

Sponsors make rodeo possible



By Sue Gibbs, OTPR media chair

Rodeo, saddles, buckles and lots of silver always go together. A trophy saddle or buckle always represents talent, determination, and lots of guts. These beautiful pieces of work are always admired by both the fans and contestants. However, none of these things would be possible without sponsors who donate their time and money to support the sport of rodeo and help attract world renown competitors.

Last year fans watched world champions such as the Etbauer brothers, Mike Beers, Clint Corey, Fred Whitfield, Martha Josey and Katie McCain compete for the trophy buckles, money and saddle that are offered during the rodeos on Friday and Saturday night.

At the same time the local Morrow County Jackpot Rodeo also offers outstanding awards to local contestants on Sunday. Without these magnificent awards fans would not see near the quality competition.

Some of the quality awards have a great deal of history and memory to them. The All-Around saddle that is given away each year at the Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo is a tradition. This saddle has been sponsored for 10 years by Gardner's Men's Wear of Heppner. This trophy is hand-crafted by saddle maker Rich Boyer of Hermiston. Many professional contestants compete in events outside their specialty area in hopes that their talents will score high enough to bring this trophy saddle home.

The second special award that is given to the champion PRCA calf roper in memory of Mike Currin. He was a very talented cowboy from Heppner who was killed in a plane accident in 1991 while on his way to the Calgary Stampede. Family and friends raise money each year so a calf roping buckle can be given in his memory.

On Sunday, during the Morrow County Jackpot Rodeo another hand crafted saddle is also given away to the Morrow County Amateur Calf Roper for that year. This award has been given away for 50 years by Kinzua Resources L.L.C. Even though the local mill is shut down now, the sponsorship continues on through the support of the business. The Morrow County roper who has won less than \$1,000 in his or her lifetime "calf

roping" is eligible to compete for the saddle. The contestant may have won more money in other events, just not calf roping. Last year the saddle was won by Butch Knowles of Heppner.

Some new awards have been added over the past few years to the pro show. Les Schwab Tire Center of Heppner sponsors the bull riding event and the added bounty money for the cowboy who draws and rides the "Bounty Bull" during each performance. This is an additional attraction for contestants and fans.

Blue Eagle Travel also donates \$150 in bonus money to the fastest time turned in by a barrel racer and Anipro also sponsors the Best Dressed Award each day.

Each sponsor helps to put on the professional show. Without them, the rodeo could not bring in stock like the Big Bend Rodeo Co. provides or specialty acts such as Ike Pryor who will be this year's clown-barrelman.

The Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo has 12 major sponsors from Heppner and local communities. These include Les Schwab Tire Center of Heppner, Coca Cola Bottling Co., of Pendleton, Finley Buttes Landfill Co. of Boardman, United Rentals of Hermiston, Bucknum's in Heppner, Morrow County Grain Growers of Lexington, Morrow County Wheat Growers, Graybeal Distributing of Pendleton, Thunder Country FM 94.9 of Kennewick, Thews Sheet Metal of Pendleton, Bank of Eastern Oregon of Heppner and Gardner's Men's Wear of Heppner.

The Sunday performance attracts many locals because of the great sponsors. Each event has a trophy buckle, watch or spurs donated to the champion of the local event. This year the champion buckle will have the Oregon Trail Wagon on the face of the buckle as well as green gems.

The following sponsors contribute to Sunday's attractions: Green Feed and Seed, Peterson's Jewelers, Healy Family, Wrangler's Riding Club, Van Marter and Kahl Insurance, Pettyjohn's Farm-Builders, Heritage Land Company, Dick Temple DVM, Gar Aviation, Heppner Hardware/TrueValue, Paul Hisler, Jr., Turner Ranch, the Beamer Family and Les Schwab Tire Center.

The 78th celebration of the Oregon Trail Rodeo will take

place this year. Since it is the year "2000" the OTPR Committee will raffle off a millennium buckle much like the champion buckles. Tickets can be purchased at Green Feed and Seed, Van Marter and Kahl Insurance and Morrow County Grain Growers.

Take some time over the next month to look at the beautiful work that has gone into making these awards for the 78th celebration of the Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo. The saddles, buckles and silver can be seen at Heppner TV starting in July where it will be on display for the public until rodeo time.

From August 18-20, talent, determination and victory will earn this year's awards for the Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo and Morrow County Rodeo.

OTPR reserve box seats available

A limited number of VIP reserve box seat tickets are still available for the annual Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo and Morrow County Rodeo, August 18-19.

Reserve box seats guarantee the best viewing in the new grandstands with backrests and "ample arm room," said rodeo spokesperson.

Seat prices are \$36 each (with a minimum of four), good for all shows during the three-day run. Each box has eight or 10 seats per box.

