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Letters to the Editor

Voting no doesn't change school policies

To the Editor:

For the last two years, I have served on the Budget Committee for the Morrow County School District. I have visited with many voters who have valid concerns over School District Policy. I realize that this year's budget may not address all of their concerns. I would like to take this opportunity to explain why.

Voting no, on a school budget only tells the committee that you do not like the budget. Voting no does not say cut sports, close small schools, reduce transportation, curtail hot lunch programs or cut salaries. These aspects of education are all part of existing school district policy. If you disagree with the district's policy, the place to change it is in discussion with the school board or with the administrators of our schools. Voting no may be the easiest way of saying you disagree with existing policies. Voting no, without standing up and saying why or without voicing a concern in a particular area, will only leave those in charge of running our schools

guessing.

In formulating this year's budget, we tried to offer all of the existing policy requirements in the most economic way possible and I feel we succeeded. Voters, must realize that the schools electric bills continue to rise, insurance premiums are higher, just like their own, along with other areas. All expenses must be included in the budget. The majority of these expenses can not be cut, without changing district policy, breaking contracts or breaking the law. The budget committee did not feel they could take it upon themselves to change school district policy without more community input.

Although this year's budget is higher than last year's I feel the quality of education our children receive, will be lower. Cuts were made in areas where they could be, in order to make up for increases where we had no say. It is now too late for a no vote to change school district policy this year. A no vote now, will only decrease the quality of education further.

I am sure that this year's budget will not be acceptable to every one in the district. We must realize that what one individual views as fat, another person may view as meat. I feel we have taken all of the fat out of the budget and what we have left is the meat, consistent with current district policy.

We have only 13 years to educate our children. We can not afford to leave them unprepared to meet the challenges they will face in the future. Please vote yes on May 19, for Morrow County Schools.

To All Of My Patients:

With acquiring Dr. Lindsay's practice in Pendleton, I have found it difficult to continue service in Heppner. It is difficult to express the depth of my gratitude to the many people in this area whom I have been privileged to serve. I will remain in the office long enough to complete all cases now under treatment.

All of your records will, of course, remain with Dr. Alexander.

Sincerely,
Dr. R. L. Hibbert

If you have any questions you may call 676-9118 in Heppner or 276-5272 in Pendleton.

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Support schools, board and budget

To the Editor:

As school budget election time draws near, I feel as a former Morrow County School Board Member, I am writing this letter to give my support to both the Board Members and Budget Committee. Having worked on both I realize the many, many hours of giving of their time freely to present a reasonable budget and each time it is voted down. That means that many more hours and more expense is involved in publishing, printing ballots and hiring clerks to work on the election board.

Some of the issues that have been questioned such as P.E., Band, Music, Art, Counselors and Special Ed Classes, our local board has no control over. These classes are state requirements. They are required for a school to receive their accreditation. Classes such as Chapter I and Migrant Ed Classes are not sup-

ported by local taxes; they are Federally funded and are also requirements.

There are many expenses such as supplies for the upkeep of the buildings, textbooks (which always have a price increase each year), electricity, water and fuel for the buses are items the School Board has no control over the increase of the cost. The items are very necessary to run a school.

Let's not short change our children. Let's get out and support our schools, Board Members and Budget members. If you have a grievance about schools, teachers, administrators or Board members attend the meetings and voice your concerns, but please don't let this cause problems for our students and schools.

(s) Ralph Skoubo
Former School Board Member
Boardman

Beaverton 4th grader studying county

To the Editor:

I am a fourth grade student at Beaver Acres School. Our class is doing a county report on Oregon. I got Morrow County. I would like any information on Morrow County's history and industries etc. or maps and postcards.

Would you please put my letter in the newspaper. Thanks a lot.

Sincerely
(s) Christopher Phelps
Beaver Acres School
P.O. Box 200
Beaverton, OR 97075

Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes

A preview of things to come:
May 5: Dean Mosier, Oregon Business Council, Portland, will speak on area Economic Development during the regular Chamber meeting. Following, at 1:00 p.m., an information session will be held on the proposed Finley Buttes landfill in Morrow County.

May 9: Welcome Pacific Northwest Bikers. Chamber's role will be to distribute Heppner brochures at the checkpoint, man a fruit stand, and invite bikers back for a longer stay.

May 12: Drug Impact Program. Liz Curtis, Barbara Hayes, and Phyllis Payne are launching this local program. They will share knowledge, video, and respond to questions.

