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Letters to the Editor

Inspired by women's conference

To the Editor:
On Friday, May 23, I attended a Women's Conference in Pendleton. The featured speaker for the conference was Jennifer James, a Seattle radio and TV personality. There were approximately 120 women and five or six men to have the privilege of hearing Jennifer.

I almost did not attend. I felt I was too busy, too far away, plus a variety of other reasons. Within the first minutes of Jennifer's presentation, I knew I had made the right decision to make the trip to Pendleton. She

is one of those dynamic people with the ability to make everyone listening feel absolutely great about themselves and be encouraged to strive to be the very best they can possibly be.

If we are fortunate enough to have Jennifer speak in this area again, I would recommend taking the time to hear her speak. I'm certainly glad I did.

(s) Nancy Brownfield
Rt. 1 Box 3490
Heppner, OR 97836

Fillies appreciate their fans

To The Editor:
Basketball is long over and finally school has slowed down enough for us to realize the gratitude we owe everyone.

The thought of a state championship has sunk in and now we know we owe so much to the people of Heppner and neighboring towns.

Wonderful signs of support along the way to Pendleton, not to mention all of you who drove over to support us during the tournaments, balloons, flowers, letters of support, the posters in our gym, and the towns

support, all sent us into the game and made us unstoppable.

We could have never done it without all of you and your support, it's impossible to name everyone and the special things they have done, but we want you all to know we appreciate your efforts and hope you remember all of us and the great year we had.

Sincerely
(s) Mike Royer, Fillies coach
Lana Reid, Dana Reid, Penny Connor, Andrea Ball, and Missy Turner, Senior Fillies.

Take care of one another

To the Editor:
This spring many of you will receive the high school diploma that you have waited for so long. Congratulations We're proud of you.

But before you begin the excitement and activities of graduation week and the summer ahead, please take just a moment to think about some people who didn't make it to this important day. Or maybe some who made it to graduation but have been stopped short of further achievement because of the heart-breaking tragedy of a traffic accident.

The month of May has long been the starting line for a race with death and injury on our highways for young people. Graduation has traditionally been the starting gun. As June, July and August come and go, the highest monthly totals of the year occur. We hope that you can set a new, less tragic mark for future graduating classes.

You see, traffic accidents are a particular problem for people your age. The life expectancy of every age group in the U.S. has increased during the past 75 years except one-teenagers whose death rate is higher today than 20 years ago mainly due to auto crashes. About 9,000 American teens are killed every year in traffic accidents. But, let's bring that a little closer to home - of the 571 persons who died on Oregon highways in 1984, 115 of those were age 16 through 19. 5,637 in that age group were injured.

You and your friends need not

become one of those statistics. The formula for survival is so simple:

*Obey all traffic laws and drive within the posted speed—a traffic violation is just an accident that didn't happen.

*Buckle up your seat belt every trip and make sure all passengers do the same—sure, seat belts may be uncomfortable at times, not macho and wrinkle your clothes, but the alternative may be two weeks in the hospital or crutches for six months, a seriously maimed friend facing years of plastic surgery or, even worse, death.

*Choose to not drink and drive.

The legal age to purchase, possess or consume alcohol is 21.

*Drive defensively—most accidents are caused by driver error and are preventable.

As you celebrate this great time in your lives, please keep in mind the survival formula recommended by Western Insurance Information Service, the Oregon Highway Users Conference and Oregon Association of Women Highway Safety Leaders. We're many businesses and associations who work together for safe, efficient highway transportation. But, we are also parents, brothers, sisters, friends and neighbors of yours who care about you and want you around for a while.

Have a great graduation and vacation. And please—Be careful out there; take care of one another.

Sincerely,
(s) Ellie Bennett
Western Insurance Information Service

Ask for license

To the citizens of Heppner:
If anyone comes to your home selling any kind of merchandise or asking for donations for any cause, including religious groups, please ask to see their license from the City of Heppner.

Sheriff's Report

The Morrow County Sheriff's Office at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner reports handling or dispatching the following business during the past week:

May 27, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office dispatched an ambulance to a residence in Lexington. A baby was delivered by a midwife just before the ambulance arrived. Oxygen was administered to the mother. There was no transport. An item in last week's Sheriff's Report incorrectly stated that mother and baby had been transported.

Also on May 27, the Boardman Police Dept., the Morrow County Sheriff's Office, the Irrigon Police Dept., and the Oregon State Police apprehended two prisoners who had escaped from Portland Immigration officers in the Boardman area. Immigration officers were attempting to take Richard Gonzales, 22, and Gonzalo Melendez, 23, into custody at 1:07 p.m. when they resisted and escaped. Both were taken into custody by 1:36 p.m.

In another May 27 incident, The Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report of Theft I, a John Deere tractor-loader with skids valued at \$2,000 from KLM Leasing of Boardman.

