

Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes, Exec. Dir.

Some people are moving on and new faces are arriving in Heppner. Jim and Cam Wishart slipped away too fast for many of us to say, "Goodbye." They are a couple who have given quietly over and over to their community in many areas over the years. From businessman to retiree, Jim was there to help in a variety of community projects and always had a friendly word to say. And, Cam, the epitome of grace and a shining example of a store employee, could give lessons to all of us in customer service. She consistently greeted people with a big smile and a cheerful comment at work and in the community. Wisharts, Heppner misses you.

Forget the ghosts and pull those scarecrows out of the closet and grab an old pillowcase, some newspapers and clothes and use your creative imaginations to have some fun. Register your scarecrow at the Heppner Chamber of Commerce by Oct. 1. It is hoped that all businesses will have a welcoming scarecrow throughout the month of October to greet visitors. Individuals, classrooms and organizations that wish to have their entries more visible in the community may ask a business for permission to display if they wish. They can be all sizes, shapes and personalities. For example, how about a "Red Hat Scarecrow," a Victorian scarecrow or replicas of

Homecoming week at HHS

By Mahaley Huddleston

"Tame the Tigers" is the theme for the Heppner High School homecoming week Sept. 19-23. The halls at HHS are decorated with blue and gold and jungle décor.

On Monday, Sept. 19, the dress up day was extreme sports, with the activity in the afternoon being a clothing relay. Tuesday dress up was heroic/fairytale and the activity was broom pushing. Wednesday dress up was 60s day with many different activities. Wednesday night at 7 p.m. the Powder Puff game will take place at the football field, and following that is the bonfire. Senior girls and sophomore girls are playing against the junior and freshman girls. The boys will coach and cheer. Thursday is blue and gold day. In the afternoon, each class will

people in Heppner. Creators will be recognized for the "Most Welcoming," "Most Unique," and "The Biggest and Best."

Octoberfest/Harvest Festival is cancelled this year. The Chamber Board of Directors felt that only so many events can go on in a month and this might be overload for the movers and shakers. Individual businesses or restaurants may wish to hold their own small version and are encouraged to do so. Support the Heppner Booster Club auction, enjoy hunting if so inclined, attend Homecoming this weekend, eat at the Hardman Oyster Feed, shop at home, start sewing, save gas and look ahead to "Stroll Heppner and the Light Parade." Plan now... remember how fast those calendar pages float off like falling leaves.

Chamber continues to meet every Thursday at John's Place, catered by Bucknum's Catering. The vote is out regarding a change of day, but some of us are so set in our ways that we will at least continue through 2005. On Sept. 22, Windwave will introduce their business to the membership on Sept. 29, Representative Greg Smith will attend in person.

Thought for the Week: "A person who walks in another's track leaves no footprints. Don't be afraid to step in and lead; new footprints are good."

decorate a float and then a noise parade will proceed around town, stopping on the shamrock on Main Street end at the football field. Throughout the week each class is receiving points on how many dress up in their class, if they win the activities for that day and what class is the loudest for the noise parade. Prizes will be awarded to the class that has the most points.

Friday night the Mustangs will play the Stanfield Tigers beginning at 7 p.m. Homecoming court will be crowned during the halftime ceremony. Court members are juniors Aaron Allstott, escorting Regi Seitz; R.J. Farrens, escorting Mahaley Huddleston; seniors Mikel Britt, escorting Brittney Herbison; Matt Kenny, escorting Katie Britt; and Dan Basile, escorting Laurie Murray.

Brent's Team begins preparations for Walk to Cure Diabetes



Brent's Team members in the 2004 Walk to Cure Diabetes.

Brent Eckman and his team of family and friends are getting ready for the annual "Walk to Cure Diabetes." The walk this year will be held at Oaks Park, located in Portland's historic Sellwood District. The walk will be held on Sunday, Oct. 2. Check-in is at 10 a.m., with the walk beginning at 11 a.m. After the walk, every walker gets a complimentary ride bracelet for Oaks Amusement Park.

This is the fourth year that "Brent's Team" will be participating in the walk. His team has raised a total of \$18,800. With your continued support, Brent's dream of a world without diabetes is within reach.

