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Letters To The Editor

An invitation

To the Editor:
I am writing to you in my capacity as president of the Salem Jaycees. It is my understanding that in the past, your city had an active and productive Jaycee Chapter.

On behalf of the Oregon Jaycees and the Salem Jaycees, I wish to extend an invitation to the young men of your community to once again enjoy the benefits and associations of Jaycee membership. The board of directors of the Salem Jaycees has authorized our chapter to sponsor the establishment of a new Jaycee organization for the city of Heppner. This means that provided at least 20 young men of your community between the ages of 18 to 35 express an interest in becoming Jaycees, the Salem Chapter will, at its own cost, send a chapter management team to your city, assist those young men in establishing their own chapter, and purchase for them, all materials necessary to establish that chapter. In addition, for the first 20 members, Salem will contribute \$5 each toward their first year membership dues, thus making the cost of initial membership only \$25. Finally, the Salem chapter will provide ongoing consultation to the officers and board of directors of the new Heppner Jaycees so long as they desire.

Interested young men should contact Mr. Harold McLean, deputy district attorney for Morrow County at 676-5269 or 676-5401.

Sincerely,
N. Thomas Wilson

Good Sense

To the editor:
I think BMCC is an important part of our communities. Groups that build up our community need to be supported and encouraged. And BMCC builds up all our communities.

It is a source of trained, skilled workers. It is home to intelligent, active teachers and staff who are important additions to our community life. The college brings us theater and music that's otherwise hours distant. An it's run efficiently with an ear to the desires of our communities - that's the real icing on the cake.

I'm particularly biased in favor of BMCC because of the top quality extension courses I've taken in my home town of Heppner.

I think it's good sense - business wise and community citizenship wise - to pass the BMCC budget.

John S. Maas
Rte 1 Box 3394
Heppner

Vote yes

To the editor:
I am a student at Blue Mountain Community College. I started my college career in 1978 in the Law Enforcement program at Blue Mountain. After one year of schooling, I was able to get a job with the Morrow County Sheriff's Office and then later I was a security officer for Payless Drug Stores.

After being involved in Law Enforcement I discovered it was not the career for me. I was then able to go back to Blue Mountain to find another

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career.
If Blue Mountain was not in this area, I don't think I would attempt to go back to school. The next closest college in the area is Eastern Oregon State College. The tuition at EOSC is double that of Blue Mountain. I am very impressed with Blue Mountain Community College and I hope you are too. Please vote yes for BMCC!

Thank you,
Diane Holland Cassens
705 N.W. Sixth St.
Pendleton, OR 97801

'Yes' vote a must

To the editor:
This letter is written in support of the March 30, 1982, levy election to support the Blue Mountain Community College budget.

In addition to the full time students, who are able to gain higher education by having a college close to home, the field extension programs offer a real opportunity for our citizens of all ages. Pioneer Memorial Hospital recently was able to offer an Emergency Medical Technician refresher course to ten of our local folks as an extension project from BMCC.

Of particular interest to us, who are included in health care delivery, are the BMCC courses for licensed practical nurses and the associate degree program for registered nurses. In recent years, several of our nursing assistants have achieved these goals and are employed in the Morrow and Umatilla counties' hospitals and nursing homes. Some are now enrolled and more are planned. These people can and do commute, working part-time while furthering their skills.

BMCC has no tax base, a yes vote is a must in order to continue serving our citizens.

Sincerely,
A.K. Felt
Administrator
Pioneer Memorial Hospital

Support BMCC's budget

To the editor:
Blue Mountain Community College presents its budget for voters' approval Tuesday, March 30, 1982. I would like to urge all voters to support this budget for operating Blue Mountain Community College for the next year. BMCC does not have a tax base and we must vote for their operating levy to allow them to continue to educate people in our area. With the increasing costs in the four-year institutions, BMCC's educational offerings become more important to people in our area. BMCC has done an excellent job of meeting the educational needs in our thinly populated district and deserves our support. I strongly urge a YES vote to continue this unique and excellent educational institution in our area.

Very truly yours,
Abrams & Kuhn
Robert B. Abrams

DMV office slates closure

The Department of Motor Vehicle's field office in Heppner will be closed Monday, March 22 through Friday, March 26, said Gene Marty, manager.

Obituaries

Robert E. Peterson

IONE - Robert E. Peterson, 49, a lifetime resident of Ione, died Tuesday, March 9, 1982 at St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton.

He was born Aug. 21, 1932, in Heppner, the son of Henry and Adina Anderson Peterson.

On June 11, 1955, he married Donna Lovgren, at Valby.

Mr. Peterson farmed in the Ione area. He was a member of the Oregon Wheat Growers League, the Oregon Cattle-men's Association, the Elks Lodge No. 358 at Heppner, Willows Grange and the Valby Lutheran Church.

He served on the board of directors for the Federal Land Bank.

Funeral services were held Thursday, March 11, at Valby Lutheran Church, with the Rev. John Maas officiating. Organist was Rikka Tews. Casket bearers were Tom White, Dale Woodward, Rudy Bergstrom, Gene Doherty, Louis Carlson and Herb Ekstrom Jr.