Also on May 27, the Oregon State Police Pendleton office recovered the stolen John Deere tractor at the Stanfield Jct. of I-84. Allen Edward Rowe, 47, Pendleton, was arrested and released.

On May 28, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office investigated a report of theft and vandalism at the Chevron Station, Lexington. Value, \$42.

On May 29, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office responded to a complaint from an Irrigon resident of a Careless Driver.

Also on May 29, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report from John Grace, Boardman, that a round working pen valued at \$1,000 was taken from his place, Theft I.

In another May 29 incident, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office dispatched the Boardman ambulance to the Shell station in Boardman. A woman reported to have breathing problems was transported to Good Shepherd hospital in Hermiston.

Also on May 29, the Boardman Police Dept. was assisted by the Morrow County Sheriff's Office in the arrest of Jessie B. Mishler, 28, Portland. He was charged with Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle and lodged at the Umatilla Police Dept. The vehicle was allegedly stolen from Portland.

On May 30, 1:55 a.m., the Morrow County Sheriff's Office located some juveniles at the dam site, they were asked to return to their residences due to the late, after curfew, hour.

Also on May 30, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office arrested Gary Allen Root, 23, on a Umatilla County warrant for Failure to Appear/No Angling License.

On May 31, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office and the Boardman Police Dept. responded to a report of a possible missing person in the Boardman-Umatilla area. The person was located two hours later at home and okay.

Also on May 31, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office backed up the Boardman Police Dept. on a report of a fight in progress at the Hitchin' Post Tavern, Boardman.

In a fourth May 31 incident, the

If they do not have a license, please, for your protection call the Heppner City Police Department at 676-9618.

There is no charge for a license for a non-profit group, but they do need clearance through the City Hall.
Douglas C. Rathbun
Chief of Police

Morrow County Sheriff's Office assisted a motorist on I-84 near Boardman who had run into the ditch. No injuries and minor damage to the vehicle were reported.

Also on May 31, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office assisted the Heppner Police Dept. in an attempt to locate a vehicle involved in an attempted gas theft.

On June 1, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office investigated a report of Robbery I, Burglary I, and Criminal Mischief which occurred in Lone. Benito Sanchez, 35, residence was allegedly broken into and Sanchez was threatened with a butcher knife and money was demanded. Sanchez, the victim, resisted and the suspect fled on foot. Investigation is continuing.

Also on June 1, a Morrow County deputy responded to a complaint of an animal problem in Irrigon.

During the week of May 26-June 2, the Morrow County Sheriff's deputies gave assistance to six disabled motorists in the county.

Marriage Licenses

The Morrow County Clerk's Office at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner reports issuing the following marriage license:

Steven Daniel Hoffert, 23, Condon, and Sandra Joyce Ward, 22, Heppner.

Hospital Notes

Pioneer Memorial Hospital reports admitting and dispatching the following patients during the following week:

Lyle Cox, Lexington-admitted May 27, discharged June 1;

Chas. Greenfield, Condon-admitted May 27 discharged May 30.

Patients still receiving care as of Monday were:

Erma Hams, Heppner admitted May 27; and

Ivy Dollarhide, Heppner admitted June 1.

Births

Lucas Paul Marquardt—a son, Lucas Paul, was born to Douglas and Linda Marquardt at home in Lexington May 27. He weighed 7 lbs. 4 oz.

Grandparents are Bill and Rena Marquardt, Lexington and Ed and Joan Biddlecomb of Los Angeles, California.

Great grandparents are Truman and Leita Messenger, Lexington; and Connie Emerson, Los Angeles, California.

Lucas joins a brother Marcus Christopher, 18 months, at home.

Health Dept.

Friday, June 13 - blood pressures and immunizations, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m., Heppner office.

Tuesday, June 17 - blood pressures and immunizations, 1:30 p.m. - 4 p.m., Boardman City Hall.

Friday, June 20 - blood pressures and immunizations, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m., Heppner office.

Tuesday, June 24 - blood pressures and immunizations, 1-4 p.m., Irrigon County Offices.

Wednesday, June 25 - blood pressures, 3-4 p.m., Lone Bank of E.O. kitchen.

Friday, June 27 - blood pressures and immunizations, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m., Heppner office.

Duck-count down

The domestic duck count is way down, by about one-third. Drought and rapid loss of their wetland habitat to farmers and energy companies are the main reasons, reports a national wildlife magazine.

Justice Court

Morrow County Justice Court at the Morrow County Courthouse in the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner reports handling the following business during the past week:

Steven Lewis Estberg, Heppner - Exceeding the Maximum Speed (71 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$30 fine.

Adopt-a-Pet

Marie Lane, 676-5513, has found a puppy. Anyone wishing to claim, or to adopt the puppy may call her at the above number.

Pioneer Humane Society which serves Morrow and Umatilla counties is looking for a person in the Heppner area who is willing to take telephone reports of found or missing animals. Phone the Pioneer Humane Society 24-hour hotline, 567-2961, or the Humane Society at 449-1207 to volunteer.

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