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Lindsay named as Grand Marshal for St. Pat's festivities

As is the tradition for the St. Patrick's Celebration, a grand marshal is named each year for the Great Green Parade. This year is no exception with the honor bestowed on Larry Lindsay of Lexington.

Larry Lindsay was born in 1937 as the only child of Alex and Rosella Lindsay of Lexington. His mother, Rosella, was the daughter of Barney P. Doherty and Catherine Doherty. Barney Doherty, a true pioneer sheep man of Morrow County, was born in 1857 in Glen-Keen, County Donegal.

Larry Lindsay

He left Ireland in 1885 to work as a carpenter in Boston. In 1887, he came to Eastern Oregon to work for Cunningham Sheep Co. building lambing pens. The founder of Cunningham Sheep Co. was Charles Cunningham, an Irishman from Gahway who married Sra Doherty, a cousin of Barney Doherty. That couple helped to bring many young countrymen from Ireland for employment as "Greenhorn" sheepherders.

Barney Doherty chose to take his wages in the form of sheep. In 1885, he claimed a homestead site near where Highway 207 crosses Sand Hollow. That property became a "Century Farm" in 1988 and it is still their families. In 1895, Barney Doherty married a young colleen from Carndonagh, Donegal, who had left her home in Ireland in 1890.

While raising nine children, Barney and "Katie" increased their sheep business to a total of 10 bands – which means 10,000 sheep – and 10 full time sheepherders. They grazed open range from the desert "Sandy Country" of North Morrow County to the mountains around Starkey and Wallowa. Larry Lindsay remembers trailing sheep to Wallowa when he was five years old, "helping" his father, Alex, and his Uncle Barney Doherty, who were partners in sheep.

Prior to 1910, barney Doherty's sheep used to graze over the Funley Buttes, hwere today a million dollars per year flows into Morrow County's coffers as Landfill Tippage Fees.

In 1947, Alex Lindsay acquired rangeland in lower Sand Hollow from Bill Kilkenny which included portions of the legendary John Sheridan Kilkenny sheep empire. Since the 1970's, Lindsay cattle have grazed on irrigated grass circles next to the old Kilkenny headquarters where massive sheep sheds were once used for lambing and shearing.

Speaking with a sense of awe, Larry Lindsay says "While working in the feedlot, I can gaze eastward in the morning at the same curving tracks dropping into Sand Hollow Canyon when an Irishman, Thomas Fitzpatrick, brought the very first wagons west on what came to be called "The Old Oregon Trail."

Larry Lindsay and his wife, Connie, have raised seven children: Ann Murray, a pharmacist in Heppner; Cathy Pedro, a cattle and alfalfa grower in Hermiston; Alex, a computer engineer in California; Theresa, a former teacher at Blue Mountain Community College living in Hermiston; Barney, a former teacher and a family

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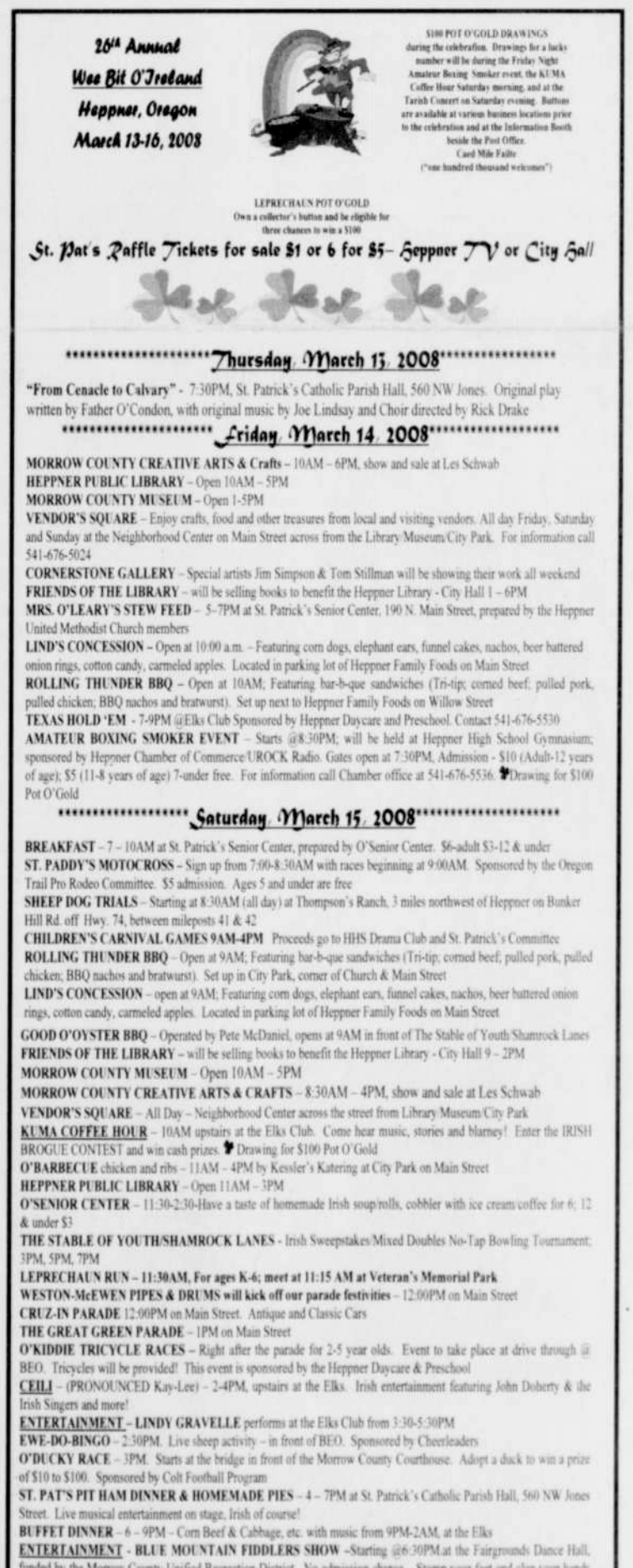

