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**Obituaries**

**PRINEVILLE** - Forrest S. Thornburg, passed away at Crook Co. Nursing Home at Prineville February 15. Mr. Thornburg was 65 years old.

Forrest Thornburg was born June 7, 1915, to Coy and Grace Thornburg at Lexington. He was a farm laborer most of his life. During WW II he served with the U.S. Army. On September 16, 1946, he married the former Fay Rauch at Hermiston. Mr. Thornburg was a life member of the Heppner Elks Lodge, a member of the American Legion 40 and 8, and Veterans of Foreign Wars in Pendleton. He moved to Prineville in July of 1980.

Survivors include his wife, Fay of Prineville; 2 daughters, Linda King of Prineville, and Phyllis Barham of Redmond; one son, Bill of Hermiston; one sister, Ruby Becket of Heppner, and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, February 18 at 2 p.m. at the Juniper Haven Cemetery at Prineville. Pastor Phil Yokers of Our Savior Lutheran Church officiated. The veterans conducted military honors.

The Thornburg family would appreciate any memorials sent to the Elks Eye Program.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Prineville Funeral Home.

**What's your opinion?**



Question "Do you approve of the proposed \$16 million tax levy to upgrade county roads over the next four years?" "Yes," says Frances Mitchell, 74, Heppner. "If they don't fix them now they will just get worse. They won't fix themselves."

**Health Dept.**

Tuesday, Feb. 24 - Free Blood Pressure Clinic, Immunizations, County Offices, Irrigon, 1 to 4 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 27 - Free Blood Pressure Clinic, Immunizations, Health Dept. Office, Lexington, 8 a.m. to 12 noon, 1 to 4 p.m.

Wednesday, March 4 - Free Blood Pressure Clinic, Neighborhood Center, Willow St., Heppner, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Friday, March 6 - Free Blood Pressure Clinic, Immunizations, Health Dept. Office, Lexington, 8 a.m. to 12 noon, 1 to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, March 10 - Free Blood Pressure Clinic, Immunizations, County Offices, Irrigon, 1 to 4 p.m.

Friday, March 13 - Free Blood Pressure Clinic, Immunizations, Health Dept. Office, Lexington, 8 a.m. to 12 noon, 1 to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, March 17 - Free Blood Pressure Clinic, Neighborhood Center, Willow St., Heppner, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 18 - Free Blood Pressure Clinic, United Church of Christ Basement, Ione, 4 to 5 p.m.

Friday, March 20 - Free Blood Pressure Clinic, Immunizations, Health Dept. Office, Lexington, 8 a.m. to 12 noon, 1 to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, March 24 - Free Blood Pressure Clinic, Immunizations, County Offices, Irrigon, 1 to 4 p.m.

Friday, March 27 - Free Blood Pressure Clinic, Immunizations, Health Dept. Office, Lexington, 8 a.m. to 12 noon, 1 to 4 p.m.

**Letters to the Editor**

**Ackley is looking for help**

To the Editor:

I've always tried my best to give the kids of Heppner organizations to belong to and activities to participate in, sometimes without thinking about the consequences to my own security. Well, this time I've bitten off more than I can chew, and I need some help. My friends in town that I owe have been very patient with me because they know my situation, and I would like to thank them for their patience. However, frustrations about my situation as it has developed over the past few years leads me to ask businesses, organizations, and individuals to join me in the crusade to give our kids something of recreational value. My frustrating situation (along with many emotional shocks over the past few years) has led me to do and say things to people that I wouldn't have done or said before. I want to get things back the way they used to be and still give the kids what they so richly deserve and need.

My main problem is the Ackley Teen Club. I think it is a good idea, and the people I've talked to heartily agree with me. However, with the payments on the building, insurance, electricity, equipment, food supplies, etc., I just can't do it alone. I'm already in a deep financial hole, but I don't want to close the club down after it just got started. I've decided that as long as the club pays for itself, I will make it a non-profit venture.

I've already had organizations interested in helping me, so I decided to open it up for the whole town to get behind if they wish.

I would like to publicly thank Lott's Electric and P & D Mobil for their support of our club. They're all super people and good personal friends. I would also like to thank Steve Groce and Rod Cole for donating hour upon hour of their time to run the club when I can't be there. The kids in town have really got true friends in those two fine young men.

