

Letters to the Editor

Barbara Roberts shows leadership

To the Editor:

Every night thousands of Oregonians go to bed knowing that they are one financial crisis away from joining the ranks of America's homeless. These are the new "working poor," people who through no fault of their own are barely making ends meet. These are people who want the best for their families, who know what hard work is all about and who every day spend at least eight hours working at a job that just can't pay the bills. These people could be your neighbors who just lost their job due to automation at the local mill or because a business is just cutting back. These are families, and friends not just nameless, faceless people on the street. The next governor needs to make homelessness among the working poor one of the top priorities.

Only Barbara Roberts has shown the leadership needed to tackle these problems. Barbara Roberts has proposed an innovative program which would work like an IRA but this would be an Oregon individual Housing Account, where working people could save before tax dollars for their first home. This is a humane and sensible strategy which demonstrates the degree of understanding and commitment that Ms Roberts has for this problem.

If you want to make sure that the next governor is one who cares deeply about all Oregonians, especially those who face the horror of homelessness every night, then cast your ballot for Barbara Roberts, Oregon's next great governor.

(s) Rosemarie Atfield
Pendleton

Join a bitter fight to save a child's life

To the Editor:

The facts are simple. Almost a million U.S. children ingest a toxic substance every year. Tens of thousands end up in the hospital; dozens die.

Many household, garden and auto products are toxic. In 1987, 3104 kids drank toxic household cleaners; 173 cases were life threatening; 14 kids died.

Current protective measures aren't enough. Mr. Yuk stickers don't frighten kids raised on ghostbusting/ninja turtles. Child resistant caps are only required to keep 80 percent of the test age children out of a container for two minutes. Give a child enough time and the caps offer only minimal protection.

Clearly, current preventative measures can't do the job alone. We need to poison proof the poisons as well as their containers.

Safe bittering agents (such as denatonium benzoate) can make toxic products taste too bitter to swallow. For 1/2 cent per quart, our children can get the same protection given kids in Britain, Germany, Japan, Australia, etc.

The Poison Proof project's "bitter fight" has been endorsed by the

AMA, National Safety Council, American Assoc. of Poison Control Centers, Consumer's Union (publishers of Consumer Reports), etc. We have appeared in/on NY Times, Parents Magazine, Ladies Home Journal, Woman's Day, Today Show, Home Show, CNN, FNN, etc.

But we need to show support for bittering agents in Oregon if our fight is to continue. Please help us make the world a safer place for our children. Send us a postcard that states "I endorse the use of bittering agents in toxic household, garden and automotive products" and include your name and address. Our address is PPP, 4384 SE Ermine, Albany, OR 97321.

It will cost you a minute of time but it can help us save a child's life.

A note to the editor: In case you were wondering, we are a registered non-profit consumer groups. None of our five members has ties to a company that makes, sells or profits from bittering agents.

Sincerely,

(s) Lynn Tylczak

Director Poison Proof Project
4384 SE Ermine
Albany, OR 97321

Place X by Frohnmayer

To the Editor:

I had the opportunity to attend the gubernatorial debate held in Pendleton, Oregon on October 4, 1990.

I feel that Eastern Oregon, if it is to survive as we know it today, and retain its agriculture and timber economic base, must be guaranteed that Salem will give us the facts and they must be soundly and fiscally based in the following four years.

Two things were raised at the debate that has solidified my decision about who I will vote for in the governor's race.

Ms. Roberts made a grave error when her office failed to put on the election ballot, what the economic impacts of the Ballot Measures would be to the taxpayers of this state if they were to pass. If ballot measure #5 were to pass, one of the many consequences would be that the farmer would lose his farm deferral. At a time when wheat has hit its lowest price in years, orchardists are trying to come back from two bad years and the price of farming has sky rocketed, the loss of farm deferral would be devastating.

