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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**For BMCC budget levy**

To the Editor:  
I am writing in regard to the upcoming levy election for Blue Mountain Community College on Tuesday, May 19. As a member of the board of education for the college, I feel this coming election is probably the most critical levy election the college has faced in its nineteen years of operation. Your support and vote are needed.

The resubmitted budget has been thoroughly reviewed by the budget committee and board. It provides for no new services or construction funds. With the expected shortfall of state funds the college will probably not be able to provide the same level

of services it has this last year.  
But I feel with the proposed budget the college can continue to provide the kind of educational services the people of Morrow and Umatilla counties require. I also believe the proposed budget is within the means of the people in the two-county district.  
Blue Mountain Community College was founded to provide needed educational services for the people of the district at a cost they can afford. I feel this budget meets these goals. The future of BMCC is in your hands. I urge your continued support.

Sincerely,  
Bob Rietmann  
Ione, Oregon

**Setting the record straight**

To the Editor:  
The Oregonian on April 26, 1981, carried an article on alternatives to Nursing Home Care. One of our hospital board members called it to my attention.

All of us involved in the Pioneer Memorial Hospital are committed to the principle that our older citizens in need of care receive that care in whatever form is best for the individual involved. We feel our Tri County Home Health agency is doing an excellent job. Through their efforts, several folks have been able to stay at home to enjoy life to a greater degree.

One of the purposes for writing this letter is to call your readers (and the readers of the Oregonian) attention to the fact that either the author of the article in question was using maximum nursing home fee schedules to show as great a comparison as possible or the rates in the Portland area are substantially higher than they are at Pioneer Memorial Hospital.  
The Oregonian article quot-

**For Road levy**

To the Editor:  
Let's all take a good look at the May 19 serial road improvement levy for Morrow County. A six page informational package has been drawn up for the public. Get yours from the closest Road Committee member (all 16 have copies) or from the Road Department office.

There is something in the plan for everyone. The cities get help (\$240,000 annually), the paved roads get fixed, and much more maintenance money and time will get allocated to gravel roads, but each year for three years you will notice a big difference in road quality.

The plan develops a logical, affordable, clear cut pattern to our road reconstruction needs. The Court, Road Department, 16 member Road committee, and dozens of concerned plan's contents, and pledge to make the plan work if the levy is passed. The plan has been a very unselfish effort by all concerned. It was fun working on it.

Please look at the plan, and don't pass up a good deal May 19.

Respectfully,  
Eric Anderson

**Obituary**

**Everett R. Barlow**

PENDLETON - Everett R. Barlow, 76, Pendleton, formerly of Heppner, died Sunday, April 26, 1981, at St. Mary's Hospital in Walla Walla.

Funeral services were Thursday, April 30, at the First Christian Church, Pendleton, with concluding services and vault interment at Olney Cemetery there. Sweeney Mortuary, Heppner, was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Barlow was born Nov. 8, 1904, near Heppner, the son of Daniel and Mary Smith Barlow.

On Nov. 27, 1943, he and Alberta Hoffman were mar-

ried at Walla Walla.

A veteran of World War II, he was a member of American Legion Post No. 87 at Heppner. He had been a charter member of the Elks Lodge at Madras, later transferring to Lodge 288 at Pendleton.

Mr. Barlow is survived by his wife, Alberta, at Pendleton; a son, Everett C. Barlow, and a daughter, Mary Earley, both of Pendleton; two sisters, Flora Schunk, Heppner, and Dolly Allstott of Umatilla; and three grandchildren. Another daughter, Martha Etta Jane Barlow, preceded him in death in 1956.

**Alta Stevens**

HEPPNER - Alta Stevens, 74, Heppner, died Sunday, May 3, 1981, at Pioneer Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services will be held today (Thursday, May 7) at 2 p.m. at Sweeney Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Mike Sheridan of the United Methodist Church officiating. Musical selections will be furnished by Carl and Betty Marquardt.

Casket bearers are Ivan, Sam, Cecil and Scott McDaniel, Darold Hams and Elmer Steers.

Concluding services and interment will be at Hardman Community Cemetery, Sweeney Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Miss Stevens was born April 6, 1907, in Hardman, the daughter of John and Maggie

Allen Stevens.

A lifetime resident of Morrow County, she was a member of the Rebekah Lodge, Rhea Creek Grange and the United Methodist Church of Heppner.

Always active in community affairs, both in Hardman and in Heppner, she was an avid reader who kept up on current events. She was a willing volunteer who spent many active hours at the Heppner Neighborhood Center. One of her greatest pleasures was in growing houseplants and sharing them with her friends.

Miss Stevens is survived by a sister, Edith Musgrave, Monument, and a brother, Harold Stevens, Hardman. Another brother, James, was killed in action in World War II.

**Grace O. Nickerson**

Former Heppner resident Grace O. Nickerson, 87, died Thursday, April 30, at Portland.

