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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Don't want to do it again

To the editor:
I join with and speak for a number of local parents who are both upset and scared. They are upset about teenage drinking in southern Morrow County. They are upset because:
1. Some segment of our community is easily supplying alcohol for teens and there seems to be no control of it.
2. There is a group of older teenage boys who are supplying alcohol and encouraging younger teens to drink.
3. Some local law enforcement officials have said they do not enforce laws pertaining to teens and drinking. They have received what they perceive to be a clear signal from the community NOT to strictly enforce those laws.
4. These parents are scared to speak out publicly because they see a group of teens who will hound and persecute their children for the parents' stand.
I think this group of teens has gotten away with this kind of behavior because this community allows it:
— by supplying alcohol to them.
— by not reporting teen abuse to police.
— by (I find this so hard to understand!) encouraging law enforcement not to enforce the law.
If you don't like this atmosphere, there are some specific actions you can take:
1. Attend a meeting about the local situation on Wednesday, Dec. 28 at 7 p.m. in the court room of the Morrow County Courthouse.
2. Tell city councils and county government you want strict enforcement.
3. Tell police you want them to enforce drinking laws — even if your child is involved.
4. Turn in teenage drinkers to police.
5. Especially, turn in anyone supplying alcohol to minors.
I must admit that my motives for this letter are selfish. I buried a 17-year-old boy earlier this year. I don't want to have to do that again. I care too much for our teens.
John S. Maas

Thanks to many people

To the editor:
We, the Morrow County History Book Committee, wish to thank the many people who sent in pictures and stories for the history book, those purchasing the book, the Gazette-Times and Hutch's for advertising, and everyone else helping.
The book is beautiful and interesting.
The books have arrived and if you have not received yours please call 422-7194.
Ruth McCabe and Delpha Jones

Local Pacific U. student named N.W.C. All-Star

Gregg Rietmann, a graduate of Ione High School, has been named to the Northwest Conference All-Star second team, defense, football team for Pacific University this year.
Rietmann, a junior, played linebacker for Pacific, according to Charlotte Flier, public information director at the university.
The Pacific Boxers with a four win, five loss season, turned in one of their best efforts in several years, she added.

G-T office to be closed Dec. 26

The Heppner Gazette-Times office will be closed Monday, Dec. 26, so that the staff may enjoy the Christmas holiday with their families.

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Wedding Struthers — Martin



Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Struthers with Sara Miles, niece of the bride and Danny Struthers, cousin of the groom.

Sarah Martin and Joseph Struthers were married July 29, 1983 in Heppner.
The Rev. Mike Sheridan of Ontario performed the double ring ceremony at the Christian Life Center in Heppner.
The bride and groom were given in marriage by their parents.
The bride is the daughter of Carl and Geri Martin of Heppner and the groom is the son of Maynard and Edna Struthers, also of Heppner.
Dena Wiese, sister of the groom, sang "Evergreen" and Angie Conover played the organ music.
The bride was attended by her sister, Nancy Martin, cousin Melly Martin from Albany, and friends Joanna Reinemer and Nancy Filman from Blue River.
The groom was attended by friends Andy Gorman, Steve Gross and Mike Nolan and the bride's brother, John Martin.
The bride carried an old Bible loaned by her aunt, Betty Asla of La Grande, and wore a new pearl necklace, a gift from the groom's mother.
Kathy Mabel made the multi-tier cake. Many of the flowers were hand made by Betty Asla.
Following a reception at the First Christian Church, the couple left for a honeymoon to the Oregon Coast. They are now living in Mesa, Arizona where he is stationed with the U.S. Air Force.