We would also lose somewhere around eighty percent of the timber tax that supports many smaller school districts in Eastern Oregon, the set aside of three million acres of timberlands has already devastated many rural timber communities without losing a major portion of federal tax money from the timberland.

Because of these inconsistencies, on November 6th, when I step into the ballot box and pick my choice for the person who will be the next governor for the state of Oregon, I am going to place my X in the box next to Dave Frohnmayer's name.

(s) James M. Burns
Milton-Freewater

The other thing that she said that makes me worry about her ability to be the governor of the state of Oregon, was what she said about the Regional Strategies Program and how it has worked in Umatilla County. She stated that she was satisfied with the Regional Strategies Program and would not change it. She then told us how we in Umatilla County were so fortunate to have received Regional Strategies money to help purchase the Armory Building and remodel it into a convention center that is located in Pendleton. Umatilla and Morrow Counties went together for their regional strategies. The strategy they picked was value added for agricultural products grown in the area and the lion's share of the monies went to construct a food processing plant on the border between the two counties west of Hermiston. The convention center was not acceptable to the governor's committee that okayed the regional strategies picked by the different counties.

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French company shares Heppner's name

(Editor's note: Heppner's Mayor Cara Costa received this letter from Groupe Heppner, France.)

To the Mayor of Heppner, You will certainly wonder why you receive today a letter from France. A quick glance at the heading of the letter will provide you with the right information: the name of your city is the same as our company's.

Let us explain you what happened a few months ago: we were busy at looking for a city of Oregon in a map, when we suddenly came across the name Heppner. You can easily imagine how much surprised we all were.

Eversince we have spent much time talking about the Overseas City, we then decided that we had to do something. We hope this letter is

the first step in a friendly relationship between your city and our firm. We would be delighted to meet you whenever possible.

We do hope we will be hearing from you very soon.

Yours faithfully,

(s) Frederic Colas
Heppner International Forwarder
On behalf of Pascal Wurster
France

Marriage Licenses

The Clerk's office at the courthouse in Heppner reports issuing the following marriage licenses during the past week:

October 5: William Jay Devin, 29, Lexington; and
Angela Reane Jackson, 28, Lexington.

Submits Oregon Trail anniversary plates

To the Editor:

On September 6, 1989, I circulated a petition and vehicle license plate in Heppner, asking that the Oregon Transportation Commission adopt the plate or a similar color and design by 1993 to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Oregon Trail. On October 17, 1989 in Salem the commission chairman returned the petition sheets that I had turned over to the commission to me, indicating that the Legislature would have to take the lead. I now plan to submit the signed petition sheets to the State Legislature.

To the 55 people in Heppner who signed my petition or anyone else,

please contact or write to your state legislator sometime before the 1991 legislative session, asking that he or she support the necessary legislation. If you prefer, you may submit to your legislator my proposal and license plate design along with any comments that you deem appropriate. To obtain a copy, please write to me at 1210 Bowron Road, Lakeside, Oregon 97449 or call 759-4160 after 2 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

Very truly yours,

(s) Bill Perl
1210 Bowron Road
Lakeside, OR 97449

Justice Court Report

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

Curtis Gene Cutsforth, 34, Lexington-Violation of the Basic Rule, 51 mph in a 35 mph zone, \$37 fine;

Rick Dean Britt, 29, Heppner-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 69 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$37 fine;

Robert Steven Baker, 41, Stanfield-No Mud Flaps, \$20 fine; William Eugene King, 42, Brightwood-Aiding in a Game Violation, \$41 bail forfeited;

Sheri Lyn Gregory, 22, Umatilla-Exceeding the Maximum Speed, 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$38 bail forfeited;

Patricia Louise Papineau, 53, Lexington-Exceeding the Maximum Speed, 80 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$122.00 fine;

Jesse Darris Hughes, 64, Safford, Arizona-Unsealed Waste Disposal System, \$35 bail forfeited;

Chris Davis Anderson, 27, Milwaukie-Criminal Negligence, Waste of Big Game Animal to wit-Spike Elk \$1,340 fine 30 days jail, \$250 fine and 30 days jail suspended with two years probation and no further violation of game laws; Taking Elk Closed Season, \$351 fine.