Concluding services and interment were at Valby Cemetery. Sweeney Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Peterson is survived by his wife, Donna, a daughter, Dawn and a son Rick, all of Ione; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Peterson, Pendleton; brothers, Ted of Portland and Herbert of Ione; and a sister, Marjorie Skuzeski, of Portland.

Those who wish may contribute to the Valby Lutheran Church memorial fund, or to the American Cancer Society, directly or through Sweeney Mortuary in Heppner.

Frances Leathers

MEDFORD - Frances Leathers, 82, a former area resident, died Monday, March 8, 1982, at Rogue River Hospital, Medford.

She was born Nov. 26, 1899, in Walla Walla, Wash., the daughter of Fred and Ida Moody Pyle. She moved to Parker's Mill near Hardman as a child.

She was married to Carl E. Leathers on July 13, 1921, in Heppner. They lived in Hardman for a number of years, moving to Portland in 1942 and then to Medford upon Mr. Leathers' retirement. While living in Portland, Mrs. Leathers was an active member of Saints Peter and Paul Episcopal Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Carl, in 1974, and a daughter, Jeanne McRoberts, in 1970.

Funeral services were Wednesday, March 10, in Medford, at the Episcopal Church. Mrs. Leathers is survived by three grandchildren: Jay McRoberts of Medford; the Rev. Kerry McRoberts, Pe Ell, Wash.; and Mrs. Mike Fossen, Applegate, Ore.; three great-grandchildren and a niece, Mrs. Alex Thompson of Portland.

Gerald W. Baker

Gerald W. (Wes) Baker, Heppner, died February 28, 1982, in Red Bluff, Calif.

Mr. Baker was born February 18, 1911, in Vancouver, B.C. He was preceded in death by his wife Lola, in January, 1981. He married Esther Gentles.

He is survived by his wife Ester; a daughter Barbara Hayes of Heppner; a son, Jerry of Beaverton; one brother and two sisters.

Justice Court

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

James Calvin Jones, Heppner - Violation of the Basic Rule (48 mph in a 35 mph zone). \$26 fine.

Samuel Paul Bellamy, Lexington - Expired Vehicle License. \$6 suspended fine.

Larry Joyce Westlering, Pendleton - Expired Vehicle License. \$6 fine.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Patients admitted and released from Pioneer Memorial Hospital during the past week include:

Verna Brinda, Heppner - admitted March 8, released March 11;

Robert Chervenell, Lexington - admitted March 9, released March 12; and

Damon Powell, Kimberly - admitted March 10, released March 12.

Patients still receiving care at the hospital as of Monday, March 15 included:

Zetta Brosnan, Heppner - admitted March 9; and

Steven Estberg, Heppner - admitted March 10.

Births

Stanley Gene Cutsforth - A son, Stanley Gene, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Cutsforth, Lexington on March 12 at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner. He weighed 7 lbs. 4 oz.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jim Barratt, Heppner and Mr. and Mrs. Walt Lacey of Condon.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Orville Cutsforth and Alta Cutsforth, all of Heppner.

Great-great-grandmother is Alice Keeney of Walla Walla, Washington.

School Lunch Menus

Heppner Elementary School

Thurs., March 18 - Student Council Day - tamale pie, sticks and dip, fresh fruit and milk.

Fri., March 19 - beans and wieners, juice, carrot sticks, bread and butter and milk.

Ione Schools

Thurs., March 18 - chicken and noodles, cinnamon rolls, peas and carrots, fruit and milk.

Fri., March 19 - vegetable beef soup, peanut butter and chopped ham sandwiches, crackers, pickles, dessert and fruit.

Mon., March 22 - Fri., March 25, spring vacation.

Sheriff's Report

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

On March 9, Thomas Patrick Kinkade, 21 of Monroe, was issued a citation by a Morrow Co. Sheriff's deputy for allegedly Driving While Suspended.

Also on March 9, Pete McElligott, Heppner, reported the theft of three Powder River Panels from his ranch. The panels were valued at \$150 each. A Morrow Co. Sheriff's deputy responded.

On March 10, Sidney Zinter Jr., Gooseberry Road, Ione, also reported the theft of three Powder River Panels and one gate. Total value, \$550. The property was stolen from a ranch along Highway 206 and Gooseberry Road. A Morrow County Sheriff's deputy responded.

In another March 10 incident, Mark William Rogers, 25 of Irrigon was cited for allegedly Driving While Suspended by a Morrow Co. Sheriff's deputy. He was lodged at the Umatilla Co. Jail on a warrant from the Pendleton Police Department for Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants.

On March 12, Bill Holstein, Taggares Farm in Boardman, requested an ambulance for a man with a possible heart attack. Boardman and Herrington ambulance teams responded.

On March 13, a Heppner Police officer issued a citation to James Davis Galleher, Heppner, for allegedly Driving While Suspended.