"Many ticket holders combine family and friends to purchase an entire box," said an OTPR news release. "Many businesses buy tickets to compliment their best customers and/or reward employees."

Place ticket requests by calling (541) 676-5114.

The reserve area will be patrolled this year to ensure that tickets holders get the "most enjoyment and value from their seats," the release said.

"Get your family and friends together and come on down and enjoy the cowboys, rough stock and clown entertainment; there's nothing better for family fun than rodeo," said the spokesperson.

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Marriage Licenses

The Morrow County Clerk's office at the courthouse in Heppner reports issuing the following marriage licenses:

May 12-Samuel Douglas Martin, 30, Hardman; and Keri Anne Rees, 22, Hardman.
May 30-Gilberto Navarrette Arellano, 31, Umatilla; and Martha Lara, 24, Umatilla.
June 2-Herbert William Hill, 21, Irrigon, and Kristy Elizabeth Cossey, 19.
June 7-Victor Marshall Scott, 17, Boardman, and Lisa Leann Osgood, 18, Irrigon.
June 13-Roberto Lugo Alvarado, 26, Umatilla, and Maria Guadalupe Velasco, 17, Umatilla.
June 19-Ronald Joe Monkus, 26, Umatilla, and Heather Yvonne Powney, 24, Hermiston.
June 27-Curtis Ray Perkins, 29, Irrigon, and Tammy Lynn Oien, 29, Irrigon.
June 30-Shawn Eugene Elwood, 23, Umatilla, and Amber Lee Culver, 26, Umatilla.
July 3-Toby Allen Hall, 23, Boardman, and Michelle Marie Brandt, 20, Boardman.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORT OF MORROW, OREGON

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on July 20, 2000, the Board of Commissioners (the "Board") of the Port of Morrow, Oregon (the "Port") will hold a special meeting commencing at approximately 12:00 p.m. The public meeting will be held at the regular meeting place of the Board, at the offices of the Port, located at Two Marine Drive, Boardman, Oregon 97818.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider an ordinance or resolution authorizing the proposed issuance by the Port of up to \$12,650,000 Revenue Bonds, in one or more series, for the purpose of acquiring certain land located in Morrow County for general Port purposes, to fund certain reserves and to pay costs of issuance of the Bonds.

Additional information may be obtained from the Board of Commissioners at their office at the Port, or from Gary Neal, General Manager, Port of Morrow, P.O. Box 200, Two Marine Drive, Boardman, Oregon 97818, telephone: (541) 481-7678. This notice is published pursuant to ORS 192.640 and ORS 777.565.

DATED: July 5, 2000.

Gary Neal
General Manager
Port of Morrow, Oregon
Published: July 5 and 12, 2000
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PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
The Port of Morrow will hold a public hearing on July 20, 2000, at noon in the Riverfront Center located at 2 Marine Drive, Boardman, Oregon, to receive comments on the submission of an application for funding to the Oregon Economic and Community Development for an East Beach Rail Spur.

Written comments and or questions may be directed to Gary Neal at 541-481-7678 by July 20, 2000.

Published: July 12, 2000

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Town of Lexington currently has three council position and the mayor's position open for the November election. Position #1 & #2 will serve a 4 year term beginning January of 2001. Position #3 is vacant presently and the term ends January of 2002 and the Mayors position will end in January of 2002. Applications may be picked up at Town Hall at the office or on the bulletin board. Petitions are due in to the county clerk's office August 31, 2000 for the November election.
Published: July 12 and 19, 2000

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR MORROW COUNTY

In the Matter of the Estate of LUCILE RIETMANN, Deceased.

Probate No. 00 PR 015
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed and has qualified as the Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present the same, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice as stated below, to the Personal Representative c/o Robert E. O'Rourke, Kottcamp and O'Rourke, LLP, 331 S. E. 2nd, P. O. Box 490, Pendleton, Oregon 97801, or they may be barred.

All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this estate may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the Personal Representative or the attorneys for the Personal Representative.

Dated and first published this 12th day of July, 2000.

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Ione, Oregon, 97843
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Card of Thanks:
up to 100 words - \$5

Deadline:
Tuesday at noon

CARD OF THANKS

A "special thank you" to my family and friends for the gifts, cards, flowers and the phone calls while I was in the hospital and at home. Also, thanks to Evelyn Sweek for her help!

Best wishes to all of you!
Randy Ball
7-12-1c

The Ione volunteer fire dept. would like to thank all those who helped with Friday and Saturday's fires. Thank you to: Dick Sherer for providing a Cat; Lee and Windy Archer, Henry Krebs and Clint and Cameron Krebs for the water truck; Gerald and Judy Ripka for water; Loyal Burns for a tractor and disc; Debbie Morgan, Vera Rietmann, Ione Market, Sherry Piper and Beecher's for providing sandwiches; Duane Neiffer and sons for shovel work; John Boyer for the use of his airplane; and Curtis Thompson and Karl Morgan for work at the fire hall.