Mark Allen Sosnovske, 26, Oregon City-Exceeding the Maximum Speed, 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$38 bail forfeited;

Spring Louise Fields, 18, Stanfield-Exceeding the Maximum Speed, 73 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$47 fine;

Larry John Cecil, 18, Heppner-Exceeding the Maximum Speed, 68 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$59 fine; Harvey Ray Childers, 32, Ione-Exceeding the Maximum Speed, 73 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$37 fine;

Richard Lee Ryan, 49, Tillamook-Hunting Prohibited Area (from public road), \$53 fine;

Lois Velma Winchester, 81, Heppner-Vehicle Registration Expired, \$16 fine;

Diana Rue Britt, 51, Spray-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 68 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$37 fine;

Troy Allen Hyatt, 21, Heppner-Exceeding the Maximum Speed, 75 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$75 bail forfeited;

George Junior Norris, 46, Tillamook-Hunting Prohibited Area from a public road, \$43 fine;

William Douglas Tews, 32, Ione-Exceeding Truck Speed, 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$75 bail forfeited;

Jerry Michael Healy, 40, Heppner-Casting an Artificial Light on a Game Mammal While in

Possession of a Weapon Capable of Killing Same, \$85 fine;

Brian Keith Kollman, 19, Heppner-Exceeding the Maximum Speed, 65 mph in a 55 zone, \$48 bail forfeited;

John Wesley Hall, 23, Pendleton-Exceeding the Maximum Speed, 70 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$75 bail forfeited;

Scott Louis Sullivan, 19, Hermiston-Defective Equipment (high beam indicator), \$9 fine;

Ronald Albion Schwarz, 29, Heppner-Exceeding the Maximum Speed, 68 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$37 fine;

Adam Joe Perez, 32, Ione-Exceeding the Maximum Speed, 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$33 fine;

Donald G. Christian, 33, Hermiston-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 73 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$37 fine;

Debra Jo Greene, 27, Echo-Failure to Properly Validate Deer Tag, \$43 fine;

Earlynn Alva Garrett, 40, Ione-Exceeding the Maximum Speed, 70 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$37 fine;

Charles Douglas Tyler, 53, Hermiston-Violation of Road Closure-driver, \$58 fine;

Mark Douglas Tyler, 29, Stanfield-Violation of Road Closure-passenger, \$58 fine;

Hugh Hiatt, Heppner-Disorderly Conduct, \$301 fine, 30 days in jail (\$100 fine and 30 days in jail suspended) with one year probation and no further violation of law excluding minor traffic;

Jesse Jeffreys, Heppner-Disorderly Conduct, \$296 fine, 30 days in jail (\$100 fine and 30 days in jail suspended) with one-year probation and no further violation of the law excluding minor traffic;

Kristi Rea, Heppner-Maintaining a Dog as a Nuisance, \$63 fine suspended on the condition that the dog is to be given away or disposed of and is not allowed within Heppner city limits.