26th Annual
Wee Bit O'Ireland
Heppner, Oregon
March 13-16, 2008

$100 POT O'GOLD DRAWINGS during the celebration. Drawings for a lucky number will be during the Friday Night Amateur Boxing Smoker event, the KUMA Coffee Hour Saturday morning, and at the Tarish Concert on Saturday evening. Buttons are available at various business locations prior to the celebration and at the Information Booth beside the Post Office.
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("one hundred thousand welcomes")

LEPRECHAUN POT O'GOLD
Own a collector's button and be eligible for three chances to win a $100

St. Pat's Raffle Tickets for sale $1 or 6 for $5– Heppner TV or City Hall

Thursday, March 13, 2008

"From Cenacle to Calvary" - 7:30PM, St. Patrick's Catholic Parish Hall, 560 NW Jones. Original play written by Father O'Condon, with original music by Joe Lindsay and Choir directed by Rick Drake

Friday, March 14, 2008

MORROW COUNTY CREATIVE ARTS & Crafts – 10AM – 6PM, show and sale at Les Schwab
HEPPNER PUBLIC LIBRARY – Open 10AM – 5PM
MORROW COUNTY MUSEUM – Open 1-5PM
VENDOR'S SQUARE – Enjoy crafts, food and other treasures from local and visiting vendors. All day Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the Neighborhood Center on Main Street across from the Library/Museum/City Park. For information call 541-676-5024
CORNERSTONE GALLERY – Special artists Jim Simpson & Tom Stillman will be showing their work all weekend
FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY – will be selling books to benefit the Heppner Library - City Hall 1 – 6PM
MRS. O'LEARY'S STEW FEED – 5–7PM at St. Patrick's Senior Center, 190 N. Main Street, prepared by the Heppner United Methodist Church members
LIND'S CONCESSION – Open at 10:00 a.m. – Featuring corn dogs, elephant ears, funnel cakes, nachos, beer battered onion rings, cotton candy, carmeled apples. Located in parking lot of Heppner Family Foods on Main Street
ROLLING THUNDER BBQ – Open at 10AM; Featuring bar-b-que sandwiches (Tri-tip; corned beef; pulled pork, pulled chicken; BBQ nachos and bratwurst). Set up next to Heppner Family Foods on Willow Street
TEXAS HOLD 'EM - 7-9PM @Elks Club Sponsored by Heppner Daycare and Preschool. Contact 541-676-5530
AMATEUR BOXING SMOKER EVENT – Starts @8:30PM; will be held at Heppner High School Gymnasium; sponsored by Heppner Chamber of Commerce/UROCK Radio. Gates open at 7:30PM. Admission - $10 (Adult-12 years of age); $5 (11-8 years of age) 7-under free. For information call Chamber office at 541-676-5536. Drawing for $100 Pot O'Gold

