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Our Waning Independence



AS I SEE IT
By Ed Glenn

Shortly we will celebrate the Fourth of July, Independence Day. Picnics, relatives and fire works. This year we'll have a three-day break so that kind of mean travel, camping and such, more than the usual mid-week holiday.

Seems to be the older folks who call it Independence Day. There's nothing like a war or two to instill that kind of sentiment. It's hard to realize that today's high school graduate was born after the Viet Nam thing and that the peaceniks of the 60's are now middle-aged.

We think that has a lot to do with the eternal erosion of independence, both individual and societal.

We're not pleased with the way our federal government seems to get bigger and bigger, state government gets bigger and bigger and even local government gets bigger and bigger.

My daughter needs a permit to get a job, my son can't operate even the simplest of machines, my wife meets ever increasing requirements to teach school and I have a stack of licenses and permits a foot high.

You can't build a house on about 98% of Morrow County and where you can, it has to be built in a particular fashion and inspected for dozens of requirements.

We all pay ever increasing taxes to pay for ever increasing government. And taxes seem to be beyond even our elected officials' ability to control. We hear how big the "mandated programs" are and how small the "discretionary budget" is. Congress can't live within a balanced budget, the Governor wants to junk the state spending limit and the county tax rate is up 24% over last year.

As I see it, too many of us will use the upcoming holiday as a time to play, have fun and escape the reality of our real world. Too few of us will use the occasion to renew our dedication to Independence, independence from not only the mother country but independence from oppressive and excessive government. Hardly anyone will sit down and write a letter to a Senator, Congressman or County Commissioner. Very few will stop the hue and cry for another law against something or another.

This Independence Day will pass as just another shower of sparks with little fire left in the independent heart of man.

Class of '78 sets reunion

The class of 1978 will hold its 10 year reunion on July 2 and 3 in Heppner.

On July 2 there will be a social hour at the Elk's Lodge from 5 to 6 p.m. Dinner will follow from 6 to 9 p.m. and then dancing until 1 a.m.

On Sunday, there will be a family picnic at the fairgrounds beginning at 1 p.m. For further information contact Betty (Green) Wight at 989-8556, or Rita (Estes) Bergstrom, 676-5538.

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(Shhh, it's a Secret!!!)

Letters to the Editor

Editors note: The Heppner Gazette-Times accepts all letters to the editor that are in good taste and not libelous. All letters must be signed by the person writing the letter.

Remember what's important in Little League

To the Editor:

Little league season is over. The players in lone had a good season, and played their last game with great style. The parents of the team members felt confident with the coaches, and the time these men dedicated to the players.

Dana Heideman, with his intensity and dedication to baseball and Jim Swanson with knowledge of the game, and easy-going personality, complimented each other as coaches. The players know their coaches, and Dana is the first to admit when he loses his temper, and apologizes. No hard feelings linger. Jim is quick with praise and a pat on the back, and always has a "nice try" for a player who is feeling low.

Dana was recently reprimanded by the league for allegedly using foul language during games. As a parent, my husband and I attend the games, and I have never heard the language Dana is accused of using. The only concern I had as a parent of two of the players was Dana's taking the game too seriously. But Dana was working on being a more relaxed coach. He is a good person, and a willing coach who is giving his time to a group of youngsters unselfishly. Many of us wouldn't commit so much time and effort to be criticized and ridiculed. Little league is for the players, and the league coaches

Response made to WCLL ruling

To the Editor:

I feel it is appropriate to respond to some of the false accusations that have been brought against me by some irresponsible people affiliated with the W.C.L.L. They have made slanderous statements about me at a WCLL meeting without seeking the truth first. If they were going to act on this matter it would have been best to find out the complete truth from people who were actually there and witness to the incident. Instead they accepted only one viewpoint in which this person actually made false accusations about what really happened at the game in question. The president of the WCLL had little or no control over the meeting. I was not given a chance to defend our team or myself. None of the board members at the meeting were at the game in question except myself and yet they passed judgement to send out a letter of reprimand solely on the false accusations of one person. The letter of reprimand was issued to me for being removed from the game, however I have also been accused of everything from using extremely foul language to starting an argument with the umpire after the game was over. Neither of those statements are true and I have witnesses to prove it. After the game was over I went over to talk with the other coach and the umpire followed me over there and started harassing me about the call he made earlier in the game. I told him I wasn't going to argue with him.

It is thoroughly surprising to me, a board member on the WCLL myself, after serving for two and a half years, that at the very end of the season with no previous incidences that I would be so unfairly treated.

I have served five years in the Lone T-Ball, Minor League and Major League with no previous problems. I have spent hundreds of hours working with our youth. I have enjoyed the kids and watching their progress through the years.

I am resigning as manager of the lone Indians because I feel the false accusations and prejudices brought against me would only serve to be detrimental to our team.

(s) Dana Heideman

Dana Heideman did good job

To the Editor:

We want to congratulate you, Dana Heideman, for the great job you did coaching the lone Indians Little League team this year. Your team was a growing team and you and Jim Swanson taught them all fair and clean playing all the way through. Your players like and respect you and so do their parents. It is a privilege to see so many of our family so active in coaching, umpiring and playing in the Little League organization.

