

'The Princess and the Pea' audition planned in Irrigon

An audition will be held for the Missoula Children's Theatre (MCT) original adaptation of The Princess and the Pea on Monday, March 23, at 10 a.m. in the AC Houghton Elementary School cafeteria. Those auditioning should arrive at 9:45 a.m. and plan to stay for a full two hours. Some of the cast members will be asked to stay for a rehearsal immediately following the audition. Please bring a snack.

Among the roles to be cast are the Princess, the Pea, King and Queen Size of Riverdom, Storm King and Snow Queen of Glacierdom, the Prince, the mischievous Jack Frost, the citizens of Riverdom and Glacierdom, the Dust Bunnies and some wannabe Princesses, not to mention some meddling leprechauns.

All Irrigon and Boardman students, ages kindergarten through 12th grade,

are encouraged to audition. No advance preparation is necessary. Assistant directors will also be cast to aid in rehearsals throughout the week and to take on essential backstage responsibilities.

The Missoula Children's Theatre touring productions are complete with costumes, scenery, props and makeup. MCT Tour actor/directors will conduct rehearsals throughout the week.

The Princess and the Pea will be presented on Saturday, March 28, at 4 and 6 p.m. at AC Houghton Elementary School. The Missoula Children's Theatre residency in Irrigon is presented locally by North Morrow Community Foundation with support from local sponsors.

For more information, call Angela, 541-314-0166, or email northmorrowcommunityfoundation@gmail.com.

St. Patrick's church starts a new tradition for St. Pat's weekend meal



Nova Simpson prepares to serve her Irish potato soup to Kathy Turner. The soup will be on the menu during the St. Patrick's Catholic Church meal on March 14. —Photo by Kay Proctor

St. Patrick's Catholic Church is beginning a new tradition this year for the St. Patrick's celebration.

The church's annual meal on Saturday, March 14, has been changed to a lunch beginning at noon and going until 5 p.m. at the St. Patrick's Senior Center dining room downtown.

A hearty, homemade potato soup with Guinness beer breadsticks, a drink, and a slice of homemade pie is offered for \$8. Diners can choose to have only soup, breadsticks and drink for \$5 or have just a slice of pie with drink for \$4.

Proceeds from the lunch will go toward parish hall renovations.

Catholic men to hold first Friday meeting

The men of St. Patrick's Catholic Church of Heppner and St. William's Catholic Church of Ione will hold their first Friday of the month meeting on March 6 at the parish office in Heppner. The meeting will start at 6:45 a.m. and will be followed by First Friday Mass at 7:30 a.m.

Grand Opening
Silver Fox Banquet Room in Sweet Productions
Thursday March 12th

St. Pats Schedule
OPEN Thurs - 8:30am-6:30pm

Victorian Rose Retirement Party
Open House 4-6:30pm
OPEN Fri- 8:30am-9:30pm
Karaoke Party- All welcome
7:30pm-9:30pm - Late dinner available
OPEN Sat- 8:30am- 11pm

Morning & Day - Irish Trivia, Slideshow, Rockin to the 50's Music, Dance Floor open 7pm-11pm
Boogie Nights Disco Dance 7pm-8pm
Families Welcome, Dance Lesson 8pm-11pm
18yr & Older
Boogie Down, Costume Contest, Dance Contest, Late night dinner available

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to keep contact with his family in Ireland and the East Coast.

Mickey became eligible for U.S. citizenship by serving in the Navy in World War I but chose to return to Ireland.

John operated his own blacksmith shop in Boston. At a later date he became employed by Hoods Milk Co. and had the honor of shoeing the last horses used in milk delivery.

Willie settled in Brooklyn, where he became a motorman in the New York City Subway system.

Charlie came to the U.S. aboard the RMS Carmania out of Liverpool, disembarking through Ellis Island on May 13, 1920. He was sponsored by his brother, John, with whom he lived for a few years while working on the docks in Boston Harbor.

His spirit of adventure prompted him to leave Boston with a companion and seek his fortune in the West. Details of this trip are lost but apparently he came straight to Eastern Oregon. His main employer for the next 10 years was the Mac Kenny family of Heppner.