Saturday, March 15, 2008

BREAKFAST – 7 – 10AM at St. Patrick's Senior Center, prepared by O'Senior Center. $6-adult $3-12 & under
ST. PADDY'S MOTOCROSS – Sign up from 7:00-8:30AM with races beginning at 9:00AM. Sponsored by the Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo Committee. $5 admission. Ages 5 and under are free
SHEEP DOG TRIALS – Starting at 8:30AM (all day) at Thompson's Ranch, 3 miles northwest of Heppner on Bunker Hill Rd. off Hwy. 74, between mileposts 41 & 42
CHILDREN'S CARNIVAL GAMES 9AM-4PM Proceeds go to HHS Drama Club and St. Patrick's Committee
ROLLING THUNDER BBQ – Open at 9AM; Featuring bar-b-que sandwiches (Tri-tip; corned beef; pulled pork, pulled chicken; BBQ nachos and bratwurst). Set up in City Park, corner of Church & Main Street
LIND'S CONCESSION – open at 9AM; Featuring corn dogs, elephant ears, funnel cakes, nachos, beer battered onion rings, cotton candy, carmeled apples. Located in parking lot of Heppner Family Foods on Main Street
GOOD O'OYSTER BBQ – Operated by Pete McDaniel, opens at 9AM in front of The Stable of Youth/Shamrock Lanes
FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY – will be selling books to benefit the Heppner Library - City Hall 9 – 2PM
MORROW COUNTY MUSEUM – Open 10AM – 5PM
MORROW COUNTY CREATIVE ARTS & CRAFTS – 8:30AM – 4PM, show and sale at Les Schwab
VENDOR'S SQUARE – All Day – Neighborhood Center across the street from Library/Museum/City Park
KUMA COFFEE HOUR – 10AM upstairs at the Elks Club. Come hear music, stories and blarney! Enter the IRISH BROGUE CONTEST and win cash prizes. Drawing for $100 Pot O'Gold
O'BARBECUE chicken and ribs – 11AM – 4PM by Kessler's Katering at City Park on Main Street
HEPPNER PUBLIC LIBRARY – Open 11AM – 3PM
O'SENIOR CENTER – 11:30-2:30-Have a taste of homemade Irish soup/rolls, cobbler with ice cream/coffee for 6; 12 & under $3
THE STABLE OF YOUTH/SHAMROCK LANES - Irish Sweepstakes/Mixed Doubles No-Tap Bowling Tournament; 3PM, 5PM, 7PM
LEPRECHAUN RUN – 11:30AM, For ages K-6; meet at 11:15 AM at Veteran's Memorial Park
WESTON-McEWEN PIPES & DRUMS will kick off our parade festivities – 12:00PM on Main Street
CRUZ-IN PARADE 12:00PM on Main Street. Antique and Classic Cars
THE GREAT GREEN PARADE – 1PM on Main Street
O'KIDDIE TRICYCLE RACES – Right after the parade for 2-5 year olds. Event to take place at drive through @ BEO. Tricycles will be provided! This event is sponsored by the Heppner Daycare & Preschool
CEILI – (PRONOUNCED Kay-Lee) – 2-4PM, upstairs at the Elks. Irish entertainment featuring John Doherty & the Irish Singers and more!
ENTERTAINMENT – LINDY GRAVELLE performs at the Elks Club from 3:30-5:30PM
EWE-DO-BINGO – 2:30PM. Live sheep activity – in front of BEO. Sponsored by Cheerleaders
O'DUCKY RACE – 3PM. Starts at the bridge in front of the Morrow County Courthouse. Adopt a duck to win a prize of $10 to $100. Sponsored by Colt Football Program
ST. PAT'S PIT HAM DINNER & HOMEMADE PIES – 4 – 7PM at St. Patrick's Catholic Parish Hall, 560 NW Jones Street. Live musical entertainment on stage, Irish of course!
BUFFET DINNER – 6 – 9PM – Corn Beef & Cabbage, etc. with music from 9PM-2AM, at the Elks
ENTERTAINMENT - BLUE MOUNTAIN FIDDLERS SHOW –Starting @6:30PM at the Fairgrounds Dance Hall, funded by the Morrow County Unified Recreation District. No admission charge. Stomp your feet and clap your hands to some good old fiddle music!
ENTERTAINMENT – TARISH – 7:30- 9PM at Heppner Elementary Gymnasium, funded by the Morrow County Unified Recreation District. No admission charge. Drawing for $100 Pot O'Gold
WEE HOURS O'THE MORNIN' BREAKFAST – 10PM – 3AM by Volunteer Fire Dept/Sheriff's Office Auxiliary at 190 NW Willow

