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Joe Lindsay to perform at Music in the Parks

Joe Lindsay will perform at the Boardman Marina Park on Monday, July 25, beginning at 7 p.m. His performance is a part of the Music In The Parks – 2005 series.

Lindsay is a western singer/songwriter from Lexington. He has performed previously at Music In The Parks as a member of Blue Mt. Community College Choirs, and as a part of the "unforgettable" a cappella group "Absolutely Nobody." Joe and his wife Leanne will entertain with their songs of life on a cattle ranch.

Balancing Joe's songs of "long days and blowing sand" will be a performance of the Sahara Divas. "Don't miss these eight dancers, swirling veils and six passionate drummers on the edge of the Columbia," said a spokesperson.

St. Patrick's Senior Center

Hope-Valby Lutheran Churches will serve as hosts at the senior meal on Wednesday, July 27.

The July 27 menu will be fish filets, fries, broccoli salad, pears, cheesy toast and frozen strawberry dessert.

Summer's here!

Summer definitely came to South Morrow County this week, as shown by this young bicyclist under the Bank of Eastern Oregon sign in Heppner registering 93 degrees Tuesday afternoon.

Oregon Trail Library District has innovative new website

This month, Oregon Trail Library District will present a new face to the world with an innovative Web site that represents a collaborative effort among Oregon's public libraries.

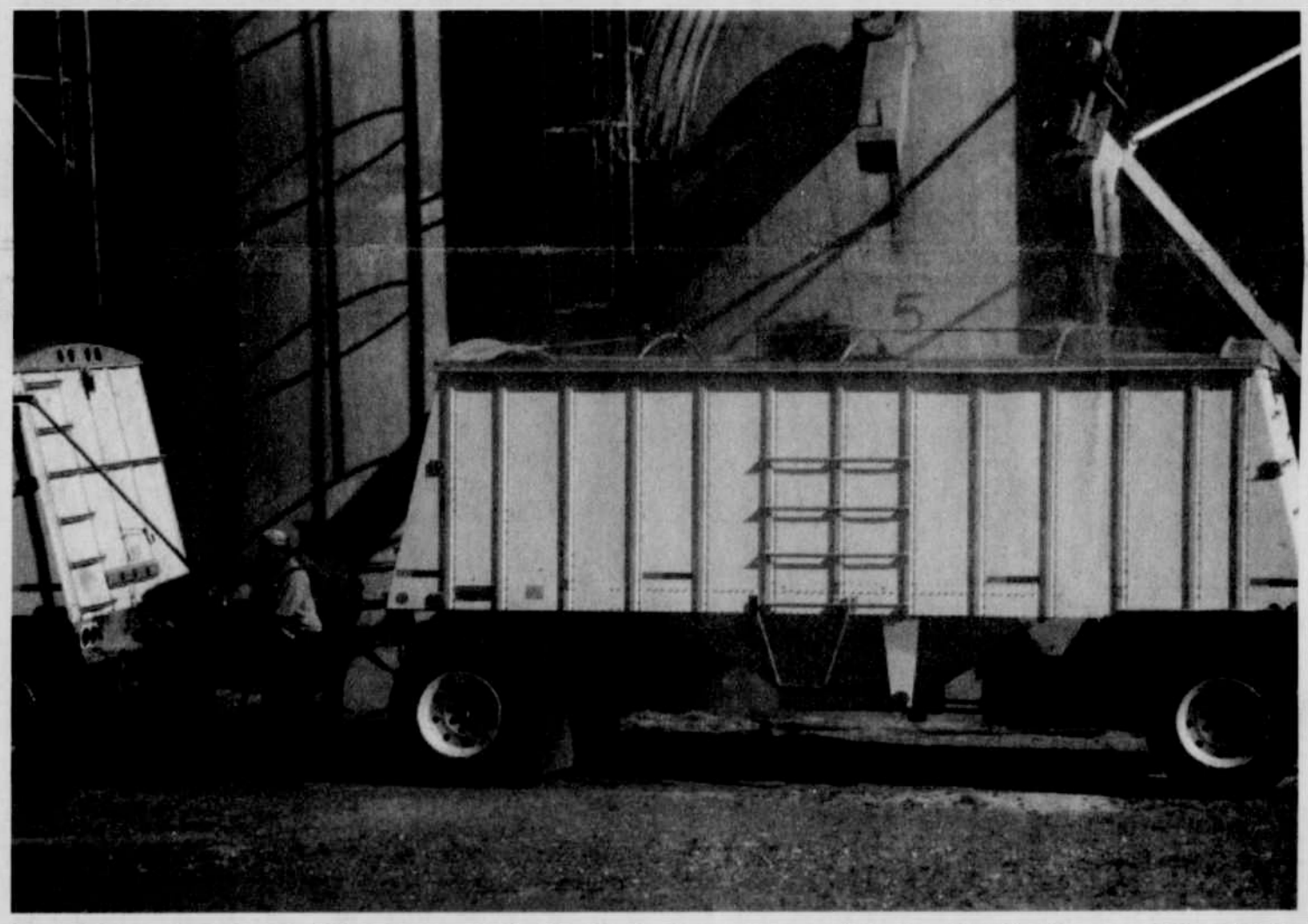
As part of a federally-funded grant effort, Oregon Trail Library District has agreed to test a Webauthoring tool called Plinkit. Plinkit was created to meet the needs of public libraries in Oregon and provides easy ways to create and maintain a library-specific web site, right through the web.