There are four ways you can help make a difference for Brent and

everyone living with diabetes. You can join "Brent's Team" for the work. You can register online at www.jdrf.org. You can send a tax deductible contribution, made payable to JDRF. You can purchase raffle tickets for a quilt made by Brent's, Grandma Healy. You can purchase sneakers for \$1 at Heppner schools.

"Brent's Team" is having a kick-off dance on Saturday, Sept. 24, from 8 p.m. to 12 midnight, at the Morrow County Fairgrounds for 7th through 9th grades. The admission is \$5 per person. They will also be selling Find a Cure awareness bracelets for \$2 at the dance.

For more information, contact Brent Eckman at 989-8518.

St. Patrick's Senior Center news

Christian Life Center volunteers are hosts for the noon meal on Sept. 28. The menu for the day is BLTs, veggie salad, pineapple chunks and birthday cake.

Thirteen passengers enjoyed the Westward Ho Parade last Friday in Pendleton. The group had ringside seats that were across from the round-up grounds.

After lunch at Denny's and a stop at Abel's Fruit Stand, Ed Baker took the group on a tour through the poplar tree farm, along Homestead Road and

explained some of their operation.

On Saturday, Oct. 1, the senior bus will be leaving the Main Street entrance of the Senior Center at 3 p.m., to take people to the annual Hardman Community Oyster Feed. Baked salmon and ham are also on the menu with coleslaw and desserts.

The price of gas has put the bus program at risk. An immediate change is a small per-person charge in addition to the usual tip for the driver.

OLCC sends \$181,376 to Eastern Oregon cities, counties in July

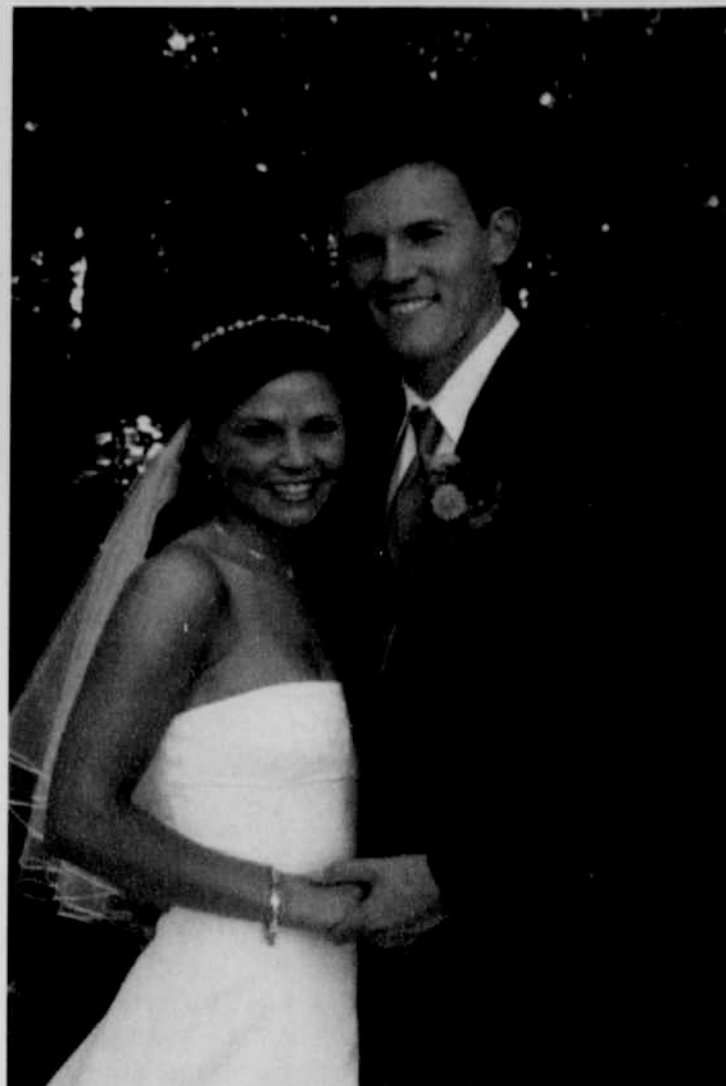
Baker, Grant, Harney, Malheur, Morrow, Umatilla, Union and Walla counties and their 53 cities received \$181,376 from the Oregon Liquor Control Commission's July distilled spirits revenue allocation.