Sunday, March 16, 2008

THE STABLE OF YOUTH/SHAMROCK LANES- Irish Sweepstakes/Mixed Doubles No-Tap Bowling Tournament; 1-5PM
LIND'S CONCESSION – open at 9AM - Located in parking lot of Heppner Family Foods on Main Street
CHURCH – Your choice. Visitor's welcome
VENDOR'S SQUARE – All day at the Neighborhood Center across from Library/Museum/City Park
SHEEP DOG TRIALS – All day at Thompson's Ranch. See Saturday for location
ROAD BOWLING – 1:30PM – Get your team of up to four people ready and meet at the Junction of Willow Creek and Balm Fork

Schedule subject to change

RV Parking

Willow Creek RV Park: 541-676-9618
Northwestern Motel & RV Park: 541-676-9167 and Hermiston Comfort Inn & Suites: 541-564-5911
Morrow County Fairgrounds: 541-676-9474

For More Information

Call 541-676-5536 or 541-676-9618
ST. PATRICK'S CELEBRATION P.O. Box 1232 Heppner, OR 97836
or visit us at www.heppnerchamber.com (Click on Events, then Featured Events)

Sample announces candidacy for Morrow County Sheriff

Larry S. Sample, long time Boardman resident, has announced his candidacy for the office of Morrow County Sheriff after filing with the Morrow County Cierk's Office on Wednesday, September 26, 2007.

Larry Sample

Sample is no stranger to the Morrow County Sheriff's Office where he served for 17 years until his honorable retirement in 2004. In 1987, Sample began his career in Morrow County as a patrol deputy. Upon completion of his first year, he was assigned to the regional drug task force. There he worked narcotics for 10 years and received a promotion to Detective Sergeant within the agency. During this period, Sample also supervised the west end drug task force, working with multiple law enforcement jurisdictions to combat drug traffic in Northeastern Oregon. In 1999 he was promoted respectfully to Undersheriff and remained serving the communities of Morrow County until his retirement.

Sample's career in law enforcement began in 1970 when he volunteered for the Cornelius Police Department as a reserve officer at the urging of a friend. Cornelius is located about 20 miles west of Portland with a population of about 10,000. He continued to serve as a reserve officer with Cornelius for more than three years.

In 1974 Sample began his full-time law enforcement career after moving to Madras, where he served as a patrolman for five years. During that period he also attended Central Oregon Community College

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School district updates policies for cell phone use, cyber bullying

By April Sykes

Cell phone use and cyber-bullying policies were the hot topics for the Morrow County School Board meeting Monday night at A.C. Houghton Elementary in Irrigon.

The board approved the first readings of the policies which deal with personal communication devices and "hazing/harassment/intimidation/bullying/menacing".

Personal communication devices include cell phones and pagers, PDAs (personal digital assistants), laptop computers, walkie-talkies, portable radios and portable scanning devices. According to the policy, cell phones and pagers must be turned off during instructional or class time, during passing times between classes and at any other time when use of the device would cause disruption of school activities. Camera phones must not be used to take photos or videos while on district property or when the student is engaged in school sponsored activities unless authorized in advance by the building principal or other designated authority.

When asked why the district did not just ban cell phones completely from district schools, board Chair Craig Miles replied that parents buy the phones for their children so they are able to communicate with them.

According to policy, exceptions may be made for health, safety or emergency reasons with prior approval or when use is allowed under the student's "individual education program."

The policy goes on to say that students are subject to disciplinary action, including expulsion, for using the communication device "in any manner that is academically dishonest, illegal or violates the terms of this policy" and a referral

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Caution... Wet Paint

Students from Heppner High School's senior class painted the shamrock in the middle of town on Monday. *-Photo by Autumn Morgan*

Tippage Fee Election Results

Tuesday, March 11, 2008 - Morrow County
Unofficial results only --- **Failed**

		HEPPNER	HARDMAN	LEXINGTON	IONE	IRRIGON	BOARDMAN	TOTALS
Ordinance Requiring Distribution of Sanitary Landfill Franchise License Fees to Morrow County, the Cities of Boardman, Irrigon, Ione, Heppner, Lexington and Establishing Method of Determining the Amount Allocated to Each	YES	214	59	106	233	141	753
	NO	475	122	146	316	304	1363

At the MCGG GREEN FEED STORE in Heppner:

We have bedding plants in, and more coming!

Seed Potatoes and Onions
Pansies • Primroses

We also have Potting Soil Compost Bark Mulch Cold Crop Vegetables

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