

Wanderer settles in Heppner



Lyle Verrall

Hired by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers as a permanent maintenance worker for Willow Creek Dam, Lyle Verrall, 47, has moved to Heppner. Most recently of The Dalles and John Day, he says he has

done his wandering and feels that he is settled now and will stay here as long as the job lasts.

He has worked at various jobs including merchant seaman, city policeman, railroad special agent, has worked on farms and ranches, worked in mills, and done some commercial fishing.

Verrall's job at Willow Creek Dam involves keeping the lawns in order, weeds under control, doing carpentry and cement work and making all repairs which one man can handle. He is learning to take readings on the instruments at the dam and which he will report to operators at The Dalles Dam, and his immediate supervisor, Richard Hess.

His hobbies include hunting, fishing, and motorcycle riding - "strictly highway" and "just for fun." He expects to transfer his membership to the Heppner Elks Club.

Verrall says that he was in the area a year ago for a short job, "found the people friendly, and the hunting and fishing good." He likes the area and explains that's why he jumped at the chance to work here.

Clean surface before applying caulk

ENERGY ANSWERS

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Q. Help us solve a small disagreement about the proper way to caulk. My wife says the caulking gun should be pushed along the crack being caulked. I say the gun should be pulled. What do you say? - R.W., Pendleton.

A. Your wife wins this one. Pushing forces the caulk into the joint better than pulling.

But even more important to the caulking seal is surface preparation. Surface should be clean and dry before applying the caulk. And if the joint width is greater than one-fourth inch, first fill the space behind the caulk with backing material such as fiber glass or oakum.

Q. Last August, the second floor of my house got very hot even though I closed the shades on all the windows. I know I have enough ventilation in my attic. Can you recommend an inexpensive way to remove the heat or should I install an air conditioner? - P.T., Portland.

A. Try natural ventilation before you buy an air conditioner. You should ventilate whenever it's hotter indoors than out. This means keeping your house closed during the hot part of the day and opening it in the evening.

Take advantage of natural cross ventilation by opening first-floor or basement windows on the side of your house that is the coolest or has the strongest breeze. Also open second-floor windows on the opposite side of the house. If you have a one-story house, simply open windows on opposite sides. Leave interior doors open to allow free air flow. The basic idea is to draw the cooler air in and flush out the hotter air.

If natural cross ventilation is not enough, use the summer fan switch

on your furnace if it has one. Another possibility is to install a window fan in the hottest part of the house. Face the fan toward a window so it exhausts air out the window. Open a couple of windows on the cooler side of the house. The fan will move the cooler air in and the hot air out.

If you can't cool your house adequately by ventilation, consider an evaporative cooler as an alternative to conventional air conditioning. Evaporative coolers operate at about one-fifth the cost. They are effective where summertime relative humidities are less than fifty percent.

Q. How can I spruce up electric baseboard heaters that have chipped paint and rusty spots? Also, what's the best way to clean them? - N.B., Salem.

A. Use an enamel paint to improve the appearance of the sheet-metal cover on your baseboard heaters. First, smooth rust spots with steel wool. Then paint with primer, and top with enamel.

With the electricity off, remove the long, metal front cover, and vacuum thoroughly. Removing dust, pet hair and accumulated grime reduces a burned-particle odor and potential fire hazards.

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Lexington News

By Delpha Jones 989-8189

Catie Padberg has been spending some time with her daughter and husband Doris and L.D. Vinson at Monument following major eye sur-

gery at Walla Walla. She will consult with a physician there Wednesday to determine further eye surgery.

Barrel Club tells winners

The following results of the Heppner Barrel Club running on July 16 at the Wrangler Arena has been submitted:

Open: first - Joan Eckman, \$8;

Heppner student

recognized at OSU

Thirty Oregon State University students were selected spring term for 1985-86 membership in Thanos, a service-leadership society for sophomore men.

Members of Thanos assist in major campus programs such as new student orientation, Moms and Dads Weekends, Homecoming and registration.

New members include: Eric Thompson, Heppner, pre-engineering.

second - Rona Reid, third - MaryAnn Munkers, fourth - Penny Hoffman, fifth - Shelly Stroeber, and sixth - Gail Papineau.

