

Letters to the Editor

Hotel project will improve Heppner

To the Editor:
In the Hotel Project we think that the people of Heppner are being offered a program of improvement to this downtown area, that they can not afford to turn down-no way can any individual afford to put the money up to rehabilitate the building and bring any program into the community that could support the cost-even if they tore the building down the cost would be prohibitive, to do so for the lot.

With the grant of \$500,000 and the income from the apartments, plus the amount of \$60,000 from the seniors citizens and \$20,000 from one of our Lodges, I see no reason why the project would not support it's own weight and at the end of 20 years, bring money in for the city. We could have a downtown area that we could all be proud of instead of an eye sore. Daisy and I urge you to vote yes.

(s) Bill and Daisy Collins

Would have appreciated interview

To the Editor:
On March 17, the Hermiston Herald recommended Bruce Nicholes as their choice for Morrow County Port Commissioner over myself, John Bristow in an article titled "Port Races Critical." I quote the following from that article:

"Newcomer Bruce Nicholes is favored over John Bristow for Position 4. Nicholes has aviation expertise needed for the expected expansion of the Boardman airport, as well as his enthusiastic commitment to attracting new industries."

The public should be aware that I was neither interviewed nor contacted by The Hermiston Herald on this matter. I believe the Herald should have printed my qualifications for comparison. For example:

-I logged nearly 5,000 hours flying while serving as a pilot in the United States Air Force, and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross in the process.

-I have been actively promoting economic development in Morrow County for years.

-I have been active in and have served as chairman of the lone

Economic Development Group.

-I am presently chairman of the Morrow County Planning Commission.

-I am presently serving as commissioner on the Port of Morrow.

-I have been active in school programs and budgets.

-I have a degree in Business Administration from Oregon State University.

-I have attended a Senior Department of Defense sponsored school known as the Industrial College of the Armed Forces graduating in the top 25% of my class, with five instructors rating myself as the top graduate.

-I retired from the USAF in 1979 as a full Colonel after serving within the Offices of Secretary of the Air Force.

-I have owned and operated a retail grocery business in lone since 1979.

An interview or short phone call prior to the March 17 issue of The Hermiston Herald would have been greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

(s) John L. Bristow

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Two school advisory candidates run write-in campaign

To the Editor:
Next week as we have a chance to vote on positions to be filled on the Heppner-Lexington School Advisory Committee there will be two positions without listed candidates.

Kay Proctor is running as a write-in candidate for the Heppner position Number 2 and Monte Evans is running as a write-in candidate for the Lexington position Number 7.

Both of these candidates fulfill all requirements of the respective positions and have expressed sincere interest in serving in the best interest of good schools in the Heppner-Lexington attendance area.

I would encourage voters to write in Kay Proctor, position No. 2, and Monte Evans, position No. 7, on the school ballot March 31.

(s) Don Cole

Heppner

Time to play our strong hand

To the Editor:
It has been satisfying to work for the Heppner Hotel project. The numerous letters which have appeared in this column in the past three weeks attest to the many benefits to be derived.

To citizens who may still have reservations about committing their support to the project I would point out that in many respects life is like a game of poker. We are all dealt some good hands and some poor ones. Success depends on 1.) our ability to distinguish between them

2.) patience to pass poor ones and 3.) to play strong hands well. Previous letters have called attention to the many high cards in the deal before you. This is not a time to pass. It is a time to play the strong hand we hold.

It is unlikely that we shall again have an equal opportunity to advance the appearance, the livability and the economics of Heppner.

Vote for the Hotel project.

(s) Wallace Wolff M.D.

Heppner

Park will boost area economy

To the Editor:
As a farmer from the South end of Morrow County, I realize that the new government CPR program may have an unfavorable economical impact upon this area.

Local businesses need an economical boost. The proposed

park at the Willow Creek dam, would promote more traffic and tourism into this area.

I urge you to vote "yes" on this measure on March 31.

