

## Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes, Exec. Dir.

Laughter is a great healer, leveler and fun for one and all as long as we aren't making fun of someone without their permission. Of course, if one can make fun of him or herself, then all are welcome to join in. With the things that happen to me, what else can I do except laugh? Someday, maybe I'll write a book.

In the meantime, could someone please enlighten me on how to get two very active earwigs out from between the glass in my not-so-very-old microwave? And how did they ever get in there and where did they come from? Aquariums are one thing, but watching crawlies while something is microwaving is not my idea of visitor friendly. Now butterflies or fish would be far more welcoming.

Countywide fair preparations are underway and just possibly some cooler temperatures are on the way "From the River to the Mountains." The windows in Artisan Village remind us that we all have things we can enter in the Morrow County Fair, from collections to antiques; from artwork to photography; from flowers and veggies to pies, cakes and cookies. Think about some of the things you have that others might enjoy seeing and take them into the County Fair on Monday, Aug. 15. Support the kids of Morrow County. The Fair and Rodeo are, after all, what we make of

them. It is a great opportunity to work together as a county. Join in and have fun.

Besides planning the Morrow County Fair booth for the Chamber and taking parade entries, this week finds Chamber members gathering props and marketing materials for promotion at the Bite of Oregon in Portland. Morrow County will be sharing space with Umatilla County to showcase our historic and recreational opportunities for visitors. Set up is Thursday evening and "The Bite" will run from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., Friday through Sunday at Waterfront Park. We'll try to send some visitors back to Morrow County to experience our Fair and Rodeo, the OHV Park and the many amenities we offer where rural is for real. We'll invite them and they will come. Should you happen to be there, stop by the Eastern Oregon booth and give those Heppner promoters a break. New experiences are good (that is, unless they involve an unwelcome addition to your microwave.)

This week during Chamber all entities report and Aug. 18 will find members enjoying lunch at the Fair and viewing Morrow County talent. Join us at noon.

Thought for the Week: "Our five senses are incomplete without the sixth-humor."

## St. Patrick's Senior Center news

Seventh Day Adventist Church volunteers are serving the lunch at St. Patrick's Senior Center on Aug. 17. The menu for the day is beef enchiladas on a tortilla, with lettuce and tomatoes, salad, peas, applesauce and ice cream.

Jerry and JoyceKay Holloman shared lovely bouquets of flowers from their daughter's, Darcy, memorial service, including one of yellow roses. The senior board, the residents, those who eat Wednesday lunch at the center and other visitors, express their appreciation to the Coil and Holloman families for the thoughtful gift and also deep condolence for their loss.

The regular meeting of the Senior Center board is set for Aug. 17 at 12:30 p.m. Two months' worth of business will be taken care of at this important meeting. Members who know they will be absent should notify the senior center office immediately at 676-9030.

## Marriage Licenses

**Aug. 4:** Jerry William Zielinski, 47, Boardman and Linnece Kauffman, 38, Boardman.

**Aug. 5:** Gabriel Avila Lemuz, 27, Boardman and Claudia Yanet Gonzalez Torres, 22, Boardman.

## Mural dedication planned



Robert Walton works at finishing the Ag Museum mural.

The Mural Society of Heppner is planning an evening to celebrate the finishing of the largest mural in the Northwest by a single artist. Robert Walton has shown his great talents by taking old photographs and putting together a mural telling the story of Morrow County and the sheep industry, which started this county and how much the railroad meant for the transportation of sheep and later of cattle and wheat.

Mark your calendar for Wednesday, Aug. 17 at 6 p.m. The dedication will be held at the mural on Riverside Street. You are invited to come and meet

## Morrow County project information due by Sept. 6

All cities, special districts and non-profit organizations that intend to seek funding assistance for a community or economic development project are invited to submit their projects for inclusion on the Morrow County Needs and Issues Inventory. This is required for any group requesting support from county tipage fees. It is also recommended for any entity planning to apply for state, federal or foundation grants or loans.

Program descriptions and the Project Notification Forms for 2005 are now available by calling the Greater Eastern Oregon Development Corporation at (541) 575-2786, via e-mail at slino@oregonvos.net or they may be downloaded from www.geodc.org.

Any group submitting multiple projects must also complete a Local Priority List for each of the three categories used for

classification. The three categories are: (1) Infrastructure including improvements or construction of any utility infrastructure, including water and wastewater systems, industrial park utilities, telecommunications and airport infrastructure, and downtown redevelopment or revitalization; (2) Community Facilities which includes construction or renovation of public-use buildings such as libraries, public safety facilities, community centers, shelters and treatment facilities, or health and daycare facilities; and (3) Community Readiness which is for projects where there is no physical development of land or buildings such items as strategic plans, surveys, feasibility studies, leadership development, or marketing.

Sept. 6, 2005 is the deadline for projects to be included on this year's Needs and Issues Inventory. Projects submitted through this process will be prioritized on Sept. 20 by the Morrow County Economic Development Committee.