Justice Court Report

Morrow County Justice Court at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner handed the following cases during the past week:
David Edward Blair, Umatilla - Truck Speeding (74 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$53 bail forfeited.
Frank Blaine Engleman, Ione - Operating a Snowmobile in a Prohibited Area (public highway), \$17 fine.
Jeffrey Todd Adams, Heppner - Operating a Snowmobile on Public Roads, \$17 fine.
Albert Boyd Jones, Forest Grove - Failure to Yield Right of Way, \$36 fine.
Jackie Bruce Ashley, Tygh Valley - Operating a Motor Vehicle in a Road Closure. To wit: Heppner Regulated Hunt, \$46 fine.
Gary Walter Lein, Clackamas, Illegal Possession of a Falsely Applied For Resident Angling License, \$130 fine.
Michael Randolph Lott, Heppner - Operating a Snowmobile on Public Roads, \$17 fine.
Larry Merrell Ray, Pendleton. Driving Without Headlights, \$15 fine.
John Christopher Nelson, 20. Condon - Minor in Possession of Liquor, \$36 fine.

D.A.'s Report

Cecil Lee Taylor, Jr., 32, of Irrigon, was arraigned on December 14 in Morrow County Circuit Court on charges of alleged Assaulting a Public Safety Officer, Menacing and First Degree Criminal Trespass, reports the Morrow County District attorney's office. He pleaded not guilty to the charges. He was continued on bail and the case is now ready to set for trial.
In other circuit court action, Arthur J. Martinez, 24, of Umatilla, charged with alleged Driving While Revoked, was tried on December 15. The trial's outcome was a hung jury. A new trial will be set at a later date.

Births

Shelley Kathryn Rietmann A daughter, Shelley Kathryn, was born to Tami and Mark Rietmann of Heppner on December 7, 1983 at Good Shepherd Community Hospital. She weighed 7 lbs. 14 oz.
Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rietmann of Ione and Mr. and Mrs. Don Anderson of Arlington.
Great-grandparents are Vera Rietmann of Ione, Mildred Wright, Heppner, Margaret Hurst of Arlington.

The staff of the Bank of Eastern Oregon, Ione Branch, invites all friends and customers to an Open House
Friday, Dec. 23 from 1 to 4 p.m.

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Engagements Jarvis — Bowman



Mark Jarvis and Cindy Bowman

Mr. and Mrs. H.L. "Jiggs" Bowman of Heppner announce the engagement of their daughter, Cindy, to Mark Jarvis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Jarvis of Sweet Home.
She is a graduate of Heppner High School and Portland Community College. She will be employed at Central Oregon Radiology Clinic in Bend after the first of the year as a radiological technologist.
Jarvis is a graduate of Bend High School and Treasure Valley Community College. He is currently employed at Diamond International in Redmond.
A March 24 wedding is planned.

Health Dept.

Friday, Dec. 23 - free blood pressure clinic and immunizations, Morrow County Health Department office, Lexington, 8 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m.
Tuesday, Dec. 27, through Friday, Dec. 30 - office closed for Christmas vacation.

Hospital Notes

The following patients were admitted and released from Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner during the past week:
Ava Wright, Heppner - admitted December 13, released December 15.
Coral Mitchell, Heppner - admitted December 14, released December 16; and Maurice Elder, Heppner - admitted December 14, released December 16.
Another patient at the hospital, Carmel Lennon of Heppner, was admitted December 14 and was still receiving care as of Monday, Dec. 19.

Public Meetings

Tuesday, Dec. 27 - Pioneer Memorial Hospital Board, hospital, Heppner, 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 28 - Morrow County Court, north Morrow annex, Irrigon, 9 a.m.; Heppner Public Library Board, library, 8 p.m.

Some local offices to close Monday

Local post offices, banks, county offices and some businesses will be closed Monday, Dec. 26, as part of the Christmas holiday. Schools, which will release students early on Thursday, will be closed for Christmas vacation until Tuesday, Jan. 3.

Landfill to be closed for holidays

The Morrow County Landfill will be closed on Sunday, Dec. 25, and Sunday, Jan. 1, announced the Morrow County Public Works Department.

Marriage Licenses

A Marriage License application was accepted at the Morrow County clerk's office at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner from:
Lester Milo Gillson, 19, and Janice Kay Martin, 17, both of Heppner.

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