

## Museum Musings



Janice Paustian and Peggy Fishburn "visit" with "Mr. Gilliam" of the new Gilliam-Bisbee General Store display. Photo by Kay Proctor.

Morrow County is doubly fortunate to have two outstanding museums, the Agricultural Museum, a 150 known as the Ag Museum and the Morrow County Heritage Museum. Both are located in Heppner and overseen by the board of the Farm Foundation chaired by Cliff Green. Members of the board are Betty Carlson, Merle Cowett, Barbara Bloodworth, Jim Hayes, Butch Laughlin, Larry Mills, Bob Jepsen and Bob Harrison.



Mike Thornton

The goal of this new monthly column is to keep the public informed of what is happening at both museums and will be written by a different museum volunteer each month.

The museums are operated solely by volunteers who will be introduced throughout future columns.

Look for both museums to open for the season on March 17, with the Heritage Museum having several revitalized and new displays. Admission is free with donations welcomed. On March 17 and 18, a St. Patrick's mug will be given to each visitor at both museums.

In this column, the board would like to introduce Mike Thornton, currently living in Salem, but a previous resident of New York City, where he was employed by NYCLibrary in their archival department. Thornton has deep roots in Morrow County, as he is the grandson of the late Mike and Edith Matthews of Ione.

He has been active and involved in both museums by giving his support and advice. The following information was provided by Thornton.

The Heritage Museum will introduce several new displays this season. One highlight is a recreated Gilliam and Bisbee store display that strives to illustrate the merchants of Morrow County. Key artifacts include Gilliam and Bisbee's cash register, metal signs from stores like Bristow's Market and Phelps Grocery store and photographs of store fronts and interiors. At the heart of the display is a variety of material goods that were available for purchase from the 1880s to the late 1930s. This display is representative of a larger curatorial effort going on behind the scenes at the Museum that strives to interpret and showcase the connection between the civic prosperity portrayed throughout the Heritage Museum and the agricultural and industrial history that made the county's economic and social growth possible.

For the Agricultural collection summer plans are aimed at creating small enclaves that highlight specific industries and skills. For example one such display will focus on blacksmithing and metal work. The importance of this trade is reflected in the collection as number of the older implements in the display signs of repair or modification. These features are a powerful reminder of the variety of trade skills that were required by the average farmer and rancher to be successful in dry land agriculture. Other display areas will follow highlighting the lumber industry and the operation of a grain elevator. Plans are also being made to create covered display areas

outside for the protection of the historic equipment. Several of the Museum's vehicles, including a header box restored by Bob Harris, will be featured in the upcoming St. Patrick's Day parade in Heppner.

As always both museum collections are interested in new gifts or donations. Should you have something you feel is of historical or personal importance please consider the Heritage Museum or Agricultural collection as a place to share and preserve those items. In particular, the Heritage Museum is interested in artifacts relating to the rural fire departments and local law enforcement for an upcoming exhibit. Aside from a billy club and a Victorian fire extinguisher, the museum's current collection is short on this aspect of Morrow County's story. Any artifacts related to this topic would be of great interest. However, let it be noted again that the museum is interested in all aspects of the county's history and seeks to collect broadly. Inquires into gifts for the museum can be made to Larry Mills or Cliff Green of Heppner.

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## Sheriff's Report

The Morrow County Sheriff's Office reports handling the following business:

**Mar. 2:** MCSO issued a citation to Heath Stillman, 22, for going 75 mph in a 55 mph zone.

-MCSO issued a citation to Jackie Steve Newsome, 62, for driving while suspended and driving uninsured.

-MCSO received a report that Portland PD arrested Jesus Guillermo Santa Cruz, 26, on a Morrow County Circuit warrant for failing to appear for strangulation and harassment.

-MCSO issued a citation to Dante Dizon Bautista, 30, for going 83 mph in a 65 mph zone and failing to carry insurance and registration.

-MCSO issued a citation to Alejandro Avila Vera, 21, for driving while suspended and failing to yield right of way.