May 19: Chamber Business Meeting and committee reports.

May 26: CRP Tour from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Bus will be waiting in front of Elks. Sack lunches are recommended, if you want to eat.

Visitors are always welcome. Chamber meets four Tuesdays a month from noon to 1 p.m. at the Elks. Of course, we never turn down new members. It makes our day.

Hospital Notes

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

Frances Freel, Heppner-admitted April 25, discharged April 28.

The following patients were still receiving care at the hospital Tuesday:
Verlie Derick, Heppner-admitted April 23; and
Lucy Peterson, Heppner-admitted April 27.

Meeting Notices

Heppner Garden Club
Heppner Garden Club will meet for a potluck dinner at the home of Eleanor and Ed Gonty on Monday evening, May 4, at 6:30. Final plans will be made for a visit to Portland. New officers will be elected.

Heppner Boosters
Heppner Booster Club will meet Wednesday, May 6, 7 p.m. at the Heppner Elks Lodge.

Heppner Police Report

The Heppner Police Dept. reports handling the following business during the past week:

April 20: 1:43 a.m.-assist motorist.

April 21: 7:02 p.m.-report of Criminal Mischief; 7:41 p.m.-report of Fight; 9 p.m.-assist Morrow County District Attorney; 10:36 p.m.-found property, returned to owner.

April 22: 6:57 p.m.-assist Morrow County Sheriff Dept.; 8:13-report of a wire down; 8:59-citation issued for Violation of Basic Rule (35 mph in a 25 mph zone.)

April 23: 1 p.m.-report of telephone lines out; 1:30 p.m.-Funeral Escort; 3:15 p.m.-Welfare check; 6:45 p.m.-citation issued for Criminal Mischief and Careless Driving; 9:58 citation issued for Careless Driving.

April 24: 8:57 a.m.-false alarm; 9:09 a.m.-citation issued for No Operator License on Person; No License on Vehicle; Driving Uninsured and Failure to show Registration.

April 25: 1:58 a.m.-request officer for Security Check; 6:25 p.m. citation issued for No Operators License.

Chief Rathbun's Tip's

Summer and nice weather are here so we will have more bicycle riders on the street. Remember parents to talk with your children about bike safety.

Remember, too, that bicycle riding on Heppner sidewalks is against the law.

Justice Court Report

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

James Robert Jepsen, Gresham-violation of the Basic Rule (60 mph in a 45 mph zone), \$30 fine.

Robert Lee Botefur, Heppner-Exceeding the Maximum Speed (74 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$30 fine.

Craig Stephen Howard, Lexington-Violation of the Basic Rule (48 mph in a 35 mph zone), \$30 fine.

David Kenneth Hudson, Ione-Driving Uninsured, \$57 fine; No Vehicle License, \$57 fine; No Vehicle License, \$77 fine; Driving Uninsured, \$77 fine.

Albert Lee Seibel, Hermiston-Truck Speeding (65 mph in a 55 mph zone), \$13 fine.

Helen Mary Veenkant, Heppner-Failed to Drive to the Right of the Center line, \$17 fine.

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Sheriff's Report

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

April 21: the Sheriff's Office dispatched the Boardman Ambulance to Lamb Weston. A female with an illness was transported to Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston.

April 21: a deputy responded to a residence on Paul Smith Road to investigate an animal problem.

April 21: a deputy investigated a complaint of harassment in the Boardman area. Complaint was determined to be a civil matter.

April 21: a deputy responded to a residence outside the Boardman city limits to investigate a report of phone harassment.

April 22: a deputy investigated suspicious circumstances at Jorgensen Trucking in Irrigon. All was found to be O.K.

April 22: a deputy arrested Robert Dale Sampley, 29, Moses Lake, Washington, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/Driving While Suspended and also on a charge of Felony Driving While Revoked. He was lodged at the Umatilla County Jail.

April 22: a deputy arrested Hugh Eric Hiatt, 22, Heppner, for allegedly Providing Liquor to a person under 21. Subject was released on his own recognizance.

April 23: a deputy arrested Henry E. Parry IV, 29, Salt Lake City, Utah for allegedly Driving While Suspended. He was cited and released.

April 23: a deputy contacted a subject outside Boardman city limits who reported he had been threatened.

April 23: a deputy responded to a business in Ione after an alarm was set off. Alarm was false.