Juniors: first - Jenny Martin, \$6; second - Lori Cecil, third - Bobbette Angeli, fourth - Kristy O'Brien, fifth - Stacey Kennedy, sixth - Amy Greenup, and seventh - Tanya Dade. Novice: first - Susie Dade, \$6; second - Shirley Martin, \$4, third - Lisa Lee, fourth - Diana Hoeft, fifth - Lori Bothwell, and sixth - Cindi Davis.

Pea Wees: first - Casey O'Brien, second - Tiffanie Munkers, and third - Staci O'Brien.

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Pest Control month emphasizes professionalism

National Pest Control month highlights the essential role of professional pest control operators in the life of their community. Without continual pest control, it would not take long for cockroaches, fleas, and termites to expand their populations to spread disease and do extensive property damage, said a local spokesperson. Rats and mice, too, would be a problem.

Professional pest control operators undertake their work within the

context of extensive regulation at the federal, state and local level. Operators must be licensed and certified by the state and are subject to continual educational programs to maintain and upgrade their knowledge of proper procedures and new technologies available to them. National Pest Control Association members are pledged to cooperate closely with federal, state and local regulatory agencies, concludes the spokesperson.

Heppner Happenings

By Mary Bryant 676-9493

Susan and Bryan Hargrove and their two daughters, Carrie and Cheryl, from Klamath Falls, Oregon, are spending some time with Mrs. Hargrove's parents, Charlie and Vivian McConnell, and her sister Cindy Sumner and family.

Mrs. Harlan B. Smith and two sons, Sean and Greer, from Seattle, were here for the weekend recently, visiting her mother, Mrs. Hazel Mahoney.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Connor and Penny, Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Nash, all of Heppner, and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hickey, of Pendleton, went to The Dalles to see the Little League District Tournament. Eric Connor, son of the Dean Connors played as pitcher and first base. After the tournament, they drove to Hood River, where they visited Mrs. Mary Springer, sister of Lincoln Nash.

Edwin Tucker, son of Mrs. Mildred Padberg, visited his mother this weekend and took her out to dinner for her birthday.

A group sponsored by the local branch of the American Association of University Women spent some time in Ashland recently. Cathy Barker, of Ione, Inez Erwin, Justine Weatherford, and Jane Rawlins, of

Heppner, stayed at the Mc. Anthony Hotel. They saw five plays, both indoor and outdoor. Also, a ballet by the Oregon Ballet of Portland. They saw a play by a new playwright in the band shell at Lithia Park. A special tea was served in the Exhibit Hall. A musical "spoof" of three William Shakespeare tradedies was enjoyed at the hotel.

Mrs. Kay Ayers, formerly of Heppner, underwent major surgery Friday at St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton. She is reportedly doing well.

Mrs. Oma Cox called from her home in Sheridan, Wyoming, this weekend. She is in good health and sends her love and best wishes to her Heppner friends.

Mrs. Hazel Bauman is in Portland this week visiting with her son, Jackson and family.

Being pretty much a shut-in these days, temporarily, we hope, I was pleased to see the new planters on Main Street. I do hope they are kept watered. Also, the lovely little new park behind the hotel needed water desperately and weeds pulled. I would offer to help if I could, but surely someone will take the time to clean it up before Fair and Rodeo. It's an especially nice addition to our city.

Garden clubs prepare for fair

Wednesday, July 17, representatives of three garden clubs of south Morrow County met from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. in a planning and work session at the lodge hall in Lexington.

Fair Committee Chairman Jane Rawlins, who is also president of the Heppner Garden Club, told of several new ideas being used in the 1985 County Fair's Dept. VIII Flower Show. She instructed the ladies in the art of fashioning collages which are to be exhibited in the Flower Show's Division 4, Artistic Arrangements, Amateur Class 5, "Texture."

Before the noon break each woman worked at building a collage.

Helen Martin was chosen general chairman for the flower show. She began immediately with the assignment of tasks and responsibilities to members of each garden club.

Everyone is encouraged to attend the Fair Work Day on Sunday, August 4, beginning at 1 p.m. with a potluck supper set for 4 p.m.

Most garden club members will be working at the fair site the Sunday, Monday and Tuesday just prior to the opening day, August 14.

Extension specialist attends Stanford

Shu-Ling Yen, Extension Specialist from Taipei, Taiwan, who has visited Morrow County has returned

to America and is presently enrolled at Stanford University in California. Miss Yen is recipient of a grant

which made it possible for her to return to America to study for a Ph.D. in Communications, says Birdne Tullis, OSU Program Assistant for Morrow County. She hopes to again visit here while she continues her education.

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