Also on March 13, a Boardman Police officer issued a citation to Isidoro James Luvianos for allegedly Driving While Suspended.

Marriage Licenses

Marriage License applications were received at the Morrow County Clerk's office at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner from:

Earl Francis May, 62 and Mildred Lucille Howell, 71, both of Heppner; and

Merle LeRoy Newcomb, 55 of Pendleton and Erin Patricia Feathergill, 55 of LaGrande.

Wedding Announcements
Unrein - Valentini

Mr. Jack D. Unrein, son of Wilma Mc Timpeny of Heppner and Miss Margaret F. Valentini, both of Alexandria, Virginia, announce the forthcoming wedding, on Saturday, March 20.

The couple will reside at Alexandria, where Unrein is stationed as a staff sergeant.

Public Meetings

Monday, March 22 - Heppner Fire Department, Fire Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 24 - Morrow County Court, County Building, Irrigon, 9 a.m. and Heppner Public Library board, Library, 8 p.m.

Monday, March 29 - Morrow County Planning Commission, Courthouse, Heppner, 7:30 p.m.; Heppner Fire Department, Fire Hall, 7:30 p.m.

DA Report

Kenneth Gates of Lexington went to trial last Wednesday, March 10 on a charge of alleged Disorderly Conduct arising out of an incident at Bucknum's Tavern in Heppner on Jan. 10, reported District Attorney Ann Spicer. Gates was found not guilty by jury in Morrow County Justice Court.

In other news, Spicer reported Charles F. Ferguson, 30 of Prineville was arraigned Friday, March 12 in Morrow County Circuit Court on an order to show Cause (why his probation should not be revoked). Spicer said the matter would be continued March 17. Ferguson had been sentenced in March 1980 to three years probation for First Degree Theft.

Kathleen Canfield of Boardman entered a guilty plea in Morrow County Circuit Court last Friday, March 12 after waiving indictment on Dec. 9 on charges of Theft in the First Degree. Charges stemmed from the theft of money from the U.S. National Bank in Boardman. She is awaiting a pre-sentence investigation and the trial will be held in about six weeks, said Spicer.

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What's Your Opinion?

Question: "Morrow Co. was told last week that they would have to move prisoners from the Umatilla Co. Jail because of overcrowding. Morrow Co. was forced to find emergency temporary housing for their four prisoners at the Wasco Co. Jail at The Dalles. What do you think the solution to the jail problem is?"

"I think we could use one (a jail)," said Alberta Johannes, Heppner. "I worked as a matron at Brown Co. Jail at Green Bay Wisconsin. They need one here, where we could have juveniles and women, too. They shouldn't put them with the hardened criminals."



The only president of the United States to serve as a Chief Justice of the Supreme Court was William Howard Taft, whose term ran from 1921 to 1930.

Health Dept.

Friday, March 19 - free blood pressure clinic and immunizations, Lexington Health Dept. office, 8 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, March 23 - free blood pressure clinic and immunizations, Irrigon County offices, 1 to 4 p.m.

Friday, March 26 - free blood pressure clinic and immunizations, Lexington Health Dept. office, 8 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m.

Ione Garden Club honors Yard of Month winners

Yard of the Month winners for 1981 were honored by the Ione Garden Club at their meeting on March 10. Jean Nelson and Loree Hubbard acted as hostesses for the tea. Guests present included Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Childers, Marge Hams, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lindstrom, Margaret Morgan, Vera Rietmann, Lou McIntosh, Don Bristow for his mother Mary, and Laura Holtz. Mr. and Mrs. Roby Chappell were not able to attend. Other guests for the day were Mrs. Ron Cecil and her daughter, Helen Martin showed pictures of the honorees gardens and other gardens in the area.

Members were reminded of the following upcoming events: Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home visit on March 16 and annual plant sale on April 29. The club will help with the spring clean-up of Ione during the week of March 22 - 27. Everyone is asked to have clippings placed near their burning barrels for pickup on March 26 and 27, said a garden club spokesperson.

Road Report

The Morrow County Public Works Department has released the following Work Report for the weeks ending March 6 and 13:

Roads bladed these past two weeks were: Howton, Petty's Canyon, No. 653 between Baseline and Petty's Canyon, L. Morgan, Holtz, Gar Swanson, Bert Peck, Paul Brown, Halvorsen to Eight Mile, Lena Hisler, Bill Zinner and Baseline to Lindsay Road. Roads graveled and bladed were: Baker E. W. Road, Strawberry West Road and Kincaid Holtz Road.

Cold mix patching was done on the north end of the Ione Gooseberry Road. Shoulder and culvert work was done on Clarks Canyon Social Ridge and Irrigon Road No. 722.

Water Supply Outlook

The U. S. Forest Service has released the following Water Supply Outlook for Morrow County as of March 1:

Water supplies are forecast to be above average during the next five months. Valley

precipitation was below average along the Columbia River, but was above average at the high elevations in the south part of the county.

Amounts received were: Heppner 0.58" 59 percent Avg. Ukiah 1.85" 185 percent Avg.

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