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Just friends.....



Margaret Wright
A friend may save your sanity, but a good friend can also save your life. Anita "Margaret" Wright and Snoda Blake, both of Heppner, are "living" proof.
The two friends call each other every day—Margaret calls Snoda at 8:30 every morning, "you could set your clock by her," says Snoda. And Snoda calls Margaret every afternoon. The two have a bond—arthritis—and, according to Margaret, they "talk arthritis" every day.
On Feb. 28, however, Margaret didn't call. "I waited and waited," said Snoda, "but she didn't call. And I couldn't get a hold of her. Well, I knew something was wrong."
So, Snoda called Ida Farra, another good friend, to call Margaret but Ida couldn't reach her either. "By that time," said Snoda, "I was

awful scared." Ida called the manager of Evergreen Apartments where Margaret lives. The manager Ardis Largent, went over to Margaret's apartment to check on her, saw that Margaret had collapsed and called 911.

"I heard the phone ringing," said Margaret, "but I couldn't get up. I felt like something had hit me on the head and I fell on the bed. Luckily the bed broke my fall." Margaret said she had managed to crawl a ways from the bed.

"The last thing I saw was the feet of the (apartment) manager and the deputy and then I passed out. Apparently they took me to the hospital." Margaret was first taken to Pioneer Memorial Hospital and then transferred to Walla Walla. She has since been discharged and is doing well.

"She could have laid there til Friday or Saturday when Ida takes her shopping," said Snoda. "If it had been her (Snoda)," said Margaret, "I would have called Betty Pfeiffer (another friend)."

The two friends have been calling each other for the last four or five years. Margaret, who will be 77 April 1, has lived in Heppner for the past 10 years.

Her daughter, Diana Kincaid is a teacher in Ione. Margaret has two granddaughters, both teachers. Snoda is 92 and has lived in Heppner for around 50 years, and in Ione before that. Her daughter, Bethal Heinrichs is a former city librarian. Snoda has 12 granddaughters, one



Snoda Blake
grandson and eight great-grandchildren. Two sons died earlier. Both are widows and live alone. Snoda still has her own home.

Despite their arthritis—Snoda cannot get around without a walker—the two friends get together with another friend "almost every Sunday" for dinner. "You've got to get together and care and share," says Snoda. I share a lot with Margaret. This dinner we have on Sunday means a lot to me."

"It's not as much that she needs me," said Margaret, "but that I need her.... a chain of friendship means a lot."

"Snoda's a dear person."
And it's obvious that the feeling's mutual.

Disaster loans available

Morrow County has been designated a disaster area based on a presidential declaration on January 23. This action is based on damages and losses caused by severe storms and flooding which began on Jan. 6, according to Morrow County Court and Dave Fitzsimmons, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture County Supervisor.

This action makes disaster emergency loans from Farmer's Home Administration available to farm operators suffering qualifying losses. For further information call 276-3811, ext. 438.

Sheep dog trial entries more than doubled last year

Forty-nine people entered the St. Patrick's sheep dog trials this year, more than double the 20 entries last year.

Cliff Steelman, Walla Walla, won the open division. Steelman, who won last year's contest, also took the high point trophy, sponsored by Thompson's Ramboulett Ranch and the former Wagon Wheel restaurant owners.

Patrick Shannahan, Nampa took

second, and Kathy Brunetto, Oregon City finished third.

In the novice/novice division, Judy Doris, Tacoma, Wash., took third and 12-year old Carrie Boisvert, British Columbia, was second.

Novice class winners were Patrick Shannahan, Nampa, Id. first; Michelle Weitz, Boise, Id. second; and Ken Truesdell, Oregon City, third.

Paulus is honored guest



Norma Paulus
Norma Paulus, candidate for Superintendent of Public Instruction will be the featured guest at the Morrow County Republicans Annual Banquet and Auction, Mon., April 9.

The banquet will be held in the banquet room of the Dodge City Inn Restaurant in Boardman. There will be a no-host social hour from 6 to 7 p.m. Mrs. Paulus, as well as other local Republican candidates, will be at the social hour to meet with guests.

A fund-raising auction will be held during and after the banquet. The items to be auctioned range from a basketball jersey worn by Congressman Bob Smith in a basketball game when the Republicans opposed the Democrats, to items such as antique lanterns, a small antique wood stove from Humphreys (Murrays) Drug Store and many other antiques, buggy wheels and political memorabilia.

In prior years the event has raised money to support Republican candidates for Congress, the state legislature and for local office.

The public is invited to attend the \$15 a plate prime rib dinner. For further information contact Bob Jepsen, Heppner, 676-9850 or Ed Glenn, Boardman, 481-3151.

Donations asked for rummage sale

The Neighborhood Center is planning a rummage sale. Anyone wishing to donate clothing, household articles, furniture or other items may drop them at the center between 9 a.m. and noon, and 1 to 5 p.m. "We'll take anything," said Director Nadine O'Brien.

Free income tax assistance for senior citizens will be provided at the center through the American Association of Retired People. Call 676-5024 for appointments Mondays and Fridays until April 13.

Children's theater to be held in May

The Missoula Children's Theater will be holding a week-long residency in May in Heppner. Details of the residency and information on the workshops and other facets of their stay will be discussed at a public meeting at the Morrow County Museum on Tuesday, April 3, at 7 p.m.

All persons interested in learning more about the plans and having a hand in them are invited to attend.

Garden Club to meet

The regular meeting of the Heppner Garden Club will be Monday, April 2, at the St. Patrick's Senior Center. The potluck dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. Hostesses will be Debbie Scott and Irene Swanson.

Virginia Grogan, Milton-Freewater director of Blue Mountain District No. 10, will pay her annual visit to the Heppner Club.

