

LETTERS

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local communities. Once any water rights have been signed over, very little can be done to ensure that the private company will work in the best interest of the community.

The World Bank estimates that by 2025, two-thirds of the world's population will have limited access to fresh drinking water. In light of that scenario, all fresh water resources should be protected and stewarded to the best of our ability.

I urge Governor Kate Brown to support the withdrawal of the application to exchange public water rights to Nestlé.

Karen Murphy
Hood River

Wilhelm will do part

It is election time again and Kris Wilhelm is running for Position 1, Westside, Hood River and Cascades Locks, Hood River County School Board. The news continues to be hard to read about budget cuts, which of course includes cuts to vitally important programs in our school district. Kris is willing to put in the time to represent us to understand the decisions made and help to influence the decisions to keep as many vital programs as possible for our students. Some of you may know Kris Wilhelm personally and others by letters she has written in the past to this newspaper. Kris is passionate about her beliefs and wants to do her part to make our schools stronger and fiscally responsible. For years I have seen her letters complimenting and appreciating her son's teachers and schools. I admire someone who takes the time to appreciate the hard work of

others. Now I again admire her for taking time out of busy life to run for this position. Please give her your vote.

Mary Davidson
Hood River

Appalled

I was appalled to see that the Hood River News published the name and address of the victim in the Michael Linden arrest. You have just re-victimized her with this oversight. It was not necessary to include her name to inform the community of this incident. Victims of sexual assault are reluctant to report because they don't want people to know what happened to them. To have the paper actually publish their names is humiliating and hurtful. You owe her an apology and your paper's reporters need some training on sensitivity towards victims.

Jackie Henson
Hood River

Punchbowl Progresses

It's very encouraging to read about the progress at Punchbowl. The fundraising seems to be moving in the right direction. It is encouraging to see contribution matching as a part of the fundraising efforts. The clean-up seems to be moving forward on multiple fronts with volunteers, forestry workers, etc. Planning has been fruitful thus far. This is a very positive venture for our area. There are some collaborative efforts going on right now that are making vital progress for the project. From one citizen to another, keep up the good work!

Mike Teems, Jr.
Parkdale

FFA excels in Career Development events

Three FFA chapters gathered at Hood River Valley High School Wednesday, April 17, for the Shop Skills and Floriculture Career Development Events (CDE) contests.

Hood River Valley FFA members took the lead in every event. HRVHS offers over 15 different career and technical education courses to its students, four of which prepare students for this particular FFA CDE. Preparation classes for this specific event include Ag Welding and Fabrication, Ag Metals,

Ag Woods, Ag Mechanics and Construction, and Floriculture.

FFA offers many CDEs ranging from public speaking and job interview to tractor driving and livestock judging. Students learn the skills necessary in these agriculture classes to compete and test their skills in this hands-on event. First place winners in each shop skills event are as follows:

Arc Welding: Christian Marquez
MIG Welding: Christian Marquez

OXY-Acetylene Welding: Kimberley Gomez
Plasma Arc and Drilling: Nash Kelly

Electricity: Nick Heckman
Plumbing PVC and Copper: Stan Ocheskey
Woodworking: Jordan Lee
Floriculture Results:
First — Breezy McElheran
Second — Sara Zeman
Third — Genesis Quezada
FFA advisor Nita Bozarth said, "We would like to thank floral design judges Cathy Walls and Linda Fifer for all of their professional advice and assistance."

SHAKESPEARE WEEK

Library hosts Bard's birthday bash events

Hood River Library Shakespeare Week is April 21-25.

Here are the events:
April 21 — 2:30-5 p.m., shoe box stage craft.

April 22 — 3 p.m., Shakespeare Matinee for Kids: Enjoy three classic tales in charming stop animation. Drawings for prizes.

April 23 — 6 p.m., Birthday Party Bash: Come celebrate with Portland's Original Practice Shakespeare Festival as they perform "A Comedy of Errors," the famous farce of twins separated at birth. Come dressed as a twin (with a friend) for prizes. Birthday cake served.

April 25 — 1 p.m., Sword-play workshop: Shakespeare's stories are famous for their sword duels. Come learn the basics and a scene from Macbeth. Ages 8 and up only, please.

All week for kids — memorize a famous Shakespeare quote for a free book. Kids can pick up a quotation bookmark in the kid's library starting April 14.

All week for grown ups — Shakespeare Quiz

The Bard! Do you know him well? Still time to take the full quiz at the HR Library through April 25 to win prizes.

Name the play with these lines (answers below)

- 1-"Out damned spot! Out I say!"
- 2- "I had rather hear my dog bark at a crow, than a man swear he loves me."
- 3-"If we shadows have offended, think but this, and all is mended—That you have but slumbered here..."
- 4-"We few, we happy few, we band of brothers..."
- 5-"Good night, sweet prince..."

Name the play these characters are from:

- 1-Prospero
- 2-Petruchio
- 3-Rosalind

Finish the quotes:

- 1-"Life's but a walking _____"
- 2-"Brevity is the soul of _____"
- 3-"There's nothing ill can dwell in such a _____"

Answers:
1- "Life's but a walking shadow, a poor player that struts and frets upon a stage, and is heard no more." — Shakespeare's Hamlet.
2- "Brevity is the soul of wit." — Shakespeare's Twelfth Night.
3- "There's nothing ill can dwell in such a temple." — Shakespeare's Taming of the Shrew.

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CGCC is 'robust'

As chairman of the Board at Columbia Gorge Community College I feel obligated to "set the record straight."

The college is: In good shape financially. We have been subjected to two financial setbacks.

The State has reduced their commitment for this coming biennium funding.

The federal money that Dr. Frank Toda got us (that others in the state didn't get) has dried up for the next year.

We are unique in that we have not raised tuition for three years. Our new \$2 raise puts us on an average with other colleges in the state.

We, unlike several other community colleges have not until now, had to take measures to cut back.

We have offered "early retirement" incentives to staff members, and several have accepted, thereby reducing staff expenses. Contrary to some of the letters to the editor, they have complimented the administration in doing so.

The college remains strong and everlasting in Hood River and Wasco counties. We also serve and will continue to do so — students from Wheeler, Sherman, Gilliam, Klickitat and

Skamania counties.

Our programs are robust, e.g. nursing, welding, wind generation mechanics, as well as liberal arts and others.

We increased class sizes where the numbers were low to be more efficient and deal with areas where they took the retirement package.

We strive to do our best and will continue to do so vigorously.

M.D. Van Valkenburgh
The Dalles

'Show decency'

After finishing the front page article in Saturday's paper regarding the horrific rape and kidnapping in Parkdale, it left me feeling outrage for the victim. Not only for the ordeal she survived, but the absolute disregard the paper showed by printing the victim's name!

What possible purpose did the running of her name serve? What if it were your daughter, sister, wife, or friend whose name appeared on the front page for being the victim of a violent crime? Show some decency and think before you print!

Mary Jensen
Hood River

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