program presented recently by Mildred Baker and Jo Olsen, retired teachers from Boardman.

The women came dressed as pioneers and talked to the classes about Lewis and Clark's Corps of Discovery. They explained how President Thomas Jefferson asked them to explore the continent which reached beyond the existing 17 states. They were asked to explore the western rivers which might provide a

water route across the land to the Pacific Ocean.

The nation had recently purchased a large parcel of land from the French for four cents an acre. They explained how Lewis and Clark started the expedition on May 18, 1804, near St. Louis. They explained the hardships of the trip and the important part the young Native American woman, Sacajawea, played in the journey and that our country will celebrate the 200th anniversary of the expedition in 2005.

The women also explained the lifestyle of people in our country during those years. They gave the children horehound candy, which was one of the few sweets people had at that time, and cooked a pudding dessert called "Lumpy Dick," which was prepared without sugar or salt but did have cinnamon or nutmeg added as a treat.

Students had mixed reactions to the food which they sampled but agreed that our country was an interesting place 200 years ago.

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