Also on the program will be instructions on hanging baskets, their planting and upkeep. Plans will be discussed regarding observance of Arbor Day and Earth Day, as well as planting of a memorial tree. Earth Day is April 22 and Arbor Day nationally is April 27, but the State has named the first week in April as Arbor Week.

Interested gardeners are invited to attend.

Info center to point out Oregon Trail



Oregon Trail wagonmaster James Renner and Jean Nelson.

Have you visited the Boardman segment of the Oregon Trail in Morrow County? There are 12 miles of undisturbed ruts of the old Oregon Trail on the Bombing Range and Boeing land.

Jean Nelson, Oregon Trail chairwoman of the Morrow County Historical Society, has announced that an information center to tell about Well Springs and the Oregon Trail through Morrow County is under construction at Well Springs on Emigrant Road and will be dedicated later this spring. John Wood has been supervising the construction of the center, which is located on land donated by Charlie Doherty. Construction of the center was made possible by donations from the Port of Morrow, Morrow County Grain Growers, the Morrow County Court, the Road department, Lexington Machine Works and many individuals. The county and state are furnishing and placing road signs directing tourists to the area. As of March 22, 14 volunteers have spent over 100 hours working on the project. Volunteers include John Wood, Everett Keithley, Vern Keithley, Willard French, Tim Rankin, Ed Struthers, Charlie Doherty, Michael Klinger, Paul

Tews, Darrell Vinson, Lloyd McNary, Robin Baker, Bob Baker and Bridger Baker. Jean and Ruth McCabe have been bringing refreshments to the crew.

James M. Renner, Portland, wagonmaster from Oregon Historical Society, visited the new structure on March 21 and "expressed wonder at what the people of Morrow County have been able to accomplish without outside help," said Mrs. Nelson. Mr. Renner is the coordinator for Oregon Trail activities leading up to the sequentennial celebration of the Oregon Trail in 1993. Robin Baker, Oregon Trail contact person for the Oregon Historical Society, gave Mr. Renner a tour of the Well Springs site.

The East gate of the hiking trail is just off of Bombing Range Road on Boardman Farms. The most convenient access is at Well Springs on Emigrant road. Anyone wishing to walk the 7½ miles of marked trail must contact LT. Bill Morgan at the Naval Bombing Range, 481-2565, for permission. There is still a section of the Bombing Range that is used for practice bombing and the Navy does not want anyone straying off into that area.

Neighborhood center to stay open another year

After a \$1,000 contribution from Morrow County, and other donations, the Morrow County Neighborhood Council has announced that it will keep the Neighborhood Center open another year. "Things are being worked out," said council secretary Volean Forquer. "The support and concern of the community has really helped."

The center had been scheduled to close April 1 because of financial problems. The center provides food, clothing, and other emergency assistance for area low income people.

Controversy arose when a group from North Morrow County was formed to assist the needy in that area. That group will receive \$5,000 from the county for the coming fiscal year, and the south Morrow County group will receive \$8,000. Last

year the Neighborhood Center received \$10,000 from the county to provide services for all the county.

Board secretary Volean Forquer has announced that the Neighborhood Center is seeking two new board members, one from Ione and one from Lexington. Since the formation of the north county group, the board was left with several vacancies. Present board members are president Betty Tanner, Joyce Breeding, Grace Drake, Volean Forquer, Sharon Woodside, Barbara Struthers, Dennis Miller, treasurer-Mike Vejraska, Pat Brindle, the Rev. Gerry Eichison Verna Brinda, Jeannette Earlywine and the Rev. Stan Hoobing. The board may have five to 15 members, one third from the business sector, one third from the community and one third representing low income people.

Court seeks pennant bearers

The 1990 Morrow County Fair and Rodeo Court is looking for pennant bearers boys and girls.

Anyone interested should call Judy Davis, 676-9256, or leave a message on the answering machine.

Market Report

Compliments of the Morrow County Grain Growers

Tuesday, March 27	
Soft White	
March	\$3.76
April	\$3.78/\$3.80
May	\$3.81/\$3.82
June	\$3.79/\$3.75
July	\$3.73/\$3.71
Aug.	\$3.69
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March	\$105 T
April	\$106 T
July	\$104 T
Aug.	\$105 T
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Weather Report

by City of Heppner

March 20 - 26, 1990		
	High	Low
Tues.	63	34 .0
Weds.	64	41 .0
Thurs.	61	32 .20
Fri.	42	26 Tr
Sat.	49	24 .0
Sun.	52	30 .0
Mon.	57	31 .0

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Measures	Hep/Hard		Lexington		Ione		Boardman		Irrigon		Totals	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Morrow County Levy \$3,414,653 outside tax base	380	312	104	94	164	79	251	186	244	235	1143	906
Morrow County Health Care Levy \$423,683 outside tax base	500	197	126	72	183	61	215	223	205	275	1229	828
Nancy Brownfield BMCC Director Pos. # 1	590		166		217		296		282		1551	
Terry A. Goss BMCC Director #1	67		21		20		53		93		254	
Doug Harper BMCC Director #2	425		123		181		259		328		1316	
Charles S. Albro BMCC Director #7	95		30		40		77		99		341	
Phillip Houk BMCC Director #7	345		92		132		170		247		986	
Alan G. Holmes MCSD Director #1	223		82		89		239		206		839	
Thomas Meyers MCSD Director #	253		65		93		176		178		765	
Doug Trudeau MCSD Advisory #1							265		309		574	
Karen Pettirew MCSD Advisory #							195		247		442	
Dean Mason MCSD Advisory # 1							218		145		363	
Richard Wright MCSD Advisory #6					293		322		615			
Jim McElligott MCSD Advisory #3			123		154						277	
Ginger Perez MCSD Advisory #3			51		83						134	
Valerie Doherty MCSD Advisory #4			132		203						335	