Plinkit Web sites are currently hosted through the Oregon State Library, and Multnomah County Library administers the grant that supports the project. Eva Miller, a librarian at Multnomah County Library, manages the Plinkit project and continues to develop the Plinkit authoring tools with input from library partners around the state, including county systems in Tillamook, Baker, Douglas, and Jefferson counties, as well as a half-dozen library systems in eastern Oregon.

Miller believes Plinkit is especially beneficial in regions with sparse populations and great distances to travel between everyday needs. Today, so many library services can be used without having to be at the library, such as searching electronic databases of magazine articles and the library catalog. You can even get librarians to help you online, 24-hours a day, through the statewide virtual reference service L-net, But without a good library web site that staff can manage themselves, Jibrary patrons won't be able to easily use or find these services from their home, school, or business.

Oregon Trail Library District director Marsha Richmond is excited about being one of the first libraries to use Plinkit and hopes the project will grow. "It is so exciting to be able to offer our patrons access to library resources and a reference librarian 24 hours a day, seven days a week." Richmond hopes patrons will begin to use their new Website at http://oregontrail.plinkit.org and discover everything the district has to offer online.

Midpoint of harvest shows wide range of yields



Corey Sweeney and truck driver/owner Dallas Rea load a wheat truck at the North Lex elevator in preparation for transportation to the Patterson shipping terminal on the Columbia River. Sweeney, who runs the elevator for the Morrow County Grain Growers, said the elevators were being emptied for the second time. Yield estimates for dry land summer fallow wheat in Morrow County were said to be ranging from 30 up to in some places 50 bushels per acre.

Housing Authority meeting date changed

The monthly meeting of the Heppner Housing Authority has been changed to Thursday, July 21, at 7 p.m. at the Senior Center. The meeting will replace the regular scheduled meeting of July 25.

Special Fair & Rodeo edition deadline July 29

The deadline to submit articles and photos for the Gazette-Times Special Fair and Rodeo Edition be Friday, July 29, at 5 p.m.

The special fair edition will be published as an insert in the Gazette-Times August 10.

Turn in your articles and photos to publicise your event or activity.

The Morrow County Fair & Rodeo will be held August 17 through 21.

Fair deadlines

The Morrow County Fair reminds open class livestock exhibitors to register open class livestock with the fair office by Friday, July 22. Call 676-9474 to register. The fee to enter livestock is $3 per head for Beef/Dairy; Goats/Sheep and Swine is $2 per head, payable before fair. There is no fee for Poultry & Small Animals.

The fair has special awards available in the Poultry & Small Animals as follows: sponsored by Barbara VanArsdale-Youngest Exhibitor, Most Attentive and Most Unique Exhibitor. Also KT's Bunny Barn (Kathy Tellechea and Pam Renfro) donates a $50 savings bond for the Grand Champion Youth.

Hunter's ed classes set for August 2, 4, 9 & 11

Hunter Education Classes will be held at Heppner High School in August. Class will begin at 6 p.m. on August 2. Classes will be held August 2, 4, 9 and 11 at Heppner High School and a field day will be held August 6 at the Lexington Gun Club. Instructors will be Jim and Darlene Marquardt. In Oregon, successful completion of this course is required for all hunters under the age of 18.

Pre-registration is required. Registration Fee is $10 (for materials and supplies). The class size is limited and the roster is already beginning to grow, according to the Marquardts. Students are strongly encouraged to have a parent or other adult attend classes with them.

Contact Jim Marquardt to pre-register at 541-969-8465. Leave a message if there is no answer.

Horse show canceled

There will not be a Morrow County Open Class Horse Show this year. If you are interested in doing one next year please call 676-9474, to be put on the Morrow County Fair Board agenda for September.

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