From memories of Charlie's stories it can be speculated that he got off the train in Baker and went straight to work for the Kennys as a shepherd and camp cook in the Greenhorn Mountains. He quickly developed a lifelong love for this area and lost his urge to roam. He is remembered to have often said that "Eastern Oregon is the best place I have ever seen."

The early Depression years were hard for all of the area stockmen. Charlie felt fortunate and grateful to be able to stay on with the Kennys through this time. As was typical for the Irish in those days, Charlie married at an older age, in his late 30s. Charlie and Katherine Doherty were married in Pendleton in 1935. They soon acquired their farm on Hinton Creek and began to raise their four children, along with hay and cattle.

Katherine Doherty Monagle

Katherine was a quiet lady whom her children remember as a rock of virtue who instilled in them wonderful moral values, respect for others and a desire to do well in life. She is also remembered by many for her sense of humor. She was always known as Katherine, never Kate or Katy. She had an aura of quiet calm and dignity, which made that seeming formality very natural.

She was one of the nine children of Bernard P. "Little Barney" and Catherine "Short Kate" Doherty, Irish immigrants from Donegal who met and married in this country. Katherine was born in Pendleton in 1902. She graduated from

St Joseph's Academy in 1920 and attended business school in Portland.

Always a fan of the movies, she loved playing piano in Pendleton theaters during the silent film era.

Katherine's Father, B.P. (Barney) Doherty, came to this country in the mid 1880s. After working for the Cunningham Sheep Company for a time he, with wife Catherine, established their own wheat and sheep operations in the Alpine area of Sand Hollow. This century ranch is today owned by his grandson, Bill Doherty and his wife Joan, and managed by his great-grandson, Brian Doherty and his wife Peggy.

Another prominent Morrow County enterprise, the Lindsay Ranches, was started by Katherine's sister Rosella and her husband Alex Lindsay in the 1930s. This operation is continued today by Rosella's son Larry, his wife Corrine, and their sons Barney, Dan and Joe.

Katherine and Charlie as parents

Katherine and Charlie were wonderful, loving parents to their four children, Jack (born in 1937), Marilyn (1939), Billy (1943) and Larry (1944).

Charlie is remembered by his children for his gruff kindness and his pride in each of them. He is also remembered by his children for his respect and thoughtfulness towards everybody, whether Irish, Italian, Catholic, Protestant, black or white, and for imparting these values to his children. In later years, Charlie was known for visiting old friends who were ailing.

Katherine is remembered by her children as a quiet, funny and intelligent woman, a fount of wisdom. To her children she was a rock who instilled high standards and moral values by her example. She made sure that each child received some years at her alma mater, St. Joseph's Academy, that each had music training, and that each had an opportunity to attend college. She also made sure that Charlie's heritage was not lost. Her contacts with his family have set up the rich relationship the family enjoys with the Irish Monagles today.

Charlie passed away in 1978 and Katherine in 1985. They are interred together Olney Cemetery in Pendleton. The Monagles, however, remain well represented in Heppner.

John B "Jack" Monagle

Jack is a member of the Heppner class of 1955, in which he was a class leader and active in 4-H and FFA. His summers—in addition to helping at home—were spent working on ranches that included the McEligotts, Lindsays and Walltons. He earned a business

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Charles and Katherine Monagle

degree from the University of Portland in 1959. Since then, he has always worked in Morrow and Umatilla counties.

After college he worked as a farm manager for Larry and Rosella Lindsay during Larry's absence for military service. He married Patricia Scharn of Pendleton in 1967 and began the first of two careers for which he is well known and respected in the area. He first worked for 25 years as a loan officer for the Pendleton Production Credit Association, now NW Farm Credit Services, serving the financial needs of area farmers and ranchers.

After retiring from the PCA in 1994 he started a new career at Rohrman Ford (now Denchel Ford) in Hermiston. His almost-legendary mark made at Denchel's is attested to by the many faithful Ford buyers from Heppner, Lexington and Ione.