We would like to thank all those who helped put out the fire on our property by the North Lex. elevator last week. Help from our neighbors and the work of the fire dept. was greatly appreciated.

Billie and Darrell Coppock
7-12-1c

Just a note of thanks to all those who prayed for me after the delivery of our baby. God is so faithful.

Thanks again,
John and Marlinda Flynn

The 2000 Ione Fourth of July Celebration Committee thanks everyone involved in another successful event. There are so many people who give of their time and energy to make this community celebration work. Individuals, organizations and businesses (too numerous to name) work together to provide a fun time for all who attend. We sincerely appreciate the efforts of the organizers, the workers and the hundreds of people who come to Ione to enjoy the entire Fourth of July event. A great job very well done!

With sincere thanks and appreciation,
2000 Fourth of July Committee
7-12-1c

Want to get on the Internet, but not sure how? Take the first step and pick up your Internet Sign-up Pack. The pack has phone numbers, prices and other information on how to sign up-and best of all, it's free.

Pick one up today at the Heppner Gazette-Times or Heppner City Hall.

7-28-tfx

HELP WANTED

Morrow County Deputy Sheriff / Code Enforcement

Morrow County Sheriff is accepting applications for a Deputy Sheriff / Code Enforcement Deputy. Wage scale is based on level of certification; minimum starting salary is \$2267.99 month. DPSST Certified preferred.

Apply at Sheriff's Office, Heppner, (541) 676-5317. Return by closing date, 5 p.m., Friday, July 14, 2000.

Morrow County does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, natural origin, sex, religion, age and handicapped status in employment or the provision of services.

6-28-3c

Heppner DayCare, Inc.: full-time and part-time positions. Contact Merry Brannon, 676-5429.

7-5-tfx

Willow Creek Clinic is taking applications for two positions: **receptionist, nurse.** Please stop by or call 676-5440.

7-12-2c

Recorder Position Open

The Town of Lexington has a part-time position of **Town Recorder** open. The position will be paid \$8/hr. for 16-19 hours/wk. The position requires knowledgeable skills in word processing, office automation, filing, office procedures, bookkeeping, payroll, record keeping and budgeting. Must be bondable and have excellent communication and people skills. Closes July 31, 2000.

7-12-2c

SERVICES

Linoleum, carpet and Pergo sale and installation. Free estimates. Call **Tim Hedman**, evenings, 676-9054. Licensed and bonded #78201.

7-5-tfx

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7-12-tfx

RENTALS

RV space for rent. \$125/month, plus utilities. Quiet by the creek. 989-8404. Lots of shade trees, yard and garden spot.

4-5-tfx

One bedroom apt., \$395, all utilities paid, plus deposit. 160 Chase St. Call **Schroth Realty**, Hermiston. 1-541-567-4663.

6-21-4c

Two bedroom, 1 1/2 bath duplex, washer/dryer in Heppner. Water, sewer, garbage included. \$340/month. Available mid-July. 676-9759.

7-5-tfx

House for Rent: Condon, three bedroom, 1 bath, carport. Call (541) 763-2207 evenings.

7-5-4c

Rental **reduced:** three bedroom 1 1/2 bath, pets allowed; \$325 a month with \$150 deposit. See at 290 Chase Street, 676-5961.

7-12-1c

Heppner: completely remodeled 2-bedroom duplex, range, dishwasher, garbage disposal, washer/dryer hookups, RV hookup. Two units available: one unit \$475, small unit \$425, plus cleaning and security deposits. Call (503) 663-0926 or (541) 676-5241.

7-12-2c

House For Rent: \$450 per month. Secluded 4-bedroom, 2 bath with barn and outbuildings, room for horses, 15 miles south of Heppner. References required. 676-5419.

7-12-3c

Two bedroom apt. for rent. Willow View, 515 N. Elder, Heppner. EOH. Call 676-9019 or (208) 384-1589.

7-12-tfx

PETS & ANIMALS

Free puppies: Australian Shepherd/Sheltie/yellow Lab mix. 676-5927.

7-12-2c

Our love blossoms together!

Together with our parents,

Lori Jean Moeller
and
Nicholas Emery Sarich

would like to invite you to join us as we begin our life together on Saturday, the fifteenth of July, 2000 at four o'clock in the afternoon (three o'clock Pacific Standard Time) at the Emery residence
1008 North 4th Street, Parma, Idaho
A dinner reception will follow