

Response outstanding to help basketball player

To the Editor:

It is simply impossible to describe the emotions that I have felt, and more importantly, the emotions that I have seen expressed over the last few days. People of our communities have given monetary support and shown belief for one of our youth of Morrow County.

On Friday, March 13, I received a phone call explaining that Missy Eubanks has been chosen as one of ten girls from Oregon to participate in a Basketball tournament. This tournament is held in Scottsdale, Arizona from April 8 through April 12 of this year. As always, you don't receive something for nothing. With airfare to Scottsdale and home, lodging, meals and spending money this trip is not inexpensive. I approached people, not just businesses, for the money. The response was outstanding. By Saturday evening there was over \$8000 donated for Missy to make this trip.

If you'll bear with me a little longer, there is quite a coincidence that has happened through this.

One year ago, I spoke to a few of the youth from our communities. Briefly, here is what I expressed.

People often harbour feelings of inadequacy, frustration, and doubt about their worth to themselves, and what ever they might be doing.

Self-image is a characteristic found in achievers. All achievers have dreams and have fulfilled these dreams to a certain extent. Hopefully all of you have some dreams to fulfill.

To you-the youth of our communities, start refurbishing your dreams and share them with others. Regardless of what they are-share them. It will help your peers, your teammates, or your classmates to fit their talents into the overall picture; dreams give direction.

I asked them to tell their friends why they are special, and above all, to share their dreams by doing this, they would be rewarded with a more productive and energetic life. A life dedicated to making everyone's dreams come true. Making everyone an achiever.

Missy Eubanks is a young lady with a very positive self-image. A young lady with dreams, and most important, a person who is an achiever.

The people of our communities have shown that we are achievers. We can refurbish dreams, and we can share them with others. We have helped a future leader in the right direction.

Let's wish Missy the best of luck in this National Basketball Tournament.

Dreams do come true
(s) Ron Bowman

Two opportunities to secure future

To the Editor:

The changing face of rural America requires increased efforts in new directions to maintain viable communities.

South Morrow County citizens have two opportunities on the

upcoming ballot to help secure the future of their communities. Please vote yes on the St. Patrick's hotel project and the park operating fund.

It will be a needed vote of confidence for this generation and the next.

Sincerely,
(s) Meg Murray

Hotel project is 'shot in the arm'

To the Editor:

Support your community.

The Heppner St. Patrick's Hotel Project is a "shot in the arm" for Heppner. Just think, Heppner has been awarded 500 thousand dollars for this project from the state. The state backs this proposal wholeheartedly. A yes vote on March 31 by Heppner's citizens on

the proposal to amend the city charter will allow your city to borrow the remaining amount needed for the renovation. It would allow the city to borrow for the Heppner St. Patrick's Hotel Project only.

Let's get the renovation completed in 1987--vote yes and see Heppner flourish.

(s) Cara Costa
Mayor, City of Heppner

Hotel project provides outstanding opportunity

To the Editor:

We are writing to express our support for the Heppner Hotel senior residence project, known as the St. Patrick's Hotel Project.

We feel that this project provides an outstanding opportunity for the Heppner community. Completion of the project will improve the appearance of our town. It will create needed housing for senior citizens.

Hotel remodeling is win/win situation

To the Editor:

As I drove up main street Heppner yesterday, I thought what a wonderful opportunity the community has to develop the old "hotel" building.

It will provide affordable, comfortable housing for the older citizens of the area, and a much needed meeting and meal site. That alone should be reason enough for a yes vote.

But as I viewed the old building, I visualized it shiny and bright, the central spot on main street, and an

incentive for other developments and revitalization of the town. A dream within reach--requiring only the approval of the community.

I've followed the hotel project closely, as an interested Morrow County resident, and through my involvement in Chamber of Commerce. Even the financing will eventually be a money maker for the town.

Seems like a win/win situation to me. Remember to vote March 31 and let the progress proceed.