**Mar. 3:** MCSO issued a citation to Sondra Lynn Lowe, 25, for going 84 mph in a 55 mph zone.

-MCSO arrested Kevin Joseph Wilson, 22, on an UCSO warrant for failing to appear for menacing.

-MCSO issued a citation to Ariel Elaine Masters, 26, for driving while suspended.

**Mar. 5:** BPD issued a citation to Dorry Faye Weiser, 26, for driving while suspended and for Possession of a Controlled Substance, Less than One Ounce.

-MCSO issued a citation to Sean A. Oliver, 26, for driving while suspended and for going 87 mph in a 55 mph zone.

-MCSO issued a citation to Kori Brooke O'Brien, 23, for going 98 mph in a 65 mph zone.

-MCSO cited Gustavo Dominguez Lopez, 19, for Violation of the Basic Rule, 77 mph in a 55 mph zone.

-Shawn Milan Calendine was cited for Violation of the Basic Rule, 73 mph in 55 mph zone.

-MCSO cited Maria Guadalupe Seller, 39, for No Operator's License and Driving Uninsured.

-MCSO received a report from Hermiston PD that Wallace Gary Smith, 35, was arrested on a Morrow County Circuit Court

warrant for Possession of a Precursor Substance, Manufacture/Delivery of a Controlled Substance and Possession of a Controlled Substance II. He was also arrested on a Heppner Justice Court warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/Failure to Appear. He was lodged at

Umatilla County Jail on Hermiston PD local charges, Umatilla County warrants and Gilliam County warrants with holds placed for Morrow County.

-MCSO cited Belle Thyme Hays, 57, for Violation of the Basic Rule, 77 mph in a 55 mph zone.

## 6th annual Cruz In to be held

Heppner will have two parades on Saturday, March 18 as part of the 24th annual St. Patrick's celebration. At noon, vintage automobiles will "Cruz" Main Street for the sixth annual St. Paddy's Cruz In. All participants for the Cruz In will assemble between 10 a.m. and 11:45 a.m., at the northwest entrance to Heppner (former Kinzua Mill site) on Highway 74/207.

After the parade, on Willow Street in downtown Heppner, the public will be able to view the Cruz In vehicles. Judging will take place at that time for awards

in Classic, Modified, Vintage and Foreign entries. Awards for Leprechaun's Choice and also the Mustang award will be given. The Mustang award is sponsored by the Heppner Student Body.

At 1 p.m., the Great Green Parade will take place with fun and smiles for all. St. Patrick's activities begin in Heppner on Thursday, March 16 and continue through Sunday, March 19. For more information, contact the Heppner Chamber of Commerce at 676-5536; by mail at PO Box 1232, Heppner, OR 97836; or at their website at www.heppnerchamber.com.

### ABOUT THE HEPPNER GAZETTE-TIMES NEWSPAPER

#### News articles

The Heppner Gazette welcomes news articles that are of interest to the communities of Ione, Lexington, Heppner and the surrounding area.

You can submit your article through mail, fax, email or bring it to our office (see below under how to contact us).

There is no charge for news articles, but if the article is a moneymaking activity for a person or business other than a non-profit or community service organization, it must run as a paid advertisement.

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Display ads are the boxed ads that run throughout the newspaper and are charged for by the amount of space. The larger the ad the more it cost. Photos and graphics may be used in display ads.

Classified, or want ads, run in the section near the back of the newspaper and are charged by the number of words in the ad.

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#### Letters to the Editor

Letters to the Editor must be signed. The Gazette-Times will not publish unsigned letters. Please include your address and phone number on all letters for use by the G-T. The G-T reserves the right to edit. The G-T is not responsible for accuracy of statements made in letters. (Any letters expressing thanks will be placed in the classifieds under "Card of Thanks" at a cost of \$10) Letters in poor taste or libelous will not be published.

#### Photos

The Gazette welcomes photos to run with news articles. We accept either black and white or color photos and they can be returned. We also accept digital photos. E-mail or bring the digitals to the office on a disk. We also accept digital camera "chips" to download the photos from your camera. Please contact us if you are unsure how to submit your photo.

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