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Letters to the Editor

Not safe to fish at Willow Creek Lake

To the Editor:
It is not longer safe to fish on Willow Creek Dam.
My husband and I enjoyed going out in the boat and fishing the lake once or twice a week. It was peaceful and relaxing whether we caught any fish or not. Things have changed. Now there are hunters going up and down the lake with shot guns shooting at anything or anybody. One of the shot gun blast hit just 30 ft. from our boat. The only thing to shoot at was the boat s in the lake and that's exactly what they did.
A week later we went out again. Everything was peaceful that day and we enjoyed ourselves. Two week s ago we went again. We had been out in the lake about an hour

when here came the hunters with their shot gun's. They started shooting up and down the banks and out in the lake. The noise and afraid of being hit by one of the pellets, we loaded the boat and came home. We haven't been out since.
There's plenty of places around Heppner to hunt. I have nothing against hunting but around a lake where people are fishing on the banks and out in the lake is no place to be hunting or target practicing.
The responsibility lies on the shoulders of the Corps of Engineers to get Safety Zone signs around the lake before some one is seriously injured or killed.
Like to fish but don't like to get shot at.

(s) Mary Harris Heppner

A decade of creativity

To the Editor:
It is not very often that the parents of our young people and the patrons of the arts receive recognition for a job well done. Too often we only receive and return praise when it involves a special event.
We all need a kind word of encouragement now and then to strengthen our creative pursuits. It is with this in mind that I write this short note of recognition to my supporters.
As an instructor and representative of the arts within Morrow County for the past ten years, I have seen some exciting events take place in the arts.
When we invited the Artist in Education Program into our schools three years ago to complement our program, it was the excellence of the I.E.A. representative, Sandy Brook, the enthusiasm of our students, the financial support of our patrons, and the staff in our schools that endorsed the A.I.E program throughout the school district. The Artist in Education program is now initiated once a year throughout our Elementary and jr. high programs.
It was the annual Art Show in conjunction with our music program that you as a community supported which was a real plus for the students. Your participation in those events reinforced our students' desire to be creative within the classroom setting.

Sophie Struthers is now attending Linfield College as an art student and Kim Wright attends Bassist Institute in Portland. They are both pursuing a Fine Arts career through studies in our higher educational institutions. These two students are only two of our young people that have set long-term goals for professional careers in the arts.
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One of the highlights last year was Lance Marvin's trip to Chicago. His national winning watercolor through the International Creative Arts Festival for the Hearing Impaired earned Lance a trip during last year's spring break. For Lance, it was a memorable event of creative activities in the big city.
It is because of community support that we have had some strong commitments toward the arts.
To commemorate the past and establish new horizons for creativity in the future a Student Exhibit will be presented. "A Decade of Creativity" will be on display throughout the month of January at the Heppner Public Library. Thanks again for your support.

(s) Ron Forrar Art Instructor

Let the school board know your opinion

Fellow Heppner Community Members:
On Tuesday, November 24, there was a very important meeting held at the Heppner Elementary School. This meeting was to let the Heppner community know the findings of the feasibility study recently completed. This study dealt with all of the school buildings within our district and what should be done in terms of remodeling, updating, or building new.
There were a number of options outlined for each and every school building. The purpose of the meeting was to allow the school board the opportunity to receive input from the community. (These meetings are being held in each of the communities.) The Boardman meeting will be held on Thursday, December 3 at Riverside High School auditorium, 7 p.m.

On December 21st the board will meet to discuss the input received from each of the communities and work towards making major decisions. These decisions are difficult ones to make and the board must know how each community feels and which options they will support.
I have let the superintendent know which options I prefer. However, I am only one person and I don't believe I speak for the entire community of Heppner. Each and every person has a responsibility to let the board know their feelings about the options outlined. Please, call a board member or the superintendent to discuss the options available. Let's all become informed so that we in turn can inform the board.
Sincerely
(s) Nancy Brownfield Rt. 1 Box 3490 Heppner, OR 97836

Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes, chamber manager
Ever hear the story of the toad that fell into a deep rut? All of his friends and relatives were convinced that he would never get out of there alive. And the toad was equally convinced. The next morning, however, he was jumping around in the fields like the others. When asked what happened, he replied, "I thought I would never escape from that deep rut. But when I heard that big truck coming and knew it would run over me, I just had to get out!"
It is wonderful what any creature can do when given sufficient motivation, people included. Most of us are not overworked; we are under-motivated. Today, allow yourself to be strongly motivated and see what

amazing things you can do."
Motivation is very apparent on Heppner's Main Street. Chamber of Commerce is proud of Fabric's Inc., Joyce and Jerry Holloman; Ployhar Insurance, Bob Ployhar; Barb's Slender Quest, Barb Anotegui; and English's Chevron Mini Mart, Rex English. (The "Congratulations, We're Proud of You" sign is in for repairs in the chamber manager's basement!)
December 5, chamber members will be serving lunch to Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus and children at the Heppner Elks Lodge from 12 to 1 p.m. for \$2.00 followed by a movie. Children may also have their picture taken with Santa for \$1.50. Heppner Merchants offer this opportunity for parents to Christmas shop.
*Chamber, Tuesday, December 8 will be a special Port of Morrow video presentation. Come visit with Bob Miller, Port Manager, about port activities.
*December 15, Chamber members will be entertained by students with Christmas songs. This will also be the day to vote on directors and membership dues increases.
See you at Chamber. Hope you're enjoying Christmas preparations and remembering the meaning of the season.

CROSS-FIRE
A counseling group for married couples. A time for sharing experiences, problems & solutions.
First Christian Church
December 4, 1987, 7:00 p.m.
For more information call 676-5120 or 676-9209

OPEN SUNDAY 'TIL CHRISTMAS

For Your Shopping Convenience Heppner Businesses are Opening Their Doors with Special Christmas Shopping Hours.

12:00 NOON - 4:00 p.m.
EVERY SUNDAY UNTIL CHRISTMAS

Sunday Dec. 6 OPEN 12 - 4
Sunday Dec. 13 OPEN 12 - 4
Sunday Dec. 20 OPEN 12 - 4

These Stores Will Be Open Every Sunday Until Christmas for Your Shopping Convenience. Special Activities Have Been Planned Too.

The Country Rose
Gardner's Men's Wear
Peterson's Jewelers

Murray's Drug
The Shoe Box
Coast to Coast



Get on with planning




AS I SEE IT
By Ed Glenn

The County Court recently accepted John Bristow's resignation from the County Planning Commission. I've had the honor to watch John chair the Planning Commission and he will be hard to replace, both on the commission and as chairman.
Among the reasons for tendering his resignation, John listed the work involved and his desire to devote more time to his personal life. He will continue to very ably guide the Port of Morrow as one of its five commissioners.
Difficult as it may be, the County Court will be searching for a new planning commission member. There will be those who will lobby for a resident of lone or environs to "maintain geographic balance" on the commission. There will be others that will argue for a "North-ender." They will first point out that the huge majority of land use decisions handled by the planning commission involve land located in the north half of the county and therefore, it should be a resident of that half of the county. Secondly, they will claim that since the majority of county residents live north of the Bombing Range, it's time for a majority of some board, commission or committee to come from that area.
Neither side will recognize that we need the best person for the job and that place of residence is simply not a qualifying characteristic.
Whoever is appointed, let's hope they have the foresight to appoint a hearings officer - conduct public hearings. This aspect of the commission's work unnecessarily burns up much of the commissioners' time. So long as the commission hears contested cases, little time will be left for real planning. More commissioners than John will feel the need to resign to have any time for other things. Besides, a hearings officer would probably do a better job of handling the very technical aspects of contested case hearings.
The County Court should make a position on appointment of a hearings officer one of the considerations in selecting a new commissioner, and not make the appointment based on place of residence.

You are cordially invited to a Christmas Open House featuring Mary Kay Cosmetics. Doris Flynn Consultant. At Kate's Pizza and Pastry
Mon., Dec. 7 - 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
10% Off All Merchandise.
Free Gift Wrapping - Refreshments
Door Prize Will be Given Away
Everyone Welcome

ISN'T SHE NIFTY
Donna Peterson is 50



Court Street Market
CHECK OUR EVERYDAY LOW PRICES WHERE YOUR DOLLAR MAKES MORE CENTS

Banquet	Fried Chicken 32 oz. Reg. 3.79	\$2.99 ea.
Gold & Soft	Margarine 1 lb. tub - reg. 1.09	1st 3 79¢ ea.
Pillsbury Plus	Carrot Cake Mix Reg. 1.29	99¢ ea.
Fresh	Carrots	25¢ lb.
Fresh	Broccoli	59¢ lb.
Fresh	Turnips	4 lbs. \$1.00
Pink	Grapefruit	4 for \$1.00
Boneless	Chuck Roast	\$1.59 lb.
2 Liter	Coke Products	\$1.19 +dep.
1 Liter	Pepsi or Slice	3 for 99¢ +dep.

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Prices good Dec. 3rd - 7th.
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