April 24: the Sheriff's Office assisted a citizen in the Irrigon area after receiving a complaint of a missing teenage girl last seen at 7 p.m. when she was reportedly enroute home. She was later located spending the night with a friend.

April 25: the Sheriff's Office dispatched the Boardman Fire Dept. to a grass fire behind Oregon Potato processing plant in Boardman.

April 25: a deputy responded to the Lexington area after receiving a complaint of a domestic disturbance. Stephen Francis Zachariassen, 32, of Heppner, was arrested for Menacing. He also was issued a citation for Assault IV.

April 25: a deputy cited Minus Hill, Jr., 56, Madras, for Driving While Suspended.

April 25: a deputy responded to the Irrigon area to investigate a complaint of a hit and run accident involving two vehicles. Investigation is continuing.

April 26: a deputy assisted Heppner Police Dept. investigate an alarm at a local business. Alarm was false.

April 26: a deputy located a vehicle in the ditch on the Bombing Range Road. Investigation is continuing.

During the week of April 20 - 26, the sheriff's office assisted one disabled motorist in Morrow County.



Elected

Student body officers elected to serve Heppner High School next year are President Duane Ball (left), Publicity Director Lori Cecil, Secretary Nance Wright, Treasurer Kirsten Green, Business Manager Barney Lindsay, and (not pictured) vice president Bryan Padberg.

Obituary

Frank Marick

Frank Marick, 90, of Ione, died Saturday, April 25, 1987, at Delamarter Care Center in Pendleton.

Funeral Mass will be 10 a.m. Wednesday at St. John Catholic Church in Condon. Recitation of the rosary was 7 p.m. Tuesday at St. Joseph Cemetery in Condon.

Marick was born Aug. 21, 1896, in Kent, Minn., the son of Bernard and Mary Welp Marick.

The family came to Wasco County in 1900, and moved to Rock Creek in 1911.

Marick was inducted into the Army during World War I. Following his return from military service he went to work for St. Peter's Academy at The Dalles.

He was a farmer and worked for several other farmers in Gilliam County. The last part of his farming years were spent on Rock Creek farming property adjoining his brother. He retired in Ione in 1959.

He was a member of St. William Catholic Church in Ione and the American Legion.

Survivors include his brothers, Steven of The Dalles and Vince of Parkdale, and numerous nieces and nephews. Three sisters and six brothers died earlier.

Sweeney Mortuary, Condon, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial service slated

A memorial service for Clarence Elwood (Casey) Brenner and his son Clarence LeRoy Brenner will be held 2 p.m. Saturday, May 2 at the Ione United Church of Christ. The family lived in Ione prior to 1965.

Medical clinic

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and that's good.

But we also recognize that Dr. Zielinski has been a political advocate almost more than he's been a doctor and I'm not sure that's good for the community."

On leasing the clinic to Zielinski, Carlson said the court had not been approached by the doctor on that issue.

"I think we need someone or some organization that has the staying power and resources to keep the clinic going," Carlson said.

Commissioner Jerry Peck said he had reservations about negotiating with Zielinski because of past problems in dealing with the doctor and because Zielinski had turned down an offer to lease the clinic building for \$1 per year plus a \$50,000 subsidy last year.

The board tabled further discussion on leasing the clinic to St. Anthony and closing the clinic until a more thorough investigation could be made into the clinic's finances and the financial report.

The meeting was continued until Tuesday, April 28 at the Port of Morrow office at 7 p.m. Representatives from the county's accounting department are expected to be present to explain the financial report and answer questions pertaining to the clinic's financial operations.

Marriage License

The Morrow County Clerk's Office at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner reports issuing a marriage license to the following: Ricky Jerald Rea, 27, and Kristi Lee Lankford, 21, both of Heppner.

District Attorney's Report

The District Attorney's Office at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner reports that William Glenn Cherry, Jr., 56, Hermiston, was arraigned on a charge of Driving While Suspended before Judge Ralph Currin on April 24.

In the Service

Lance Cpl Craig Miles
Marine Lance Cpl. Craig A. Miles, son of Dexter M. and Corine M. Miles of Heppner, has been awarded a Meritorious Mast while serving with 3rd Marine Division, on Okinawa.

A Meritorious Mast is an official recognition from a Marine's commanding officer for superior individual performance. It is issued in the form of a bulletin published throughout the command, and a copy is entered in the Marine's permanent service records.