If any organization, business, or individual would like to help out financially or donate some labor to this cause, it would be greatly appreciated. You see, I can't even afford to put in bathrooms yet. So, I need a lot of help and I'm asking for a little help from a lot of people. If things do work out and the venture can pay for itself, then any profits made from the club will be put into a scholarship fund.

If you can help, please call me at home (676-5591). I never know when I'll be home, so keep trying. If you can't get me, then maybe some of you could get together and form a committee to look into the situation. Any kind of help would be greatly appreciated. I'm not begging, I just want to share the responsibility with others, and get a tremendous burden off of my back.

Sincerely,  
Jim Ackley

**Court Notes**

At its Feb. 18 meeting the Morrow County Court conducted the following business:

Jerald Rea was appointed to the Resource Council. Allen Nistad, Ed Tarnasky, and Tom Martin were reappointed. Henry Krebs declined reappointment leaving one position open.

Joe Stahl of Irrigon was the single appointment made to the Revenue Sharing Committee.

The Juvenile Services Commission has a total of 20 members with Judge McElligott acting as advisor.

Mary Martin and Jean Jepsen, both of Ione, were appointed to fill two open positions.

A resolution was made to appoint Don Briggs, Director of Public Works, as Agent for approving sub-structure permits.

The County Court felt the need for an agent for approving necessary cutting of roadways and right-of-ways.

**Births**

Tatom Kamille Henrich - A daughter, Tatom Kamille, was born to Dianne and Tom Henrich, Richland, Wash., on Feb. 17, 1981, at 1:26 p.m. at Kadlec Hospital in Richland. Tatom, their second baby, weighed 8 lbs. 8 oz.

Grandparents are Shirley Cox, Milton Freewater, and Stanley Cox of Heppner, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Henrich of Richland.

Tatom is the sister of Donovan, 6, and niece to Debbie Nance of Kennewick.

Tony Price Greenup - A son, Tony Price, was born to Cindy and William Greenup, Ione, on Feb. 18, 1981, at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner. Tony weighed 7 lbs., 2 oz.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Herb Eckstrom, Ione, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Greenup, Heppner. Great-grandparents are Peggy Moyer, Heppner, Doris Ball, Heppner, and Mr. and Mrs. Herb Eckstrom, Sr., Ione. Tony joins brothers Travis and Truett at home.

**Justice Court**

Justice Court at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner handled the following cases over the past week:

Phillip Dee Whitney, P.O. Box 584, Pilot Rock, no hunting license - \$65 bail forfeited;

Kenneth Charles Lindsay, 340 Water St., P.O. Box 273, Heppner, 1,200 lb. tandem axle overload, vehicle owned by Grant Loggers, Inc., P.O. Box 198, John Day - \$19 bail forfeited;

Michael Lee Howell, II, North Star Route, Long Creek, illegal U-turn - \$12 fine;

Jeffrey Wayne Rhoades, P.O. Box 310, Irrigon, failure to obtain license plates - \$6 fine; defective equipment (headlight and taillight out) - \$6 fine;

Roger Dale Britt, Rt. 2, Box 2054, Heppner, exceeding maximum speed (67 miles per hour in a 55 mph speed limit) - \$12 fine;

Charles Andrew Vandetta, P.O. Box 771, 605 Morgan St., Heppner, 900 lb. group axle overload - \$19 bail forfeited;

Mark Lee Clark, 611 S.E. 4th Pendleton, criminal mischief second degree (towel dispenser pulled from wall in restroom at rest stop located at I-84, mile post 162) - \$107 fine, 30 day suspended sentence on condition that restitution be made by March 20;

Steven Allyn Rush, 724 25th Ave., Seaside, Ore., criminal mischief second degree (towel dispenser pulled from wall in restroom at rest stop located at I-84, mile post 162) - \$107 fine, 30-day suspended sentence on condition that restitution be made by March 20.

**Public meetings**

Wednesday, Feb. 25 - County Court, County Building, Irrigon, 10 a.m.; Heppner Public Library Board, Library, Heppner, 8 p.m.

Monday, March 2 - Heppner City Council, City Hall, Heppner, 7:30 p.m.; Heppner Fire Department, Fire Hall, Heppner, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 3 - Lexington City Council, City Hall, Lexington, 7:30 p.m.; Ione City Council, City Hall, Ione, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 4 - Morrow County Court, Courthouse, Heppner, 10 a.m.