We are very curious as to why the scores and results of all the Little League games were not printed in your paper? When the season started the scores and standings were printed every week but as it progressed they were completely dropped. I would like to hear the reason for this.

It is a sad thing to have the season end as it did because someone lied to the WCLL Board about what happened at one certain game. All of us who were actually there know what really happened. We also know you

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Info corrected on Vic Johnson

To the Editor:

Having been born and raised in the Burton Valley-Hardman area, I and my family was close friends and neighbors to Victor Johnson and his parents, Emil and Bertha Johnson, for many years. Victor attended the Burton Valley school along with many of the McDaniel children. My brother, Carl McDaniel, remembers Victor's first day of school, and the teacher was May Severance (Campbell). Bertha Dean filed homestead

Births

Abby Marie Key-a daughter Abby, was born June 4, 1988 to Timothy and Shelly Key of Boardman at Good Shepherd Hospital. The baby weighed 8 lbs. 7 1/2 oz.

Grandparents are Joe and Marie Key, lone and Rick and Sue Johnson, Boardman.

Great-grandparents are: Richard and Frances Burkelt, Whitehouse, Texas; Bernice Key, Eustace, Texas; Virginia Johnson, Robert Hayes, Dick and Zodi Johnson all of Bishop, CA.

The baby joins one sister Emily Rae 2 1/2 years at home.

Tyler William, a son, Tyler was born June 2, 1988 to Stan and Teena Fetterhoff of Pendleton at St. Anthony Hospital. The baby weighed 6 lbs. 1 oz.

Grandparents are Arthur and Dorothy Stefani, lone and Virgil and Phyllis Fettehoff of Hermiston. Great grandmother is Cecil Stefani of lone.

Jubilee Shea Dick, a daughter, Jubilee was born June 6, 1988 to Stuart and Julie Dick of Lexington at University of Oregon Health Sciences Center in Portland.

The baby weighed 7 lbs. 11 oz.

Grandparents are Ed Dick, Heppner and Shirley McCarty, Adelaide, Australia.

Great-grandparents are Edna Forsythe, Lincoln City.

The baby joins one brother, Benjamin, 7 and two sisters, Alyssa, 16 and Taryn 11, at home.

Colton Lee Helfrecht, a son, Colton, was born June 16, 1988 to Ronda and Jamie Helfrecht of Portland at Portland Adventist Hospital.

The baby weighed 8 lbs. 13 oz.

Grandparents are Patty Angelle, Battleground, Washington; Roger Helfrecht, Hermiston; Stacy and Darlene Lovgren, Heppner; Ron Quigley, Baker.

James Marshall VanLiew, a son, James, was born to Sandra and Dan VanLiew, of Heppner on June 24, 1988 at St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton. The baby weighed 10 lbs. 1 1/2 oz.

Grandparents are Roger and Shirley Palmer, Heppner and Raymond and Johanne VanLiew, Medford.

Justice Court Report

The Justice Court at the courthouse annex in Heppner reports handling the following business during the past week:

Frank Dee Halvorsen, lone-Violation of the Cooperative road closure, Carty Reservoir, \$46 fine;

Frank Dee Halvorsen, lone-Non Angling License, Carty Reservoir, \$9 fine;

Terry J. Voltz, Heppner-protective headgear (passenger) \$17 fine;

John Boyef, Lexington-Violation of Road Closure area (passenger), Carty Reservoir, \$46 fine;

Jack Odell Bailey, Troutman, North Carolina-Possession of False Applied resident Hunting License and Elk tag, \$100;

Kierin P. Doherty, Lexington-Violation of the Basic Rule, 48 mph in a 25 mph zone, \$87 fine;

Donald Wayne Barber, Heppner-Missing Lug Nuts, \$57 fine;

Jack Peter Westlund, Hermiston-Open Container of Beer, \$57 fine;

Dale Allen Munkers, Heppner-Expired Operators License, \$17 fine; Driving While Suspended, \$110 fine;

Samuel Gonzales, Aro, Parkdale-Allowed Unlicensed driver to operate vehicle, \$31 fine;

Kevin Edward Chick, Exceeding the Maximum Speed, 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$13 fine;

Kyle D. Robinson, Heppner-No Mud Flaps, \$9 fine;

Bertha May Sager, Lexington-Exceeding the Maximum Speed, 69 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$30 fine;

Earl D. Green Jr., Condon-Driving While Suspended, \$110 fine;

Ivan Eugene Landacre, Cougar, WA-No PUC Permit, \$92 fine;

Helen J. Gilliam, Heppner-No License, \$13 fine.

AUCTION SALE

Sat. July 9 - 10:00 a.m.
206 E. May Ave - (Across from the Courthouse)
Estate of Paul Hansen
Gary Largent, Auctioneer

EQUIPMENT	SHOP EQUIPMENT
1964 REO, 3 ton tank truck	Arc welder & table
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This is a lifetime accumulation. Many more items that are not mentioned. - TERMS: Cash or local checks only! All Sales Final.