Funeral services were held Monday, May 4, at 1 p.m. at All Saints Episcopal Church, with the Rev. George Bates officiating. Ron McDonald was the soloist, accompanied by Gail Hughes at the organ.

Casket bearers were John and Dennis O'Donnell, Herb Burk, Michael Tierney and Eric and Patrick Nickerson.

Concluding services and interment were at Heppner Masonic Cemetery with Sweeney Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Nickerson was born Nov. 17, 1893, in San Luis Obispo, Calif., the daughter of Peter and Sophia Jorgensen Finnie.

On May 13, 1913, she married Frank D. Nickerson in Napa, Calif. They moved to Heppner in 1926 where they purchased and began operating the Morrow County Abstract and Title Company. After her husband's death in 1942 Mrs. Nickerson continued to operate the business until

1957 at which time she sold it to her nephew and his wife, Harry and Helen O'Donnell.

Mrs. Nickerson was a member of the Heppner Soroptimist Club and All Saints Episcopal Church.

She moved to Portland in 1959.

Survivors include a daughter, Adele E. Hayes of Hillsboro; a son, Frances Nickerson, Vermillion, South Dakota; seven grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

**Gardeners to meet Mon.**

Next Monday evening, May 11, members of the Heppner Garden Club will gather at Dr. Wolff's home near the Kinzua Mill for a potluck dinner.

After dining the group will stroll through the doctor's gardens where he has an outstanding collection of iris which, it is hoped, will be blooming nicely.

After the garden viewing the membership will hear reports of the recent District 10 spring meeting, will plan for their participation in the arrangements for the annual Pioneer Picnic being held on Sunday, May 24, and will witness the installation of the club's new officers who were elected at their April meeting.

**SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS**

**HEPPNER ELEMENTARY**

Thurs., May 7 - chicken and noodles, peas, cheese cup, fresh fruit, milk.

Fri., May 8 - soup, sandwich, surprise, milk.

**IONE SCHOOLS**

Thurs., May 7 - chicken and noodles, hot rolls, mixed vegetables, dessert, milk.

Fri., May 8 - clam chowder, ham and cheese sandwiches, peanut butter sandwiches, dessert, milk.

Mon., May 11 - hamburgers, tater tots, spinach, fruit, milk.

Tues., May 12 - hamburger gravy over rice, pickled beets, buttered corn, fruit, milk.

Wed., May 13 - ham and scalloped potatoes, hot rolls, green peas, gelatin, milk.

**JUSTICE COURT**

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

Wilbur Ray Gettman, 920 E. Gladys, Hermiston, exceeding maximum speed (65 miles per hour in a 55 mph speed limit) - \$12 fine.

Steven Martin Marlatt, 245 N. W. 11th, Hermiston, possession of a controlled substance (marijuana, less than one ounce), minor in possession of alcoholic beverage - \$78 fine, \$34 fine.

Darwin Vincent Ansolegui, Rt. 2, Box 2006, Heppner, minor in possession of alcoholic beverage - \$78 fine.

**Births**

Jessica Janel Maben - A daughter, Jessica, was born to Kathie and Jeffrey Maben, Heppner, on April 27, 1981, at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner. Jessica weighed 7 lbs., 7 oz.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Maben, Heppner, Dixie Busler, Pendleton, and Fred Verstoppen, Spokane, Wash. Great-grandmother is Sylvia Maben, Molalla, Ore. Jessica joins a sister, Tara, 4, at home.

Mark Joseph Adelman - A son, Mark, was born to Christine and Robert Adelman, Heppner, on April 28, 1981, at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner. Mark weighed 9 lbs., 4 oz.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Adelman, Woodburn, Ore., and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bielenberg, Scotts Mills, Ore.

Mark joins brothers, Brian, 6, and Justin, 2, and a sister, Genelle, 4, at home.

Heather Lynn Dames - A daughter, Heather, was born to Sandra and Gordon Dames, Heppner, on April 30, 1981, at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner. Heather weighed 6 lbs., 12 1/2 oz.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Flaiz, Heppner, and Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dames, Pendleton. Heather joins a brother, Brian, 4, at home.

Amy Renee McRoberts - A daughter, Amy, was born to Carol McRoberts, Heppner, on April 30, 1981, at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner. Amy weighed 7 lbs., 9 oz.

Grandparents are Ellis McRoberts, Heppner, and Jean Morley, Burns. Great-grandmother is Ann Seitz, Fossil.

**What's your opinion?**



Question: "In your opinion is the 21-day stay limit at the RV park in Heppner justified?"  
"It was a shame that situation had to come up but I do think there should be a limit on the length of stay," says Lilly Wilson, Heppner.

**HOSPITAL NOTES**

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

Margery Wright, Lexington, admitted April 27, discharged April 29;

Vivian Elder, Heppner, ad-

mitted April 27, discharged April 28;

Roger Asher, Spray, admitted April 27, discharged April 29; and

Judith Pennington, Heppner, admitted April 29, discharged May 1.

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