Thank you,

(s) Rudy Bergstrom

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Community Calendar

Lutherans slate Lenten service

Hope-Valby Lutheran parish will conduct a Lenten service at 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 25 at Hope

Lutheran Church in Heppner. Theme of the worship service will be Christ Before Pontius Pilate. Everyone is welcome to attend.

New office hours at All Saints'

Office hours at All Saints' Episcopal Church are 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday. Merilee McDowell, the Parish Administrator

will be there to answer calls.

Confirmation classes are continuing on Thurs. at 12 noon at the Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome.

Blue Mt. classes begin Monday

Spring term classes through Blue Mt. Community College begin Monday, March 30. For a complete listing of classes, check the flyer or call area coordinator Marsha Sweek, 676-5121.

New classes are offered this spring, so be sure to check the class listing, Sweek says.

A headery class will be offered

Wednesday evening. The location will be announced later.

A beginning golf class taught by Charlie Rawlins will not begin until Saturday, April 25 in hopes of missing some of the nasty weather, Sweek said. Those interested may pre-register for the 8 a.m. class at the Willow Creek Country Club by calling Sweek.

Aerobic classes begin March 30

Aerobic dance classes begin Monday, March 30 at the Heppner Elementary School multi-purpose room. Advanced classes meet from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Beginners meet from 7:30-8:30 p.m.

The class will emphasize low im-

pact aerobics, circuit weight training, muscle tone, and cardiovascular workout. All men and women are encouraged to come exercise.

For more information call instructor Joyce Hughes, 989-8412.

Extension club learns about quilts

Rhea Creek Extension March meeting was at the home of Beverly Wright, with 15 members and five guest present.

Gwen Healy showed her homemade quilts including Tumble Blocks and Log Cabin. She gave tips on how she put them together and on lap quilting.

After a delicious potluck luncheon

Beverly Wright and Shirley Peck led a discussion on family vacations featuring choosing destinations, utilizing travel agents and tours, how to pack and ensure safety at home while you're away.

A short business meeting was held.

Next meeting will be at the Mary Wright home April 1 at 10 a.m.

Dance to Fitness classes start March 30

Dance to Fitness classes start Monday, March 30 for beginners and intermediates. Advanced classes start March 31. Classes begin 8-30 a.m. at the Elks Club.

We stress low-impact aerobics,

said instructor Renee Simcoe. "Come for cardiovascular fitness, muscle toning, self-esteem, and more fun than you have ever had exercising." Call 676-5019.

Merchants slate Moonlight Sale

The Heppner Merchants committee met last Friday at Charlie's Pizzeria. Discussion was held on the Moonlight Sale, and it was agreed that the sale would be held Friday,

April 24. The St. Patrick's Day Celebration was also discussed, and it was agreed that this year's event was successful.

New book donated to lone library

Several new books are now available at Lone Public Library. Highlighted this week a collection of John Steinbeck's best books bound in one volume, reviewed and donated by Jeri McElligott. "John Steinbeck" contains "The Grapes of Wrath" his great novel of the depression years. "The Moon is

Down" a tragedy of wartime and how free men meet their conquerors. "Cannery Row" a cameo of low life in a California town. "East of Eden" a novel of families developing the frontier of California. "Of Mice and Men" the story of two farm workers.

IFYE host families needed

Morrow County has opportunity to host two International Four-H Youth Exchange delegates this year.

The greatest satisfaction in serving as an IFYE host family comes from sharing your life for a few weeks with a young man or woman who has come from another nation to learn about Americans and America, says 4-H Agent Bill Broderick. "It is also a time for you to learn about their country and way of life."

IFYEs come to learn and work with host families as part of the people to people program devoted to building international understanding. The visitors don't expect to be treated as guests, but as a member of the family who will participate in

the regular activities of their hosts, the agent emphasized.

More information and applications for the host family program are available from the Morrow County Extension Office, 676-9642.



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