Here is the disbursement for Morrow County and its cities: Morrow Co., \$1,750; Boardman, \$3,138; Heppner,

\$1,428; Ione, \$342; Irrigon, \$1,800; Lexington, \$261. The agency distributed \$12.95 million statewide, based on a total population of 3.58 million.

OLCC revenue is derived from the sale of distilled spirits in 242 liquor stores, taxes on malt beverages and wine, license fees and fines for liquor law violations. Last month's revenue share was \$9.1 million.

Wedding Walton-Hand



Shannon and Robert Hand

Shannon Marie Walton and Robert James Hand of Walla Walla, WA were joined in marriage on July 30, 2005

The bride is the daughter of Paul and Sue Walton of Long Creek. She graduated from Long Creek High School in 1998. In 2002, she received her bachelor's degree in elementary education from Lewis-Clark State College in 2004, she received a master's degree in curriculum and instruction from Eastern Washington University in Cheney, WA. She is currently employed as a second grade teacher at Berney Elementary in the Walla Walla School District.

The groom is the son of Jim Hand and Kay and Jan Wessel, all of Walla Walla. He graduated from Walla Walla High School in 1997. In 2001, he received his bachelor's degree in business marketing from the Univer-

sity of Idaho in Moscow, ID. He is currently employed at Nelson Irrigation Corporation in Walla Walla.

The wedding was held at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Walla Walla and officiated by Father Pat Kerst. The maid of honor was a friend of the bride, Jill Greenup, of Estacada. Bridesmaids were Katie Walton, Jodi Johnston, Derri Reid and Ingrid Wilson. The Best Man was a friend of the groom, Scott Ford of Walla Walla. Groomsmen were Michael Hand, Peter Hand, Sean Reid and Mark Eberhard. Flower girls were Rylee Kollman and Lauren Roberts and the ring bearer was Evan Kollman. The reception was held at Walla Walla Community College.

The couple honeymooned in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico and currently reside in Walla Walla.

Fair theme ideas being accepted

It's that time of year; the Morrow County Fair Board needs some ideas for the 2006 fair theme. It will be the Fair's 93rd year in 2006. The theme should reflect both ends of the county and also be easy for the Superintendents to decorate during Fair.

If you have any ideas, send them to the Morrow County Fair, PO Box 464, Heppner, OR 97836 or call 676-9474, or


better yet, email it to mcfair@co.morrow.or.us.

If you have the winning theme the prize is a \$25 gift certificate to be used a store of your choice. Also if you are a business and come up with the winning theme, you will receive a 1/4 page ad in the 2006 Premium Book at no cost. The Fair's dates are Aug. 16-20. Deadline for the theme is Nov. 30, 2005.

MCSB to hold work session

The Morrow County School District Board of Directors will meet via polycom on Thursday, Sept. 22, between the District Office in Lexington and Irrigon Elementary School in Irrigon. The work session will begin at 7 p.m.

Topics for the meeting will be centered around, "Safety in the schools."



WATERMELON SHOOT

Benefit for Scholarship

Saturday, Sept. 24 at 12 noon
64686 Halvorsen Lane, Ione

Site in all morning starting after 9 a.m.
Watermelons provided!
5 shots for \$25
(\$5 out of each entry goes to the winner!)

Come site your gun for deer season! Bench rest and paper targets. 100 - 500 yard offhand shoot at Walchli Watermelons! Bring your guns and ammo.

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to benefit the Ione Education Foundation

Enjoy the dinner, auction & raffle

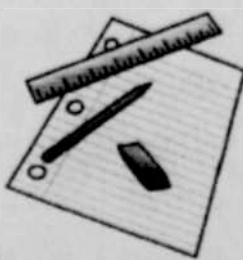
Saturday, September 24

Social hour at 6 p.m. / Dinner at 7 p.m.
at the Ione American Legion Hall

Menu: Prime Rib, Crab, Shrimp, Salad, Bread, Baked Potato, Dessert. Two drinks included with meal (choose from beer, wine and soft drinks).

Ticket Prices:

Adults - \$25.00
Children 12 and under - \$10.00
6 and under - free
Tickets available at
Bank of Eastern Oregon, Ione



Come enjoy a fun evening and help support the Ione School.

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