Jack and Pat make their home in Pendleton, where they are active in St. Mary's Catholic Church. Jack is active in the Knights of Columbus. Pat, a full-time teacher in Pendleton community schools for many years, is also active in St. Mary's Altar Society. Jack and Pat have five children and seven grandchildren. These are John Monagle and his wife Dawn Peterson Monagle of Pendleton and their daughter Erin; Julie Monagle and her husband Eric Fleming of Carlisle, MA and their children Gabrielle, Gavin and Grant; Joan Urbina of Pendleton and her children Issac, Anika and Adam; Paul Monagle of Newport, OR; and Michael Monagle of Pendleton.

Jack and Pat still maintain the original Monagle place on Hinton Creek six miles east of Heppner. One of their favorite things is to host Jack's class reunions, which he sadly notes are becoming sparser.

Marilyn Monagle Berg

Marilyn graduated from St Joseph's Academy in 1957 and the University of Portland in 1961. She married John W. "Jack" Barry of Merrill, OR in Heppner in 1962. Jack is a retired doctor of optometry with Group Health Cooperative of Puget Sound. He is also from a fine Irish family (but, alas, from County Cork rather than Donegal).

Marilyn obtained a master's degree in education from the University of Washington and worked as a reading specialist in the Lake Washington School District for 25 years.

Marilyn and Jack live in Kirkland, WA, where they have raised three boys: John (deceased); Kevin and his wife Jayme and their children, Jessica and Mac, of Bellevue, WA; and Michael and his wife Barbara and daughter Stephanie of Malaga, WA.

Marilyn remains close to friends in the Heppner High class of 1957 with whom she started and finished grade school. She says she much enjoyed attending their recent 57-year class reunion in Heppner.

Charles W. "Bill" Monagle

Billy graduated from Heppner High in 1961. He has recently joined the Heppner "Boomerang Club" by returning here after a 45-year absence.

He obtained a degree in general science from the University of Portland in 1965. He worked in food research in the U.S. Army and then studied food science at the University of Georgia, obtaining master's and doctorate degrees. He then went into a career in product and process development, focusing on soy-bean products, for Central Soya Company and Solae, LLC, a division of Dupont. He also is an author and inventor on several scientific papers and patents.

Billy married Kathy Vahey of Natick, MA in 1968. Kathy passed away in Saint Louis, MO in 2011. Their children are Dennis and his daughters Claire, Eliza and Thea of Virginia Beach, VA and daughter Mary of Quincy, MA.

Billy has recently married Nancy Pettyjohn Miller of Ione. They are making their home near that town. He says he is very excited to be once again a member of this community. He says, "In all my travels my heart has always remained in Eastern Oregon." He also says that, though he is very glad to be home again, he wonders, "Who the heck are all these young people with familiar names but faces I don't recognize?"

Billy is also active in the Catholic parishes of St. Patrick's and St. William's churches. Billy says he is proud of his pioneer heritage and hopes to participate in the Morrow County Historical Society.

Lawrence P. "Larry" Monagle

The Monagle family also would like to remember their brother and uncle, Larry. Larry was a member of the Heppner High Class of 1962 and served in the U.S. Army in Vietnam. He passed away in Pendleton in 1992 at the age of 48. He was much loved around Pendleton not only for his outgoing, friendly personality but for the help and friendship he gave the elderly in doing tasks and providing transportation for them. He was also a wonderful help to Charlie and Katherine in their later years.

Morrow County residents and visitors are invited to come out and meet the Monagle family as they serve as grand marshal of this year's Great Green Parade on March 14 at 1 p.m. in Heppner.

Please join us!

Veterans Benefits Roundtable

Heppner City Hall
Wednesday, March 11, 10 am

Points of discussion:
Burial Benefits, Survivor Benefits,
Government Markers &
other topics of interest

Please RSVP 541-922-6420

Hosted by Morrow County Veterans Services
Refreshments will be served

After the Veterans Round Table discussion, volunteers will share information on Medicare & Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance Program (SHIBA) options.