(s) Birdine Tullis
Past President Chamber Commerce

Hotel needed for economic development

To the Editor:

The St. Patrick's Hotel project is a most needed project for Heppner and the surrounding area. It now appears the final step is an amendment to the city charter to allow council to go outside the debt limitation to secure the necessary financing.

Fully realizing I do not personally pay property taxes within the City of Heppner, it is my feeling this project would provide economic development as well as locating much needed senior housing in Heppner and therefore urge support for St. Patrick's Hotel.

If we are to keep the economic base of our area in a healthy state we

must be prepared to take advantage of opportunity when presented. I am sure we cannot pass up the chance now to restore this historic building and put it to valuable use, nor can we expect to be offered the opportunity again at some future date. When opportunity knocks on the door, he does not wait long for an answer.

Your "yes" vote will assure Heppner of a chance to move forward and assure a much needed facility, one which all of our citizens can be proud of for years to come.

Sincerely,
(s) Ray French
State Representative 59

Hotel/Park-important issues on ballot

To the Editor:

Two issues on the March 31 ballot are important to examine. The operating levy of \$29,300 for the Willow Creek Park Board and requested amendment to the Heppner City Charter.

The operating levy is a very small amount, but is needed in order to receive the grant which will fund the proposed R.V. park at the dam. The R.V. park will be built entirely with grant money and volunteer labor and equipment. It will be a valuable ad-

dition to the area, and we in south Morrow County need to pass the operating levy.

The City of Heppner has requested a change to their charter to enable them to fund the proposed renovation of the Heppner Hotel. This is an excellent opportunity for us to improve the looks of a major downtown building with grant money. Although the city needs to borrow money to ensure completion of the project, the bulk of the renovation costs are from grant monies. The borrowed monies will be secured by rents of the apartments in the hotel. We should not let this opportunity to improve our rural community pass by. Support for both these issues is important for the County.

(s) Fred Lundin
Heppner

Correction

Names of Defiant band members which appeared in last week's Gazette-Times were misspelled. The correct spellings and instruments they play follow:

Clay Harn-drum and vocals, Jim Mainord II-keyboards, guitar, and vocals; Larry Thunder-bass guitar and vocals; T.J. Tibbits-lead guitar and vocals.

Two members of the band, Mark McMurphy, keyboards and sound, and Brian McMurphy, lights, were not mentioned in the article.

Happy to support hotel project

To the Editor:

We are happy to support the St. Patrick's Hotel project. It is seldom that a community has an opportunity to provide both living facilities and an activity center for senior

citizens so close to a downtown area. Join us on March 31, and vote for the St. Patrick's Hotel Project.

Sincerely,
(s) Karen and Doug Dubuque
Heppner

Births

Kirsten Lynne Brookshire-a daughter, Kirsten Lynne, was born to Vicki and Walt Brookshire, Beaverton, on Monday, March 9 at Bess Kaiser Medical Center in Portland. She joins a sister, Erin, 16 months old.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Edmundson, Heppner and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brookshire, Union.

Great-grandparents are Mrs. Vera Turner, The Dalles, Dr. W.T. Edmundson, Hood River and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ferguson, Redmond.

Alex Justin Kitchen-a son, Alex, was born March 4 to Elnora Johnson and Rodney Kitchen of Hermiston at Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston. The baby weighed 7 lbs. 13 oz.

Grandparents are Irene Blazing, Donald Johnson, and Fred and Violet Ziegenhirt, all of Hermiston. Uncle and Aunt Mike and Sherry Blazing live in Heppner.

Marriage License

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

Nelson L. Hanson, 43, and Mary Christine Nordstrom, 36 both of Lexington.

Hospital Notes

Pioneer Memorial Hospital reports admitting and discharging the following patient during the past week:

Don Bellenbrock, Heppner-admitted March 13, discharged March 15.

The following patients who were admitted to the hospital were still receiving care Tuesday:

Myrtle Marshall, Lexington-admitted March 11;

Suzanne Bullington, Pendleton-admitted March 12;

James Stirewalt, Spray-admitted March 15, and

Mary Bryant, Heppner-admitted March 16.

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