Monday, March 9 - Heppner Fire Department, Fire Hall, Heppner, 7:30 p.m.; Heppner Planning Commission, City Hall, Heppner, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 11 - Morrow County Court, Courthouse, Heppner, 10 a.m.

Thursday, March 12 - Lexington Fire Department, Fire Hall, Lexington, 7:30 p.m.; Port of Morrow Commission, Port Office, Nelson Square, Boardman, 1 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 16 - Heppner Fire Department, Fire Hall, Heppner, 7:30 p.m.; Ione Planning Commission, City Hall, Ione, 7:30 p.m.; Morrow County School Board, District Office, Lexington, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, March 18 - Morrow County Court, Courthouse, Heppner, 10 a.m.; Pioneer Memorial Hospital Board, Hospital, Heppner, 9:30 a.m.

Monday, March 23 - Heppner Fire Department, Fire Hall, Heppner, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 25 - Morrow County Court, County Building, Irrigon, 10 a.m.; Heppner Public Library Board, Library, Heppner, 8 p.m.

Monday, March 30 - Heppner Fire Department, Fire Hall, Heppner, 7:30 p.m.; Morrow County Planning Commission, Annex Building, Irrigon, 7:30 p.m.

**Sheriff's Report**

The Sheriff's Office at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner handled the following calls over the past week:

On Feb. 21, Randall Mendenhall at Blake's Ranch reported that his roof was on fire. Area residents responded according to the report.

On Feb. 19, Bob Mahoney reported the possible theft of a newborn calf. The Sheriff's Dept. says it will increase deputy patrols in that area.

Also on Feb. 19, Creston Tigh Black was arrested by a Sheriff's deputy for allegedly driving under the influence of intoxicants, and allegedly driving with a suspended license.

On Feb. 15, Don Cole reported a break-in at Heppner High School. The Heppner Police Dept. responded.

On Feb. 14, Mrs. John Hartgen, Patterson Ferry Road, requested an officer. A vehicle had run through her yard and orchard, destroying young trees, a mailbox and the yard.

Also on Feb. 14, Leroy Blane Hoeldt, Anchorage Alaska, was arrested by a Morrow County Sheriff's deputy on a Clallam County, Washington, warrant for alleged contempt of court. The subject was lodged at Umatilla County Jail.

On Feb. 13, an ambulance was requested at Bucknum's Tavern. A person was reported to have fallen and had a possible concussion. A Heppner ambulance responded to the call.

**Hospital Notes**

Patients discharged from Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner during the past week were:

Brenda Weygandt, Heppner, admitted Feb. 18, discharged Feb. 20; and

Stella McCarty, Monument, admitted Feb. 18, discharged Feb. 19.

Patients still receiving care at the hospital as of Feb. 23, were:

Carrie Becket, Heppner, admitted Feb. 16;

Edna Bailey, Heppner, admitted Feb. 19; and

Frances Orwick, Condon, admitted Feb. 21.

**DMV Schedules**

The Division of Motor Vehicle office in Heppner will be open on weekdays, 8 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 5 p.m., except for the following day:

Wednesday, March 18 - Heppner office closed; Fossil office open, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, 1 to 3 p.m., Courthouse.



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**lunch menus**

**HEPPNER HIGH SCHOOL**

Mon., March 2 - potatoes and gravy, rolls, vegetable sticks, fresh fruit or salad bar, milk.

Tues., March 3 - tacos, cheese, lettuce, corn, maple bars, milk.

Wed., March 4 - hot turkey sandwich, mixed vegetables, salad, fruit or salad bar, milk.

Thurs., March 5 - pizza, green beans, applesauce, cookies or salad bar, milk.

**HEPPNER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Thurs., Feb. 26 - pork sausage patties, mashed potatoes-gravy, carrot sticks, bran muffin, apple wedge.

milk.  
Fri., Feb. 27 - birthday dinner.

**IONE SCHOOL**

Thurs., Feb. 26 - tuna-noodles, buttered peas, hot rolls, dessert, milk.

Fri., Feb. 27 - clam chowder, egg salad sandwiches, peanut butter sandwiches, dessert, milk.

Mon., March 2 - lasagna, tossed salad, green beans, fruit, milk.

Tues., March 3 - beanie wienies, fruit salad, hot rolls, celery sticks, milk.

Wed., March 4 - pizza, green beans, fruit, brownies, milk.

Thurs., March 5 - creamed chicken over biscuits, green peas, carrot sticks, fruit, milk.

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