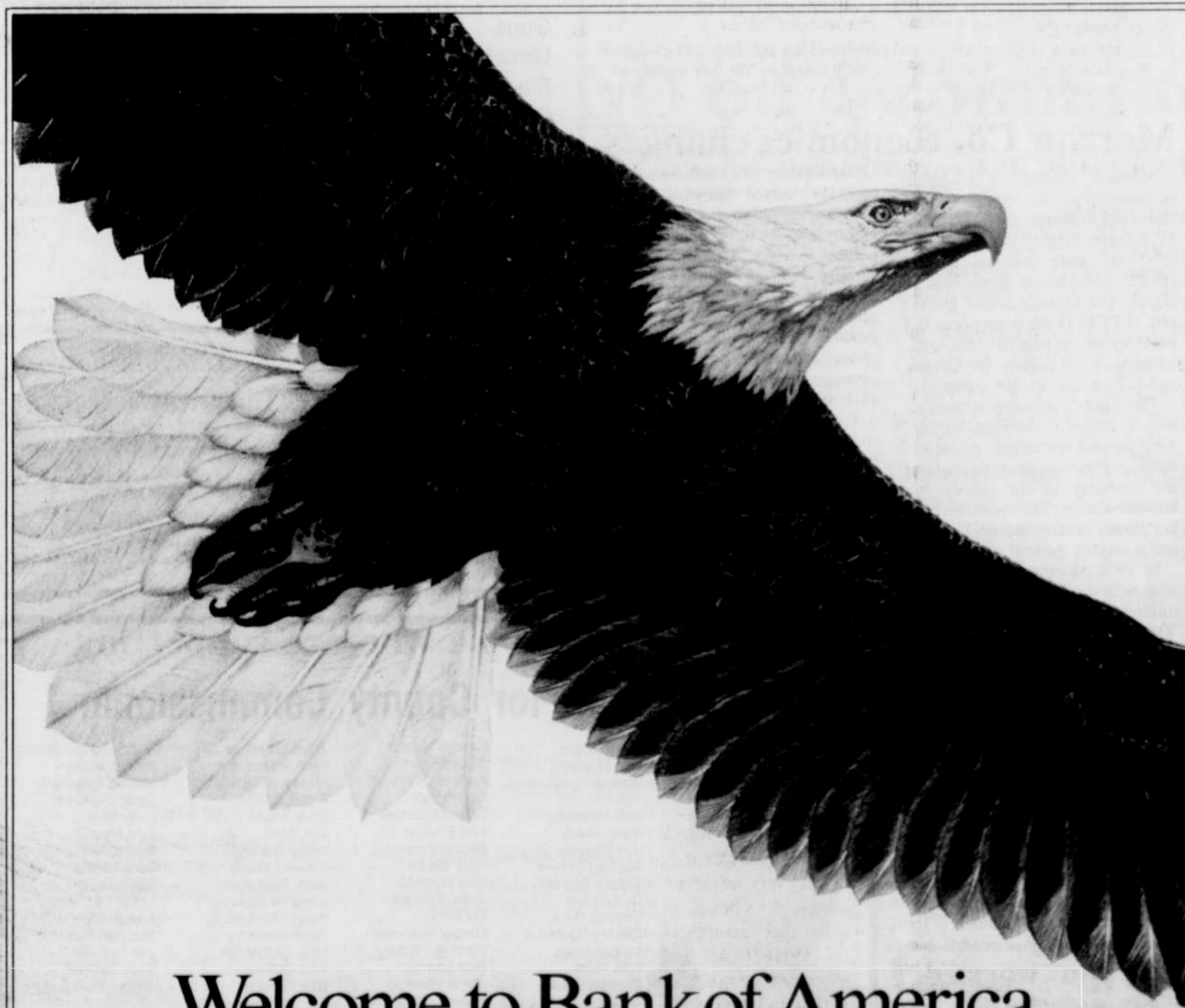
Births

Julianne Marie Riehl-a daughter Julianne Marie was born to Bob and Cindy Riehl, Spokane, WA., on Oct. 4, 1990 at Fairchild Air Force Base Hospital at Spokane. The baby weighed 8 lbs. 12 1/2 ozs.

Grandparents are Tom and Helen Riehl, Heppner and Rip and Sheryl Palmer, Montgomery, Alabama.

Dylan Jacob Olsen-a son Dylan Jacob was born to Jennifer Mae Olsen of Irrigon on Oct. 1, 1990 at Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston. The baby weighed 6 lbs. 15 ozs.

Stormi Rae Cave-a daughter Stormi Rae was born to Donald and Laura Hopkins of Irrigon on Oct. 6, 1990 at Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston. The baby weighed 7 lbs. 10 1/2 ozs.



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