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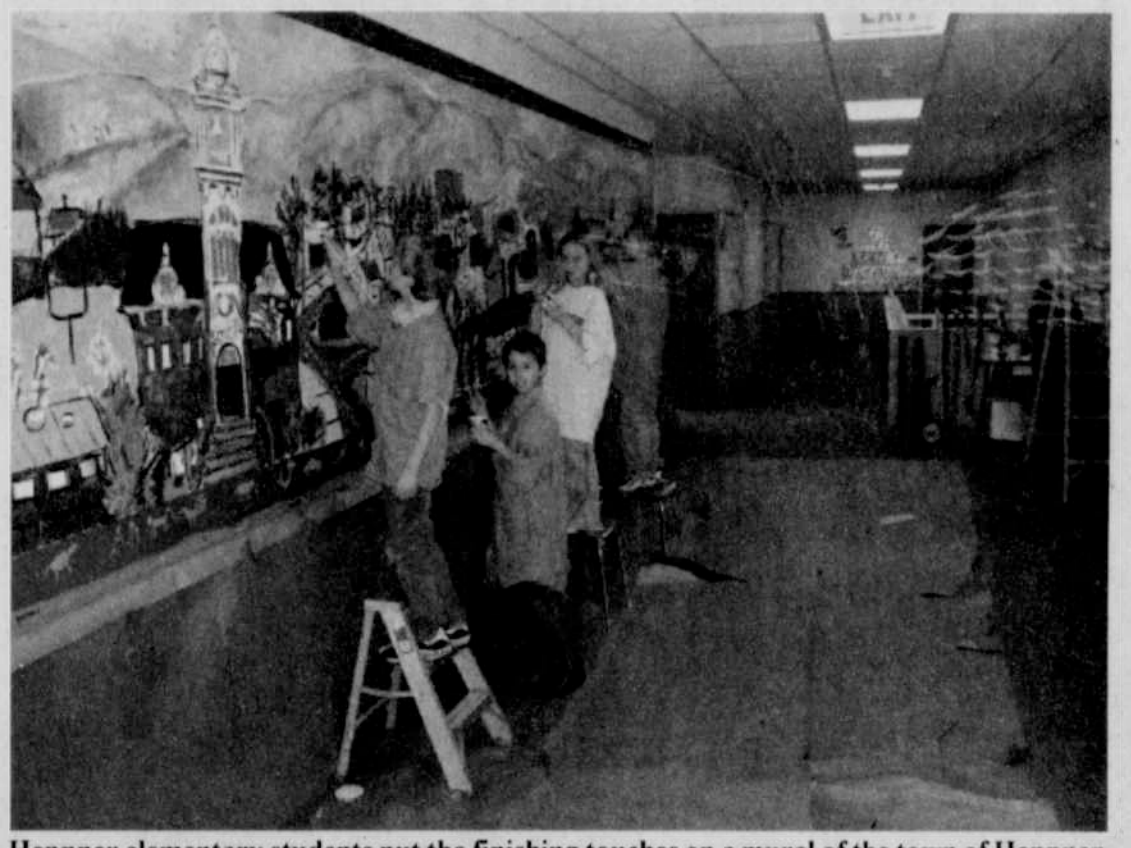
Photo by Sandy Mathews

A sheep dog and its handler work a heard of sheep during the sheep dog trails at the St. Patrick's Day Celebration the past weekend in Heppner. See a picture page on 4.

Students paint Heppner mural



Heppner elementary students put the finishing touches on a mural of the town of Heppner on the school hallway wall. The project is part of the Artists in Residence program at the school.

High School track renovation continues

(L-R): Jerry Gentry of Gentry Home Improvements, (left) along with Bill Gentry and Dale Conklin (right) work at pouring concrete into a form for the long jump/triple jump pit as part of Heppner High School's complete track renovations. Once the pit is finished it will be filled with sand.

Carol Poppenga of Milton-FreeWater is the Artist in Residence at Heppner Elementary the past week. She is helping the students paint a mural representing the town of Heppner.

Elks to host Heppner Easter egg hunt

The Heppner Elks will be hosting their annual Easter egg hunt for preschool through fourth grade children on Saturday, March 26 at 10 a.m.

Preschool and kindergarten age children will hunt at Heppner City Park; first and second graders will hunt at the Heppner Elementary School lower field; and third and fourth graders will hunt at Hager Park.

The Easter Bunny will be at City Park for the annual visit so have your camera ready.

Drama donations given to Hospice

Father Gerry Condon (center) presented Pioneer Memorial Hospice Director Molly Rhea (left) and Home Health and Hospice office manager Sherry Ewing (right) with $263 for the hospice program. The money was received from donations gathered during the presentation of Saint Patrick-Patron of Ireland during the St. Pat's Weekend Celebration. Cast members decided to donate the proceeds to Hospice.

St. Patrick's parade winners announced

Winners for the 2005 Great Green Parade held Saturday, March 19 during Heppner's St. Patrick's Day celebration have been announced. Bank of Eastern Oregon received the award for Irish floats and groups.

Also winning awards were: The Ken Turner Grandkids- Irish Character and Family; DIY Kids 4-H Club- Irish Bicycle/Golf Cart; Roundup City Cloggers- Musical and Dance Groups; Farm Museum Cars- Antique/ Custom Vehicle; Funrunners ATV Club- Parade/Special Event Car; and D and L Auto- Irish Miscellaneous.

St. Patrick's Weekend winners announced

The St. Patrick's Weekend Celebration saw many winners in a variety of contests.

Phil Bach of Heppner, Kathy Nicking of Heppner and Kirk Holcomb of Madras were the three lucky winners of the $100 Pots O' Gold. The winners were chosen from those who bought the annual St. Patrick's Celebration pins and the names were drawn during three of the weekend events.

On Friday, March 18, Ron Doherty of Spokane brought in the $300 prize from the Ewe-Do-Bingo contest sponsored by the Heppner High School cheerleaders. The cheerleaders also raffled off a gift certificate from Howe's About Pizza in Heppner, which was won by Morgan Correa of Heppner.

Melissa Coiner of Heppner also came out a winner on Friday, as the first place winner of the O'Ducky Race, winning $100. The race, sponsored by Colt Football, also saw winners: Nick Sarich, Idaho, $75; Kelsie Fox, Heppner, $50; Don Watts, Salem, $25; and Laurie Sarich, Idaho, $10.

Just before the parade on Saturday, March 18, six lucky winners took home baskets raffled by the Heppner Neighborhood Center and donated by Heppner merchants. The baskets were won by: Gene Crowell of Ione, Marvin Padberg of Ione, Bob Lovgren of Heppner, Kelly Fritz of Heppner, Cory Miller of Heppner and Francis Schutter of Lexington.

Ione to hold annual Easter egg hunt

It is that time of year when the Easter Bunny will be visiting Ione for the big Egg Hunt. Please join him at the Ione City Park and St. William's Catholic Church lawn on Saturday, March 26 at 10 a.m. to hunt eggs and get prizes.

The egg hunt is open to tiny tots up to the fourth grade. If you wish to make donations to the egg hunt, please drop them off at the Ione Bank of Eastern Oregon.

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