For more information or blank forms, contact Sondra Lino at (541) 575-2786. Greater Eastern Oregon Development Corporation (GEODC) is facilitating this process for Morrow County.

John's Place will be serving hors d'oeuvres to complete the evening and participants can visit with some of the families who are still helping Morrow County by farming and ranching and giving of their time to make our area a nice, livable area.

Louis Carlson will be giving a brief talk about each part of the mural, a history lesson to enjoy.

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John's Place will serve Italian Lamb and Fried Oysters during the Microbrew Beer and Wine Tasting on Aug. 18, 6:30 p.m. at the MC Fairgrounds. (Enjoy with the samples of Italian Wine!)

**JOHN'S PLACE  
HEPPNER**

## HHS registration to be held

Aug. 17

Heppner High School student registration will be held Aug. 17 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., for returning and new students. Orientation for seventh graders will be held at 1 p.m.

Student body fees are: Student Body Fee- \$11 (grades 9-12), \$9 (grades 7-8); Computer Lab Fee- \$5 (grades 7-12); Towel Fee-

\$2 (grades 7-12); and Yearbook (optional)- \$30 (grades 7-12).

Meal prices are \$1 for breakfast and \$1.75 for lunch.

Pay-to-Participate fees are: Grades 7-8, \$50 per sport and Grades 9-12, \$75 per sport. There is a \$150 maximum per student per year and a \$300 maximum per family per year.

## Free sport physicals at Ione Elementary

Students in grades 6-12 may obtain a free sport physical at Ione Elementary School on Aug. 22 at 6 p.m. Students participating in school sports must have a physical every other year.

Students may obtain a physical form from the school office. Forms must be completely filled out and signed by parent if parent will not be attending with student.

## Forspirata's Piratical Adventure to be held at Cutsforth Park

The Kingdoms of Chivalry (Forspirata is a local chapter) are holding piratical adventure Aug. 12-14 at Cutsforth Park. Activities on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 13 and 14 are open to the public. Activities include "Shinai" capture the flag battles, plank battles, treasure hunt, medieval shoe workshop, paper boat races, socializing and much more. Events for the public will begin at 9 a.m., Saturday.

The Kingdoms of Chivalry are a not-for-profit organization that focuses on the time period of 410 to 1649. This period starts with the sacking of Rome by the Visigoths and ends with the execution of King Charles I of England, when Oliver Cromwell and the Parliamentarians briefly took control away from the monarchy. Kingdoms of Chivalry's geography is limited to Europe, Asia and Africa, and the range of lands and cultures found therein.

Kingdoms of Chivalry seek to educate, not only members of the group, but also the general

population, about the issues and activities going on during our time period. This is done by presenting research papers, crafting items of the time, active participation in combat and archery, holding workshops and performing demonstrations.

Kingdoms of Chivalry place a high importance on education, not only within the group, but also by reaching out to the community by going into schools and public places to share knowledge. Although accuracy in recreation is a noble goal, the Kingdoms of Chivalry does not seek to create a carbon copy of the Middle Ages, but to recreate the feel of the period with a 21<sup>st</sup> Century mind.

Kingdoms of Chivalry do this recreation of history in several different areas, mainly sword combat (broad sword and Rapier, aka Renaissance fighting), archery (longbow and crossbow, no high-powered modern bows) and the arts (cooking, sewing, soap making, etc.).

## Justice Court report

The Justice Court for Heppner and Irrigon handled 2200 cases for fiscal year 2004-2005 and received \$399,528.79.

Of those cases filed, 1871 were traffic citations, 42 were game citations, 166 were misdemeanors, 39 were civil claims and FEDS, 18 were small claims and 64 were DUIs. The court also had 180 pre-trials and 145 orders to show cause, issued 626 warrants, ordered 738 suspensions, received 52 DUII Diversion, had 383 warrants returned from the sheriff's office (no report for July 2004) and sent 755 accounts to the collection's agency (no report from July and August 2004 and February 2005). For trials and hearings, the court held 101 minor hearings (traffic), two jury trials, one "other" trial and six small claim, sentencing, etc., trials.

Of the monies received, \$108,401.38 was turned over to the state, \$286,526.38 was turned over to the county and \$4601.03 was paid in restitution.

Current tickets include:

Ysmael O. Padilla, 67, Berwyn, IL, Violation of the Speed Limit, 85 mph in a 55 mph zone, fine \$318.

Leroy K. Rea, 48, Ione, Violation of the Basic Rule, 71 mph in a 55 mph zone, fine \$108.

## Notary public seminars to be held in Heppner

The Secretary of State is offering a notary public seminar free of charge in Heppner on Aug. 31 at Columbia Basin Electric Co-Op. The seminar is being offered at two times, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. or 1-4 p.m. The seminar is for current and future notaries.

The information presented at the seminar covers rules and regulations for Oregon notaries, as well as explains how to properly identify the signer, what to record in your journal and the requirements needed to create a proper Oregon Notarial Certificate.

To register for the class, call (503) 986-2200 or go online to, www.filinginoregon.com/notary/seminar.

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