

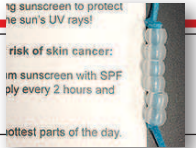
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Blue & Gray battle it out in Camp Sherman City considers changing annexation agreement

By Jim Cornelius
News Editor

Pipes skirled; banners snapped in a stiff breeze; drums tapped out their cadence; hooves thundered and cannons and musketry boomed, pouring clouds of white smoke across the lush green of a meadow along the Metolius River last weekend.

The meadow at House on Metolius was a time portal, taking visitors back to the height of the American Civil War. Reenactors pitched their canvas tents across the meadow, where visitors got a glimpse of camp life during the conflict and insight into daily life for men and women, North and South.

And twice daily, the Blue and the Gray clashed on the meadow grass, depicting one of thousands of nameless skirmishes that marked the most violet upheaval in American history.

On Saturday afternoon,



PHOTO BY JIM CORNELIUS

Confederate artillery fired a smoky barrage in a battle reenactment last weekend.

Orrin Schnetzky of the 2nd Maryland Line sat before his tent loading cartridges for his Enfield rifled musket — the standard arm of the Confederate forces. It was the Tigard man's first

reenactment. He was portraying a recruit from a border state that stayed in the Union, but remained full of Southern sympathizers.

"Defectors come down here (to Virginia) 'cause we

didn't like the way things were going," he explained.

Schnetzky said he saw a Civil War reenactment some years ago and loved it — but

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By Sue Stafford
Correspondent

A property annexed into the city limits in 2006 — which has remained undeveloped for more than a decade — may soon be governed by a new set of rules.

A public hearing will be held Wednesday, May 24, at 6:45 p.m. at City Hall regarding a request to revise and restate an annexation agreement regarding McKenzie Meadow Village, located at 1680 W. McKinney Butte Rd.

The property was annexed

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Sisters will salute the fallen on Memorial Day

The Memorial Day weekend is the traditional kick-off for summer — an occasion for outdoor activities, barbecues and celebration.

Yet, the real purpose of the national holiday is a solemn observance of the lives lost in armed conflict across American history. Sisters' veterans organizations have for many years made certain that that purpose remains front and center, with a powerful ceremony each year at Village Green Park.

Sisters' annual Memorial Day Ceremony will take place at Village Green Park this year on Monday, May 29 at 11 a.m. The Redmond High School Marine Junior ROTC will post colors and Chelsea Anttila will sing the National

Anthem. Mayor Chuck Ryan will make introductory remarks and retired Brigadier General Martha Meeker is the keynote speaker.

Meeker graduated from Eastern Illinois University with a double degree in math and computational science with plans to be a high school math teacher. A summer internship at NASA Langley changed the course of her life. When she walked on the base and saw the wind tunnel and the parts being manufactured for the space station, this Star Trek fan was captivated. Realizing it would take her six more years to earn her Ph.D. to work in the aerospace field, she opted instead

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Sisters' Pearl Harbor survivor

By Craig Rullman
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Many Sisters residents have seen Marvin Emmarson around town. He's easy to recognize because he wears a ball cap designating him as a Pearl Harbor survivor. Now 95, Emmarson recently sat down with *The Nugget* to discuss his extraordinary service in World War II.

Emmarson was born in Astoria, Oregon, in 1922, and joined the U.S. Navy out of a Portland recruiting office along with his good friend Owen Bauserman. The war had not yet started. After basic training they were both assigned to the USS Selfridge, a steam-powered Porter Class destroyer, and flagship of the Navy's Destroyer Squadron 4. The Selfridge was assigned to



PHOTO BY CRAIG RULLMAN

Marvin Emmarson, 95, survived the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941.

Pearl Harbor.

Emmarson, Bauserman, and their Selfridge shipmates had been at sea for

several weeks, engaged in an escort run from Palmyra

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